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Please submit items by the **15th** of the month.

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From The Vicar:

"In many and various ways God spoke of old to our fathers by the prophets; but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son."

- Hebrews 1:1-2

The Bible is the book of life; it's the book to live by. The Bible has never been held in higher esteem than at the present time, has never been available in so many different languages as now, and has never sold in such quantities as it has this past year. Yet, many people who sing its praise and say it's the world's most important book, read it very little, if at all. "The Bible can stand question, criticism, opposition, everything but neglect." (Harris Franklin Rall).

For the Bible to become the book to live by, it must be read. To be read, it must be understood. To be understood, we must see it not as a file of books, but as a line of men and women to whom the living God spoke and for whom God was a reality. As the living God, he has been forever speaking to humankind, anxious to reveal himself to humankind, that his creature might enjoy life to the full, even here and now. The living God who spoke of old to the prophets has spoken through his Son and has even yet another word to speak to those who have ears attuned to hear, not a different word, but a clearer insight into what God has been forever desirous of his children knowing. One way to let the living God speak to us today is by exposing ourselves to his voice as we read the Old Testament in the light of the New Testament and in the light of the spirit and teachings of Jesus.

For the Bible to become the book to live by, we should read the Bible for pleasure, inspiration, and power for noble living. The Bible brings God to people and people to God. It brings us face to face with himself, with what we are, and what we can become by the help of God. It searches our consciences. We find ourselves and what God dreams we shall be, so that we are dissatisfied with our achievements and feel impelled to move on "until we grow up into the likeness of Christ." We find here all we have willed or hoped or dreamed of good.

For the Bible to become the book to live by, the central Figure must become our Master and Friend. We need not read with idle curiosity, nor for argument, nor to have a religious glow, as though there is some virtue merely to be found in reading a sacred book. We should read for life in order that God may become a reality to us, that Christ's spirit shall come to

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dwell within us, and that we may be empowered to meet all of life's difficulties with God's help and thereby may be victorious, even in the midst of problems.

Of old, God spoke through the prophets; to us, he speaks supremely by his Son. Amen.

A Message From Our Council President

Volunteers! We need volunteers! This month, God is telling me to share a message about volunteering at your church. Everyone has busy lives. Are you too busy to serve God? Is an hour or two each month too much to ask?

Six Benefits of Volunteering at Your Church

Have you been considering signing up as a volunteer at your church? We are here to tell you that you should do it! With countless physical, mental, and spiritual benefits shown from volunteering your time, it's hard to think of a reason not to.

But people often do. Whether people say their lives are too busy or admit that they are scared of the challenge, unfortunately, there are nowhere near as many church volunteers as are needed. There's a reason why churches are always looking for more.

Most people volunteer at least once in their lives, as the benefits are absolutely endless. Helping your local church while building your resume and strengthening your relationship with God, too? It really is a no-brainer!

Still not sold? Read on to learn more about the top benefits of volunteering at church.

Get Closer to God

The number one reason that most people volunteer in a church setting is to strengthen their relationship with God.

Spending increased amounts of time in the church enhances our ability to do our duty — God's work. We have all been called on by the Lord to serve and spread the Word of Christ, so volunteering represents the crux of Christian devotion.

Whether you're serving in children's ministry jobs or event planning, your time spent volunteering for your local church will have a huge impact. The church relies on the hard work of volunteers, so do your part to create a brighter future for your children, and their children too.

Help Your Community

As a lifeline for many community members, a smoothly running

church is essential for all. Church ministry jobs can range hugely in expertise, but there is certainly a way that you can help facilitate a fully functioning church community that supports the elderly and needy while educating and rearing the next generations.

Your kids who don't yet work officially could lend a hand for church work on Sundays and get a strong sense of work ethic from a young age. Or, despite how busy your schedule may feel (we all live busy lives), why not dedicate a few hours a week yourself? We can all spare a few hours for God.

Increase Self Confidence

On top of helping your community immensely, working in volunteer positions can help to increase self-confidence too. By doing good for the world and spending your time fulfilling the real needs of the people around you, you will discover a sense of accomplishment like never before. Know that your actions are helping the people around you, and feel good about it!

