

Hi-Lites

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Summertime Worship

Let's face it folks: sometimes it isn't easy going to church in the summertime. Church can be messy, sticky, frustrating business sometimes. To start with it's at 9:00 and that means getting ready an hour and a half earlier. And sometimes the worship just isn't great. There is no choir, no children's time and Pastor seems tired half the time? Move on to the next song already! The sermons are decent, but you wish that they could be a little more practical and a lot shorter, and little more interesting. All of us have had thoughts like these when we go to church.

It is far easier to be a Christian in isolation than it is to live out one's faith in the context of all those other imperfect people who make up God's church. Following Jesus is much easier when we don't have to deal with all those summer changes. But if we stay away from God's people we're going to miss out on the unique power of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit gives us power to overcome our irritation and anger toward others. The Holy Spirit gives us power to reach out to those who are in need and not like us. The Holy Spirit gives us power to worship with other believers even when the worship may not quite be what we are used to.

God loves to display his power even on the most beautiful summer day. Imagine that! The power of the gospel is on display when different people from different backgrounds come together to worship God and love one another. The power of the gospel is on display when people overlook offenses in the name of love. The power of the gospel is on display when we put our preferences aside for the sake of our unity in the gospel.

Yeah, it would be easier to stay away till fall, but we need you. It would be easier to do church at the park, river, lake, or with your friends at the golf course. If we do that God will miss out on the glory and we will miss out on the power of the Spirit shown in the community of God's people. Please come and join us for Worship this July and August at 9:00 a.m. and who knows you might just be blessed.

Pastor Tom



**Confirmation Class
Madison Duke &
Miles Barnhart**



**30 years later for
Megan Duke and
Kevin Barnhart**



Vacation Bible School “Water”

Monday—Thursday July 11-14, 2022 6-8 pm

Vacation Bible School will be on the move again this year, a different place each night. The theme is water. (Jonah & the Whale, Doubting Thomas, Jesus walking on water and Feet washing)

Monday—July 11 we will meet at Zion Church. The theme is Jonah & the Whale. We will be meeting with Patti Dunkle to create a painting.

Tuesday—July 12, the theme is Doubting Thomas. This will be Baker-Coffey Caverns. We will tour the cave that was once named Black Cavern. They are listed as one of PA’s top 10 best Caves.

Wednesday—July 13, is Jesus Walking on Water. The group will go to the reservoir to kayak (if you have a kayak & willing to let us borrow, please let Sherri know.)

Thursday—July 14, is Feet Washing

ALL NIGHTS ARE TENTATIVE DUE TO WEATHER

All children are welcome to attend VBS on July 11-14. Bible lessons, games, crafts will be enjoyed each night. Volunteers are always welcomed to help out.

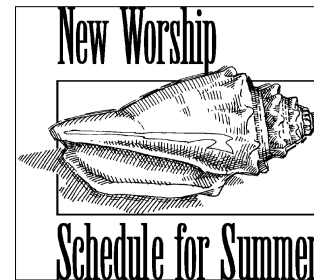
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July Birthdays

July 5 - Jade Barnhart
July 8— John Johnson
July 25—Kate Johnson
July 26—Sara Monn-Gilbert
July 28— Dustin Metcalfe
July 29— Jane Johnson
July 29— Joanne Tarner

Happy July Anniversary

Jamie & Kathy Helman



Will you be the one who forgets??

Our worship time changes on Sunday, July 3, to 9 a.m. This schedule continues through July, August, and the first Sunday of September. No Sunday School during summer when church is early morning. However, we will be having fellowship time immediately after church. We will have a signup sheet for people to bring a snack and drink to share.

Summer Holy Communion—we return to the rail.

July 3, (NO Communion—August 7), and September 4.





Candy Wagner did stained glass window presentation



Lois Picking and friends
Harper Duke cutting the rose.





Esther Wagner from Zion.



Jessica George Crews, 8th Generation receiving rose

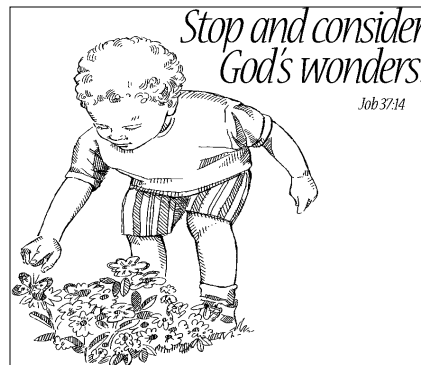
Jessica placed roses on Jane Williams & Col Chambers monument at Falling Spring Presbyterian Church.



