

# **Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church**

**Sunday, August 27, 2023 –10:30 AM**

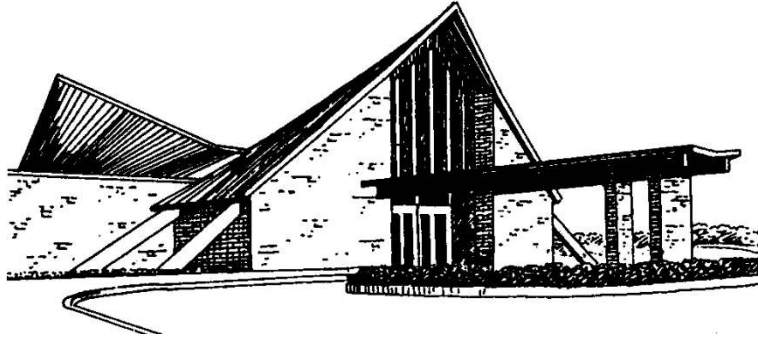
**Pentecost 13**

# Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP!

- **It is a joy to welcome our visitors!** Please sign the guest book in the Communication Center at the rear of the church, to the right as you exit, and take a Welcome Packet which is filled with information about Harrold Zion. Please introduce yourself to the pastor as you leave worship. We hope you return soon! Follow us on social media!
- **Children's bags** are available in the Narthex.
- **There is a prayer request book** on a podium in the Welcome Center. Please write name(s) in the book prior to the service to have names included in the prayers.
- **Large print bulletins** are available from any usher for those needing them.
- **Hearing devices** are available from any usher for those needing them.
- **An AED machine** can be found on the wall after the Ladies Room on the left.
- **Receiving Holy Communion** - We believe the body and blood of Christ to be present in the bread and wine. All who are baptized are invited to share in this meal. Please come forward at the usher's direction. Non-communing children may come forward for a blessing. If you desire communion in the pew, please inform one of the ushers so that you may receive communion there.

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**GATHERING** - *We are brought together to remember who and whose we are.*

Welcome and Announcements – Joys and Concerns

Prelude

*Prayer for Peace*

Taylor

*Please stand or kneel, as able.*

Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.

Merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Righteous God, **we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn #645     *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

Apostolic Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## Hymn of Praise



- 1 Come, let us join our cheer - ful songs with an - gels round the throne;
- 2 “Wor - thy the Lamb that died,” they cry, “to be ex - alt - ed thus!”
- 3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re - ceive hon - or and pow’r di - vine;
- 4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name



ten thou - sand thou - sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.  
“Wor - thy the Lamb,” our lips re - ply, “for he was slain for us!”  
and bless - ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine.  
of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

**WORD** – *We hear God’s teachings to guide our path of serving.*

### Prayer of the Day

Let us pray together. **O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### First Reading: Exodus 1:8—2:10

<sup>8</sup>Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. <sup>9</sup>He said to his people, “Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. <sup>10</sup>Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.”

<sup>11</sup>Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. <sup>12</sup>But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. <sup>13</sup>The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, <sup>14</sup>and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them. <sup>15</sup>The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, <sup>16</sup>“When you act as

midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.”<sup>17</sup> But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live.<sup>18</sup> So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?”<sup>19</sup> The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.”<sup>20</sup> So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong.<sup>21</sup> And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families.<sup>22</sup> Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, “Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.”

<sup>2:1</sup> Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman.<sup>2</sup> The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months.<sup>3</sup> When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river.<sup>4</sup> His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

<sup>5</sup> The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it.<sup>6</sup> When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. “This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,” she said.<sup>7</sup> Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, “Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?”<sup>8</sup> Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Yes.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother.<sup>9</sup> Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed it.<sup>10</sup> When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, “because,” she said, “I drew him out of the water.”  
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

#### Psalm: Psalm 124

<sup>1</sup>If the LORD had not been on our side, let Israel now say;

<sup>2</sup>**if the LORD had not been on our side,  
when enemies rose up against us,**

<sup>3</sup>then would they have swallowed us up alive  
in their fierce anger toward us;

<sup>4</sup>**then would the waters have overwhelmed us  
and the torrent gone over us;**

<sup>5</sup>then would the raging waters have gone right over us.

