

Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

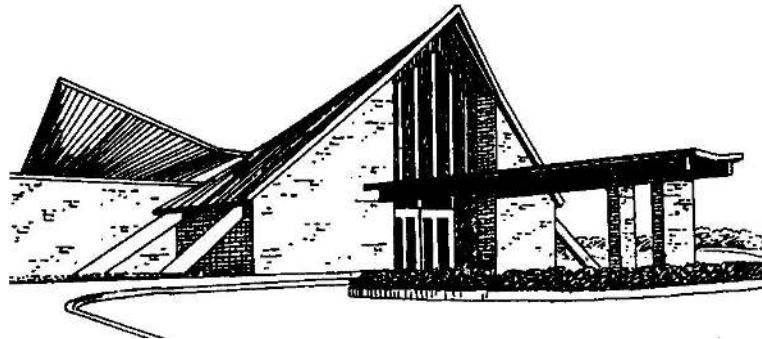
Pentecost 7

Sunday, July 24, 2022 – 8:00 & 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 pastors as you leave worship. We hope you return soon!
- **Children's bulletins** 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.
- **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.

Pentecost 7

Sunday, July 23 & 24, 2022 – 8:00 & 10:30 AM

**Indicates standing, as able*

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Our God Is Great

Swedish Melody

*The Gathering Hymn #641 *All Are Welcome*

*The 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.

P. You are the treasured people of the Lord,

C. a people holy to the Lord our God.

P. Keep the words of the Lord in your heart; teach them to your children.

C. Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

P. One does not live by bread alone,

C. but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.



*The Scripture Song



☐ Sal-va-tion be-longs to our God and to Christ the Lamb for-ev-er and ev - er.



☐ Great and won-der-ful are your deeds, O God of the u-ni-verse;



just and true are your ways, O Rul - er of all the na-tions.



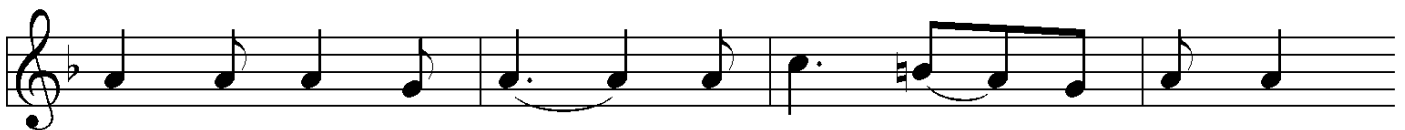
Who can fail to hon-or you, Lord, and sing the glo-ry of your name?



☐ Sal-va-tion be-longs to our God and to Christ the Lamb for-ev-er and ev - er.



☐ For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One. All



na - tions will draw near and wor - ship be - fore you,



for your just and ho - ly works have been re - vealed.



☐ Sal-va-tion be-longs to our God and to Christ the Lamb for-ev-er and ev - er.

*The Salutation and Prayer of the Day

P. Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C. Amen.**

The First Lesson: Genesis 18:20-32

In today's reading, Abraham undertakes the role of a mediator between God and sinful humanity. Appealing to God's justice, Abraham boldly asks for mercy for the city of Sodom for the sake of the few righteous people there, including Abraham's nephew, Lot.

²⁰Then the LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! ²¹I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

²²So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. ²³Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" ²⁶And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." ²⁷Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." ²⁹Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." ³⁰Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." ³¹He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." ³²Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

The word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

The Psalm: Psalm 138

¹I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart;
before the gods I will sing your praise.

²**I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness;
for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.**

³When I called, you answered me;
you increased my strength within me.

⁴**All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD,
when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

⁵They will sing of the ways of the LORD,
that great is the glory of the LORD.

⁶**The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly,
perceiving the haughty from afar.**

⁷Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand shall save me.

