



THE ZION HERALD

Proclaiming Good News

June 2025

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*A community of believers who
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**HUNGER WALK
MAY 4, 2025**

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Message from our President:

June is the month we finally become convinced summer is upon us. The warmer weather and longer days make us crave the outdoors and the opportunity to spend more time with friends and neighbors. Our social calendars fill up with additional hours each day blocked out for get togethers. We become convinced this is the time we owe ourselves for rejuvenation and recreation. There is nothing wrong with these sentiments. Taking time to replenish our minds and bodies is essential to our physical and mental health and our ability to relate to others in a positive and beneficial way.

Unfortunately, however, too many of us feel it is a time to “take a vacation” from our Christian Faith. We skip worship services even when we’re in town and don’t bother to visit other churches while out of town. Paul’s writings teach us that the early followers of Jesus met in local churches that the Apostles visited during their travels to spread the Gospel, with great personal hardship and risk of bodily harm. Where would Christianity be today if those followers of Jesus had decided to take a vacation from their endeavors?

When we contemplate God’s sacrifice of His Son on the Cross for us, is it too much to ask that that we not abandon our obligation of Faithful Christian Stewardship during the leisure months?

Zion Lutheran Church is a vital, strong and vibrant Congregation dedicated to living Jesus’ Commandment to love one another. Opportunities abound for us to exercise the abundant resources entrusted to our care to demonstrate our love of God and to serve our fellow beings.

On Sunday June 8, we will celebrate Pentecost, the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles in Jerusalem. On that day Carli Brown will receive her First Communion in a Worship Space decorated with geraniums! On Sunday June 15 we’ll celebrate the contributions Fathers make in our lives. On Sunday June 22 we will commission our Volunteers for Vacation Bible Adventure-True North, a week-long Alaskan adventure running from June 23-27,2025. On Sunday June 29 we will Install those individuals serving on Council for the term beginning July 1,2025. And throughout the summer months there are blood drives, hunger walks, Habitat Builds and the Food Pantry distributions on Tuesday June 3 and Tuesday June 17.

And let us not forget the faithful stewardship of the resources entrusted to our care being demonstrated by the tireless efforts of those serving on the Call Committee and those involved in establishing a Stephen Ministry at Zion. Enjoy summer. But please don’t take a vacation from Faithful Stewardship.

Lord, thank You for the love visibly demonstrated in Your Son. Help us to recognize our responsibility to make that love visible to others. In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.

Respectfully submitted by Jim Fidler, Council President

Day of Pentecost – Sunday June 8, 2025



On the Christian church's calendar, the day of Pentecost is 50 days after Easter. On this day, the church celebrates the gift of the Holy Spirit and the mission of God extending to the whole human family. It is a time to celebrate the birth of Christ's church on earth; for without the Holy Spirit working in the apostles where would we be as a church?

On this day we recognize the light of Christ going out into the whole world. As Jesus sent the disciples on a mission, so too he sends us: "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (Matthew 28:19)

As a way of recognizing this mission and marking our agreement with it, let us celebrate in style on Pentecost Sunday and the associated Wednesday service on June 4. Red is the liturgical color of Pentecost, so let us boldly dress in red as we come to worship on Pentecost Sunday. Search your closet for your red clothes, hats, shoes, decorations, or anything else you are willing to wear or bring. Let us make known to one another and the world our unity in God's mission. Wear red for mission.

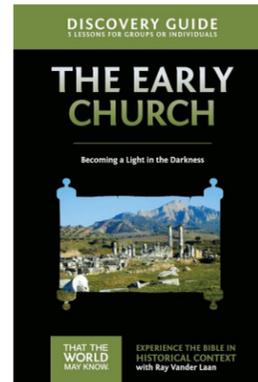


**Adult Christian Education –
Sunday Mornings at 10:15 am**

[Join us as we continue the DVD series by Ray Vander Laan called “The Early Church”.](#)

The series focuses on the church becoming a light in the darkness. Don't worry if you miss a session,

you can join in at any time for learning and great discussion! Thank you to Ken Reinoehl for his leadership!



