

THE HERALD

FROM THE SENIOR PASTOR

We celebrate Easter for fifty days. The fiftieth day of Easter is Pentecost. The first disciples needed time to realize what “He is risen!” meant. So do we. To help us with that, the lessons appointed for the Season of Easter reflect the development of the first believers’ aha! moments as well as their actions and results.

On Easter Sunday we had the Empty Tomb. The following Sunday focused on Thomas’ coming to faith and confessing the faith, “My Lord and My God.” In the Sundays and Days of May we have the Lord’s Breakfast of broiled fish (April 30 & May 1); the image of Christ as the Good Shepherd (May 7/8), the selection of Matthias to be an apostle in the place of Judas (Saturday, May 14), On May 14/15, we take a look back at the Foot washing, remembering Jesus’ words that the disciples wouldn’t understand it until after He was crucified and risen. On May 21/22 we begin to focus on Jesus’ promise of sending the Paraclete/Spirit. Thursday, May 26, the Fortieth Day of Easter, marks the Ascension of our Lord and the beginning of the days of waiting for the Descent of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. May 28/29 brings us back to the prayer of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane so that we remember that our Lord is constantly praying on our behalf.

The month ends with our observance of the visit of Mary to her kinswoman Elizabeth. It is a reminder of the Incarnation of our Lord and imminent birth of John the Baptist who will be His forerunner. It is an understatement to say that the month of May is pregnant with meaning. This old world continues in the birth pangs of the new creation of which Jesus is the first born from the dead.

Then on June 4/5, it’s Pentecost. We will celebrate the confirmations of our Eighth graders at noon. Please note that we will offer the Lord’s Supper at 9:30 a.m. on the festivals that occur during the week.

WORSHIP AT HARROLD ZION IN MAY



WORSHIP SERVICE

ST. PHILIP AND ST. JAMES, APOSTLES

Monday, May 2, at 9:30 AM

JOYFUL NOISE WORSHIP

Sunday, May 15, 10:30 AM

This service celebrates with contemporary music and instrumentalists. We follow the same liturgy as the 5:00 PM and 8:00 AM services

WORSHIP SERVICE

THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

Thursday, May 26, at 9:30 AM

WORSHIP MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

As we have done in the past, we will end all three worship services the weekend of May 28 & 29, outside at the Veteran's Flag memorial pad. If there is inclement weather, we will remain inside.

WORSHIP SERVICE

THE VISITATION OF MARY TO ELIZABETH

Tuesday, May 31, at 9:30 AM

250th ANNIVERSARY TRIVIA



1. How many church building have there been, excluding school houses?
 - a. FIVE
2. What part of the Old Log Church still exists and where is it?
 - a. The Pulpit. It is in the Old Milliron Church
3. What was the date of the first recorded baptism(s) at Harrold Zion?
 - a. August 2, 1772. There were 3 Baptisms
4. What are the names of the five churches?
 - a. The Old log church (1772), The Old Stone Church (1830), Harrold's Old Zion Church (1884), Hempfield Zion Church – also known as the Hill Church (1885), Harrold Zion Church (1964)

Another Message From the 250th Anniversary Committee

Mark your calendar for the weekend of July 30-31, as Harrold Zion's Anniversary Celebration weekend.

We have several fundraisers planned commemorating the 250th Anniversary which will help cover costs of the celebration meals. One is anniversary t-shirts, and another is suncatchers/ornaments. Order forms are now available in the church Communication Center for both. A sample suncatcher is in the display case in the Welcome Center. Payment is due at the time the order is placed. Orders are due on Mother's Day, May 8. There is a possibility that we may be able to place a second order before July, if additional order interest exists. We hope to have all attending the anniversary celebration in the commemorative t-shirts!

We want to invite people to the celebration who may not attend Harrold Zion anymore but have roots here, played roles in our development, or would enjoy catching up with old friends. If you would like to invite a former member, please see the form letter that is now available on the church website. You can download it and add the recipient's name then mail or email it to the person or persons.

We also want to have a display of old church photos and other historical artifacts to be set up in the Sunday School rooms for the celebration. If you have any photos or historical documents which you would lend us for the occasion, please contact John Millward (724-635-0218) or Bernard Zundel (724-420-3937). We cannot store or begin to set these up until the school year and Bible School are over, so you have time to look through those old boxes! There is now a display case in the Welcome Center at the back of the church in which we have started to display a few of the things we have already collected. Artifacts do not necessarily need to be directly tied to the church. If you have antiques that would demonstrate the life of the early settlers, we would love to display those as well.

We are preparing an anniversary booklet on the history of the church in which we plan to have space for members to purchase memorial/in honor of sponsorships in the booklet as a fundraiser as well. More information will come at a future date for the booklet sponsorships, but it will work similarly as purchasing a Christmas poinsettia or Easter lily. We have other ideas of items which could be purchased to enhance this celebration if anyone is interested in making donations in honor of or in memory of loved ones. Again, please contact John Millward (724-635-0218) or Bernard Zundel (724-420-3937) if you have such interest. A free-will donation box, in the shape of an old log church, is located in the narthex if you are inclined to make a free-will donation to our anniversary efforts.