⁸**You will make good your purpose for me;
O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.**

The Second Lesson: Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]

The writer of this letter warns the congregation in Colossae about “the empty lure” of philosophies and traditions that compromise faith. Through the gift of faith, the church is mystically connected with Christ in his death and resurrection which is enacted in baptism.

⁶As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹²when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead.

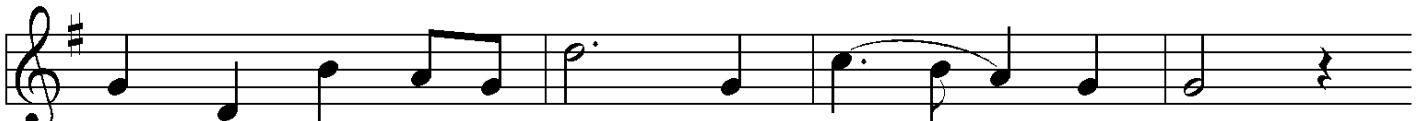
¹³And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our

trespasses, ¹⁴erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it. [¹⁶Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. ¹⁷These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. ¹⁸Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, ¹⁹and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.] The word of the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God.**

*The Gospel Acclamation




Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!




Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all praise to you!



Our hearts burn with - in us while you o - pen to us the Scrip- tures.



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all praise to you!

*The Holy Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

In teaching his disciples this prayer, Jesus also reminds them to focus on God's coming reign, God's mercy, and the strengthening of the community. Jesus encourages his disciples to childlike trust and persistence in prayer.

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eleventh chapter.

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹[Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."²He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. ³Give us each day our daily bread. ⁴And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."

⁵And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' ⁷And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.'⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!" The Gospel of the Lord.

C. Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

*The Hymn of the Day

Sweet Hour of Prayer

Please see next page.



Sweet Hour Of Prayer

Words by
William W. Walford

Music by
William Batchelder Bradbury

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1. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, that calls me from _ a world of care, and
2. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, that joy I feel, _ the bliss I share of
3. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, thy wings shall my _ pe - ti - tion bear to
4. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, may I thy con - so - la - tion share, till,

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bids me at my Fa - ther's throne make all my wants _ and wish - es known! In
those whose anx - ious spir - its burn with strong de - sires _ for thy re - turn! With
Him whose truth and faith - ful - ness en - gage the wait - ing soul to bless; And
from Mount Pis - gah's loft - y height, I view my home _ and take my flight; This

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sea - sons of dis - tress and grief my soul has of - ten found re - lief, and
such I has - ten to the place where God, my Sav - ior, shows His face, and
since He bids me seek His face, be - lieve His Word, and trust His grace, I'll
robe of flesh I'll drop and rise to seize the ev - er - last - ing prize, and

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oft es - caped the tempt - er's snare by thy re - turn, _ sweet hour of prayer.
glad - ly take my sta - tion there, and wait for thee, _ sweet hour of prayer.
cast on Him my ev - 'ry care, and wait for thee, _ sweet hour of prayer.
shout, while pass - ing through the air, "Fare - well, fare - well, _ sweet hour of prayer."

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*The Response to the Word

P. In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C. We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.

P. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C. 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.

P. Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

C. pray in the Holy Spirit.

P. Keep yourselves in the love of God;

C. look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

P. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

C. Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!