Confirmation & High School Classes

This summer, the classes will meet one Sunday a month for class, and will participate in one service project each month. We will resume our normal weekly schedule on Sunday mornings in September



**Sunday Bible Adventure Pre-K thru 6th Grades –
Sunday Mornings at 10:15am**

May will be our last month for Sunday Bible Adventure this year! Join us for great Bible lessons from Spark - Activate Faith, crafts, games and snacks. Miss Janet and Miss Connie look forward to their time each week with the kids and have some fun things planned for the remaining classes this month.



We will have Summer Bible Adventure twice a month, meeting one Sunday morning a month after service and meeting one day for a special service project. We will do this during the months of June, July and August, and then will resume our Sunday morning weekly schedule in September. Dates and times will be announced later this month.

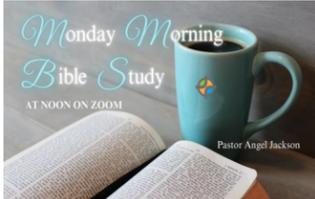


First Communion Classes

Carli Brown completed her First Communion Classes in May and will receive her First Communion on Pentecost (Sunday, June 8th). Please help us support and pray for Carli in this important part of her Christian life. Let her know how much she is loved by God and her Zion family!

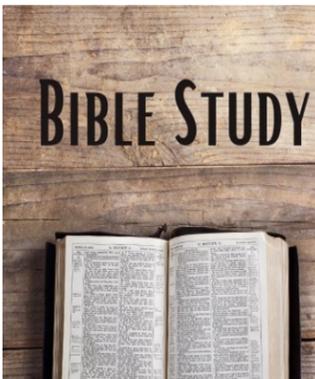
Thank you to Connie Riffle and Janet Slease for leading the classes this year!





Weekly Bible Study – Mondays at Noon by Zoom

Pastor Angel Jackson from St. Jacob’s Lutheran Church on State St. leads a Bible Study on Mondays at Noon via Zoom. She has graciously invited members of Zion to join during our transition time. You can contact Tina in the office for the link.



Women’s Bible Study

The Women’s Bible Study group will be taking a break this summer after their June meeting on Monday, June 3rd at Cindy Bagocius’s home in Canton. Please arrive at 1:30 pm so Bible Study can start promptly at 1:45 pm. The group will resume meeting in September – stayed tuned for the date, time and location. Please contact Cindy Bagocius or Debbie Fox for more information.

Men’s Bible Study

The Men’s Bible Study group will go back to meeting once a month starting in June. They will meet on the last Saturday of the month at 8:30am for good food, fellowship and an hour of engaging Bible discussion. All men are invited and encouraged to attend - please bring a friend or two! If these times don’t work for you, contact Ken Reinoehl to see if we can arrange a time that does work!

Dear God, help us open our minds, our ears and our hearts to what You are telling us, and to do Your will! Guide us in our pursuit of learning and walking in your Word every day. Amen



*FAVORITE SONG
SUNDAY BEGINS*

JUNE 8

*FORMS AVAILABLE IN
THE NARTHAX RACK*



BIRTHDAY'S

Vicki Givler	June 1
Scott Gross	June 4
Susan Heyard	June 9
Erica Whalen	June 11
Linda Smith	June 14
Evelyn Moore	June 18
Tim McCormick	June 19
Debbie Fox	June 20
Fritz Cizek	June 20
Becky Drakulich	June 24
Anna Jones	June 24
Jim Fidler	June 27
Amanda Haga	June 30

ANNIVERSARIES

Josh & Renee Keith	June 11
Scott & Kathleen Gross	June 20
Richard & Nancy Biggerstaff	June 26
Nick & Juanita Cignetti	June 27
Dawn & Neil Tyburk	June 28



2025 Fall Charity Craft Show

Mark your calendars!
Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 10am – 3pm.

Applications for tables are now available in the church office. Table space cost is \$35 for an 8 foot table.