Find pride in the life you're living, build character, and develop a strong sense of identity through your role as a volunteer. Plus, the better you feel about the person you are, the more likely you are to be successful and achieve your personal life goals. The benefits of volunteering aren't limited to within the church.

Build Your Skillset

Pushing yourself out of your comfort zone in a volunteer position will inevitably help you acquire new skills too. Whether it's gaining in-depth knowledge about children's ministry curriculum or useful organization strategies needed to plan a good fundraiser event, the benefits of volunteering are huge.

Plus, you can certainly add your newfound areas of expertise to your resume, putting you at a level above the rest for any future jobs you may apply for. Employers love to know that they are getting a dedicated addition to their business who knows how to work as part of a team.

Get a Sense of Purpose

There is a reason why volunteering is recommended to people who are losing their way in life. Whether you are struggling with depression or simply can't find the path you're looking for, the consistency and community that come with volunteering can be incredibly helpful to those who aren't in the best place.

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Local Shared Outreach Update

Our March focus collection items were Paper Products:

Toilet Paper - 94 rolls Paper Towels - 31 rolls

Tissues - 13 boxes Napkins - 9 pkgs Paper Plates - 4 pkgs

Additionally, 3 cans of soup were received for a monthly total of **154** items.

Our focus items for the month of May are:

Personal Care/Hygiene Products such as:

Shampoo, Conditioner Toothbrushes, Toothpaste Body Wash, Bar Soap Deodorant, etc.





Jingle Project

The total Jingle Project monies collected for **Blessed Beginnings**, **Hamburg**, during the January/February/March quarter is **\$605.30**.

We continue with **Berks Encore's Meals on Wheels Program** as our **April/May/June** Jingle Project recipient.

Upcoming Spring Labor of Love Day Saturday, May 13, 9 AM to Noon



Could you use a helping hand with some small tasks indoors and/or outdoors at your home?



Some examples are:



Putting out patio furniture - Changing light bulbs - Installing window A/C units - Putting away seasonal items such as snow shovels - Installing screens and awnings - Moving furniture or appliances - Changing smoke detector batteries

Please contact Project Director Bill Frear - cell # 610-781-5860 or his email billfrear@gmail.com - to get on our workday schedule.

If you can help, be at Mt. Zion at 8:30 AM on May 13, and let Bill know you will be coming!

Fundraising Committee!

R&K Sub Sandwich Pickup Reminder!

Remember to pick up your sandwiches on Thursday, May 4, between the hours of 3 & 5 PM, from the basement entrance.

Thank you for your support!

Save Those Shoe Boxes!

If you buy a new pair of shoes save the box for our committee, we can use it for our future soup sales!



Redner's Save a Tape Program

Bring your register receipts from any Redner's Grocery Store. You will need to have a Redner's Loyalty shopping card for the receipt to qualify. We will receive a 1% cash back for the total of your receipt. Put your receipts in the container on

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the table below the bulletin board. We ask that you please place **ONLY** Redner's receipts in the container and that you do so in a timely manner, or Redner's may not accept them.

Thank you! Watch for an update soon!



...to the following who made this year's Easter Day at Mt. Zion very special!

- The men of Mt. Zion who prepared and served Easter Breakfast between the worship services.
- Greg Schappell & Daniel Batz for heading up and coordinating the breakfast.
- Everyone who sponsored flowers to beautify our Sanctuary on Easter morning.
- Bonnie Kistler for again coordinating and running the Annual Easter Egg hunt with her family.
- Everyone who donated hard-boiled eggs.
- Everyone who made monetary donations towards the hunt.
- Everyone who donated prizes for the hunt.
- The Youth Group for coloring the eggs.
- Everyone who helped that day to hide the eggs.

Having a sense of purpose in your life at a time when you truly need it can help you stay on track. The mental health benefits of volunteering are powerful. Keeping you in regular contact with a support system while showing you that you are a valued and loved member of the community, volunteering can help relieve depression for some.

Keep Physically Fit

The world of volunteering in the church environment can be hugely varied and exciting. This makes it an ideal way for those who are struggling with their weight or fitness goals to spend their free time. You could be running a class for young kids or refereeing a friendly soccer game – what a fun way to stay active!