Our committee continues to meet every other Saturday at 4:00PM. Our May meetings will be on May 7 and 21. All are welcome to join. We are looking for volunteers to help with the fundraisers, and on the days of the celebration, including service and musical participants and persons willing to man the historical locations for the tours. We will have another sign up sheet in the Communication Center for volunteers for the celebration weekend. Stop into one of our meetings if you have any other ideas you would like added to the celebration.

Look for future anniversary updates in newsletters and church bulletins.

In His Service,

The HZLC 250th Anniversary Committee

FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Stewardship! YIKES! A word that might want you to turn to the next page of the newsletter. Perhaps you might prepare yourself by thinking, “Here we go!!!” Or you might be saying to yourself, “I know that THIS is all about”. **BUT PLEASE READ ON!**

Did you know that THIS is the definition of Stewardship?

STEWARDSHIP IS EVERYTHING WE DO AFTER WE SAY, “I BELIEVE!”.

Did you catch it? Let us say it again – **STEWARDSHIP IS EVERYTHING WE DO AFTER WE SAY, “I BELIEVE!”.**

Did you ever consider that to be Stewardship? Because that is EXACTLY what it is!

Stewardship begins with creation, where God first comes down to us. Read Genesis 1:28 – “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves on the earth”.

What does that have to do with you? Try this! A steward is someone who cares for someone else and their property. It’s taking care of creation (Genesis 1:38) – God’s property. What that means is that we, humanity, is not an owner of anything but rather a steward of what God has created.

We receive when God’s love comes down to us in Jesus Christ. You know the verse – “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.” (John 3:16). God loved us so much that he sent Jesus to die for us to bring us salvation and new life.

So what does that mean for us? How about this – **STEWARDSHIP begins with God coming down to us in love and sharing some of what is God’s with us. We are a church that belongs to Christ, and there is a place for YOU here.**

What is Stewardship? It’s far more than money, talent and time. It is a matter of the heart. It is the way in which we use all of the resources that God has entrusted to our care so that we can love God and our neighbor. Stewardship is about love. **Stewardship is everything we do after we say, “I believe!”.**

From your Stewardship Committee,
Don Freeman, Jack Molnar, Pastor West, Bernie Zundel

QUESTION FOR YOU... We say we own our houses, our cars, and other things in life. But after reading the above, do we REALLY own them? Or does God own them and we are taking care of them?



PLANTS FOR PENTECOST

We will be getting Dark Red Salvia plants to adorn the Altar area on Pentecost, which is June 4 & 5. The Red Salvia represents the "Tongues of Fire". The prices are \$7.00 for an 8 count pack. As always, you can take the pack home, or leave them to be used to decorate the church flower beds. Envelopes to order your plants can be found in the Communication Center. Place completed envelope with payment in the offering plate. Please make checks payable to Harrold Zion. Orders are due by Sunday, May 15.

THANK YOU

Thanks so much to the 22 people who came out on March 20th at 2 pm in the church social hall to participate and learn about zen tangle drawing. Fun was had by all and many new things learned!! Can't wait to do it again. We want to thank Paulette Harvey for her excellent teaching of this relaxing drawing experience.

Thank you to Pastor James for the new coffee pot! ~The staff

Please accept my sincere thank you to all for your cards of sympathy through this most difficult time of my husband, Bob's, passing.
~Gwen Faulk

DO YOU ENJOY FLOWER GARDENING?

The Garden Angels will soon begin preparing the flower beds on the Church property for Spring plantings. We can always use a few more "Angels" on the committee. If you are interested, and for more information, please see or call Linda Boyer, 724-635-0339.

PLAYGROUND CLEAN-UP

May 15th directly after 10:30 Service

Lunch Provided

What goofy weather we been having. In order to make sure it isn't snowing we will hold spring clean-up and safety inspection in May. Many hands make quick and easy work. If you have a rake or leaf blower please bring. Any questions can be directed to Mandy Kanouff.

STORAGE ROOM CLEAN OUT

A group of members will be cleaning out the storage room on Saturday, May 7, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. If you or your committee have items stored in this room, please be sure to purge what you don't need and label the things you want to keep., If items are not labeled, it will be up to the discretion of the volunteers whether to keep items or throw them out. If you have any questions, please call Fred Wineman. Thank you!



MAY CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, May 5, at 6:30 PM

MAY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- Fellowship Committee – Sunday, May 8, 11:45 AM
- Worship & Music Committee – Monday, May 9, 6:30 PM
- Property Committee – Monday, May 23, 6:30 PM

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES FOR JUNE ARE DUE IN THE OFFICE BY 9:00 AM, May 15

Articles can be emailed to tammyhzlc@gmail.com or placed in the mailbox on the Secretary's office door. Thank you!

FROM THE OFFICE

The church office will be closed Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day.