CASH for CAUSES by Jane Johnson

Just a reminder that the CASH FOR CAUSES fund raiser for the Zion Women's Guild continues. How does this work? Just purchase a GIANT'S CASH FOR CAUSES gift card from Jane Johnson and go to your local GIANT'S or MARTIN'S STORE and use the gift card—CASH for CAUSES to purchase your groceries, gas, prescriptions. If purchasing gas check with attendant first before pumping gas. At this time we have \$25.00 and \$50.00 cards available if you would like your cards in \$100.00 denominations just ask and we can have them in a few days.

Checks can be made out to Women's Guild of Zion UCC. Cards are sold at face value and the Women's Guild receives 5% from the sale of each GIANT'S CASH for CAUSES Gift Cards. The gift cards have no expiration date. Questions give Jane Johnson a call at 717-263-1416.





Keep the food coming

We want you to remember there is a collection box at the foot of the ramp in the Sunday School room and at the entrance to the elevator. You may donate anytime, but we encourage you to think of the first Sunday of each month as donation day.

The Women's Guild future meeting:

No meetings July and August

Sunday, August 21 — Ice Cream Social 4-6pm.

September 13th at 1:30 in the Parish House is the first fall meeting of the Women's Guild.

October 11

November 8th

December 6th - Family Night 6 pm.

Guild Officers for 2022

Esther Wagner, President; Mara Smith, Vice-President; Candy Wagner, Secretary; Pat Hileman and Millie Willman, Treasurers.

Benjamin Chambers Donations

Thanks to all who contributed. Approximately \$200.00 was raised as well as donated items. The school will be presented with 7 sets of headphones, 17 pair of boy's underwear, 21 pair of girl's underwear, 8 pair of boy's sweatpants, 11 pair of girl's leggings (various sizes) & 2 t-shirts, \$15.00 left from purchases will also be donated.

Ice Cream Social Anyone!

Mark your calendar for Sunday, August 21, 4-6 p.m. to enjoy this summer's ice cream social. The event will take place in the parish house yard (inside the church in case of rain.) We are hoping to have 3 flavors of ice cream and a variety of toppings. There will also be musical entertainment. The event will be free, but you are asked to bring a lawn chair.

How you can help: —make a donation , \$40 will sponsor a tub of Ice cream. Other amounts are also appreciated. Checks should be payable to “Women’s Guild” and given to Millie Willman or Pat Hileman.



August Hi-Lites deadline is July 17.

JJ is planning to start choir rehearsal August 31, Wednesday each week at 7 pm at the church but look for information in the bulletins or the August Hi Lites. The Choir always needs extra voices..

Rose Sunday

Our 242nd Annual Rose Rent was paid to an 8th Generation descendant of Col. Benjamin Chambers. We had a great turn out of over 50 people for breakfast. A huge thank you to our cooks (Denny Metcalfe, Rick Dalton, Cole and Sonya Frey). Jim English found willing participants of Jack Arrison and JJ Johnson to be our servers. Candy Wagner presented an interesting program on our stain glass windows. Painted wood plaques were painted by Patti Dunkle to be given out as “door prizes”. One went to the person that travelled the furthest, one who had a birthday in June and the one who had the oldest coin with them. Esther Wagner was Zion’s representative to pay our rent of one rose to Jessica George Crews (8th generation descendant). Thank you to everyone that made Pastor-Tom’s first Rose Rent a very successful one. Several people stepped up to help in different ways that day. A big thank you to you also.
Thanks from Sherri Arrowood



Hoffman Homes for Youth

Interested in supporting the new shelter program at Hoffman Homes?

This new shelter program will provide placement for males and females (age 7-21) while the county pursues a permanent living resource for them. HHY is looking for community support to enhance the program, including donated toys/activities.

They also open to partnering with local businesses willing to provide activities at a reduced rate (movies, restaurant, etc.). Learn more here... <https://bit.ly/3xITJV1>

Donations needed
For new shelter program:
TOYS
GAMES
Composition books
Fidget and coping items
Undergarments/socks,
(any size/gender)
Tote or duffle bags
to hold their belongings.

Please bring your items to Zion and place in the Hoffman tote in the Sunday School social hall. This program will continue indefinitely and your continued support is much appreciated. For pick up or any questions contact Jane Johnson 717-263-1416