This point is especially relevant for older volunteers, who may lack the motivation to stay mobile every day. Signing up to volunteer with the people of your community could do incredible things for your everyday health, keeping you on your feet well into your old age.

Are you ready to take the plunge and better your community while working on yourself? Why not reach out to your local church and see if they have any volunteer openings available and ask how you can get involved to help the people around you. Start slowly if you need to, but know that every minute spent helping is a minute spent with God.

- https://www.playlister.app/blog/six-benefits-of-volunteering-at-your-church

We have plenty of events that need your help. Can we count on you? Which one of the 6 reasons above will encourage you to volunteer?

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Matthew 9:37 - Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few."



Yours in faith, Missy Keller Council President

Social Ministry Committee

Windy Hill Community Garden Update

On April 19 we held our planning meeting for this year's garden. Watch for Sunday announcements regarding upcoming planting information and how you can help!

Sewing Group

The following participated in our fall/winter/spring sewing sessions:

Sharon Billger **Shirley Burkhart** Janice Clemmer

> Jean Gaston Carol Shoemaker

We worked on our stuffed animal project and have 72 completed bears and cats. We are now taking a break over the summer months



and will resume our sessions in the fall when we will be making fleece blankets. If you would be willing to submit a Thrivent Action Team request to purchase the supplies, please contact Committee Chair Janice Clemmer at 610-683-7901.

Upcoming Community Event!

Tuesday, May 2, 2023 - Theology with a Twist

Theology

Kutztown Tavern - 7 PM

"Golden Years?"

What the Old Testament and Contemporary Society say about the value of Senior Adults

Our speaker this month is Rev. Dr. Deborah Appler, Director, Master of Arts in Chaplaincy and Professor of Old Testament/Hebrew Bible at Moravian Theological Seminary. She holds a PhD from Vanderbilt University, MDiv from Perkins School of Theology, BA from Western Maryland College, and is ordained in the United Methodist Church. Join us as she leads a presentation and discussion about the reverence and challenges of aging in the Old Testament, the modern politics of aging, struggles with elder care, and the joyous possibilities of our older years.

We gather in the upper room. This event is free but food and drink can be purchased in the restaurant downstairs and brought up to our event space. All are welcome!

Food for thought as gardening season begins:

The Garden

For the Garden of Your Daily Living -

Plant three rows of Peas:

- 1. Peace of mind
- 2. Peace of heart
- 3. Peace of soul



Plant four rows of Squash:

- 1. Squash gossip
- 2. Squash indifference
- 3. Squash grumbling
- 4. Squash selfishness



- 1 Lettuce be faithful
- 2. Lettuce be kind
- 3. Lettuce be patient
- 4. Lettuce really love one another



- 1. Turnip for meetings
- 2. Turnip for service
- 3. Turnip to help one another



To Conclude our Garden we must have Thyme:

- 1. Thyme for each other
- 2. Thyme for family
- 3. Thyme for friends



Water freely with patience and cultivate with love. There is much fruit in your garden because you reap what you sow. - Author unknown

- Submitted by Shirley Burkhart

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 6:30 PM Cub Scouts Den Mtg 7 PM Praise Band	3 7 PM 100 th Anniversary Mtg 7-8:30 PM Boy Scouts	A National Day of Prayer	5	6
7 9 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship & Holy Communion	8	9 5 PM Cub Scouts Den Mtg 7 PM Praise Band	7 PM 100 th Anniversary Mtg 7-8:30 PM Boy Scouts	7 PM Church Council 7 PM LSO Meeting	12	13 9 AM – 12 Noon LSO Spring Labor of Love Day
14 9 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship & Holy Communion Mother's Day	15 6:30 PM Property 7 PM Fundraising	16 6:30 PM Cub Scouts Den Mtg 7 PM Praise Band	17 7-8:30 PM Boy Scouts	18 Ascension of Our Lord 5:30/6 PM Scout Pack Mtg	19	20 12 Noon – 10 PM Relay for Life at Wm Delong Memorial Park Bowers
21 9 AM Sunday School - Last day until Fall 10:15 AM Worship & Holy Communion Ascension Sunday Building Centennial Celebration & Luncheon Praise Band Sunday	22	23 5 PM Cub Scouts Den Mtg	7-8:30 PM Boy Scouts	25	26	27
28 10:15 AM Worship & Holy Communion Pentecost Sunday Confirmation	29 Office Closed Memorial Day 7 PM Evening Observance at the Monument	30	31 6 PM Batz Vow Renewal Service			



Do this in Remembrance of Me.