P. God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

Please kneel, as able

P. Gracious God, **C. have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

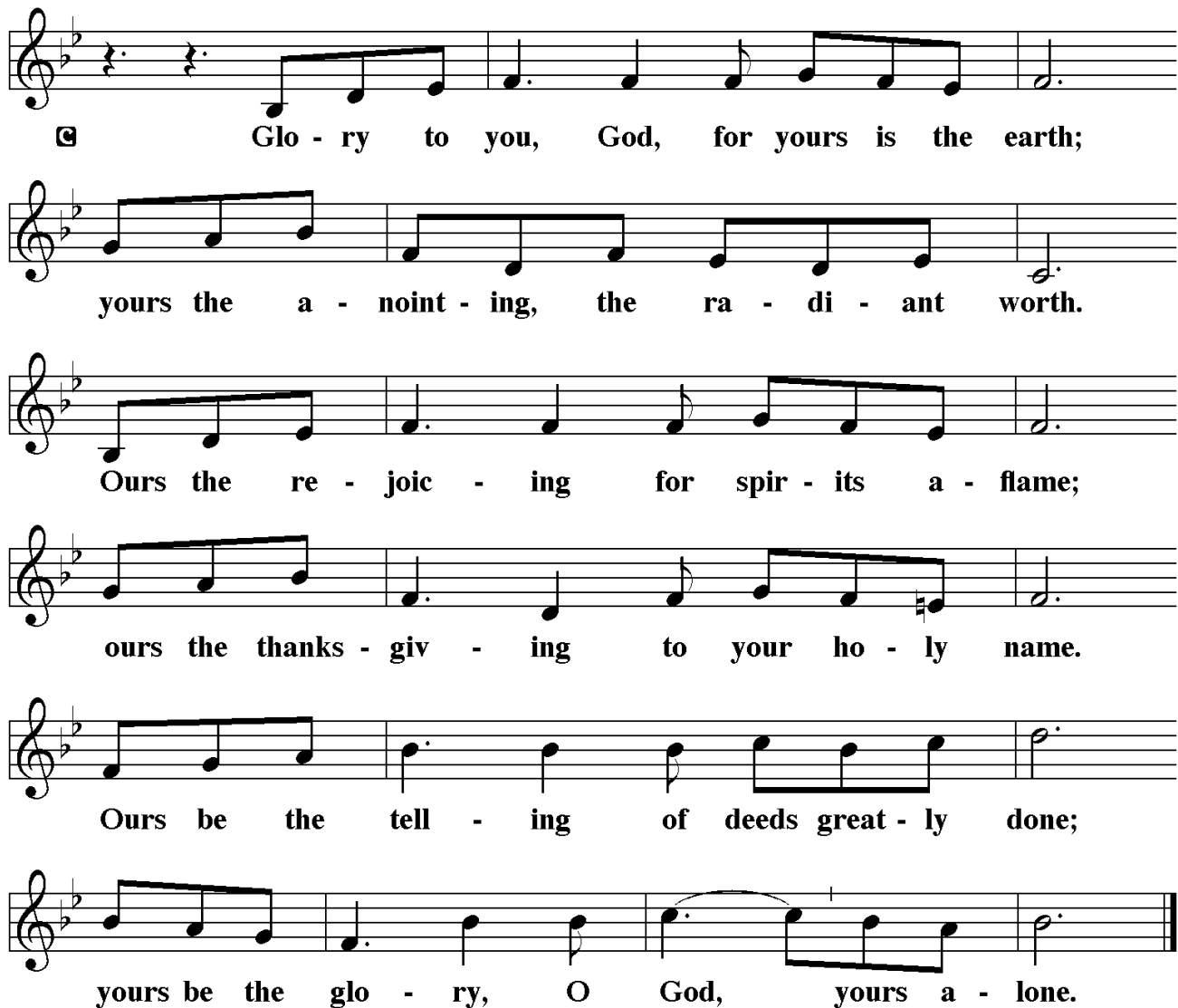
P. Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **C. Amen.**

Please rise

*The Sharing of the Peace - Joys & Concerns

*The Offering

*The Offertory



Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;
ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.
Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;
yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

*The Offertory Prayer

P. Let us pray. God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus.

C. Amen.

*The Prayers of the Faithful

*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.