Please note that summer office hours will begin Wednesday, June 1, 2022. The office will be open 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Monday through Friday.



FROM THE CUSTODIAN AND KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS

Please be sure all food in the refrigerators or freezers is labeled with your name or committee name and the date. Any food that is not labeled will be thrown away. Please also label your plates, etc. so that we can return them to you in a timely manner.

WITH DEEPEST
sympathy

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO:

The friends and family of Shirley Cunningham.

Vicky Vinkler and family on the death of her mother, Patricia M. Brissel.

*May the hope of the resurrection
give them peace.*

A GIFT HAS BEEN RECEIVED TO THE MEMORIAL FUND in loving memory of Robert Faulk by: Curtis & Rita Heasley, Beth & Daniel Tush, Merle & Donna Mull, Mary Jane Diffenderfer, David Lieberum, Pat & Linda Boyer; **in loving memory of Shirley Cunningham by:** David & Carol Olear, Hampton Office Products.

ALL ABOUT KIDS PRESCHOOL

Preschool will finish up on May 23 & 24 with our Clifford the Big Red Dog programs and picnics. More information to follow.

All morning classes for Fall 2022 are full with a waiting list. We still have space in our M, T, Th PM class (12:30- 3:00), which is for ages 3-5.

Summer camp July 12 & 14 and August 8 & 11 still has some space. Please call Lisa Zundel at 412-554-4736 for more information.

All About Kids Preschool wants to thank the staff and members of Harrold Zion for their support once again this school year. We truly couldn't do it without all of you. Happy summer!! All About Kids Preschool,

Lisa, Sharon, Jen , Debby and Jessica 😊

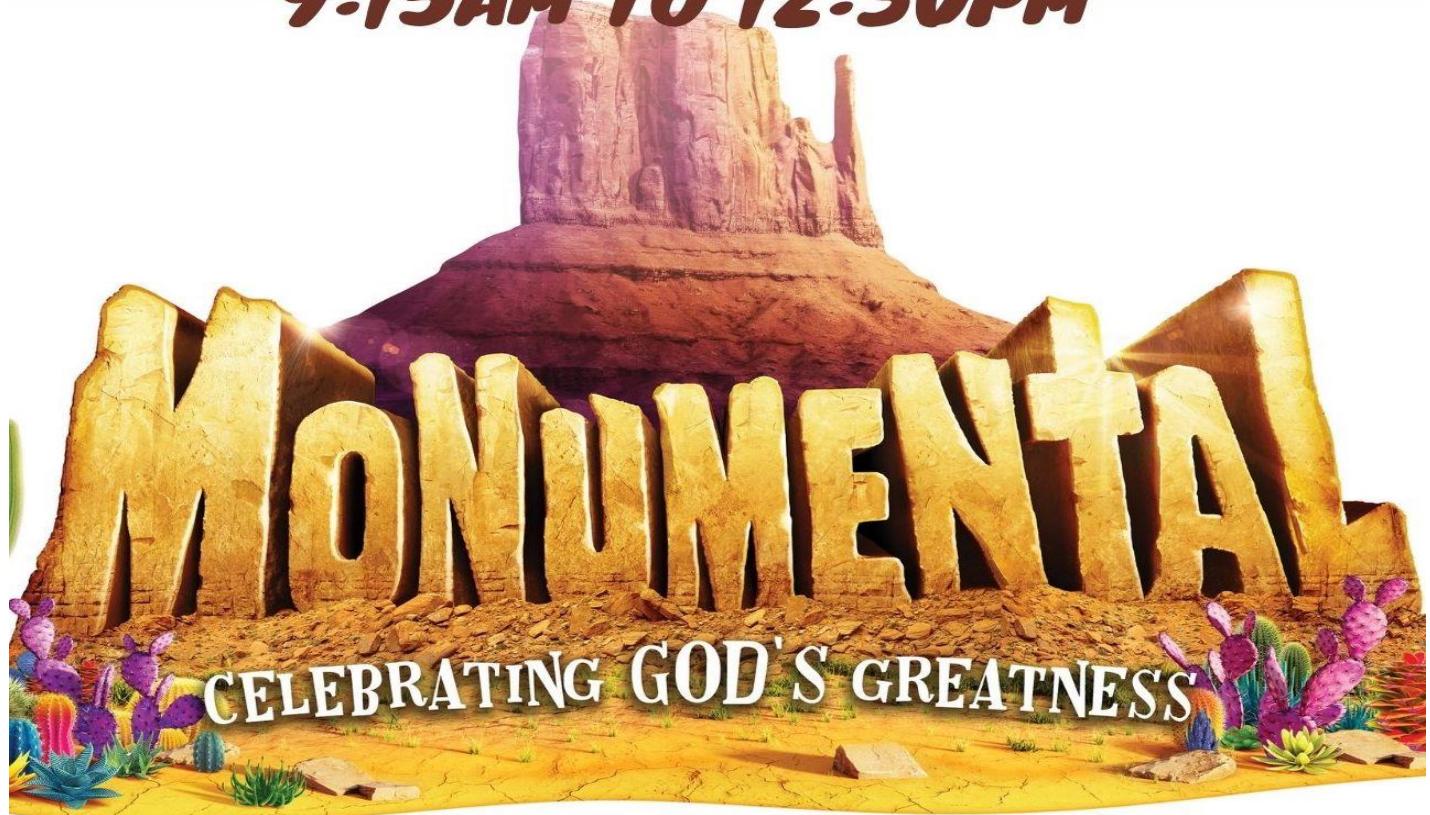
LEARN THE BASICS OF DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY

Classes began April 6, however, you are still welcome to attend starting in May. Classes are conducted by the Westmoreland Photographers Society for beginning and novice photographers. The meetings will be held at the Harrold Zion on the first Wednesday of every month thereafter. Participants can expect to learn how to take advantage of their individual camera's functions, the basics of correct exposure and focus, how to compose an image for artistic effect, how to get an image from camera to computer, and basic photo processing. This will be accomplished through hands on instruction and discussion with experienced members of the WPS, fieldtrips, computer demonstrations, speakers and other activities.

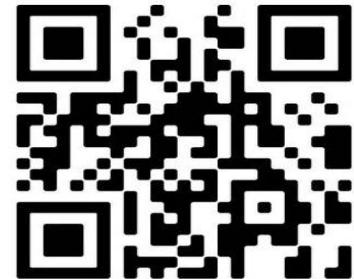
Participation is limited to 25 and preregistration is required. Attendees must become members of the WPS. Member dues are \$30 per year for adults, \$15 for students and \$30 + \$10 for each additional member for families. Dues may be paid at the meeting.

For additional information and to register to attend contact Brian Kloock at briankloock@gmail.com . For more information about the Westmoreland Photographers Society, visit our website www.wps.photography

**HARROLD ZION EVANGELICAL
LUTHERAN CHURCH**
JUNE 13TH - 17TH, 2022
9:15AM TO 12:30PM



SCAN TO REGISTER TODAY!!!



Monumental VBS Registration

PreK/4 year old through 4th grade only

Participant/Volunteer Name

Contact Email

Grade Leaving (circle answer)

- 4year old preschool
- Kindergarten
- 1st Grade
- 2nd Grade
- 3rd Grade
- 4th Grade
- Volunteer

Volunteer's only, please answer

- Station leader
- Group leader

Parent/Guardian Name

Contact

Allergy/Medical Alert or (None)

Shirt size (circle answer)

- Youth sm
- Youth med
- Youth lg
- Adult sm
- Adult med
- Adult lg
- Adult xl
- Adult xxl

Notes to Ms. Sheri

**My child's image can be used
for the church's website and
social media pages (circle
answer)**

- Yes
- No



Calling all Graduates!

Let us know if you have someone who is graduating this year from high school, college or technical school. We want to share their accomplishment.

Send Ms. Sheri a brief bio of where you are graduating from and any future plans. Please send this to hzlcouth@gmail.com by May 15th, so we can brag about you in the June newsletter.

“I HAVE TAUGHT YOU
THE WAY OF
WISDOM; I HAVE LED
YOU IN THE PATHS
OF UPRIGHTNESS”

~ Proverbs 4:11

Last Day For Sunday School

May 22nd,
2022 Rally Day
September 11th 2022

The Christian Education Committee would like to thank the following for their dedication to the faith formation at Harrold Zion. It has been another uncertain year but you once again have served and we thank you!

Friday Morning Women's Studies Linda Boyer

Couples Studies	Kevin Torrance
Evening Studies	Pastor Caroline, Ross Thompson, Sheri Anderson
1 st /2 nd Grade	SusanCarolan, Katherine Hayes, Mary Beth West
3 rd /4 th Grade	Jody Hayes
5 th /6 th Grade	

Rebecca Tobin	
Confirmation 7 th /8 th Grade	
Sheri Anderson	
Pastor West	
Pastor Caroline	

Parent/Youth rotating helpers:

Beth Holsopple
Jamie Gacek
Julie Dansak
Angela Glass
Jackie Nestor
Isabella Dunford
Hannah Uhrinek
Stephanie Auman



**THE SONSHINERS' THURSDAY, MAY 26 "CELEBRATE SPRING" LUNCHEON
AT LAKEVIEW RESTAURANT IN GREENSBURG, BEGINNING AT 12 NOON, IS
OPEN TO ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND. YOU MAY ASK GUESTS.
*In addition to lunch, there will be a few surprises!***

The bottom portion of this sheet must be filled out, checks included made out to Harrold Zion, and your name and any guests names listed, and given to Linda Boyer or Tammy in the Church Office.

The final date to respond is Sunday, May 22, 2022.