Congratulations to the following young people who received their First Communion on Easter Sunday:

Dakota Marie Weber

Jacob Alan Sullivan

Matthew Earnest Riegel Jr.

Dustin Elick Riegel

Graduating? Let Us Know!

If you or someone that you know is graduating from a college/university, trade school, or high school this year, share the news with us by contacting the church office (610-756-6210 or mtzion6210@verizon.net). Please tell us who, from where, what degree/certificate if applicable AND their future plans.

Please provide this information by the 15th of May to be included in next month's newsletter.



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May 2023 PRAYER REMEMBERANCE



Please remember the following persons in your weekly prayers.

A card or a note of cheer would be greatly appreciated.

Jennifer Biglin, Doris Boehm, Pastor Hans Ulrich Dietze, Barbara Geisler, Lisa Gilliam, Linda Grim, Tyler Grim, Christine High, Wayne Iman, Emma Laigale, Susan Landers, Marlene Mauger, Nichole Miller, Sharon Miller, Della Noll, Keith Rohrbach, Randy Schlegel, Dolly Selleck, Bonnie Solt, Sara Vanderklute, Laura Walters, Dwight Wanamaker, Helen Wanamaker, Debbie Way, Michael Weber, Judy Weisner, Jessica Wessner

Help to keep this list current by reviewing it and updating us with their status and progress.

We will remove names appearing for 4 weeks or more unless otherwise advised.



Please remember our homebound members with a card to let them know you are thinking of them.

THIS MONTH'S FEATURED MT. ZION VISITATIONS

Mrs. Pauline Berlin Mrs. Jean Higgins

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Upcoming May Events!



National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 4

LSO Spring Labor of Love Day

Saturday, May 13 See page 6 for detail.



Mother's Day

Sunday, May 14

Ascension of Our Lord

Thursday, May 18



American Cancer Society's Relay for Life Event
Kutztown & Eastern Berks
"Give Cancer the Boot!"

Saturday, May 20, 2023, 12 Noon to 10 PM See page 16 for details.

Ascension Sunday
Building Centennial Celebration & Luncheon
Praise Band Sunday

Sunday, May 21, 10:15 AM See page 17 for detail.





Pentecost Sunday Confirmation

Sunday, May 28, 10:15 AM Remember to wear RED!

Memorial Day - OFFICE CLOSED

Monday, May 29

Observance at the Monument at 7 PM Bring your Lawn Chair!



May Service Calendar

2023 DATE	SUNDAY	ORDER OF WORSHIP	WOR- SHIP ASSIST	HOLY COM- MUNION	COMMENTS
7- May	10:15 am 5 Easter	ELW	Jeff	Yes	Malotte's Lord's Prayer
14– May	10:15 am 6 Easter	ELW	Marcia	Yes	Mother's Day
21– May	10:15 am 7 Easter	ELW	Sue	Yes	Building Centennial Celebration & Luncheon Praise Band
28– May	10:15 am Day of Pentecost	ELW	Greg	Yes	Pentecost Wear Red! Confirmation

American Cancer Society's Relay for Life

The Relay for Life of Kutztown & Eastern Berks
"Give Cancer the Boot!" Event will be held on
Saturday, May 20, 2023, from 12 Noon to 10 PM
at William Delong Memorial Park, Bowers, PA

4 PM Survivor Lap 8:30 PM Luminarias/Memory Lap 9:30 Fight Back/Closing

Cancer survivors are invited to attend, please register by calling 1-800-227-2345.

We thank those Mt. Zion members who supported us by sponsoring **Purple Signs** and **Luminarias**!!!