*The Announcements

*The Benediction

*The Sending Hymn #742 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

*Silent Meditation

*The Dismissal

P. Go in peace. Love your neighbor. **C. Thanks be to God.**

*The Postlude

Triumphant Finale

Bliss

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Service Participants

Lectors: 8:00 AM Linda Boyer, 10:30 AM Deb Mertz

Acolytes: 8:00 AM Eli Bitner, 10:30 AM Hailey Uhrinek

Communion Assistants: 5:00 PM TBD

Ushers: 8:00 AM Bob Eicher, Bill Holtzer

10:30 AM Kirk Heasley, Susan Carolan, Shawn Carolan

Altar Guild: Ann Wineman, Lori Farrell

THE BULLETIN is dedicated to the glory of God and in celebration: Happy birthday to Pat Boyer, Love, Linda.

THE ETERNAL CANDLE is dedicated to the glory of God and in celebration: Happy birthday to Pat Boyer from his 7 grandchildren, Collen, Brian, Stephanie, Alyssa, Ava, Eden, and Elijah.

THE CONGREGATION EXPRESSES OUR SYMPATHY TO Linda and Clay Nobles and family on the death of her Mother, Patricia Heer. May the hope of the resurrection give them peace.

MUSIC during the recorded worship services may be muted due to the copyright and streaming laws.

SUNDAY, JULY 31, WE WILL HAVE ONE WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:00 AM. We will not have the regular 8:00 & 10:30 AM services this day.

THIS WEEKEND, THE QUILTS WILL BE DEDICATED. The Quilting Ministry has worked hard to complete quilts for an upcoming shipment to New Windsor, MD.

IMPORTANT NEWS FROM CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

At the regular monthly meeting of Church Council on July 7, 2022, Pastor West's intentional interim pastoral agreement with Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church was extended through August 31, 2022. Pastor Caroline has graciously agreed to assume pastoral responsibilities beginning on September 1, 2022 until a senior pastor is in place. On behalf of the congregation, council wishes to thank Pastor West for his service to the Kingdom of God, and especially to the Harrold Zion Congregation. We wish Pastor and Mary Beth the best that life has to offer as they pursue their next adventure. Pastor West usually closes his written correspondence with the words, "Pray for me, as I pray for you, always in Christ Jesus." To Pastor West and Mary Beth, we now say, "Pray for us, as we pray for you, always in Christ Jesus." The Lord watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another. (Genesis 31:49)

FAREWELL BREAKFAST - Please join us on Sunday, August 28, between 9:00 and 10:00 AM, for a farewell breakfast. The Fellowship Committee is sponsoring the breakfast. We will provide breakfast foods, such as donuts, muffins, sweet rolls, fruit, juices, and coffee. Come wish Pastor West and Mary Beth the best on their next adventure.

FAMILY SPLASH DAY! Grab your swimsuit, a towel, sunscreen, and join us for our annual splash day. Water games, balloons and our giant water slide will remind us of our baptisms through water and the Holy Spirit.

BIBLE STUDY ON GALATIANS - Pastor James is leading a study on Galatians between the Sunday services, through July 24.

PASTOR CAROLINE IS LEADING A BOOK STUDY every Wednesday evening, from 6:30 to 7:30 PM through August (except August 10). The group will meet at the church in the Meeting Room. The book is "What is the Gospel", by Bishop Kurt F. Kusserow (our synod bishop). The book is relatively brief, and it is meant to get us to think about the Gospel and how our own stories, as well as others, relate to the Gospel. Please contact Pastor Caroline at 724-837-7327 or pastorcarolinehzlc@gmail.com to get a copy of the book.

COME CELEBRATE THE 250th ANNIVERSARY

Events for Saturday July, 30th

- Self-guided tours – 1:00-4:00 PM – Pamphlets for the tours are now available to pick up in the Communication Center. History room (Sunday School rooms) – Open during weekend events.
- Picnic – begins at 4:30 PM (Free will donations accepted) – Please sign up in the Communication Center so we have an estimate for providing food.
- Musical entertainment – begins at 5:30 PM – The Briar Hill Gang
- Outdoor Vesper service – 8:00 PM (weather permitting) Please bring your own lawn chairs for the entertainment and Vesper Service portion of the event.

