

Zion Tidings

Serving Christ Through Serving Others

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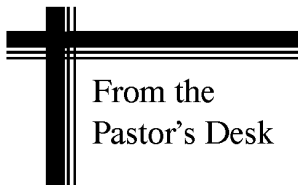
DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE JUNE "TIDINGS" ON Monday, May 22.



several weeks to organize and develop a youth led worship service. Our worship service on Sunday, May 7th at 10:00 am will be a youth led worship service at the Tipp City Roundhouse.

Eagles Wings Stable

Eagles Wings Stable has been offering equine assisted activities and therapies since 2006 on Washington Rd., north of Troy. They have served over 500 children and adults with a variety of disabilities in Miami County.



From the
Pastor's Desk

**YOUTH LED WORSHIP/MEAL/FELLOWSHIP
MAY 7 TIPP CITY ROUNDHOUSE 10:00 AM**



One of the challenges all churches face is that there is not enough multigenerational activities in the church. Our youth leaders and I have been working with our youth over the last

After the worship service we will gather in table fellowship as we celebrate a meal together. The church will be providing a meat tray and waters and coffee. Each family will bring a dish to share along with their favorite drinks and table ware. I encourage and invite the whole church to gather together for worship and fellowship as we make a joyful noise to the Lord!

**Newsletter
DEADLINE**

*Please have articles in to the church office
by Monday, May 22 for the June Tidings.*



May Birthdays

- 2 Dale Schaefer
- 4 Laurie Helke
- 5 Joyce Johnson
- 6 Faith Krum
- 7 Dianne LeGros
- 8 Genevieve Kinsman,
Elijah Johnson, Ruth White
- 13 Kate Pytel
- 16 Irene Miller, John Trey
- 19 Pastor Jeff Glawe
- 20 Kim Browning
- 21 Jeff Pytel
- 23 Matt Sauls
- 26 Nathan Schall
- 27 Susan Coon
- 28 Zachery Johnson
- 29 Ahdele (Peggy) Young
- 30 Ruth Stollmer
- 31 Pat Cowan



Home bound residents specially thought of: **Patsy Furrow, Mary Ann Gross, Mary Sue Helke, Hap Johnson, Herb Johnson, Barb Kruse, John Kruse, Bob Kuhls, Belia Parrish, Ramona Watkins, Ahdele Young.**

Pray for healing:

- Ruth White
- Boots Elliott
- Hazel Furlong
- Katie Kessler
- Barb Kruse
- Larry & Lil Nichols

Pray for comfort:

Mary Jean King

Understanding & Love:

Frank & Rosemary

Mary Jean King is at Spring Meade Health Center in Room 403 with Hospice Care. Please remember Stewart and Mary Jean in your prayers.

Ann Whitmer, Kim Jones' sister, who suffers from liver and kidney disease.

Beth Wilburn and baby



THANKS John & Dianne LeGros for funding the lawn treatment program for the church grounds and the cemetery lawn. The church lawn will receive four applications of weed control and fertilizer and the cemetery will have two weed control applications during the growing season. We look forward to beautiful lawns this spring and summer. *Thanks John & Dianne*

Dear Friends:

I write to thank you for your gift of recreation, art, school, and personal items, which we have received at Oesterlen Services for Youth. Your gift is an important contribution to our ministry of therapeutic services for emotionally, behaviorally, and psychologically troubled youth. You have richly blessed the children of Oesterlen. On my goodness! Basketballs and play ground balls are used daily.

Sincerely,
Pastor Bonnie Kinnunen
Director of Church Relations
and Development

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the Pancake Breakfast & Easter egg hunt by your donations of candy, food, service, etc. We had a beautiful day and also received \$300.00 free will donation for the Youth Gathering Fund. Thank you again and Happy Easter. Jackie

Zion Family, Bless you for your beautiful cards and healing prayers. They are so appreciated.

Thank You, John and Barb Kruse

Boots Elliott thanks Pastor, Carol Phillips, and her church family for all the prayers. Her eye has healed and she hopes to be able to come back to church.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROPERTY COMMITTEE / Monday, April 3

- New floor mats have been installed outside and inside at church entrances. These will be serviced monthly by Cintas.
- The kitchen faucet has been replaced with a new fixture.
- Pastor's wireless microphone has been replaced and is working well.
- The mowers have been serviced and are ready for the season.

Mowing charts for the church lawn and cemetery are up and ready to be filled in.

- A new ballast was installed in the lounge area.
- The toilet in the men's restroom in the basement has been replaced.
- A handle was installed on the outside kitchen door to insure that the door can be closed and latched.
- A new soap dispenser was installed in the women's restroom. If this proves to be an improvement over the ones in place, more dispensers will be installed in the other restrooms. The old ones were clogged and difficult to use.
- Elevator check, light bulb replacement, draining of the boiler were completed.