MENU:

CHICKEN SALAD CROISSANT SANDWICH

A Fresh Croissant with Chicken Salad, Lettuce and Tomato

Pasta Salad

Cup of Homemade Chicken Pastina Soup

Vanilla Ice Cream Sundae with Chocolate Sauce

Coffee, Hot Tea and Iced Tea

THE FOLLOWING IS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS:

Grilled Boneless Chicken on a Bed of Salad Greens with Dressing

Fresh Fruit, Vanilla Ice Cream Sundae w/Chocolate Sauce, Coffee, Hot and Iced Tea

Cost per person is \$20, which includes all service charges.

Sonshiners "Celebrate Spring" Luncheon, Thursday, May 26, 2022 – 12 Noon
Lakeview in Greensburg

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO HARROLD ZION FOR \$20 PER PERSON.

GIVE CHECK AND THIS PORTION TO LINDA BOYER or to TAMMY/OFFICE BY 5/22/22

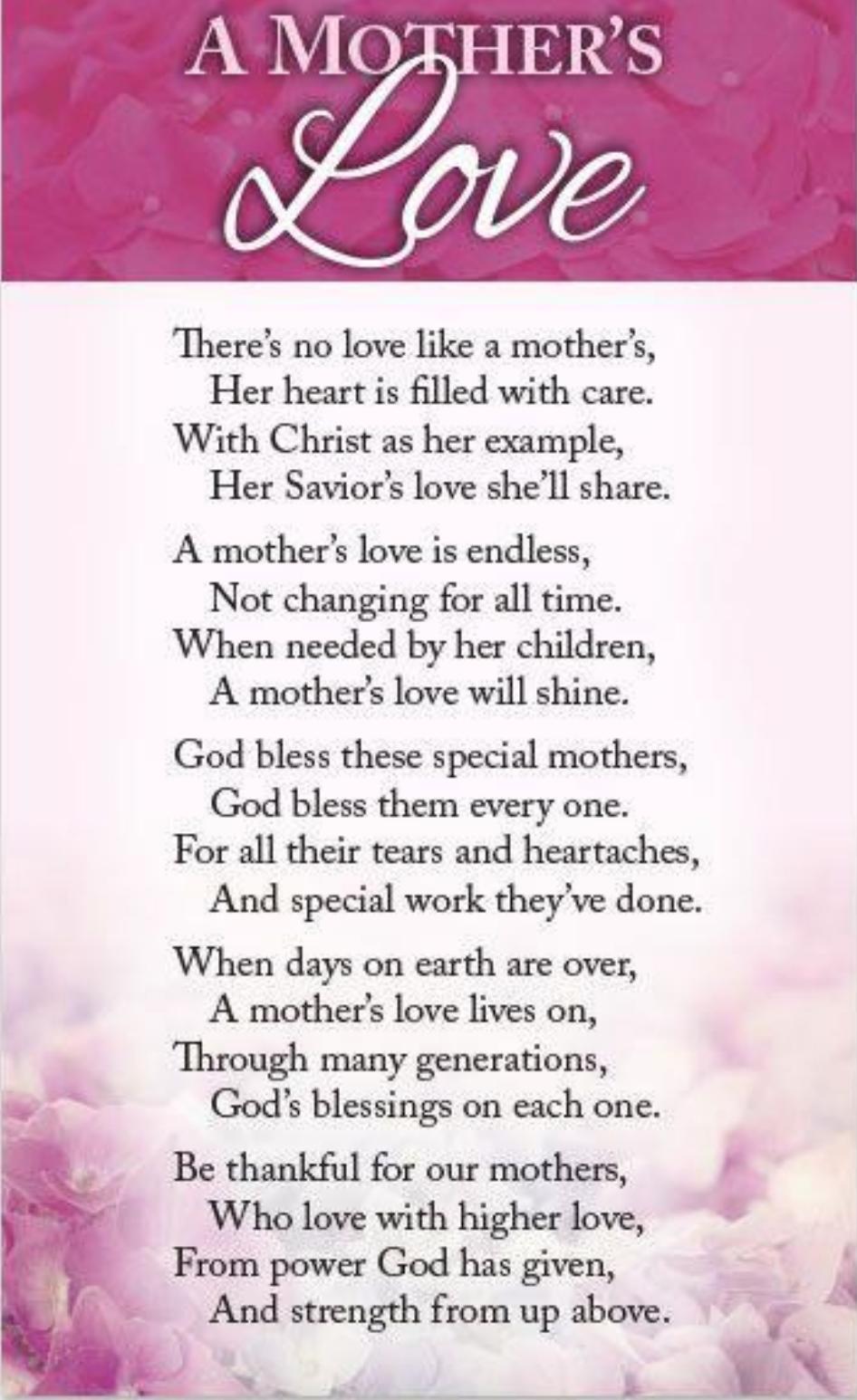
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A MOTHER'S *Love*

The card features a pink and purple floral background. The title "A MOTHER'S Love" is at the top. Below the title are five stanzas of text. The text is in a serif font, with "Love" in script.

There's no love like a mother's,
Her heart is filled with care.
With Christ as her example,
Her Savior's love she'll share.

A mother's love is endless,
Not changing for all time.
When needed by her children,
A mother's love will shine.