Crafter raffle items, basket themed raffles, concessions, a Bake Sale and of course German Dinners.

All church proceeds will benefit the Habitat for Humanity Faith Build Program. God's Work, Our Hands!

Zion Lutheran Church
Cruise-In

Friday
July 18, 2025
5:00pm - 8:00pm

Helping Homeless Veterans
Valor Home

Valor Home's Choice Award
Door Prizes, Free Food, 50/50
Drawing to benefit
Homeless Veterans

Music by:
"The Spikeman"

For more information contact the church office at:
(330) 499-3909
349 Lindy Lane Ave., North Canton

AKRON RUBBERDUCKS

BASEBALL OUTING
SUNDAY, JULY 6
GAME BEGINS AT 1PM
Tickets \$13.00 Each

Members in the Spotlight

Amelia Grace Milek – Born October 5, 2006, Amelia is the daughter of Brian and Nicole Milek. She has two sisters, Lya and Kat, and one brother, Weston. The family's pets include two dogs, Romey & Charlie, and a fish named Red Red. Amelia enjoys playing at the park, and also participates in Plain Township's *Squeaky Sneakers*, which is an open gym program. Her favorite food is pizza, and her favorite color is blue. Amelia also likes to watch *Dinosaur Train* on television, and her favorite movie is *Barbie in the 12 Dancing Princesses*. She also likes to listen to the song *Jungle Boogie*. With an unwavering interest in the sacrament of Holy Communion that began when she first opened her eyes, Amelia is perhaps the youngest communing member among us!



Spotlight Revisited!!!

Amelia Grace Milek graduated as a salutatorian from GlenOak High School on May 27th. During her time there she was a member of the National Honors Society and the French Honors Society.

Her last two years have been spent taking courses to earn an International Baccalaureate Diploma (IB). Through the IB program she also organized Stark Parks trail clean up days to beautify our community.

Amelia has been a lifelong member of Zion Lutheran and has enjoyed helping at the church. This fall she will attend Ohio University, with plans to major in Linguistics and Anthropology.



Comfort Givers - Darlene Milavickas

- ◆ We have completed 37 quilts so far this year.
- ◆ We are gearing up for VBS this month. It is an exciting time working with the kids to make the quilts. The children color squares to make up part of the quilts. The kids start coloring squares on Monday. We use 17 of their colored squares to go with other material squares we have cut in order to make a whole quilt top. The comfort givers then work on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and maybe a few hours Friday morning to sew and put together these quilts.
- ◆ It will soon be time to put together kits for Lutheran World Relief. We are going to do Personal Hygiene Kits and School Kits this year. This month we will be collecting for Personal Hygiene Kits. We would like to send 25 kits this year with your help. These are the items that you can pick up at the store when you go for your supplies.
 - Light weight bath size towel (20"X40" to 52"X27")
 - Bath size bars of soap (4 to 5oz.), any brand in original wrapping
 - Adult size toothbrush in its original wrapping
 - Sturdy comb (no picks or fine-toothed combs)
 - Metal nail clipper (attached file optional)



There will be a poster listing these items and a tub in Luther Hall into which you can place the items.

Dear Lord, we thank you for giving us the talent and materials to do your work and to share our love for others. You ask us to help our brothers and sisters, to provide for them. Help us see these missions and new ones. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.



Father's Day Breakfast

Sunday, June 15

After Worship Service



Blood Drive Update – Sunday, April 27th

Thank you to all the donors who came out to donate blood on April 27th. Vitalant was able to collect 10 units of blood which will help up to 30 people. Praise God for our blood donors

Our next blood drive is this month – **Wednesday, June 25 from 3 – 7pm** in the gym.
We Want Your Blood! They Really Need Your Blood!



There is always a critical need for blood so please give if you can. It truly is the gift of life and there are so many who need your donation! You can schedule your own appointment, or Debbie Fox can schedule one for you.

