

## Zion Lutheran Church July 18, 2021



After a very difficult year with the deaths of dear friends and loved ones and many other losses of our lives, it is important to take some time to remember and reflect as we were not able to do so during pandemic. In the near future, Zion will be hosting a service to give thanks for the lives of those who died during the pandemic, as well as to acknowledge those losses we have experienced. This service is open to the community and offers time for prayer, remembrance, and reflection. Please be on the lookout for the date and time and plan to join us for this time to honor those we love and support one another in these days ahead.

### Saturday - 07/17

9 -10:30 a.m. AA Meeting-Garden's Edge  
9 - 11:00 a.m. Clothes Closet Open  
5:00 p.m. Worship

### Sunday -07/18

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship  
10:00 a.m. Congregational Meeting  
11:00 am Traditional Worship

### Monday - 07/19

9-11 a.m. Clothes Closet Sorting

### Tuesday - 07/20

8:30 a.m. Zion's Quilters  
7:00 p.m. Zion Knitters-  
Garden's Edge

### Wednesday - 07/21

8:30 a.m. Zion's Quilters

### Thursday - 07/22

8:30 a.m. Zion's Quilters

### Friday - 07/23

9:00 a.m. Heritage Day Luncheon  
Meeting

### Saturday - 07/24

9 -10:30 a.m. AA Meeting-Garden's Edge  
9 - 11:00 a.m. Clothes Closet Open  
5:00 p.m. Worship

### Sunday - 07/25

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

## Homemade APPLE BUTTER



### **Did You Miss Apple Butter and Heritage Days As Much As We Did?**

Fall of 2021 is looking to be an exciting time to restart and regroup with Apple Butter and Heritage Days. To continue with Zion's traditions, we need **YOU!** A planning meeting will be held on **Wednesday, August 11th at 6:00 p.m.** in the Social Room to plan for all things apple butter and Heritage Days! Please let the office know if you are able to attend and can help make Heritage Days and apple butter happen this year! The money raised from this event will benefit the building fund.

A few items we will cover and that we need help with: washing jars on Tuesday, September 14th, prepping for apple butter on Friday, September 17th and the main event: Friday, September 18th.

### **Blessing of the Bags, Backpacks, Briefcases, Devices and Masks August 14th & 15th**



Join us the weekend of August 14th and 15th for the Blessing of the Backpacks! We will invite all students, teachers and workers to bring their backpacks and work bags to the "Blessing of the Backpacks" ceremony, held at all services. Students and workers, young and old, will be acknowledged and given blessings on the work and education they were about to enter into as the new school year was about to start and new projects arise.



Middletown Valley People Helping People is holding a School Supply Drive the month of July. I have a donation box in the main hallway as you enter church for any donations. Also, I have a container on the secretary's desk in case you would rather give a monetary donation. If you are in need of supplies, please call MVPHP at 301-371-3119, and leave a clear message with your name and phone # by August 1st. Any questions, email me at [djb6025139@gmail.com](mailto:djb6025139@gmail.com). Thanking you in advance for your continued support. Donna Jean Brandenburg.

### **Zion Worship Service Viewing Options:**

To view our weekly recorded worship service any time during the week, you can just click on the webpage link at [www.zionmiddletown.org](http://www.zionmiddletown.org) and it will take you directly to the video. The link for the livestream of each service is on the website, click the link and it will take you directly to the video.



### **Community Day of Service – Sept 11, 2021**

#### **Are you in need of help with home projects?**

Volunteers from Middletown's Ministerium are looking to help our neighbors in need of assistance on home projects. The projects can be any type of home repair or maintenance that can be completed in one day and located in the Middletown Valley and surrounding towns. Examples: painting projects, yard work clean-up, small home repair projects, etc. Please contact Deb at Zion Lutheran Church by August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 301-371-6500, ext. 204 to register your project.