*We will have our regular 5:00PM Saturday Worship Service.

Events for Sunday, July 31

- Sunday Worship Service – 10:00AM (Only one service is planned for this Sunday.) Service will include special music, guest clergy and communion.
- Luncheon – immediately following the service in Social Hall. For those who not yet picked up your luncheon tickets they are available after each service from committee members.
- Historical Discussion following luncheon. History room upstairs will be open as well.

Memorabilia fundraisers:

Sunday, July 31 is the last day to order commemorative t-shirts, polo-shirts, and suncatchers. Forms are still available in the Communication Center, and at a designated table during the anniversary events. Checks payable to Harrold Zion.

Historical Treasures:

If you have anything you would like to have displayed in our history room during the celebration, please bring items to the church on one of the following days – Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday, July 27-29, from 2:00-4:00 PM or 5:00-7:00 PM. Items do not need to be related to the church directly but can also be of historical interest to the congregation.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THE CALL COMMITTEE, Harrold Zion and potential pastoral candidates. Calling a Pastor can seem timely. Pray for patience as we await the plan God has for us.

THIS WEEK....

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

SUNDAY

Quilt Dedication (both services)
9:15 AM Galatians Study
1:00 PM Hall Reserved

MONDAY

9:30 AM Worship – St James the
Elder, Apostle
9:30 AM Stewardship Committee
10:00 AM Quilting Ministry
5:30 PM Instrumental Rehearsal
(Laurie's)
6:30 PM Property Committee

TUESDAY

10:00 AM Knitting Ministry
6:00 PM Choir, Bells, & Instru-
mental Rehearsal (HZ)

WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM Communion Service
9:30 AM Staff Meeting
10:00 AM Newsletter mailing
6:30 PM Book Study

THURSDAY

5:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal

FRIDAY

3:00 PM Wedding
SH Reserved for Anniversary set
up

SATURDAY

**250th Anniversary celebration
begins!**

1:00 PM Self-guided historical
tours
5:00 PM Regular Saturday wor-
ship
4:30 PM Picnic
5:30 PM Musical entertainment
8:00 PM Outdoor Vesper service

SUNDAY

9:15 AM Galatians Study
10:00 AM One Worship Service
12:00 PM Catered Dinner

SUNDAY SCHOOL PRE-REGISTRATION IS OPEN. Forms can be found on the Christian Education bulletin board, which is in the hallway, on the left before the ladies room.

OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT – The fellowship committee is sponsoring an outdoor movie on August 19, at 8:00 PM at the pavilion. We will be showing "Sing 2". Bring a blanket to lay on the hillside or a lawn chair if you prefer to sit. This event was a huge hit last year and we are excited to offer it again. This is a family friendly movie that ALL ages will enjoy. We will provide popcorn, snacks and beverages. Thrivent is sponsoring this also. Come rain or shine. The movie will be shown in the Social Hall if there is inclement weather. Looking forward to seeing you there!

WE REACHED OUR GOAL! In observance of our 250th anniversary, we raised enough money to purchase 250 goats! Thank you for supporting this endeavor in honor of 250 years!

LOOKING AHEAD:

- Backpack Blessing – August 20 & 21
- Rally Day – September 11
- Pet Blessing – October 9
- Game Night – October 14
- Holiday Gifts & Talent Show – October 22

ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP:

Altar Flowers – August 7 (1 vase), August 14, 21, 28 (2 vases)

Bulletin – August 7, 14, 21, 28; Eternal candle – August 7, 14, 21, 28

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

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

HARROLD ZION'S 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT

June operating income:	\$22,374.02
June operating expense:	<u>\$35,979.02</u>
	\$-13,605.00
YTD operating income:	\$166,436.26
YTD operating expense:	<u>\$203,573.16</u>
	\$ -37,136.90

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