

Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Pentecost 18

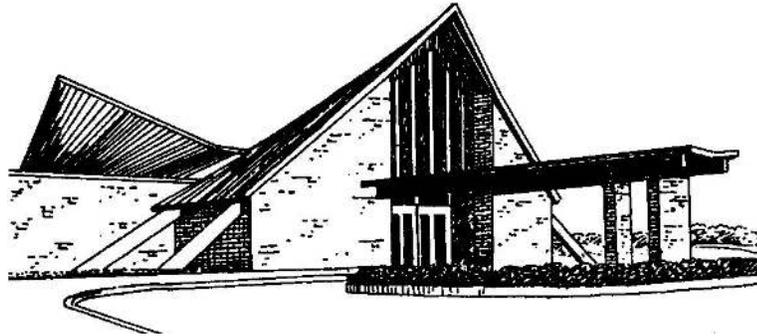
Saturday, September 25, 2021 – 5:00 PM

Sunday, September 26, 2021 – 8:00 & 10:30 AM

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WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP!

- **It is a joy to welcome our visitors!** Please sign the guest book in the Welcome Center at the rear of the church and take a Welcome Packet which is filled with information about Harrold Zion. Please introduce yourself to the greeter in the Welcome Center and to the pastor as you leave worship. We hope you return soon!
- **Thank you for wearing a mask.** If you haven't signed in as you entered, the ushers will bring the sign in sheet to you. With hospitals at 80% occupancy, there's little room for error as we navigate these uncharted waters.
- **Please maintain** a distance of three feet unless you are in the same family
- **Children's busy bags** are available in the Narthex. Bags include crayons, coloring sheets, children's bulletin and a snack. Please take the bag home after worship.
- **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.
- **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 5:00 PM *Aria with O How Lovely, O How Sweet*

Robinson/Knak

8:00 & 10:30 AM *Praise the Lord of Lords*

Williams

Please stand, as able

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P. In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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.**

The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection.

P. Most merciful God,

C. we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the

✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C. Amen.**

Please rise

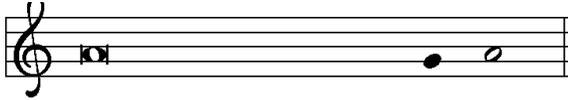
GATHERING HYMN #636

How Small Our Span of Life

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



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



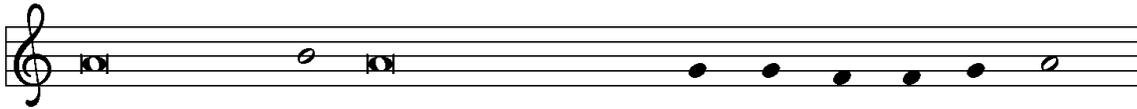
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



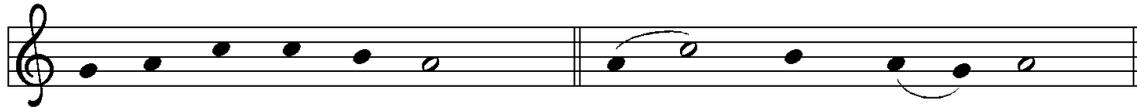
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P. Let us pray. Generous God, your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 (page 128 in pew Bible)
What constitutes legitimate need and legitimate leadership is the focus of this reading. God provides manna in the wilderness, yet the people crave meat. What is truly needful? God bestows the spirit on seventy elders, yet two men not designated as leaders prophesy in the power of God's spirit. What constitutes real leadership?

⁴The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! ⁵We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; ⁶but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at."

¹⁰Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹So Moses said to the LORD, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? ¹²Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child, to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors'? ¹³Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat!' ¹⁴I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. ¹⁵If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery."

¹⁶So the LORD said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you."

²⁴So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent.

²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

²⁶Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those

registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" ²⁹But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!"