To make your own appointment follow:
<https://donors.vitalant.org/dwp/portal/dwa/appointment/guest/phl/timeSlotsExtr?token=rpWCGMfJ%2FsldxPH1ITaq1KdjhTLZbVPqaNithOhn5mA%3D>



or go to:
Vitalant.org
Click on “donate”
Click on “schedule an appointment”
And search by city, zip and date
Or use “Advanced Search” and Group code: U1525



Remaining 2025 Blood Drive Dates – Mark Your Calendars and plan to donate! Ask a friend or family member to join you in donating and giving the gift of life!

Wednesday, August 20th, 2025 3 – 7pm
Sunday, October 19th, 2025 10am – 2pm
Sunday, December 21st, 2025 10am – 2pm



If you are unable to donate on the above dates, you can go to the Vitalant Donation Center at 4119 Tuscarawas St West, Canton, OH 44708. Call 877-258-4825 or

schedule an appointment online. Thanks be to God for everyone who is willing and able to donate blood and give the gift of life.



Vacation Bible Adventure – True North

Join us for a week-long Alaskan adventure at True North. The week’s focus will be how we can all trust Jesus in a wild world. Jesus is a friend we can always trust – he is our “True North”.



- VBA is June 23rd – 27th: Monday through Thursday 9 am – 12:30 pm and Friday 9 am – 1pm.
- Vacation Bible Adventure is designed for kids age 4 through those who have completed 5th grade. We also have a group for Middle School and High School kids who would like to volunteer.
- There are many volunteer opportunities – teacher assistants, crafts, music, games, service projects! Please contact Debbie Fox if you are able and interested to see what fits for you! Join us for one day or all week, whatever works with your schedule.
- Registration packets are located outside of the Church Office. Sign-up sheets for volunteer opportunities and donations are located in Luther Hall.
- We have lots of fun, learning, music, games and service projects planned for the week. Join us and bring a friend or two so we can learn about how Jesus is our rock, our forever friend who loves us and then go out, serve and share that love with everyone!
- The Kona Ice Truck and inflatable water slide will be back this year on Thursday for Water Fun Day.
- Everyone is invited to join us on Friday at 12pm for Our True North Celebration Program and Pizza Party! You will see all the great things that happened throughout the week

Daily Bible Points:

 <p>Monday: When we wonder, we can trust Jesus.</p>	<p>Tuesday: When we feel alone, we can trust Jesus.</p> 	<p>Wednesday: When we feel powerless, we can trust Jesus.</p> 
 <p>Thursday: When we need hope, we can trust Jesus.</p>	<p>Friday: When we need help, we can trust Jesus.</p> 	

Hunger Walk Wrap Up - Debbie Fox

Thank you to everyone who supported this year's Stark Hunger Walk on May 4th! We had a great day for the walk - lots of fun activities, a 2.1 mile walk and a Soup Social to end the event!



A big thank you goes out to Community Christian Church in North Canton for hosting the event, and to Becky Arbogast and Vera Burton for taking the lead.





This year's walk raised \$12,010 for the Akron Canton Regional Food Bank. The great news is that generous friends of the Food Bank matched this amount so the walk raised a total of \$24,020 which will buy 72,060 meals! Praise God!!! Many community members and different faith communities came together for one purpose – to help end food insecurity in our community! Thanks be to God for everyone's love and generosity for those who are hungry!



ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS!!!

The Worship Ministry NEEDS volunteers to help with the Sunday Worship soundboard system.

It's FUN and EASY! One hour tutorials are being offered! To sign up contact Ray LePelley at 330-499-3909.



The Stephen Ministry System™ provides a proven way to equip laypeople as caregivers to make life-changing ministry happen.

