

Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Transfiguration of Our Lord

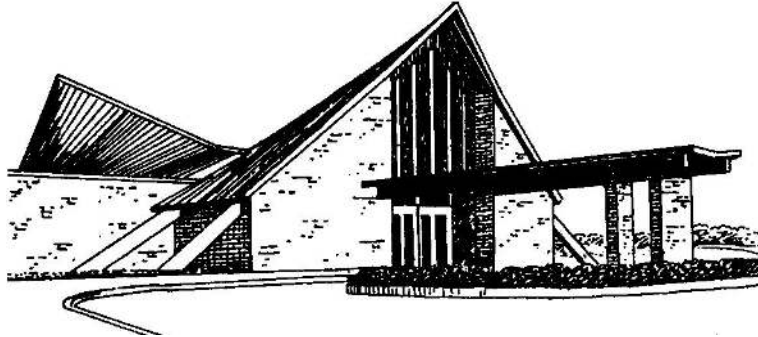
Sunday, February 19, 2023 – 10:30 AM

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!
- **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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WELCOME

PRELUDE *Blessed Be the Name*

Please stand, as able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C. Amen.**

P. Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C. Amen.**

Please kneel or sit, as able

P. Gracious God,

C. have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P. God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **C. Amen.**

Please stand, as able

GATHERING HYMN

The Family of God

Please see next page.

CHORUS

G

A⁹ F#m/A A⁷



I'm so glad I'm a part of the fam - 'ly of God; I've been

5

D⁷

C/D D D⁹ G



washed in the foun-tain, cleansed by His blood! Joint heirs with Je - sus as we

Last time to Coda



11

A⁹ F#m/A A⁷

D⁷

D⁹ D¹³ D⁷ G C/G



trav - el this sod, for I'm part of the fam - 'ly, the fam - 'ly of God. _____

VERSE

17

G

G

D/G G



1. You will no - tice we say "broth - er" _____ and "sis - ter" _____ 'round here; It's be -
2. From the door _____ of an orph - 'nage to the house of _____ the King; No _____

22

D⁷

C/D D⁷

C/D D⁷ G

C/G G



-cause we're a fam - 'ly and these folks are so near; When one has a
long - er an out - cast, a _____ new song I sing; From rags un - to

27

C/G G D/G G D⁷



heart - ache we _____ all share the tears, and re - joi - ce _____ in each vic - t'ry in this
rich - es, from the weak to the strong; I'm not wor - thy to be _____ here, but praise

32

D⁹

D¹³

D⁷

1. G C/G G

2. G C/G G

D.S. al Coda



fam - 'ly so dear. _____ I'm so long! _____ I'm so
God, I be -

Coda

37

D⁹

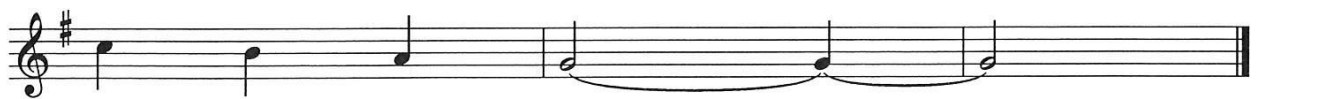
D¹³

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G

C/G

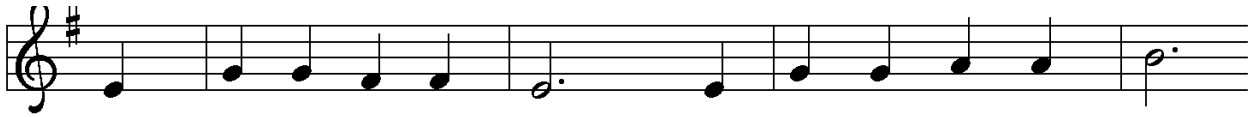
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GREETING

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

KYRIE

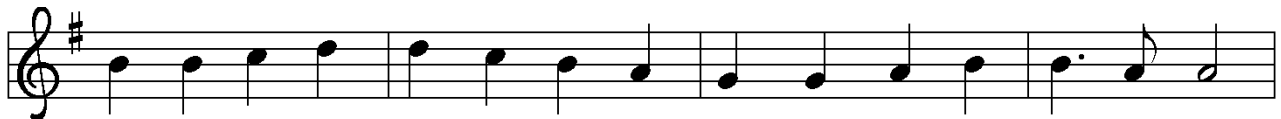


- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

HYMN OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P. Let us pray. O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C. Amen.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING: Exodus 24:12-18

At Mount Sinai, Moses experienced the presence of God for forty days and forty nights. The "glory of the LORD" settled on the mountain, and on the seventh day God called out to Moses. On the mountain God gave Moses the stone tablets inscribed with the ten commandments.