<sup>6</sup>**Blessed be the LORD**

**who has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.**

<sup>7</sup>We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler;  
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

<sup>8</sup>**Our help is in the name of the LORD,  
the maker of heaven and earth.**

Second Reading: Romans 12:1-8

<sup>1</sup>I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. <sup>2</sup>Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

<sup>3</sup>For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. <sup>4</sup>For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, <sup>5</sup>so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. <sup>6</sup>We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; <sup>7</sup>ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; <sup>8</sup>the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand, as able.*

Verse



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

## Holy Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.

### **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” <sup>14</sup>And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” <sup>15</sup>He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” <sup>16</sup>Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” <sup>17</sup>And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. <sup>18</sup>And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup>I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” <sup>20</sup>Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah. The Gospel of the Lord.

### **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Children’s Sermon

### Sermon

Hymn of the Day #596    *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

### **Introduction**

*Candidates for baptism, sponsors, and parents gather at the font together with those making public affirmation of baptism and with the ministers. The assembly may be seated.*

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word, God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God’s mission for the life of the world.

### **Presentation for Baptism**

*Sponsors present the candidate.*

I present Dean Michael Eaken for baptism.

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have *your son, Dean*, baptized into Christ?

*Response:* I do

As you bring *your son* to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with *him* among God's faithful people, bring *him* to the word of God and the holy supper, teach *him* the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in *his* hands the holy scriptures, and nurture *him* in faith and prayer, so that *he* may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Dean grow in the Christian faith and life?

*Response:* I do

*The presiding minister addresses sponsors of candidate for baptism.*

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture *Dean* in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help *him* live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

*Response:* I do

People of God, do you promise to support *Dean Michael* and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

***We do.***

## **Profession of Faith**

*The assembly may join in the responses.*

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

*Response:* I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

*Response:* I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

*Response:* I renounce them.

*The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly.*

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?



**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **Thanksgiving at the Font**

*The presiding minister leads the following.*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Water may be poured into the font before or during the thanksgiving.*

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you. Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

### **Baptism**

*The assembly may be seated.*

Dean Michael, I baptize you in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit,

**Amen.**

**You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.**

*The presiding minister continues:*

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

*Laying both hands on the head of each of the newly baptized, the minister prays for each:*

Sustain Dean Michael with the gift of your Holy Spirit:

the spirit of wisdom and understanding,

the spirit of counsel and might,

the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,

the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

*The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead. As the sign of the cross is made, the minister says:*

Dean Michael, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

## **Welcome**

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

*The ministers and those gathered at the font face the assembly.*

Let us welcome the newly baptized and rejoice with *those* making public affirmation of baptism.

**We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

Baptismal Hymn #456 Baptized in Water

Prayers of the Intercession

(petitions) ...Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

(prayer concludes) ...**Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

**MEAL** – *We are built up and nourished to be the body of Christ in the world.*

Offering

*Minuet*

Bach

Offertory #691 Accept, O Lord, the gifts We Bring

## Offertory Prayer

Let us pray together. **God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving and Proper Preface

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is indeed our duty and our joy... And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Eucharistic Prayer

### The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

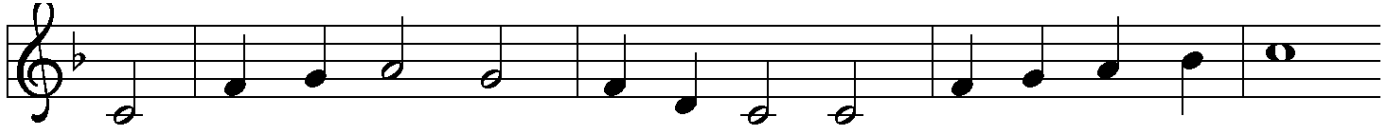
## Breaking the Bread and Invitation to Communion

All people are called to Christ's table.

Come, eat what is good.

*Please be seated.*

### Lamb of God



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.

you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.

e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

*The proclamation is shared for those communing in their place with an all-in-one kit or home elements.*

*Sharing the elements:*

The Body of Christ given for you. The Blood of Christ shed for you.

*Each person may respond: **Amen.***

*The leaders share Holy Communion.*

*The assembly is invited to come forward by the direction of the ushers by the center aisle and receive Holy communion, then return via the side aisle. [For Sunday: You may receive the Sacrament around the altar or at the floor stations. (For more, see announcement about "combo" distribution details.)]*

Please join us in singing the following Communion Hymns:

#742, 781, 714

**SENDING** - *We are sent out to share hope and make disciples.*

Post-Communion Blessing

*The assembly is invited to stand.*

## Prayer after Communion

Let us pray together. **We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## Blessing

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed † bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn #820      *O Savior, Precious Savior*

## Quiet Meditation

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the harvest. **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

*Lift Up Your Voice*

Nordman

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## **WE THANK TODAY'S SERVICE PARTICIPANTS**

Lectors: Mary Lou Millward

Acolytes: Kelsey Coppetti

Communion Asst: Dan McAlister, Kim Elias

Ushers: Cheryl Eckles, Lloyd Fait

Altar Guild: Ann Wineman, Lori Farrell

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Donna Cope.