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

(10:30 AM) The Adult Choir Anthem

Christ Be Near At Either Hand

Gillen/Warner

PSALM: Psalm 19:7-14

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

⁸**The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light^l to the eyes.**

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever;
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

¹⁰**More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

¹¹By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹²**Who can detect one's own offenses?
Cleanse me from my secret faults.**

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be
acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

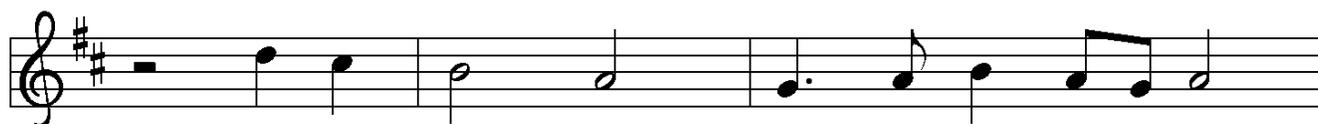
SECOND READING: James 5:13-20 (page 1104 in pew Bible)

Marks of the Christian community include praying for those who are sick and in need, celebrating with those in good health, restoring those who have strayed, confessing sins to one another, and offering forgiveness to each other. ¹³Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one

another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

¹⁹My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins. The word of the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Mark 9:38-50 (page 922 in pew Bible)

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus teaches his disciples about ministry that involves service and sacrifice. His disciples are slow to realize that these words apply to them as well as to others.

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁸John said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.”

³⁹But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

⁴²“If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot

causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

⁴⁹“For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.” The Gospel of the Lord.

C. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY #557

Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun

THE APOSTLES' CREED

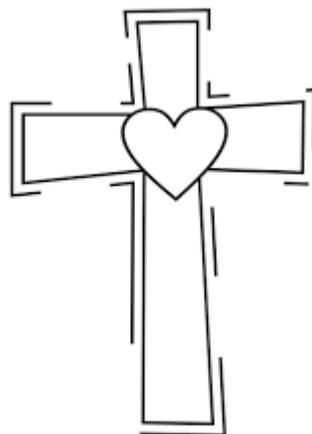
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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.

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SHARING OF THE PEACE - JOYS AND CONCERNS



OFFERING



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of
your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

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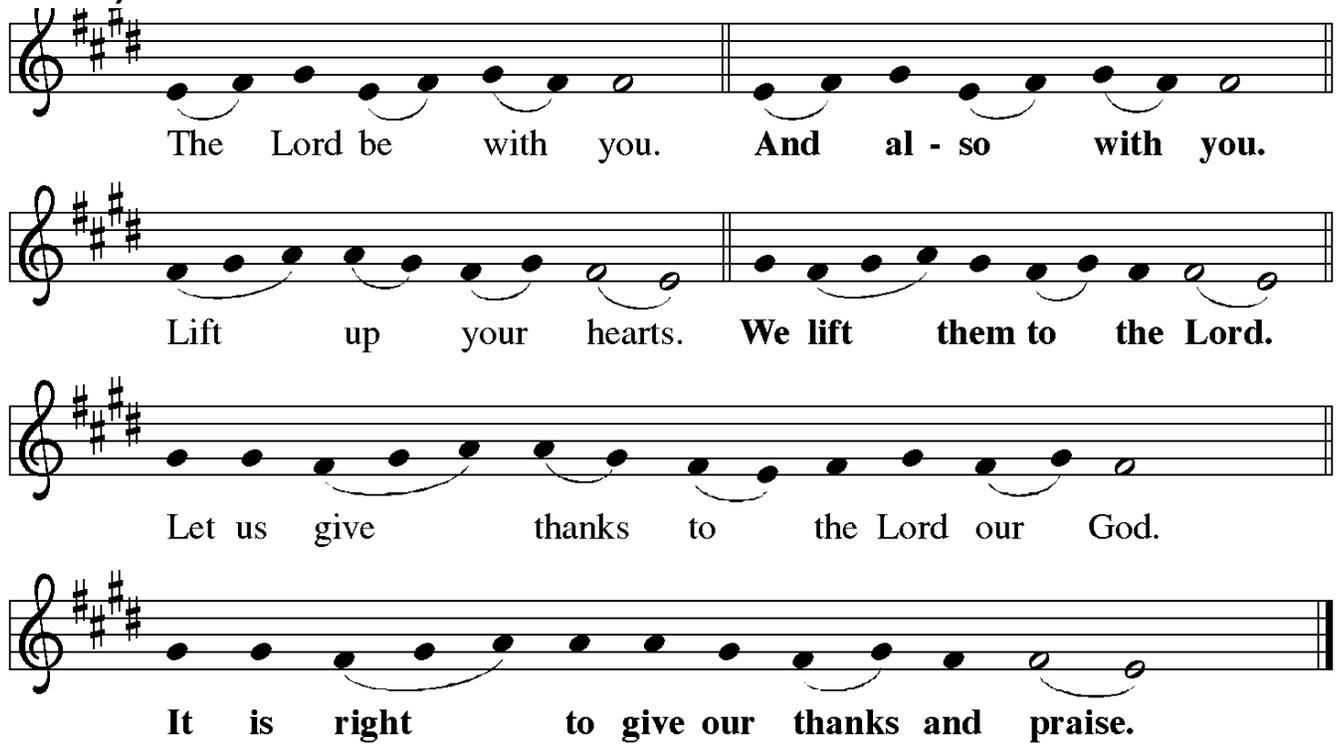
OFFERING PRAYER