¹²The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God.

¹⁴To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights. The word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: 2 Peter 1:16-21

At the transfiguration, God's voice was heard, declaring Jesus to be the beloved Son. By the activity of the Holy Spirit, God's voice continues to be heard through the word of scripture.

¹⁶For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory,

saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." ¹⁸We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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

Please stand, as able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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.

GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9

Shortly before he enters Jerusalem, where he will be crucified, Jesus is revealed to Peter, James, and John in a mountaintop experience of divine glory called the transfiguration.

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the seventeenth chapter.

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white.

³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead." The Gospel of the Lord. **C. Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

Please rise, as able.

HYMN OF THE DAY #671 *Shine, Jesus, Shine*



THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

HYMN #781 *Children of the Heavenly Father*

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

SHARING OF THE PEACE - JOYS AND CONCERNS

OFFERING



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

P. Let us pray. Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, **C. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

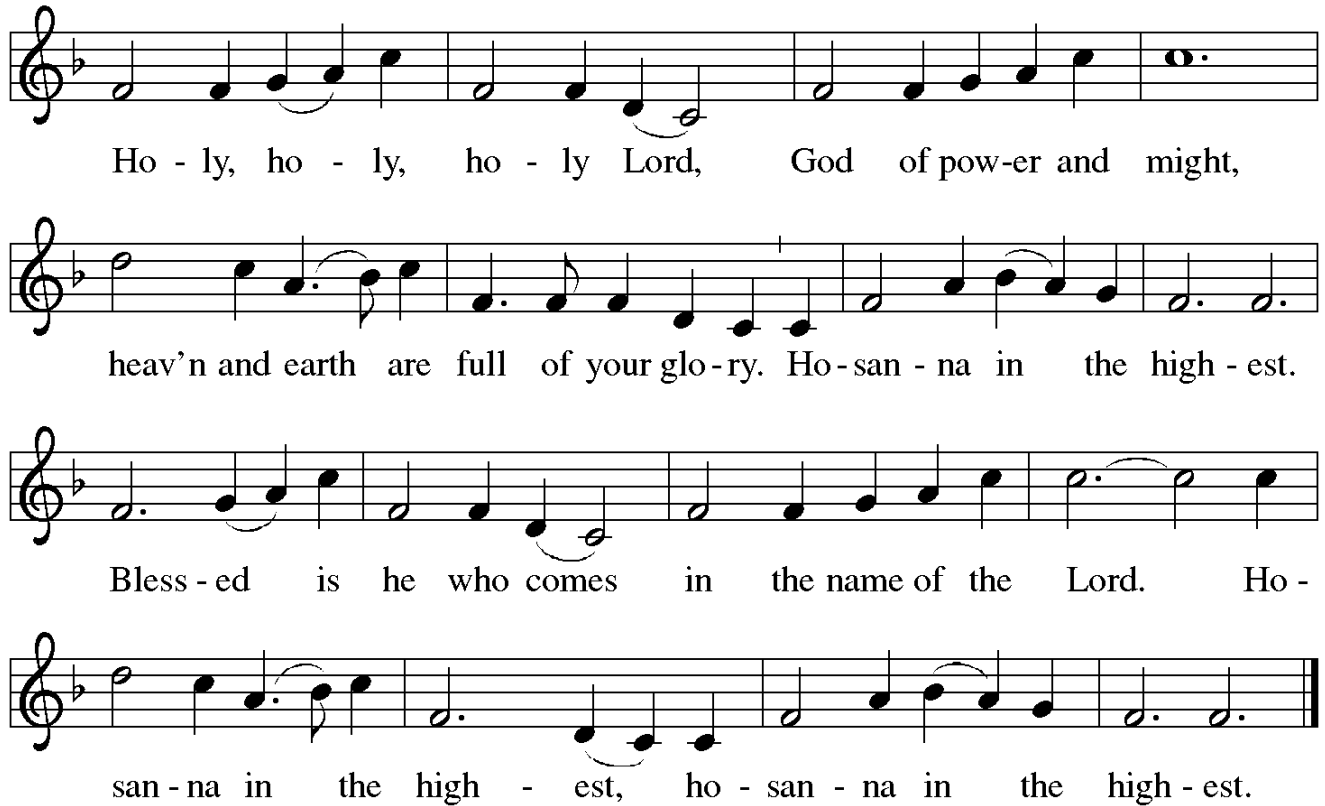
P. The Lord be with you. **C. And also with you.**

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

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

P. 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.



COMMUNION SONG



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.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Please come forward by the side aisle at the usher's direction and proceed up to the ramp. You may take your place at the Altar as the people before you are dismissed from the Table. When you reach your place at the altar, please kneel. After receiving communion, and you are dismissed by the Pastor, proceed down the steps from the Altar and continue to your pew by the center aisle.