God bless these special mothers,
God bless them every one.
For all their tears and heartaches,
And special work they've done.

When days on earth are over,
A mother's love lives on,
Through many generations,
God's blessings on each one.

Be thankful for our mothers,
Who love with higher love,
From power God has given,
And strength from up above.

**NOTE: THERE IS A GLITCH IN CHURCH SOFTWARE SO WE ARE
UNABLE TO PROVIDE A MAY CALENDAR. PLEASE WATCH
BULLETINS FOR THE WEEKLY CALENDAR.**

**2022 Church Council and
Committees Served**

Shawn Carolan - Fellowship
Josh Chenoweth, Secretary - Audit
Bob Eicher – Cemetery, Personnel
Kim Elias – Social Ministry
Bonny Free – Call, Investment
Don Freeman - Stewardship
Joanne Gebhardt – Worship & Music
Bob Majcher, Treasurer – Finance, Investment
John Millward, Vice President - Property
Jack Molnar, President – Nominating,
Preschool
Ross Thompson - Evangelism
Rick Yaksic – Mission & Vision
*Council reps for Youth & Family, Christian Ed.

HARROLD ZION'S 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT

March operating income:	\$27,087.71
March operating expense:	<u>\$32,508.34</u>
	\$ -5,420.63
YTD operating income:	\$80,128.40
YTD operating expense:	<u>\$96,446.31</u>
	\$-16,317.91

MAY WORSHIP PARTICIPANT SCHEDULES

LECTORS

May 1	8:00 AM Linda Boyer, 10:30 AM Linda Thompson
May 8	8:00 AM Ross Thompson, 10:30 AM Jack Molnar
May 15	8:00 AM Bernie Zundel, 10:30 AM Jodie Hayes
May 22	8:00 AM Linda Boyer, 10:30 AM Doris McAlister
May 29	8:00 AM Louise Henry, 10:30 AM Jack Molnar

ACOLYTES

May 1	8:00 AM Heidi Koehl, 10:30 AM Kendyl Kurimsky
May 8	8:00 AM Katelyn Holsopple, 10:30 AM Cooper Anderson
May 15	8:00 AM Grace Dansak, 10:30 AM Ella Kanouff
May 22	8:00 AM Anna Dansak, 10:30 AM Nina Tyler
May 29	8:00 AM Emily Bitner, 10:30 AM Kelsey Coppetti

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

May 1	8:00 AM Don Freeman, Denise Harshman; 10:30 AM Mandy Kanouff, Bob Kebe
May 7	5:00 PM Josh Chenoweth
May 14	5:00 PM TBD
May 21	5:00 PM Josh Chenoweth
May 28	5:00 PM TBD

USHERS FOR SUNDAY SERVICES

8:00 AM Barb Appleby, Larry Myers
10:30 AM Cheryl Eckles, Paul Knopsnyder, Curt Heasley

ALTAR GUILD: Mary Lou Millward, Judy Miller

COUNCIL MEETING April 7, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 Present: Bob Majcher, Pastor Caroline, Kim Elias, Bonnie Free, John Millward, Shawn Carolan, Don Freeman, Joanne Gebhardt, Rick Yaksic, Ross Thompson, Jack Molnar, Pastor West, Bob Eicher, Josh Chenoweth, Laurie Racculia and Tammy Hilland. Devotion by Pastor West

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Minutes approved as read.

TREASURERS REPORT: Motion to approve treasurers report by Ross Thompson. Second by Shawn Carolan. Motion carried.

SENIOR PASTOR'S REPORT: Grace to you and peace. Phew! Thanks be to God for making it possible for the whole earth to breathe easier. I want to thank the dear person who placed the Center for Disease Control note on the doors to the church. It may not be akin to the Ninety-five Theses, but it is literally a sign that the pandemic is abating and perhaps becoming an endemic. On the other hand, witnessing the bloodshed in Ukraine is to say the least, sobering. May God show us how to do the things that make for peace, to "Cure your children's warring madness". Those words were penned by Harry Emerson Fosdick after World War Two. It is hymn number 705 in Evangelical Lutheran Worship. Speaking of hymns, I want to thank Pastor Caroline, Laurie Racculia, Joanne Gebhardt, and others for their work in designing the midweek services for Lent. Likewise, Sheri Anderson's initiative to have a confirmation dinner last Saturday resulted in ten families experiencing the connections between scripture, history, and the Lord's Supper. Now that restrictions are loosening up, our communion bearers are coming back online. I continue to call people, not only to hear how they are doing, but also to ask if they would like a visit. For the most part it has been a conversation of "Thanks for calling, thank you, perhaps another time." The theme these days, borrowing from K. Vonnegut, "You were sick. You are well now. There's work for you to do." (Timequake, 1997) In keeping with that thought, Stephen Ministry is becoming active again. These are signs of new life emerging from the pandemic. It is so good to hear reports from the Call Committee. I am excited for you. As I said when we began, interim ministry is exactly the same as regular ministry except that it is completely different. About the time that we get to know each other, it's time to move on. It's not that time, yet, but it is coming. It is an open ended process. As long as God is willing, and you as well, the plan is for me to vacate the premises a week before the arrival of "Pastor Next". Following your guidance, I took a week of vacation in January, a weekend off about a week ago. Mary Beth and I will go on vacation the first week of Easter. I have study leave scheduled for May 2-6 Larger Church Conference in Tucson, and May 16-20 Festival of Homiletics in Denver. Pray for me, as I pray for you, always in Christ Jesus. Pastor James