**Zion Lutheran Church
North Canton, Ohio**

JUNE ASSISTING MINISTER SCHEDULE

June 1, 2025	Cindy Bagocius
June 8, 2025	Darlene Milavickas
June 15, 2025	George Miller
June 22, 2025	Jim Fidler
June 29, 2025	Beth Heller

JUNE ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

June 1, 2025	Eli Haga
June 8, 2025	Eli Haga
June 15, 2025	LJ Brown
June 22, 2025	LJ Brown
June 29, 2025	Ben Keith

JUNE READER SCHEDULE

June 1, 2025	Mark Denman
June 8, 2025	Brian Milek
June 15, 2025	Ruth Reinoehl
June 22, 2025	Nick Cignetti
June 29, 2025	Mark Denman

JUNE ACCOMPANIST SCHEDULE

June 1, 2025	Carol McKimm
June 8, 2025	Carol Mckimm
June 15, 2025	Steve Moore
June 22, 2025	Digital Music
June 29, 2025	Susan Kaschak

JUNE CHANCEL GUILD SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

June 7, 2025	Darlene Milavickas & Harriet Bowers
June 14, 2025	Beth Shaheen & Sally Bunyan
June 21, 2025	Jayne Schrader & Harriet Bowers
June 28, 2025	Sally Bunyan & Jayne Schrader

SUNDAY

June 1, 2025	Jane Fairman & Janet Slease
June 8, 2025	Darlene Milavickas & Harriet Bowers
June 15, 2025	Beth Shaheen & Sally Bunyan
June 22, 2025	Jayne Schrader & Harriet Bowers
June 29, 2025	Beth Shaheen & Sally Bunyan

9am SUNDAY SERVICE DOOR LOCKERS

June 1, 2025	Dave Palumbo
June 8, 2025	George Miller
June 15, 2025	Janet Slease
June 22, 2025	Jayne Schrader
June 29, 2025	Dave Palumbo

If you or anyone you know is interested in participating in the Worship Service ministries contact the office.



Stamp Out Hunger - Debbie Fox



This year's event took place on May 10th, and our Food Pantry received over 1,300 pounds of food donations from the Jackson Belden Post Office that the postal carriers collected on their routes. A huge thank you goes out to John Rhodes, his brother, Jerry and Jayne Schrader for loading all the food and bringing it back to Zion!



We received many of our most needed items from this large haul of food and are so grateful to everyone who donated food to this year's postal drive. Thank you to Darlene Milavickas, John Rhodes, Jayne Schrader and Janet Slease for sorting and putting away all of the food.



Zion's Community Garden - Jayne Schrader and Nikki Milek

We are fortunate to have the clients from Clearview Developmental Services coming to work at our garden this summer. Clearview's mission is to provide services and support to individuals with developmental/intellectual disabilities, in a way they can attain self-direction, inclusion, personal fulfillment and productivity in all areas of life. They worked very hard in May spreading 10 yards of mulch. They are scheduled to work at our garden every other Wednesday through the summer.

We still have a few 4' x 8' garden beds available if you would like to rent one for the summer. It's not too late for planting and you can look forward to fresh produce this fall. Please take some time to check out Zion's Garden. It is located beyond the south parking lot. If you are interested in renting a bed, please contact Jayne or Nikki or Tina in the church office.





2025 Habitat for Humanity Faith Build

The 2025 Faith Build started in May with the digging and building of the foundations and tar and bracing! Team Zion had five volunteers for our first work day on May 31st to tar and brace the home in Massillon. Twenty two faith communities are coming together this year to build along side the families and the Habitat crew to provide the Varnadore and Richards/Lidderdale families safe and affordable homes! Thanks be to God for everyone involved! This is such an amazing community effort!

How can you help? Volunteer to work on site – no experience necessary! Prepare and deliver lunches for work days! You can also go to the build site on Zion’s work days at 10am for devotion time. This is an uplifting and important part of each work day! Take part in the All Community Volunteer Day at the Habitat ECO office. Pray for the families, volunteers and Habitat staff throughout the build! Make sure to check out the Bulletin Board in the hall by the restrooms for more information and photos of the build progress throughout the summer.

