

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

MARCH 22, 2020

Please know that the church staff and volunteers are here to help with anything you may need during this troubled time (picking up groceries, meds, someone to talk to, etc.). Please call us during office hours (Mon-Thurs 9 a.m.-4 p.m. and Fridays 9 a.m.-1 p.m.) at (301) 371-6500 and we will be happy to help you! You may also email the office at office@zionmiddletown.org.

Join us for "Search the Scriptures" - On-line Bible Study starting next week!

*Join us for a multi-media online Bible study on Philippians starting next week. We will gather electronically **on Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. and Thursday mornings at 10:30 a.m.** This is also accessible simply by phone. Philippians speaks to Christians and churches in times of crisis. It is also known as the book of heavenly joy. It was St. Paul's favorite church. Please call or email the church office if you would like to participate. Pastor Bob will be sending details enabling participation and sessions will be recorded and posted on our website for later viewing.*

Topic: Search the Scriptures - Tuesday 7 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/518763043>

Or call 1 301 715 8592 with Meeting ID: 518 763 043

Topic: Search the Scriptures - Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

Join Zoom Meeting at <https://zoom.us/j/329993537>

Or call 1 301 715 8592 with Meeting ID: 329 993 537

Worship Services - Join Us via Live Streaming!

Saturday, March 21st at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 22nd at 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, March 22nd at 11:00 a.m.

**Go to www.zionmiddletown.org and click on
"To Watch Streaming of Services Click Here"**

Please remember that these activities and dates are subject to change due to the current Coronavirus pandemic.



Worship Choir Membership - Open Invitation

The choir would like to invite anyone interested in joining our musical ministry. No major musical experience is necessary. If you can sing the hymns on Sunday, you've got the basics & we'll help you from there! Contact Bobby Staples by email at rstaples93@gmail.com with any questions.

Baby Bottle Ministry - Care Net Pregnancy Center (only a few bottles remain)

Please pick one up and fill with change, etc. during Lent and return to the church office. Any questions call Donna Jean Brandenburg 301-371-5139 till 9 p.m. or email djb6025139@gmail.com.

Empty Bowls Banquet-April 16th TBD

The Empty Bowls Banquet will be held, Thursday, April 16th at Middletown High School at 6 pm. Tickets are children-age 12 \$7.00; age 13-college \$12.00; adults \$15.00. Please contact Donna Jean Brandenburg for tickets 301-371-5139 (until 9 p.m.) or email djb6025139@gmail.com.

Hershey Park Tickets Available!

A limited supply of Hershey Park tickets are available. Cost is \$39/ticket and are good for all ages. Please contact Wendi Kishimoto @ 301-371-6500 ext. 203 or wendik@zionmiddletown.org.

Way Off Broadway - Matinee - April 19th 12:30 p.m. TBD

Sherlock Holmes & Dr. Watson must crack the mystery of The Hound of the Baskervilles before a family curse dooms its newest heir. Three actors play 43 characters, bringing Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's classic mystery to life on stage. Tickets include buffet meal, sodas, tea, coffee and dessert. We have a limited supply so sign up soon! \$43/ticket. Contact Wendi Kishimoto: wendik@zionmiddletown.org or 301-371-6500, ext. 203.

I was wondering...How can I get in touch with Church Council leaders if I have an issue or need to discuss something? It is easy, just email them at zioncouncil@zionmiddletown.org or call the church office and one of them will get right back with you. 301-371-6500.

Zion is reaching out to share Christ's love for our community!

Zion's Community Cross During Holy Week - will be going up March 29th!

A cross will be in the garden on the west side of the Church covered in wire. We invite you, along with the community, to share/release a burden, concern, hope or prayer, by writing it on a piece of paper and putting it in the wire holes. Prayer cards will be available in a box next to the Cross. We will then transform the cross on Holy Saturday (April 11th) by placing a flower for each prayer in the cross. Watch the transformation of the cross on Easter Sunday; see how Christ takes your burdens and turns them into something beautiful.

Community Day of Service – May 2, 2020 TBD

Join volunteers from Middletown churches as we help our neighbors in need of assistance on home projects. If you are in need, please contact Deb Reichelt at 301-371-6500 or treasurer@zionmiddletown.org by April 13, 2020. To volunteer, please sign up with our Sign-up genius at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4EAAAAA2EAAF49-may22020>. For help with this, contact Renee Huffer at aquatictraining@aol.com.

Mar-Lu-Ridge Summer Camp

Mar-Lu-Ridge Summer Camp is a safe, faith-centered outdoor experience for your camper, and a super fun way to connect with new friends and grow in faith and confidence. We offer residential camps for ages 6-17, Day Camp on-site for ages 6-10, and Mobile Mar Lu Day Camps for congregations. There are full week and half week options for our residential campers, and a variety of specialty programs as well as traditional camps from which to choose. Scholarships are available for Zion Youth. Camp forms are available on the Youth and Family bulletin board. For scholarship information, contact Wendi.

**Save the Dates! Mother Daughter Banquet - May 6th @ 6:30 p.m.
Church Picnic - June 14th @ 6 p.m.**



Did you know that Amazon will donate to Zion Lutheran every time you shop? Just go to smile.amazon.com and choose Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church as your charity! Any questions - please contact the church office.



Palm Sunday, April 5th - services at 9 & 11 a.m.
Maundy Thursday, April 9th - services at 12:30 and 7 p.m.
Good Friday, April 10th - services at 7 p.m.
Holy Saturday, April 11th - services at 6 p.m.
Easter Sunday, April 12th - services at 6:30, 9 & 11 a.m.



Day Off Program - April 28th TBD

On Tuesday, April 28th we will be going to the Boulder Yard in Frederick for rock climbing! Space is limited - be sure to sign up soon! Forms are available on the Youth and Family bulletin board. The program runs from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. and the cost is \$20/youth. It includes rock climbing, shoe rental and games/crafts, too! Bring your lunches with you. Questions? Contact Wendi@ 301-371-6500 ext. 203 or wendik@zionmiddletown.org.

Save The Date! Vacation Bible School 2020-July 6-10

We are so excited to announce that VBS will be held at Zion **July 6-10 from 9 a.m. - noon**. Our theme this year is "Rocky Railway" where we will trek through the Rocky Mountains on this faith-filled adventure where kids will discover that trusting Jesus pulls them through life's ups and downs! Registration forms are available on the Youth and Family bulletin board. Registrations received prior to May 31, 2020 will receive a special gift! For more information contact Wendi @ 301-371-6500 ext. 203 or wendik@zionmiddletown.org.

