



**A PLACE FOR EVERYONE**



**ZION LUTHERAN  
CHURCH**

April 28, 2024

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**Hospital Visitation:**

If you have been hospitalized, the only way to be certain that the Pastor knows is for a family member or friend to notify the office. Thank you for your assistance.

Herald articles due by noon,  
Wednesday



**Welcome to Zion!**

**What a wonderful day to serve our Lord!**

We are so thankful for all in attendance today. If you are members just coming home for a visit or visitors looking for a church home, we welcome you and hope you will enjoy being a part of our church family today! Visitor attendance form and welcome packets are available at the greeters' stations.

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS 5/5/2024

1st Reading: Acts 10:44-48

Psalm 98

2nd Reading: 1 John 5:1-6

Gospel: John 15:9-17



**Altar Flowers/Donations:** The altar flowers/donation are presented to the Glory of God and in honor of my parents, Coletta and Jim Brown and daughter Hannah and Travis Haramis on their wedding anniversaries, by Rick and Coletta Railing.

**Big Spring Area Food Bank:** Zion's designated offering is Jell-O and Pudding. The next Food Distribution at Big Spring United Lutheran Church, located at corner of Carlisle and Crossroads School Road, will be held on **Monday April 29th from 9-11 am.** Volunteers: Sunday at 4:00 pm to assist with set up and Monday at 8:30 am to help with the distribution. **THEY NO LONGER NEED BROWN BAGS.**



The Noisy Offering for April is for the family of Larsen Jones. In February 2024 Larsen was involved in a serious one car accident on Mountain Road in Upper Mifflin. Larsen is 18 years old and a senior at Big Spring High School. He spent many days in ICU at Holy Spirit Hospital before being recently moved to Hershey Rehab. The family is currently taking it one day at a time as they negotiate the long bumpy road to recovery. Please keep Larsen in your prayers.



I lay my joys and cares before you, Holy Spirit, that you might prepare my heart for worship.



Jesus said, "My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples" (John 15:8, NRSV). Part of discipleship is worship, which strengthens us to bear the fruit of love. Welcome.



During the summer months of June, July and August; you have the opportunity to select the three hymns we will sing on Sunday. A signup sheet for each month along with the green and blue hymnals are on the table in the entrance area. Pick a Sunday and select three hymns using the green and blue hymnals to help with your selections. You can select any hymn from either of these two hymnals.

**4 DATES OPEN—PICK A DATE  
ADD YOUR FAVORITE 3 HYMNS**

July 21st and July 28th  
August 18th and August 25th



**Chicken BBQ Fundraiser**

**Newville Community Park  
May 4th from 10 am—2 pm**

**Chicken Meal—\$12**

Meal includes: Chicken 1/2, Baked Beans, Apple Sauce, and Roll

**\*Other Food For Sale at Convenience Stand\***

**SUPPORTS CHILDREN'S SUMMER PROGRAMING AT THE PARK!**

Summer Recreation Program Fund-Raiser  
**May 4, 2024**

In order to ensure our children and youth have a summer recreation, the Recreation Committee of the Newville Borough is hosting a chicken Bar-B-Que on Saturday, May 4, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Newville Community Park. Tickets may be purchased at the Borough Office or on the day of the event. Please support this important activity which will in turn support our young people this summer.



## **SERVICE OF HEALING**

**Today, April 28th,  
we will have a Service of Healing.**

The order for healing is an expression in worship of the church's ministry of healing. Here all who sense the need for God's healing in any aspect of their lives may join in prayer for others and themselves. Each person may come to receive a word of blessing and prayer, may also receive a physical gesture of healing: the laying on of hands, which may be accompanied by anointing with oil. These signs, first given in baptism, tell us again that we are sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked forever with the cross of Christ, who is health and salvation for the whole world.

In its ministry of healing, the church does not replace the gifts of God that come through the scientific community nor does it promise a cure. Rather, the church offers and celebrates gifts such as these. God's presence with strength and comfort in time of suffering. God's promise of wholeness and peace, and God's love embodied in the community of faith.

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## **Classes for All Ages**

Youth Sunday School "Faith Formation" classes for ages 4-12. There will be a bible lesson, time for games or crafts, time for snack and refreshments, as well as time for prayer.

Adult Sunday School "Solid Foundations" is a weekly gathering where various resources are used for faith-based learning and discussions are shared.

Both classes will start at 9 am until 9:30 am every Sunday unless otherwise announced beforehand. Refreshments and fellowship at 9:30 for all! Worship will follow at 10 AM.