**THE ROSES ON THE ALTAR** are presented to the glory of God and in celebration: Happy Birthday Kevin, Love, Joanne; With our love, happy birthday Kevin, from Mom & Dad.

**THE BULLETIN** is dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Paul Milliron, Jr. by Marie & family.

**THE ETERNAL CANDLE** is dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Scott P. Weyandt by Mark & Arlene Wagner; in loving memory of "Pap" Paul Milliron, Jr. by the Milliron & Walton grandchildren & great-grandchildren.

### Full “Combo” Holy Communion Distribution detailed explanation and plan:

Our desire is to provide meaningful worship that helps to “grow disciples” as indicated in our Mission Statement. Part of this mindset means that we are inclusive, open, and affirming to various bodily spiritualities and their respective affinities for connecting with God in ways that mirror their God created diversity. Some find it significant to kneel around the altar while others prefer the practice of continuous reception, some praying in their pew, some singing communion hymns, communing in their place...all receiving the precious gift of the Bodily Presence of Christ which was not earned.

We started using this method on August 6<sup>th</sup>.

One side of the sanctuary, the pulpit side will be invited by the direction of an usher to go forward via the center aisle. Then forming two columns of flow—one goes up to the altar rail and the other to the floor continuous stations. A pastor will be in each area with a communion assistant.

Those choosing to receive around the altar will go up the center via the steps, passing the pastor at the floor station. Each should find their place by going clockwise around the altar (unless the opening is just to the right—no need to walk the whole way around). The pastor and the assistant will distribute around the altar in a clockwise manner. An acolyte will be available to help with resupplying whichever stations are running low. There will not be a dismissal, remain for prayer as long as needed. Return to seats via the ramps to the side aisle, depositing used cups into the basket near the front pew.

Those choosing to receive by continuous will come forward by the center aisle in the column to the pastor at the floor station. They will then move to the wine/grape juice station. Worshippers are invited to pause for prayer before returning or once in their pew (kneeling or sitting). Return to seats via the side aisle, depositing used cups into the basket near the front pew.

After the whole side has communed, the usher will pause as a signal for the floor station pastor and assistant to move over for the font side. Then the other side of the sanctuary (font) will then be invited in the same mirrored two columns and continue as described above.

**WE REJOICE THIS WEEKEND** as Dean Michael Eaken, son of Leah (Komarinski) and Benjamin Eaken, enters the Lord's family and his Church through the waters of Baptism this Sunday, at the 10:30 AM service. Dean's sponsors are Patrick Eaken and Nadia Eaken. *We welcome Dean, child of God, now a member of Christ's Church.*

**THIS WEEK....**

**OFFICE HOURS M-F 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

**SUNDAY**

8:00 & 10:30 AM Communion  
10:30 AM Baptism  
11:45 AM SH & Pavilion Reserved

**MONDAY**

10:00 AM Quilting Ministry  
6:30 PM Property Committee

**TUESDAY**

6:30 PM Book Study

**WEDNESDAY**

9:30 AM Staff Meeting  
10:00 AM Newsletter Mailing

**THURSDAY**

1:00 PM CPR Training

**FRIDAY**

**SATURDAY**

8:00 AM Sanctuary Reserved

**SUNDAY**

8:00 & 10:30 AM Communion  
8:00 AM Baptism  
10:30 AM Baptism

**LUTHRAN DISASTER RELIEF RESPONDS TO WILDFIRES IN MAUI.** If you would like to donate to their relief efforts, please place donation in a pew envelope, note your name and "Maui". 100% of donations is used for those affected by Maui.

**PUT ON YOUR WALKING SHOES** and join us at Harrold Zion every Tuesday and Thursday, from 5:00-6:00 PM. We walk in the parking lot so that we can also enjoy one another's fellowship. Walk at your own pace. We do not walk in inclement weather. Come when you can...exercise is more fun with friends! Please call Tammy at 724-837-7327 with questions.