COMMUNION HYMNS: #638, 471

Please stand, as able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Let us pray. Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you. **C. Amen.**

SENDING SONG #318 *Alleluia, Song of Gladness*

The Farewell of the Alleluia

P. Brothers and sisters in Christ, when we gather for worship again, the day will be Ash Wednesday. On that day we will begin our solemn Lenten journey to the Savior's cross. While the joy of faith remains undiminished throughout the year, our rejoicing during Lent is muted. For centuries, the Christian Church has omitted the most jubilant word of praise, the Alleluia, which means "Praise the Lord."

P. We are an Easter people. **C. And Alleluia is our song.**

P. Alleluia! Alleluia! **C. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

P. The author of Ecclesiastes writes: For everything there is a season, and a time for ever matter under heaven. A time to be born and a time to die. **C. A time to plant and a time to pluck up what is planted.**

P. A time to break down and a time to build up.

C. A time to weep and a time to laugh.

P. A time to mourn and a time to dance.

C. A time to keep silence and a time to speak.

P. Now for a time we shall say farewell to Alleluia. With this we prepare ourselves for the penitential days of Lent. Thus the Alleluia is sung for the last time and not heard again until it suddenly bursts into glory on Easter Day.

THE BENEDICTION

MOMENT OF MEDITATION

DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

C. Thanks be to God.

Postlude *Guide My Feet*

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Acolyte: Ryleigh Schlegel

Communion Asst: Cooper

Anderson, Scott Zema

Ushers: Cheryl Eckles, Mel

Veverka, Cindy Veverka

Altar Guild: Mary Lou Millward

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR, THE CANDLE AND BULLETIN are dedicated to the glory of God and in in celebration of the X5th birthday of Nancy Pienody and the X1st birthday of Dana Pienody Ramirez by Paul Pienody.

THE FLOWERS BY THE PULPIT are dedicated to the glory of God and in honor of Henry Heer's 95th birthday by Linda & Clay Noble.

THE ROSE ON THE BAPTISMAL FONT is presented to the glory of God and in celebration of Harper Grey Tirpak's baptism by Nana & Pappy.

WE REJOICE THIS WEEKEND as Harper Grey Tirpak, daughter of Mildred Schickel and Andrew Tirpak, enters the Lord's family and his Church through the waters of Baptism this Sunday, at the 10:30 AM service. Harper's sponsors are Jacob Michling, Adriana Tirpak, and Aria Schlegel. *We welcome Harper Grey, child of God, now a member of Christ's Church.*

THANK YOU TO SHERI ANDERSON for preaching at all worship services this weekend.



CALLING ALL BAKERS! We are planning to have light refreshments on Saturday, February 25, for the Meet n' Greet with the Pastoral Candidate. If you are able to provide cookies, please sign up in the Communication Center so that we can plan accordingly. The cookies can be delivered to the church on Friday, February 24.

ORDER EASTER FLOWERS TODAY! Orders are due no later than Sunday, March 5. A 6" Lily is \$13.50 and a 7" Potted Mum is \$14.50. Please complete an order envelope which can be found in the Communication Center. The completed envelope with payment can be placed in the offering plate.

THIS WEEKEND IS “CRASH WEEKEND”. We invite you to bring your change and dump it in the bucket during the Offering. Thank you for your continued support.

THIS WEEK....

OFFICE HOURS M-F 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

SUNDAY

Crash Weekend
10:30 AM Joyful Noise
11:45 AM Evangelism Committee
12:00 PM Social Hall Reserved

MONDAY

No Preschool

TUESDAY

PS Valentine’s Party
10:00 AM Knitting Ministry

WEDNESDAY – Ash Wednesday

7:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Newsletter
12:00 PM Worship
5:30 PM Youth Choir
6:00 PM Bell Choir

7:00 PM Adult Choir

THURSDAY

7:00 PM Boy Scouts

FRIDAY

10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study

SATURDAY – Lent 1

8:00 AM Sanctuary Reserved

3:00 PM Meet n’ Greet with

Pastoral Candidate

5:00 PM Trial sermon from

Candidate – Vote to

follow worship service

SUNDAY

8:00 & 10:30 AM Trial sermon
from Pastoral Candidate – Vote to
follow worship service