Here are the remaining volunteer dates:

DAY TWO – The Varnadore Family
Date: Saturday, June 14th
Time: 8:15am-2:30pm
Location: 607 14th St. SE, Canton, OH 44707
Task: Exterior Walls
Number of Volunteers: 4
Minimum Age: 18
Lunch: Zion’s lunch crew will provide lunches for our team

This is a dual work day where we will be building with 4 volunteers from another faith community.

DAY THREE – ALL Community Volunteer Day
Date: Saturday, July 19th
Time: 8:15am-12:00pm
Location: Habitat ECO Office - 1400 Raff Rd, Canton, OH
Number of Zion Volunteers: 3
Minimum Age: 18
Lunch: will be provided

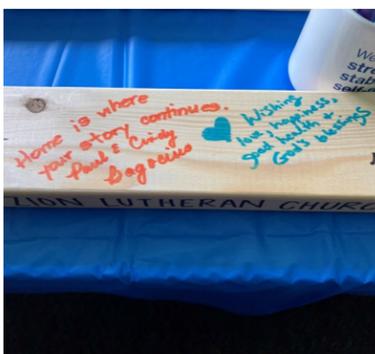
DAY FOUR – Varnadore Family
Date: Friday, July 25th
Time: 8:00am-12:00pm
Location: 607 14th St. SE, Canton, OH 44707
Task: Drywall
Number of Volunteers: 7
Minimum Age: 18
Lunch: Zion’s lunch crew will provide lunches for the site

Sign up sheets and information are located in Luther Hall. If you have any questions, please see Debbie Fox. We hope you will consider being a part of this important community project where God’s work is being done with our hands!





A big thank you to everyone who participated in signing the two studs that were provided for Zion. Each stud will be used to build walls in the two homes, one for the Varnadore family and one for the Richards/Lidderdale Family. Both homes will be surrounded by God's love and all of our messages along with the messages from the other faith communities symbolizing that God will always be deep in the walls of the homes where the families are living, through the good and bad. All praise be to God!



Food Pantry News - Debbie Fox

May Pantry service numbers:

- 147 Households served which includes 337 people
- 3,896 Pounds of food ordered from the Foodbank to be distributed in addition to congregational and community donations
- 186 hot lunches served to our Pantry friends

As we look forward, we are blessed to be able to serve those experiencing food insecurity in our community. We appreciate everyone's effort to keep our pantry going, and to give those we serve a hand up in their time of need.

There continue to be items we really need to help stock the Pantry in addition to pancake syrup for June. Please add spaghetti sauce, cereal, hearty soups, canned fruit, jelly or paper products like toilet paper and paper towels to your shopping list if you are able. Thank you for your continued support!



Volunteer Opportunities:

Help with set up on the Monday before our distribution dates from 9 -11 am.

- Volunteer on distribution days (1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month). We start at 9:30 am with final set up, lunch starts at 11:30 am for volunteers and 12:15 pm for our pantry families, and food distribution from 1 -2 pm with tear down to follow. We appreciate any time you may have available to volunteer from 9:30 am – 2:30 pm on those Tuesdays.

Contact Debbie Fox if you have any questions or would like more information.





We are so sad to see a dear friend and an outstanding Property Manager leave our family at Zion. Dick Seeton has had to retire due to health reasons. Dick's final day with us was April 25, 2025. We were planning on having a reception for Dick in May when he was feeling better, but he now is having back surgery. We talked to Dick and will be having a reception for him in June, when he is able.

Dick has been with us since July 30, 2018. Dick was a custodian at Faith Methodist for 21 years before coming to Zion. Before that he worked in construction. Dick has always gone beyond to do his job for Zion. He came up with and designed the storage closet off the gym, so the gym would be free of racks of tables and chairs along the wall. He came up with the location for the walk-in freezer and designed it also. He has gotten an endless number of quotes for different projects and repairs at Zion. Dick was promoted to Property Manager Dec. 15, 2022.

His latest project was getting quotes for the new windows and overseeing the installation of all the windows. He has always looked out for Zion, finding ways to save money for products he purchases, changing lighting to LED, and making many repairs himself instead of having to call someone in. The additional jobs are too numerous to include in the newsletter. But know this Dick, we remember them all and thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We could not have done a lot of the work without your help.