Mt. Zion's Relay Walkers,

Angels of Hope Team, St. Paul's UCC, Kutztown Sharon & Martin Billger, Diane German, Helen Wessner



Worship & Music Committee News

Veterans Making A Difference Food Collection

Our committee will again conduct a non-perishable food drive for



our veterans. Any donations received will be in honor of our mothers and fathers. Any canned goods items are acceptable. They also will accept grocery store gift cards if you would prefer to donate a gift card. Let's fill up the Veterans Making a Difference truck and show our support for the many veterans who have sacrificed so much for us!!!

This collection will begin on Mother's Day and continue through Father's Day.

Building Centennial Celebration

The event to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the laying of the building cornerstone, in conjunction with the completion of our building renovation, will be held on Sunday, May 21, 2023. We will begin with worship at 10:15 AM with a special liturgy with parts from the 1923 dedication service. A catered lunch will follow downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. **Seating is limited and RSVP is required.** Please follow the instructions included on the invitation card insert to reserve your seat.



Memorial Day Evening Observance at the Monument On the Cemetery



Monday, May 29, 7 PM

Program by the Boy Scouts of Troop #104

Come show your support as we remember those who gave their all in service to our country.

Bring your lawn chair!

Recipe of the Month

This feature returns this month with a Taste of Home recipe submitted by Diane Gaumer. This is a yummy dairy-free dessert made easy with a box brownie mix. Give it a try, you won't be disappointed!

Chocolate & Peanut Butter Crispy Bars

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 Package fudge brownie mix (13x9-inch pan size)
- 1 1/2 C. chunky peanut butter
- 2 C. semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 C. creamy peanut butter
- 3 C. Rice Krispies



DIRECTIONS:

- 1. Line a 13x9-inch baking pan with parchment paper, letting ends extend up sides. Prepare and bake brownie mix according to package directions, using prepared pan. Cool in pan on a wire rack 30 minutes. Refrigerate until cold.
- 2. Spread chunky peanut butter over brownies.. Place chocolate chips and creamy peanut butter in a large microwave-safe bowl. Microwave in 30-second intervals until melted; stir until smooth. Stir in Rice Krispies; spread over chunky peanut butter layer. Refrigerate, covered, at least 30 minutes or until set.
- 3. Lifting with parchment, remove brownies from pan. Cut into bars. Yield: 2 dozen. Store in airtight container in the refrigerator.
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Do you have a favorite recipe? Share it with your church family!

To submit your recipe, email it to me at nighthawk2@dejazzd.com, or, give me a copy at church.

- Editor

1-May	Douglas	Dietrich	
1-May	Brandon	Mengel	Hanny Dirthday l
1-May	Lilia	Pizzelanti	Happy Birthday!
2-May	Nancy	Miller	
5-May	Leigh	Duddy	
5-May	Aubrey	Grym	- 40000 -
7-May	Gia	Danenhowe	er HIII
8-May	Amber	Theres	
9-May	Konnor	Weisner	
12-May	Jaimee	Stemko	
12-May	Dianna	Wartzenluft	Note: Individuals celebrating
13-May	Jacob	Wessner	Birthdays and Anniversaries are
15-May	Blaik	Losito	remembered in the intercessory prayers of the congregation at
16-May	Billie Jo	Rehrig	Sunday Worship prior to the date
16-May	Linda	Willard	of their birthday or anniversary.
17-May	Justin	Renninger	
19-May	Makayla	Miller	<i>Haddy</i> and the second of the
20-May	Jack	Franckowia	<i>Happy</i> k <i>Anniversary!</i>
22-May	Daniel	Batz	
22-May	William	Granieri	
23-May	Dominick	Pizzelanti	
23-May	Helene	Weigle Ruth	n
23-May	Henry	Willard	05/04/1974 Cynthia & Jeffrey Wetzel
26-May	Blaire	Grube	05/07/1983 Cindy & Steven Meigio 05/08/2004 Duane & Karen Wanamaker
26-May	Carrie	Riegel	05/16/2014 Leigh & Robert Duddy
27-May	Susan	Fritzinger	05/20/2006 Diane & Robert Kern
27-May	Faye	Miller	05/22/2004 Valerie & Brent Rutherford
30-May	Eva	Danenhowe	05/23/1994 Helene & Willis Ruth 05/31/2003 Michelle & Daniel Batz
30-May	Kerry	Dietrich	05/5 1/2000 Miloriolic & Darlier Datz