P. Let us pray. God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C. Amen.



(5:00 PM) GREAT THANKSGIVING



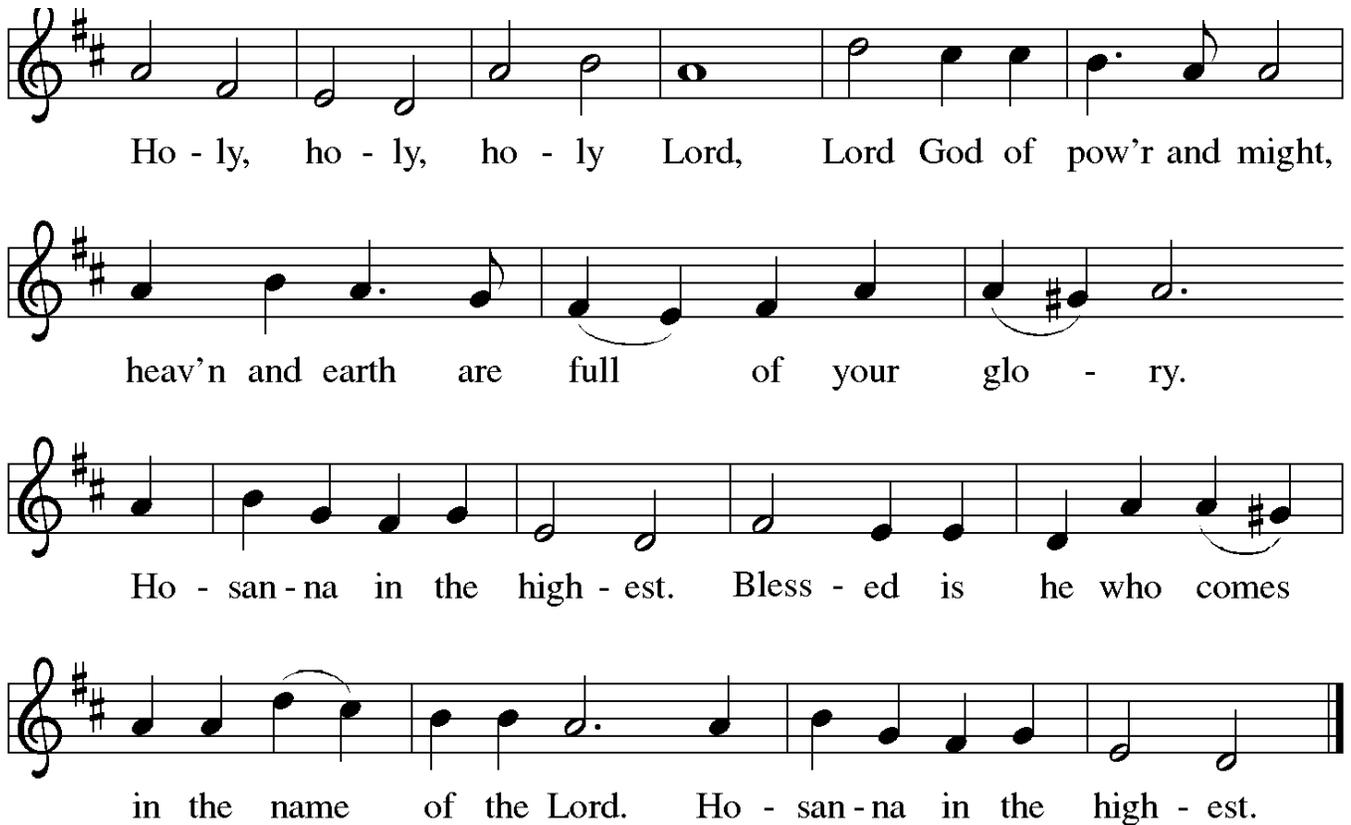
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P. It is indeed right and salutary....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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.