We have been blessed to have you in our family here at Zion. We also thank Sherri for always being gracious and understanding when you were called back on your off hours. We pray your surgery is successful, and that you are able to get around pain free and able to go to your Son's in Georgia and enjoy your mobile home there. We hope to see you at Zion from time to time.

God's Peace, Love and Blessings be with you and Sherri.

Darlene Milavickas



Financial Update - Laura Thompson, Resource Ministry

- Through April our Giving has exceeded our use of funds by almost \$17,000. In the month, Zion contributed \$5,000 to Habitat for Humanity for the upcoming faith build. You may recall that our Craft Show each fall helps to support our giving to Habitat. Thanks be to God for our partnership with Habitat and watch for upcoming opportunities to live our Mission by volunteering at one of the sites.
- Thank you for attending on May 4th and for embracing Stephen Ministry - a way to provide high quality, Christ centered care to people in our congregation. Our Operating Budget will support training two Stephen Ministry Leaders in 2025.
- Thank you for your continued generosity. Thanks be to God for your commitment to healthy Stewardship.
- Now that all the new windows are installed, we are looking into window air conditioning units for Sunday school rooms, exterior doors and other property improvements. We expect to be on our approval for the total project of up to \$85,000. We have spent just over \$67,000 to date. We are thankful for your generosity, we are able to repair and prepare our church building to serve our communities for many years to come.
- We are graciously awaiting and praying for a Called full time Pastor to join our Mission at Zion. Each month we are saving towards the expenses needed to interview and Call potential Pastors.
- Zion will continue to work effectively and efficiently to manage the resources of God's church. Thank you Jesus for providing all that we need.

On May 3rd Prince of Peace Lutheran Church held a Gathering in Westlake Ohio. Four ladies from Zion went. Connie Riffle, Janet Slease Cindy Bagocius, and Ruth Reinoehl. We learned about the organization Sleep In Heavenly Peace which makes and distributed beds and bedding to children who don't have a proper bed to sleep in.



Bedding was donated by participants along with money. There were about 54 women in attendance.



Witness Ministry Report - Ken Reinoehl

The last Saturday in June the Men of Zion will begin a new study series, which is yet to be determined. Come and join us at 8:30 Saturday morning.

The Men of Zion have purchased tickets for the Rubber Ducks Baseball game for Sunday, July 6. The game will begin at 1 pm. 20 tickets are available. See the sign-up sheet in Luther Hall. Seats are located behind Home Plate, and the cost is \$13 each.



Stephen Ministries has been approved and seems to be happily accepted.

Jennifer Elkins has felt the call of God to join Ken Reinoehl in attending classes to become Leaders for this ministry. Their training classes will begin in July and run into August. Hopefully, we will be able to start training ministers in the fall. Keep tabs on our progress!!!



The WOW (Women of Worth)

group enjoyed lunch at the Dragonfly Tea Room in Canal Fulton on April 30.

It was a beautiful day and a delicious meal was enjoyed by everyone. The tea room has gorgeous decorations and also a gift shop.

If you are single, widowed or divorced and would like to join this group, please contact Moe Alters or Janet Slease. We are blessed to have this time together.



Cindy Bagocius
Amanda Haga
Peggy Ingalls
Judy Arter

TAKING ACTION

EARTHKEEPING: PLASTIC POLLUTION (Part 3)