HELP FOR ELIZABETH FORWARD HIGH SCHOOL - As you may have heard, EFHS suffered a devastating fire. The entire performing arts wing of the school was destroyed. The Hempfield Marching Band Parents Association are collecting monetary donations to help students continue their performing arts program. Ms. Laurie is asking Harrold Zion to help. Donations can be placed in the collection box on the table in the Narthex. Please make checks payable to HBPA with EFHS noted on the memo line.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS SENT A PHOTO FOR THE DIRECTORY UPDATE! The new directory will have cell phone numbers and email addresses. If your contact information has changed or you prefer not to have your cell and/or email address listed, please let Tammy know. Photos can be emailed to Tammy (tammyhzlc@gmail.com) or, you are welcome to stop by the church during the week and Tammy will be happy to take your photo. All photos and information are due in the office no later than Sunday, March 26. We plan to have the directories ready for pickup by Easter.

ASH WEDNESDAY services will be held this Wednesday, February 22, at 7:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 7:00 PM. The 7:00 AM and 12:00 PM services are brief services so that people can come before work or during their lunch. Ashes and Holy Communion will be offered at all services.

THE MIDWEEK LENTEN SERIES will be every Wednesday in Lent at 6:45 PM (March 1 – March 29). The service will be a Holden service which includes lovely music and a brief meditation about those who were at the cross with Jesus. The first week, the meditation will be about the Women at the Crucifixion.

LENT – A SEASON OF HOPE. This Lent at Harrold Zion, we are putting God's love into action by making Lutheran World Relief personal care kits. We are encouraging our church family to help those suffering from the effects of war, violence, national disasters, disease and poverty. Each week we ask you to bring in specific items and place them in the corresponding bin in the Communication Center. Then, our high school and confirmation age students will assemble, pack and ship the kits. Requested items can be found in the newsletter. February 25/26 Week 1: Bars of soap (2-3 bars, 4-5 oz. any brand).

COME, TASTE AND SEE! A first Holy Communion class will be offered on Saturday, March 4, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. This class is for children and adults. It is important that a parent attends this class with their child. Please call the church office at 724-837-7327 to have your spot reserved.

ACOLYTE TRAINING – If you have made your First Holy Communion, then we have a way for you to serve at Harrold Zion. We will be training new acolytes on Sunday, March 5, 12:00 to 1:00 PM in the Sanctuary.

CHILI & SOUP COOK-OFF AT HARROLD ZION - On Saturday March 11, we will be having a Chili and Soup Cook-off competition. It's time to break out your favorite secret family recipes' and show off your culinary skills! Individuals may bring in as many soups and/or chili crock pots, to be part of the competition, as they would like. The fellowship committee will provide bread/drinks/and dessert to go with the competition. We are asking for a free will donation from anyone who would like to eat and vote on their favorite entries. All proceeds will benefit the church ministry and programs. All Soup/Chili crockpots are asked to be at the church around 4:00 PM. If you plan to enter the competition, please see the March newsletter and/or flyers located around the church for the competition rules.

GIVE BLOOD, SAVE LIVES. We are hosting a blood drive on Sunday, March 12, from 9:15 AM to 2:00 PM. Please register online at vitalant.com or sign up in the Communication Center.

READERS NEEDED FOR PALM PASSION WEEKEND - If you would like to participate in the reading of the Passion please call the church office. We are looking for readers that can preferably serve at all three services the weekend of April 1 & 2. Rehearsal will be Sunday, March 26, at 11:45 AM.

LESSONS FOR NEXT WEEKEND: February 25 & 25

First lesson: Genesis 2:15-17/ 3:1-7

Psalmody: Psalm 32

Second Lesson: Romans 5:12-19

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

LOOKING AHEAD:

- Easter Egg Hunt – April 2, 12:00 Noon
- Palm Sunday Breakfast – April 2, 8:15-10:00 AM

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HARROLD ZION'S 2023 FINANCIAL REPORT

January operating income:	\$31,735.72
January operating expense:	<u>\$23,733.32</u>
	\$ 8,002.40
YTD operating income:	\$31,735.72
YTD operating expense:	<u>\$23,733.32</u>
	\$ 8,002.40

**HARROLD ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
MISSION STATEMENT**

*To Worship and Serve God,
Grow Disciples and Love our Neighbors*