Next meeting: Monday, May 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.



The following dates are available to mow the **Church Lawn:**

8/5 - 8/19 10/14 - 10/28
9/16 - 9/30

Cemetery:

5/13 - 5/27

All dates are open from 6/10-October

Thank you to all who have volunteered to mow the church & cemetery lawns.

WOMEN OF ZION / April 9, 2017

Members present: 8

Devotions: by Maggie Powder from 40 day devotional for Lent. Deb Turner shared "The Colors of Easter".

Secretary's Report: read by Jill Greer

Treasurer's Report: Current balance, unknown.

Sue was unable to attend the meeting.

Correspondence:

- Women of ELCA newsletter given to Kathy
- Letter from Wernle asking for donations for building project

Terry Bruns from Jeremiah's Letter (the executive director) spoke with us. Jeremiah's Letter began in 1978 to support people living in poverty. They provide meals; help people get documents for employment, medical care, housing, and schooling; provide an adopt-a-family service; help people get household items; provide a clothing room for those that might need something to wear; provide hygiene items for men and women; and various other services. Volunteers are always needed. Programs are funded by donations – goods as well as monetary donations.

Old Business:

- The new soap dispenser has been installed in the women's restroom by the fellowship hall. If it works well, others will be installed throughout the church.
- Gary Groth & Bob Keppel delivered a huge carload of balls, pumps and other items to Oesterlen Services for Youth. They were very appreciated.
- About 20 people attended the Lenten meditation on March 15.

New Business:

- Graceworks luncheon on April 18 at 11:30. Four Zion women will provide desserts.

- Ruth White fell and broke her arm and will need help with meals. Deb K. will ask Chuck Powder to send out any e-mail for help.
- Choir Sunday will be April 30. A reception will be held in the back of the church.
- Ruth made a request of \$150 to purchase fabric to make more pillowcases. The motion carried and Jen Garvic & Kathy will continue to make more pillowcases.
- It was decided to make a monetary donation to Jeremiah's Letter of \$300 in addition to the money and donations received this month.
- At the May WOZ meeting we will make ornaments for the Giving Tree that will be set up to benefit Liberty Commons / June's mission of the month.

The meeting for May will be May 7 instead of the second Sunday because of Mother's Day.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS /April 11, 2017

1. Approved March council minutes.
2. Sue Rambeau is in the midst of tax season, no treasurers report at this time.
3. Council looks forward to youth led worship service at Tipp City Roundhouse on May 7.
4. Property ministry looking for a portable unit that heats and cools the quilting room.
5. VBS dates are June 12-15
6. Wayne Kauffmann has posted a signup sheet in which he will share his passion for fishing with the Zion Community.

Next meeting: May 9, 2017@ 7:00 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS / WELCOMING- April 11

Pastor opened with a prayer.

Welcoming:

- Wayne has posted a sign-up sheet for those interested in fishing.

Website/Email Communications:

- Pastor and Chuck Powder have discussed plans to meet to discuss what Chuck needs from the office, to keep the Website visuals current with pictures of Special Events happening in and around Zion.

Photo Directory:

- 18 pictures have been taken with at least 15 more to go.
- There are 500 sheets of color copy digital paper in stock.
- 7 packages need to be ordered; we will 3500 pages
- Kathy Groth, Miriam Comer, Jill Greer, and Peggy McCoy have volunteered to help assemble the directory sheets.
- Ina Crenshaw, Sharon Byrd and Peggy McCoy will work on proofreading and creating the photo directory sheets.

Pastor:

- All Easter Week and Related Services are on the church telephone answering system.
- For the May 7th Youth-Led Worship at the Roundhouse in the Park:
 1. Jill Greer will coordinate with Pam Sauls on the rental procedures.
 2. Pastor will order the meat and cheese tray for 100 people.
 3. Debbie Turner will get sandwich buns and condiments.
 4. Deb K. will coordinate tables and chairs delivery, and the coffee and bottles of water.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 9 @ 5

WORSHIP & MUSIC MEETING /April 19

On Wednesday, April 19, the Worship and Music Committee met.

Attending were: Terri Darrah, Pastor Glawe, Lori Sebastian, and Ruth White.

We reviewed Lent and Easter Services. All services went well. The "new" Lenten evening special devotional service is something we would like to repeat in future years. Due to low attendance at the morning Ash Wednesday service, we would recommend only offering an evening Ash Wednesday service in future years.