(5:00 PM) 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.

(5:00 PM) COMMUNION SONG



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

(5:00 PM) COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

(5:00 PM) PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **C. Amen.**

PARTING COMMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING SONG #536

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

MOMENT OF MEDITATION

DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you. **C. Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE 5:00 PM *Praise Our God* Peterson/DeCou
8:00 & 10:30 AM *Lift Up Your Songs of Praise* Saint-Saens

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Service Participants

Acolytes: 8:00 AM Katelyn Holsopple; 10:30 AM Hailey Uhrinek

Lectors: 8:00 AM Linda Boyer; 10:30 AM TBD

Communion Assistant: 5:00 PM Josh Chenoweth

Ushers: 8:00 AM Pat Boyer, Linda Boyer, Glen Nickodemus
10:30 AM Barb Kebe, Kevin Kurimsky, Ross Thompson,
Linda Thompson

Altar Guild: Ann Wineman

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are dedicated to the glory of God and His grace and mercy.

THE ETERNAL CANDLE is dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Don Wagner by Mark & Arlene Wagner.

HANNAH'S SOCKS collection is underway! The socks are for all ages and must be new. Please look for collection boxes and as always, the large stocking in the Christian Education hallway. We ask that donations be brought to the church no later than November 28.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: Have you ever wanted to know more about Paul the Apostle? Study his letters? Then join us for adult Sunday school this fall, as it's focused on Paul and his letters! We gather each week at 9:15 AM while the kids are being educated, so sit in while waiting for you kids! You can drop in any time so join us when you can. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Caroline at 724-837-7327 or pastorcarolinehzc@gmail.com.

MUSICIANS NEEDED! 1. Youth singers and instrumentalists needed for our Youth Choir Ensemble! All instruments and skill levels welcome! A perfect ministry for children. 5:30-6:00 Wednesday rehearsals. 2. Instrumentalists needed for the 10:30 October 31 Reformation Service! All ages, instruments, and skill levels welcome! Contact Laurie at lracculia@yahoo.com

THIS WEEK.... REGULAR OFFICE HOURS M-F 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM

SUNDAY

12:00 PM Hall & Pavilion Reserved

MONDAY

10:30 AM Quilting Ministry

1:00 PM Quilting Ministry

TUESDAY

10:00 AM Knitting Ministry

6:30 PM Book Study

WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM Communion service

5:30 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal

6:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal

7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

7:00 PM Boy Scouts

FRIDAY

7:00 AM Sanctuary Reserved

10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study

SATURDAY

8:00 AM Sanctuary Reserved

9:30 AM First Communion Class

SUNDAY

11:30 AM Youth Meeting

2:30 PM Pet Blessing

SECOND BOOK CLUB MEETING: We will be having a second meeting for the book study of Lamb by C. Moore! It's not too late to join us. The book is an interesting look at what Jesus' life before his ministry might have been. We will be meeting at the Daily Grind on Tuesday, Sept. 28th at 6:30 PM. Any questions, contact Pr. Caroline at 724-837-7327 or pastorcarolinehzlc@gmail.com.

A FIRST COMMUNION CLASS will be offered this Saturday, October 2, at 9:30 AM. We should be done by 11:30 AM. It is important that a parent attends this class with their child. If you know of a person or a child who would like to come to God's table for the gifts of Holy Communion, please contact Sheri Anderson at 724-837-7327, 724-244-0120 or hzlc youth@gmail.com. Participants will be welcomed to the table on Sunday, October 31, at the 10:30 AM service.

JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL PET BLESSING next Sunday, October 3, at 2:30 PM. We encourage you to join in this time of giving thanks to God for the gift of our pets. We will gather in the grassy area by the dumpster.

SONSHINER SENIOR GROUP: The Sonshiner's GAME DAY will be held in the Social Hall of the church on Wednesday, October 13 beginning at 1:30 PM. Various games will be played, and the "prizes" awarded! Snacks will be provided. If you plan to attend, please sign the sheet provided in the Communication Center by Sunday, October 10.

HEMPFIELD HOMECOMING PARADE AND CAMPFIRE HYMN SING-

October 8, at 5:00 PM – Come watch the parade from our front lawn. We will have hot dogs and beverages sponsored by the Fellowship Committee. Please note that Route 136 will close by 5:00 PM so plan accordingly. Bring a chair and get your seat by the road for the best view. If you're not headed to the game after the parade, stay and join us by the fire to sing along with your favorite hymns. If you play an instrument and want to join the Campfire Ensemble, get in touch with Laurie at: lracculia@yahoo.com.

ON THE ROAD TO A NEW PASTOR...Join us Sunday, October 17, at 4:00 PM for a "town hall meeting" about the process of calling a new Sr. Pastor. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and share comments about what you are hoping to see in a new Sr. Pastor.

THERE WILL BE A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING the weekend of October 23 & 24 following all services to approve the slate of nominees for 2022 Council and we will accept any nominees from the floor.

FOOD 2 GO 4 KIDS will soon resume packing weekend bags of food for needy children from local Elementary schools in our area. If you would like to be on the volunteer list to help pack the bags and have not already signed the sheet in the Communication Center, please do so as soon as possible. Any questions, please see or call Linda Boyer, 724-635-0339.

THANK YOU TO ROSS THOMPSON for coordinating Rally Day. It was an amazing day and we couldn't have done it without you! From the Evangelism and Fellowship Committees.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA – This year, the Harrold Zion Confirmation students will be joining the National Wreaths Across America day which will be held Saturday, December 18. Locally, a ceremony will begin at 12:00 PM followed by the placement of wreaths at Jeannette Memorial Park located at 1100 Altman Road, where approximately 600 local veterans are laid to rest. Wreaths will also be placed at SS. Cyril & Methodius cemeteries and Sacred Heart, Jennette Catholic and St. Boniface. The goal is to place approximately 1,800 wreaths. We are hoping to meet this goal and ensure that no veteran is forgotten. Each hand made, fresh, live wreath costs \$15 to sponsor and is made in the U.S. with Maine balsam. If you would like to donate, please place your donation in the offering plate. Checks can be made payable to Harrold Zion, write in the memo "Wreaths Across America". Donations must be received by October 30th.

THE COLLECTION for “goats” will continue through August 2022 in honor of our 250th anniversary. We have currently raised \$6,379.62 which purchases 127 goats. We still need 123 goats to reach our goal of 250 goats (\$50 per goat), or \$6,150. To donate toward the purchase of goats for a third-world country, please put your donation in a pew envelope, mark it “goats” and place it in the offering plate. Checks payable to Harrold Zion.

LESSONS FOR NEXT WEEKEND: October 2 & 3

First lesson: Genesis 2:18-24

Psalmody: Psalm 8

Second Lesson: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

LOOKING AHEAD:

- Halloween Trunk or Treat – October 17, 2:00-4:00 PM
- October 31 – Receive First Holy Communion
- Talent Show – November 12 at 7:00 PM (tickets sold at door)
- Part A Congregational Meeting – November 13 & 14
- Thanksgiving Worship – Tuesday, November 23 at 7:00 PM

HARROLD ZION'S FINANCIAL REPORT

August operating income:	\$26,015.60
August operating expense:	<u>\$28,776.21</u>
	\$ -2,760.61
YTD operating income:	\$217,934.94
YTD operating expense:	<u>\$235,554.61</u>
	\$ -17,619.67

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