**THE SUMMER BOOK CLASS** continues on Tuesdays, at 6:30 PM, and will continue through next Tuesday, September 5.

**CHOIR WILL RETURN THIS WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30!** Youth Choir (5:30), Handbells (6:00), and Adult Choir (7:00) will resume practicing on Wednesday, August 30th! New members are always welcome! If you're interested, email Laurie, or stop by a practice and check it out!

**WE WILL BE HAVING A CLASS FOR CPR.** It can be for your first time or to renew your certification. We are planning to have the class this Thursday, August 31, from 1:00-4:00 PM. The class is for the church staff and the preschool staff, but we still have four extra spots open for congregation members. Please contact Pastor Caroline at 724-837-7327 or email her at [pastorcarolinehzc@gmail.com](mailto:pastorcarolinehzc@gmail.com) if you would like to attend.

**LOOKING FOR A WAY TO SERVE AT HARROLD ZION?** We are in major need of two people to serve on the Altar Guild in September. If you can help, please contact Susie Eicher.

**WE ARE IN NEED OF SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPERS.** The goal is to have a rotation of parents to lighten the load. The future of Sunday School depends on it. Please sign up in the Communication Center or contact Ms. Sheri at 724-244-0120 or [hzclyouth@gmail.com](mailto:hzclyouth@gmail.com).

### **REMEMBRANCE GATHERING FOR DONNA COPE**

The Ladies Friday Morning Bible Study group will hold an informal memorial gathering in the church sanctuary on Friday, September 8, at 10:00 AM to remember and honor Donna Cope, who recently passed away. All are welcome to attend and will have an opportunity to share memories of Donna.

### **LADIES FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**

The Ladies Bible Study class will resume on Friday, September 15 at 10:00 AM. The Acts of the Apostles is currently being studied. All women and their guests are welcome to attend. For more information, please see or call Linda Boyer, 724-635-0339.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL BE RALLYING** at 9:15 AM on Sunday, September 10 to kick off the Sunday school year. Regular classes will resume the next week, Sunday, September 17, at 9:15 AM.

**RALLY DAY** is Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. We will have the **10:30 AM Worship Service in the upper parking lot (weather permitting)**, followed by good food and outdoor activities in the pavilion area. All welcome to join us for faith, fellowship and fun as we welcome back the Fall Sunday School Programs. Bring a chair and wear any past Harrold Zion Tee Shirts, if you desire.



**GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS. DAY** is Sunday, September 10. We will celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. This year to celebrate the movements 10<sup>th</sup> birthday, let's give back to an organization who celebrates children's birthdays...Beverly's Birthdays. We are collecting the following items on or before September 10: pajamas (newborn – Yth L), reusable water bottles (children's sizes), coloring books, crayon packs, colored pencils and lunch box snacks. **NEW ITEMS ONLY PLEASE.** Please contact Ms. Sheri with any questions ([hzlcyouth@gmail.com](mailto:hzlcyouth@gmail.com) or 724-837-7327).

**CRASH WEEKEND WILL RESUME** September 16 & 17. The response to “crash weekend” in the past was amazing. Please save your change and bring it to worship that weekend and dump it in the bucket to make a joyful noise.

**A NEW SESSION OF THE GRIEF SUPPORT** group will begin September 14. This group will meet on Thursdays at 3:00 PM. Please come and join us if you have had a significant death in your family. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Caroline at 724-837-7327 or [pastorcarolinehzlc@gmail.com](mailto:pastorcarolinehzlc@gmail.com).

**THE PARENT'S BREAKFAST GROUP** will resume on the first day of Sunday School, which is September 17. Drop your child(ren) off at Sunday school at 9:15 AM, then head downstairs to the Social Hall area outside of the kitchen for a time of fellowship and continental breakfast. Beginning Sunday, October 8, we will continue to gather on the second Sunday of each month.

**YOUNGWOOD LIONS' EYEGASSES AND HEARING AID COLLECTION**  
For anyone who is not aware the Youngwood Lions Club collects eyeglasses and hearing aids to help those who cannot afford them. There is always a box on the shelf in the Communications Center in which to deposit them. The motto of Lions is “WE SERVE”, kind of like Christ suggested!

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

- Pet Blessing – October 1, 2:00 PM
- Trunk or Treat – October 15, 2:00 PM

## **ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP:**

Altar Flowers – Sept. 24 (2 vases); Sept. 3, 10, 17 (1 vase)

Bulletin – Sept. 3, 17, 24; Eternal candle –

*Reminder: Rose = \$5, Bulletin = \$10, Candle = \$5, Altar Flowers = \$25/vase*

***To sponsor items, please sign up in the Communication Center.***

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