The liturgy changes have been made for Easter: Sundays we are currently singing This is the Feast, Alleluia Verse, Lamb of God, Create in Me, and the "Irish" Thank the Lord. We will stay with this format until Trinity Sunday (June 11th) and

then switch to a familiar hymn based liturgy throughout the summer months.

Choir anthems were especially effective during Lent and Holy Week as they mirrored the Scriptures and sermon. Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Easter anthems were especially notable. Coming up - Choir Sunday is April 30th. Thanks to the women who are planning a "Choir Sunday" reception following worship. The choir also will plan to sing special music one time during the summer.

Altar is going smoothly. Marianne Barnhart was recognized for her 55 years of service during a recent worship service. Thank you Marianne for your many years of service. Upon Marianne's "retirement", Carla Frame is leading the altar committee. At communion, grape juice is offered along with wine at all services. The palm branches were ordered and based on this year's amount used, we will order 150 palms for both services in the future. There was discussion about whether we would return to Easter with multiple flowers (hyacinths, azaleas, tulips, along with the lilies). The Altar Committee will decide this issue. The white cloth draping the cloth will be left up through Trinity Sunday. Acolytes will be trained to only light the Christ candle during the Easter season.

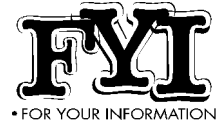
Pastor Glawe mentioned several exciting upcoming services. Choir Sunday will be April 30th; Pastor will coordinate the readings with the anthems. The special youth-led worship service will be at the roundhouse in Tipp City on May 7th, and Mothers' Day / Confirmation service will be May 14th. Pastor also brought up the possibility of introducing a service of healing at a worship service this summer. We also discussed Light Readers coming in to give their program this summer.

Lori continues to be in contact with our organ technician about the possibility of purchasing a used organ. Once Norm Willoughby contacts us that he has the organs set up (warehouse in Dayton), Lori will take another congregation member along – and look at selecting an appropriate instrument. Lori will re-contact him in April and get a status update.

Worship and Music is looking for people to fill special music slots for this summer. Solos (vocal or instrumental), duets, quartets, or small group ensembles are welcome. Contact Lori at (937)667-4893 or muscalsebastian@hotmail.com –

if you have a family, friend, or other individual who loves to praise the Lord via song!

Our next meeting date is August 23 – 1:15PM



Due to Mother's Day falling on our regular second Sunday of the Month meeting date, the Women of Zion will be meeting on Sunday, May 7th at 7:00 p.m. At the May meeting, we will be asking ornaments for our Summer Giving Tree project which will be benefiting Liberty Commons. If you are able, please bring construction paper, scissors, ribbon or twine.

BEAUTIFY YOUR CHURCH DAY . . . We will spruce up the church grounds on Saturday, May 13th starting at 9:00 a.m. Rain date is Saturday, May 20th at the same time. We will need wheelbarrows, shovels, rakes, brooms and any other tools or equipment that fit your hand! Please sign up on the sheet in the Fellowship hallway. We should be finished no later than noon. Come for as long as you can!

PRAYER BEADS . . . These prayer beads were made by Boots Elliott and blessed by Pastor. They were then shared with the congregation. Thanks Boots!

GRACE PLACE NEWS

Wow can't believe spring is finally here and soon school will be out and summer fun begins!

As we wind up the Sunday School year here is what will be happening in May.

May 7th - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL - YOUTH LED WORSHIP SERVICE AT TIPP CITY PARK ROUNDHOUSE

- **Preschool - 5th grade** will be sharing some songs with the congregation. You can bring them when you come for the service. When it is our time to sing I will call them up.
- **6th - 12th grade** - Please arrive at the Roundhouse by **9:00am** to help set up and practice.

May 14th - Preschool - 12th grade will have Sunday School in their regular classes.

This is Confirmation Day for Cole Coppock, Kaley Fetters, Lisa Sebastian and Jacob Smith.

May 21st - Last day of Sunday School - FUN DAY games.

YOUTH GROUP 7th - 12th grade

May 13th - Zion outside cleanup day. Come help serve along with other Zion members to help clean up our church grounds.

9:00am - ? (or come with you can, it will probably go until 12pm)

June 19th - With God's Grace Mobile Food Pantry - we will help distribute food to those in need at Vandalia Village Apts. 6:00pm-7:30pm

COMING UP IN JUNE ... CAVEQUEST VBS, JUNE 12th - 15th. Contact Jackie for registrations or available in the church.

SUMMER YOUTH GROUP WILL START BACK UP JULY 13th . . .

We will meet on Thursday nights this time so we can also use the fellowship hall if needed. More information will be announced.

ALSO WATCH FOR SPECIAL EVENTS FOR MIDDLESCHOOLERS to be announced.

Have a safe and happy summer,
Jackie