ASSISTANT PASTOR'S REPORT: Lots of preparation for Lent and Holy Week: Preaching & Worship – There are several services this month, due to normal services, Ash Wednesday and Lenten services, and Holy Week. I have organized and prepared a liturgy for the Wednesday Lenten Services, and preached all of them. The sermon themes included explaining different parts of the liturgy and a brief description of the hymn of the day by Laurie Racculia. I preached at a noon Thursday Lenten service at Zion Lutheran Church on March 17, 2022. Pr. West and I have split preaching duties. Visitation – Visitation has been busy again this month. Visits include in person and over the phone for homebound, loss of family, and illness (hospital). I visited person's home who wanted spiritual direction. Special Events – I participated in the First Communion class. I attended the Sonshiners lunch and planning session. I attended the Zentangle class; it was lots of fun! A group met to discuss how Lenten devotionals are going, at the Daily Grind. Christian Education – The senior high Sunday morning class has been going very well, with 2-7 students attending, depending on the week. I am very pleased with the relationship building taking place. Sheri and I continue to plan for a summer travel activity with the students. Meetings – Pr. James meetings: 1 time per week with immediate staff, 1 time per week with all the staff, and 1-3 times per week between the two of us. Synod Ministry Committee meetings: (I am the secretary): we met 1 time to discuss family leave and sabbatical policy. All guidelines are submitted to the Synod Council for approval before submitting to the entire synod for approval by Synod Assembly. Lutheran Campus Board of Pittsburgh (I am the secretary for the board): We had 1 meeting for our quarterly meeting and a retreat the weekend of March 26. I participated through Zoom since I had to be available for presiding Saturday night. Synod: The synod ministerium meets monthly. Greensburg Lutheran Cluster: Pastor bible study. Church committee meetings: I continue meeting with the personnel committee to discuss providing an employee handbook and as well as addressing policies for a new pastor. We are close to putting together the manual. I have also been attending Worship and Music meetings. Funerals, Baptisms, and Weddings

-I met with two couples for 2 weddings in May. I led and participated for 3 funerals this last month Vacation:
Planning to take a vacation in the near future. Blessings, Pastor Caroline Clifford

FAMILY MINISTRY CORRDINATOR REPORT: It's the most wonderful time of the year! Over 1,000 eggs have been collected and stuff for the Palm Sunday egg hunt. I had the privilege of presenting a sermon on March 26/27. I have spent time preparing for Holy Week with the staff. I am blessed to have conducted First Holy Communion class for 5 children. I held acolyte training for 6 new participants. I planned and cooked for 10 confirmation students and their families. Pastor West gave a lesson on Passover to the dinning the dinner. I also, will be an active participant during the Saturday Vigil. We in the office, have been dealing with technically; the good and the bad. I was able to create an only line registration for VBS. This will allow a broader band for participants. I am currently researching to write a Confirmation curriculum to include a 3rd year for 6th grade. I am looking forward to celebrating the resurrection on our Lord with my church family.

COMMUNICATIONS: Thank you from ELCA for \$100 offering for purchase of goats.

AUDIT COMMITTEE: No Report.

CALL COMMITTEE: No Report.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE: No Report.

YOUTH AND FAMILY COMMITTEE: The committee hosted a dinner for confirmation students and families; 48 were in attendance. Thank you to the congregation for the very generous donation of candy and eggs. Because of the donations, no budgeted monies were used. And thank you to Pastor Caroline and the high school class for stuffing the eggs.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Holy communion class was held with 5 children will be coming to the Lord's table, on Holy Thursday. Sunday school is on spring-break and will resume on April 24th. Confirmation class will be taking a walking tour to celebrate the 250 Anniversary, led by Mr. John Millward. We will be in need of Sunday School leaders this fall, due to retirement of leaders.