- **Reduce:** Consume only what you need. Ask yourself: Do I need it? Can I use something else? Can I make just one or two changes each month?
 - **Refuse:** Decline plastic products when you can.
 - **Reuse:** Get creative and reuse items for secondary purposes.
 - **Recycle:** Recycling can reduce industrial wastes, energy consumption, resource depletion, wildlife habitat destruction, fish and ocean pollution.
 - **Remove:** Support or work with other organizations to remove existing plastic in our waterways, roadways, oceans, parking lots, and beaches.
- **Local Recycling:**
 1. Use the plastic recycling tower in Luther Hall. Add your collection to the tower. Giant Eagle will recycle our collected plastic.
 2. Deposit your plastic grocery bags in the bin next to the kitchen counter for reuse on Food Pantry days. Or return them to grocery store recycle bins.
 3. Lake Township Recycle Center, 1499 Midway Street St. NW, Uniontown.
 4. Jackson Township Parks Maintenance, 4811 Park Dr. NW, Massillon.
 5. Perry Township Recycling Station, 5075 Southway St. SW, Canton.
 6. Plain Township, Easton Recycle Center, 2855 Easton St. NE, Canton

Stark-Tuscarawas-Wayne Recycling District, 330-874-2258, Option 1, www.timetorecycle.org. Use this site for information about how to recycle numerous types of products, containers and substances.

Notes:

- Styrofoam – cups, containers, fillers, etc. are not recyclable!!
- Township centers typically check your ID and serve only residents.
- Plastic Bottles & Jugs with a neck and shoulders, e.g. laundry detergent: Stark-Tuscarawas-Wayne Recycling District, or curbside recycling programs. Rinse and put lid on container.

THE BIG PICTURE

PLEASE NOTE THE ALARMING PLASTIC POLLUTION STATISTICS ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THE CALENDAR INSERT.

Sources: *Plastic Pollution Primer and Action Toolkit – End Plastic Pollution*
-- *Earthday.org*.

ELCA Social Statement: Caring for Creation: Vision, Hope and Justice
OECD Nordic Council of Ministers and Systemiq, Our World in Data.



Shared Goods - Darlene Milavickas



We had a meeting with Shared Goods volunteers. We went over the purpose of Shared Goods. Each volunteer received a list of the agencies with whom we are partnering and the items that each agency needs. We decided to keep the week between the Shared Goods being open with Food Pantry would be our work week.

We are planning that the Tuesday of that week will be our volunteer work day from 9-11am. But if Tuesday doesn't work out for you just contact Darlene and she will work out a time that works for you.

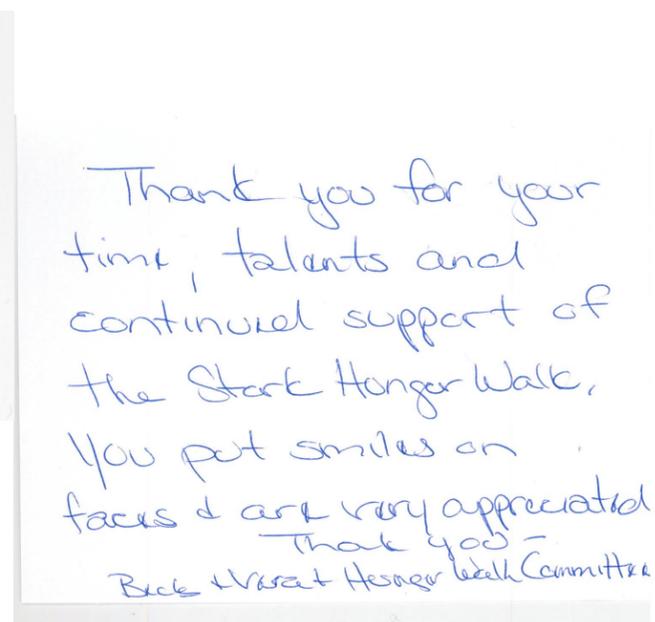
We can really use your help.

On our work day, April 29th, we worked on transitioning from winter to spring and summer clothes. May 19th and May 20th was the debut of our spring and summer lineup of clothes.

If you would like to help carry out our mission of clothing the needy and supporting our neighbors, please join us on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday from 11-2:30pm, and on the Monday before the 3rd Tuesday in the evening from 5-7pm. You can volunteer to help sort items that people drop off at your convenience. Just give Darlene a call at 330-412-4336.



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Sunday Morning: 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m. Worship Service
Services are streamed through Facebook

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9:00am to 3:00pm M-F
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