



A PLACE FOR EVERYONE



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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 1/8/2023

1st Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9 Psalm 29
2nd Reading: Acts 10:34-43 Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

Noisy Offering: The Noisy Offering for January is for Neighbors in Christ (NIC). Neighbors in Christ helps Newville area residents who are facing a financial crisis. NIC has provided assistance to 152 people and has disbursed over \$60 thousand this year to help those in need.

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 January 30th 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.**

Volunteer Opportunity

Helping with **altar guild** is a fulfilling way to honor God in a sacred space. Serving on the altar guild is a small commitment each Sunday. It does include providing bread. This is what this worthwhile job includes:

- Before the service:** Prepare the elements for communion
- After the service:** Clean up

Taking care of this simple job in the church is worthwhile, doesn't take much time, and is important. HINT: It goes even faster if two people sign up together.

See Debbie Sweger for more details. Signup sheet on the bulletin board.



FYI, beginning in January the Prayers of Intercession will not be printed in the bulletin. I have a few reasons for this. I am inviting everyone close their eyes and listen, to breathe in the prayers of the Church.

Also, the Prayers we use have been written by people we do not know, long before the weeks in which we use them, not that this makes them wrong, but they are not current or for our context. What I prefer to do is use them as a basis for the Prayers for the Church and I edit them to fit what is going on in the church, in the community, and in the world for each given week.

If anyone would like a copy of the Prayers, please let me know before Saturday or after the service and I will print extras for you. My hope is this will move us all closer to what the Holy Spirit is doing in the Church and in our lives.

Peace be with you,
Pastor Mike

Preparation for worship. O Lord, let my New Year's resolution be to follow you more closely and to trust in your loving guidance.

Words of welcome. Welcome! We begin worship and this new year as we always live: in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Bible Study

We will be starting weekly Bible Study in January 2023! It will be on Wednesday at Centerville Lutheran in the activity building at 9 am starting January 4th. We will be at Zion Lutheran in Ingram Hall at 7 pm starting January 5th. We will have a Zoom option available at Zion. I will send out the Zoom information the week before via email. If you would like to Zoom in, please make sure I have your email address.

We will start by looking at how to study a text using a study bible, so if you have one, please bring it along. If you would like to purchase one, please let me know and I can help with that. If you just want to use whatever bible you prefer that is OK as well.



**How to study a text
using a Study Bible**

Adam Martin Family. Many of you know of Sunday's buggy accident involving the Adam Martin Family, owners of Newville Produce on Green Spring Rd. A fund has been set up at F & M Bank in Newville to help with the family hospital bills. You can donate to this fund by designating the amount of your offering for the "Adam Martin Fund" on your offering envelope or check.

Deadline for donations is 1/8/2023.



JANUARY 2023

Assisting Ministers

01: Joey Diehl

08:

15:

22:

29: Joey Diehl

Readers

01: Lessons & Carols

08: Carolyn Kough

15: Delaney Miller

22: Debbie Sweger

29: Carl Creek

January 2023 Altar Guild & Bread Provider:

01:

08:

15:

22:

29:

January 2023 Communion Assistants:

Sunday School Teachers:

Sunday School bag of home lessons/activities will be distributed to families.

Offering Counters:

Calvin & Ginny Mowery

Schedule of Church Activities

Sunday, January 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

10:00 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion

11:15 a.m. He-brews Café—Ingram Hall

Sun. 1/1/2023

10:00 a.m. Lessons and Carols at Zion

Mon. 1/2/2023

10:00 a.m. Zion Prayer Shawl Ministry at Deb Rife's home

Sun. 1/8/2023

Noisy Offering Collection

Mon. 1/9/2023

6:30 p.m. Council Meeting

Tues. 1/10/2023

10:00 a.m. W/ELCA Meeting, Ingram Hall

Sat. 1/14/2023

9:00 a.m. Neighbors In Christ greeter Joey Diehl

Mon. 1/16/2023

10:00 a.m. Zion Prayer Shawl Ministry at Deb Rife's home

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.