May Worship Service Support

May 7	<u>10:15 AM</u>
Acolyte	Konnor Weisner
Greeters	Cheryl & Jack Franckowiak
Lector	Confirmation Class
Ushers	Volunteers
Comm. Asst.	Bonnie & Dean Scott
Flowers	Cindy & Jeff Wetzel in Celebration of their 49th Wedding Anniversary.
Bulletins	Cindy & Jeff Wetzel in Celebration of their 49th Wedding Anniversary.
May 14	10:15 AM
Acolyte	Norah Fegely, Matthew Riegel, Jr.
Greeters	Church Council
Lector	Dale Bond
Ushers	Church Council
Comm. Asst.	Cheryl Bond and Janice Clemmer
Flowers	
Bulletins	Karen & Duane Wanamaker in Celebration of their Wedding Anniversary.
May 21	10:15 AM
Acolyte	Elliot Knutsen
Greeters	Joann Lewis, Jacob Wessner
Lector	William Frear
Ushers	Volunteers
Comm. Asst.	Debbie & William Frear
Flowers	Helene & Willis Ruth in Celebration of their 29th Wedding Anniversary.
Bulletins	Lisa Christman in Celebration of her parents 70th Wedding Anniversary.
<u>May 28</u>	10:15 AM
Acolyte	Aubrey Grym
Greeters	Darlene & Mace Arndt

May Worship Service Support continued

May 28	<u>10:15 AM</u>
Lector	Kelly Weisner
Ushers	Volunteers
Comm. Asst.	Lorrie Arndt and Martin Billger
Flowers	Michelle & Dan Batz in Celebration of their 20th Wedding Anniversary & Briahna's Graduation.
Bulletins	April Osterstock in Celebration of Suzy & Jeff's Birthdays.



Thank you to our Mt. Zion members who are also Thrivent members and designated their 2022 Choice Dollars[®] to Mt. Zion. In the calendar year 2022 alone Mt. Zion received \$3847 in Thrivent Choice Dollars[®] grant funding! This was a real boost to our treasury. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Other ways you can support Mt. Zion include:

<u>Personal Donations</u>: **Anyone** can use the Thrivent online giving platform to make a donation to our church. Thrivent pays the donation processing fees - that means 100% of the donation goes directly to Mt. Zion.

<u>Thrivent Action Teams</u>: You can apply for a Thrivent Action Team to support Mt. Zion. Bring together friends and family to form a volunteer team – Thrivent provides up to \$250 in seed money and promotional resources to jump-start the volunteer project.

Sharon C. Billger Thrivent Liaison



Pentecost

The name comes from the Greek word pentekoste which means fiftieth. The holiday is celebrated on the seventh Sunday after Easter which is also fifty days after Easter, hence the name. This Christian festival celebrates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples of Jesus after his Ascension. Another name for it is Whitsun or Whit Sunday derived from White Sunday, referring to the special white garments worn by the newly baptized.

Geraniums for Pentecost

We will again be using geraniums to beautify the sanctuary with the red of Pentecost which falls this year on Sunday, May 28.

Cost is \$3.75 each in a 4 1/2" pot. Order dates are April 30, May 7, 14, & 21.

Why do we decorate the church with red flowers on Pentecost, what does it signify? Read here from the second chapter of Acts:

2 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.



Christian Ed News!!!

YOUR HELP IS DESPERATELY NEEDED...

...As Sunday School instructors and helpers. Regulations require that each class have two (2) unrelated adults in each class. We're at the point where this is VERY DIFFICULT to abide by this requirement.

IF we can't find enough of you to aide this situation, we may have to discontinue Sunday School instruction.

You don't have to be here EVERY SUNDAY. Schedules can be worked out. Please see Michelle Fegely, Missy Keller, Michelle Batz, Karen Wanamaker or myself to help us furthering the education of our young folks.

THANK YOU Vicar Jeremiah

Mt. Zion Lutheran Church Purpose Statement

God's purpose for our congregation is to commit ourselves to learn and to spread God's Word and to serve others.

Guiding Principles

Jesus is Lord and Savior

Seek to be in relationship with God

Ensure that everyone is welcome

Encourage generosity toward others

Live the faith

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