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE: The Evangelism Committee met twice since last Council Meeting. Our focus is threefold... - To update the ACTIVE membership list with current address, phone, and email, and make additions and changes as necessary. To date, the committee has received updates from 160 families/individuals. There are still those in the congregation who have not responded. In some cases they think since there have been no changes, they need not respond. We are requesting a response from everyone. - To research and find out information for those on the current INACTIVE membership list. o At the last meeting, we identified 120 families/individuals for whom we have no contact information...email or phone. Within the next few months, we will recommend to council that they be removed from the INACTIVE list. o There are 105 families/individuals for whom we have contact information. We will attempt to contact them and ask if they would like to remain associated with Harrold Zion as an Active, Associate or Seasonal member. The Associate and Seasonal members are new classifications for Harrold Zion but are suggested in the Model Constitution for Congregations as recommended by the Synod. Active members are voting members and attend, commune, and make contributions to Harrold Zion. Associate Members are non-voting members who hold membership at another congregation but wish to participate in the life and mission of Harrold Zion. Seasonal members are voting members at another ELCA church and may live out of town but participate in the life and mission of the church when they are in the area. The Evangelism Committee had not yet "approved" these various categories but is looking into using them. - Once the Committee completes work on the current INACTIVE membership list, the next order of business is to review the ACTIVE membership list and review the status of each family. In this phase, the committee will make recommendations to keep some individuals/families in the Active status, to move some to either Active or Seasonal, and suggest some be moved to the Inactive list.

Submitted by Ross Thompson

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE: The Fellowship Committee met March 13th at 11:45 am. March activities included the Zentangle Art activity which was on March 20th. Over 25 people were registered and attended.

The Palm Sunday breakfast is April 10th at 8:30 in the Fellowship hall. Set up will be Saturday the 9th at 9:15 am, and 7:45 am Sunday morning. Possible future activities that are being discussed are: A play or show, possibly Nunsense at St. Vincent June 14th-19th., A movie night at the church., A biker blessing, Helping with the 250th anniversary in July. The next Fellowship Committee meeting will be April 10th at 11:45am.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE: No Report

MISSION AND VISION COMMITTEE: No report.

MUTUAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE: No report.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE: No report.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: The Personnel Committee met on 3/10, 3/29 and 4/4. We continue to work on developing a Personnel Policy Handbook. Our next meeting will be 4/25.

PRESCHOOL COMMITTEE: No Report.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE: A report of evidence of mice in the kitchen has been investigated. 2 inspections and bids from pest control companies yielded bids of \$900 and no definitive evidence of points of ingress for mice other than leaving doors open. DO NOT LEAVE DOORS OPEN! In need of ventilation, that is what we have screened windows for! Traps will be set and Decon set out in lieu of spending \$900. Some soffit trim has come off and will be fixed as weather permits. We plan on cleaning out the storage room on May 7th beginning at 9:00 AM. Anyone having items stored should have a representative available so that nothing goes that has great importance to someone. We plan to paint the Social Hall on August 13th after the Men's Prayer Breakfast, about 9:30. A piece of driveway curb was dislodged by the snowplow and will be fixed at some point. We are running out of 4 ft. fluorescent light bulbs and will convert lights to LED as they burn out. This is the year to stain the church beams and will probably be done in late summer. The never-ending job of light bulb replacement continues. Motion to plant Memorial Dogwood Tree for Robert Faulk by John Millward. Second by Joanne Gebhardt. Motion carried.

SOCIAL MINISTRY OUTREACH COMMITTEE: No Report.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE: The Stewardship Committee met on April 1st and discussed ways of making Stewardship a year-round topic. A presentation was delivered to all three services this past weekend. We will meet again in May to brainstorm on different ways to get the message out that stewardship is a year-round endeavor and not just a once-a-year project. Don

PERC COMMITTEE: No report.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE: The committee met in mid-March to finalize planning for midweek Lenten, Holy Week and Easter Day services. Decisions included service types, music, Altar Care needs, Ushers, Lectors, Passion readers and Acolytes/Crucifers. A replacement need for the pouring chalice and veil were discussed. Two members have volunteered to be Communion Assistants at the 10:30 am services. There continues to be a need at the Saturday and Sunday 8am services. There will be foot washing during the Holy Thursday service as well as Holy Communion around the Altar. Wafers will be offered instead of bread. There will be students receiving their first Holy Communion. Easter flowers can still be sponsored. Confirmation is scheduled for Noon on June 5. Salvia will again be available for sponsors for Pentecost. It was decided that, as usual, there will be a Saturday evening service on July 30, at 5:00pm. The anniversary committee is also planning a Vesper service at 8:00pm that night. The anniversary committee has decided to only have one service, at 10:00 am, on Sunday, July 31. The next scheduled meeting is May 9.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: Motion to approve use of the pavilion by the Scout Troop in June or July to have a BBQ fundraiser by Don Freeman. Second by Kim Elias. Motion carried. Motion by John Millward to approve \$1400 to upgrade church office computer by John Millward. Second by Bob Majcher. Motion carried. Motion by Bob Majcher to upgrade Power Church yearly subscription by Bob Majcher. Second by Bob Eicher. Motion carried. Motion to approve Red Cross Blood drive at HZ by Don Freeman. Second by Kim Elias. Motion carried. Motion to host Irwin Male Chorus at HZ in September 2022 by Bob Eicher. Second by Rick Yaksik. Motion carried. Storage cleanup May 7th. Motion to approve fundraising activities for the 250th Anniversary by John Millward. Second by Don Freeman. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Don Freeman. Second by John Millward. Motion carried.

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“Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime”.

~Martin Luther