# **FOUR DIAMONDS CONCERT**

**Sunday, April 28, 2024**

**Zion Lutheran Church**

51 W Main Street  
Newville, PA

**4 p.m.**

**\* Church is Handicapped Accessible \***

**Come and Enjoy**  
**♪ Uplifting Songs ♪**



**Presented by**  
**Local Vocalists and Musicians**

**Dan Dorty**  
**Tim Barrick**  
**Jubilation**

**Frances Drost**  
**Chip Messenger**  
**Community Choirs**



**A free-will offering  
will be received,  
and all proceeds  
will be given to**

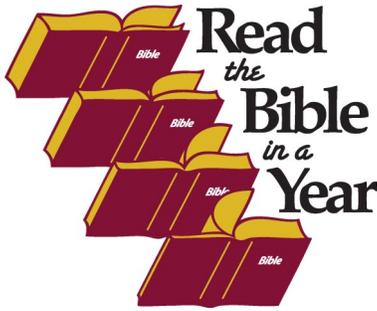


**FOUR  DIAMONDS**  
— Conquering Childhood Cancer —



A light dinner reception will follow downstairs in Ingram Hall. Join us for food and fellowship.





**Read the bible in a year. Sound hard? ?  
Yup, but not impossible.**

Most people who try to read the bible in a year start off good and then life hits, you hit a busy time, go on an active vacation, or you get to the laws, rituals, sacrifices, and all the details about building the temple, blaaaahh!!! I have read the bible daily for years, it has been a few years since I stuck to a plan. When I was on a plan, and I got to the laws etc. etc. I skimmed! Those were the days I did not read everything, those were easy days, but I still picked the bible up.

We will be joining Pastor Karl Vaters in this journey. He has a weekly podcast and other resources. I have posted the link below. He has a recording that introduces the schedule and there is one recording for each week. If you do not want to use the electronic resource, please let me know and I can email or print out a transcript of what he says each week. The reading plan will be available by email or ask me and I will print you a copy

<https://karlvaters.com/bible-reading-coach-podcast/>

The key is to commit to at least picking up your bible once a day! Maybe find a partner and encourage one another. Even if all you do is read a few verses a day you are probably way farther ahead than you have been in the past. If you miss a day or two or three... don't give up, don't worry about trying to read a whole bunch to catch up, just start where that day is. In Karl's plan he even gives us Sunday off!

It is up to you how much time you are willing and able to commit but studies show that if you read your bible at least 4 days a week the spiritual growth is measurable for most people. So even if you miss a few days, you are still growing, you are being transformed! I promise you, if you put in the time, you will be rewarded!

I suggest getting a Study Bible, one that has notes and helps, that explain what you are reading to an extent (none of them explain every verse) We use the NRSV version here. Other easy ones to read are NLT, ESV, NIV and the Message Bible by Eugene Patterson is very helpful. I invite you to join me.

### **Monday—Saturday Schedule**

**WEEK 18: 2 Kings 18-25 & 1 Chronicles 1-12**

*From Hezekiah to the Death of Saul*

M: 2 Kings 18-20

T: 2 Kings 21-23

W: 2 Kings 24-25 and 1 Chronicles 1-2

T: 1 Chronicles 3-5

F: 1 Chronicles 6-9

S: 1 Chronicles 10-12



## **MAY 2024**

### **Assisting Ministers**

05: Rick Railing  
12: Diane Covalt-Wiser  
19:  
26: Diane Covalt-Wiser

### **Readers**

05: Coletta Railing  
12: Diane Covalt-Wiser  
19: Delaney Miller  
26: Ken Wagner

### **Altar Guild & Bread**

Linda Wiser

### **Communion Assistants:**

Carl & Nancy Creek and Mackenzie Neal

### **Sunday School Teachers**

05: Coletta Railing  
12: Linda Wiser  
19: Joey Diehl  
26: Doug & Steph Nelson

### **Offering Counters:**

Calvin & Ginny Mowery

### **Today's Worship Assistants \*\*\*4/28/2024\*\*\***

**Assisting Minister:** Fred Baker

**Lay Reader:** Love Baker

**Altar Guild & Bread:** Mary Wilhelm

**Communion Assistants:** Joey Diehl

**Sunday School Teacher:** Evelyn Valbrun

**Offering Counters:** Love Baker and Sondra Lehman

## **Schedule of Church Activities**

### **Sunday, April 28 May 5, 12, 19, 26**

- 9:00 a.m. Faith Formation classes—Ingram Hall
- 9:30 a.m. Snack and fellowship—Ingram Hall
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion

### **Thursday, May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**

- 7:00 p.m. Bible Study, Classroom 2

### **Sun. 4/28/2024**

- 4:00 p.m. Four Diamonds Concert at Zion

### **Mon. 5/06/2024**

- 1:00 p.m. Worship & Music Committee Meeting

### **Sat. 5/11/2024**

- 9:00 a.m. Neighbors In Christ greeter Mary Wilhelm

### **Mon. 5/13/2024**

- 6:30 p.m. Zion Council Meeting

### **Tues. 5/14/2024**

- 10:00 a.m. W/ELCA Meeting, Classroom 2

### **Tues. 5/21/2024**

- 11:00 a.m. Joint Care & Share meeting at Zion

**ZION BLOOD DONOR NO. – 0985**

**Please use this number and the name of the church when giving or receiving blood.  
AED equipment on entry level beside Men's room door.**