Parish Post for the Week of March 17th – 23rd, 2024

Greetings everyone!

Thankful for 281 Years!

Sunday Worship Service at 9:00 am Service led by: the Reverend Michael Poteet

Fifth Sunday in Lent – March 17th

Upcoming:

Movie Screening @ Centennial – March 17th – 3:30 pm – fellowship & soup/salad

Guest Pastor – **March 17th** – Pastor Stephen Boughter

Guest Pastor – **March 24th** – Reverend Mike Poteet

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Spring City Pantry

The Pantry is now open on **Wednesdays 5:00-6:30pm & Thursdays 10:30am-Noon**Donation ideas: Pasta — Single Serve Meals — Oatmeal Packets

The Pantry is in specific need of Cereal and Macaroni & Cheese.

Thank you to all who continue to fill the shopping cart.

Please be mindful that we cannot distribute outdated, previously opened or unlabeled products.

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Zion Youth

Mark your calendars & Check out the Flyers!

March 30th – Easter Egg Hunt – we're accepting candy donations until 3/24! April 7th – Mystery Dinner – Zion Rollerama Drama! Roll on over to sign up!

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Easter Flower Dedications

As is traditional, we'll be decorating the sanctuary for Easter with flowers dedicated to the loved ones in your lives!

Dedication sheets are available on either side of the Office Window – you can drop them in the slot or on Erin's desk.

Lunch and Laughter for Seniors will be on April 10th at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall. Signup sheet on the table in the Narthex.

Bible Readings for the Week

Monday Isaiah 43:8-13 God is our savior

Tuesday Isaiah 44:1-8 God gives life to the people

Wednesday John 12:34-50 God gives eternal life

Thursday Haggai 2:1-9, 20-23 God promises future blessings

Friday 2 Corinthians 3:4-11 God's glory in Christ

Saturday Psalm 119:9-16 Treasuring God's word

Starting **February 18**, the Sunday School began collecting non-perishable food items until **Easter, March 31**. The food will be divided between Phoenixville and Spring City Food Pantries, let's fill the table with lots of food!

Greetings from the Music Director:

There's a <u>Hymn Request</u> form on the table in the Narthex – if you'd like to have one of your favorites played during service, let us know! **Praise Band and Children's Choir** will now rehearse on <u>Sundays</u> right after Sunday School at **10:30**. Each Group's rehearsal will be short – Children's Songs first for about 15 minutes, followed by Praise Band. The rehearsal should not last much past 11 AM.

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March 25 from 6:30 to 7:30 PM will be the last night of Lenten Bible study for our Sunday school students that will be held in the Council room.

Ashley B. will also host an adult Bible study at the same time upstairs in the Muhlenberg room. The Sunday school children will learn the life of Jesus.

Just a reminder! AA meets in our Fellowship Hall every **Monday** evening at **7pm**.

Social Ministry

On Saturday, April 27th, Zion will once again be participating in a "Rise Against Hunger" event sponsored by Grace Lutheran Church in Royersford. The event will again be held at the Royersford Baptist Church and run from 10:00 AM until around 2:00 PM.

As we did last year, we are asking for volunteers to help package the meals and for financial donations to help cover the cost of those meals. Volunteers may participate for the entire time or what their schedules allow. The goal this year is the packaging of 40,000 meals for distribution to individuals in developing countries.

An online signup link for those wishing to volunteer will be provided and become active on March 12th and remain active until all of the volunteer slots are filled. We will also have a signup sheet on the table in our Narthex.

We are also asking for the congregation's financial support in raising funds to help cover the cost of these meals. Zion has pledged \$1000 and each dollar donated by a member of our congregation will be matched out of our budget up to a total of \$500.

If you are able to volunteer or contribute, we thank you! We just ask that however your donation is made, you indicate it is for "Rise Against Hunger".

If you have any questions about this very worthwhile organization and project please ask. And thank you for your support.

Below is the link for Volunteer Signup:

https://rah.my.salesforce-

sites.com/events/homepage?id=7018c000001DmXz

Muhlenberg Parish

Centennial Lutheran Church and the American Red Cross are hosting an upcoming Blood Drive.

Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today!

Drive Details:

Site: Centennial Lutheran Church

Address: 1330 Hares Hill Road, Kimberton, PA, 19442

Room Name: Fellowship Hall Date: Mon Mar 25, 2024 Time: 02:00 PM - 07:00 PM

Blood Program Leader Name: David Winning Blood Program Leader Phone Number: 610.933.1528

Lenten Movie Fellowship!

Join us this **Sunday (3/17)** for a screening of *A Man Called Otto* being shown at Centennial Lutheran Church at **3:30pm**.

After the movie, we'll share a Soup & Salad together – each family is invited to bring a soup or salad to share. Centennial will provide beverages.