#### **To fellow God's hands and feet of Zion:**

Zion's Clothes Closet has had an overabundance of donations. To ensure we are able to get through the donations quickly, I need volunteers to Sort ONLY as to whether they are winter/summer. We are going to start phasing out summer and focus on winter. Patricia Staples will be there on **July 24th from 9 a.m. to Noon**. If you can spare any time on this dates, please let Patricia know: [rstaples17@comcast.net](mailto:rstaples17@comcast.net) or call/text to 301-606-0041.



#### **Zion could really use your time and talents!**

Ushers, Lectors and Greeters for All Services  
Altar Guild members  
Christian Fellowship members

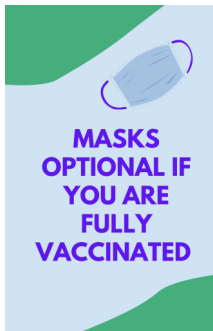
If you are interested, please contact the church office 301-371-6500 or email: [office@zionmiddletown.org](mailto:office@zionmiddletown.org)

**\*\*new sign-up sheet is posted in the Sanctuary\*\***

#### **Lee Ropp continues to crush it!**

Lee is crushing cans to benefit the youth program. He has crushed 172,469 aluminum cans. Lee says "keep 'em coming"! Cans can be dropped off on the back porch of the Clothes Closet.





### Worship Services

**Saturday:**

**5 p.m. Casual Worship**

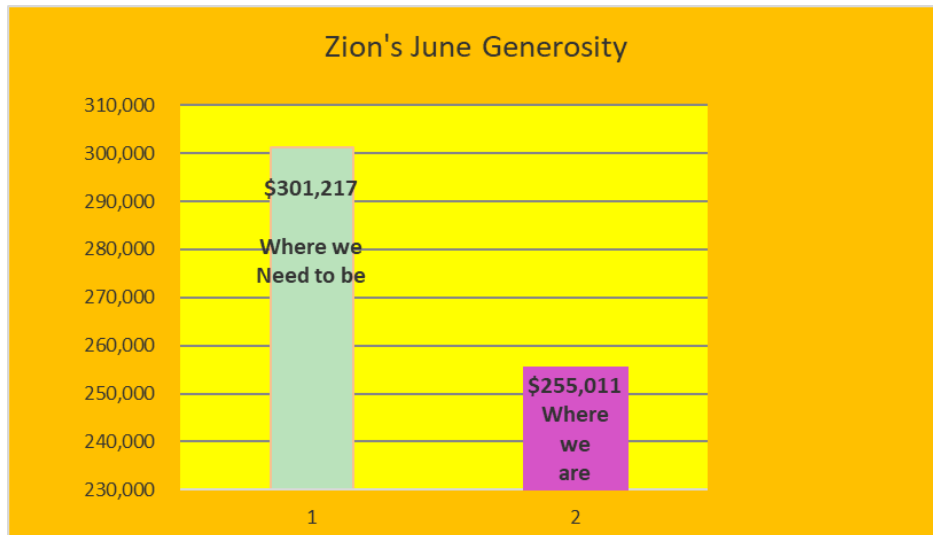
**Sunday Services:**

**9 a.m. Contemporary Worship**

**11 a.m. Traditional Worship**

### **Zion Stewardship**

### **Zion's Giving Update: Year to Date ~ June 30, 2021**



### **Budget/Income Information**

Year to Date as of June 30, 2021

YTD Proposed Budget Income \$301,216.51 vs YTD Actual Income \$255,011.48

YTD Proposed Budget Expense \$290,912.24 vs YTD Actual Expenses \$273,740.91



#### **Have you signed up for Constant Contact?**

Zion recently discontinued the weekly email letter that was emailed to all members on Wednesdays. We have a Constant Contact weekly email that comes out on Fridays. If you aren't getting it and want to sign up call or email the Church Office: 301-371-6500 or [office@zionmiddletown.org](mailto:office@zionmiddletown.org)