

August 24, 2025 8:30 AM MT.ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH HISTORICAL VILLAGE OF CHURCHTOWN BOILING SPRINGS PA 17007

WELCOME!

The members of Mt. Zion extend a warm welcome to all visitors. Please sign the guest register in the main entrance of the church. If you do not have a church home and are seeking one, we would love to have you join us. Please speak to the Pastor or to any of our members if you would like to learn more about our community of faith.

All are invited to the communion table. Bread and wine are used as the elements of this meal. Grape juice is also available for those who do not drink wine. There is also a gluten free choice. Children who do not commune may receive a blessing.

About today's lesson:

Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing.

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August 24, 2025 11th Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion Service 8:30 AM

SILENT PRAYER:

Lord, graciously hear us, for we seek you alone. Calm our bodies and minds with the peace which passes understanding, and make us radiant with joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

PRELUDE:

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Please stand as able.

- P People of God, we have been raised with Christ to new life;
- C Freed from every fear and granted every grace.
- P The heavens declare the righteousness of God.
- C The earth reveals God's splendor.
- P From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C God's Word shines forth in glory.

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- P In the name of the Father and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P Merciful God,
- C you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.
- P You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
- C Amen.

GATHERING SONG:

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven #549 (LBW Green Hymnal)

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.

KYRIE:

- P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE: My Lord of Light (WOV Blue Hymnal) #796



- 1 My Lord of light who made the worlds, in wis dom you have spo ken; 2 My Lord of love who knew no sin, a sin - ner's death en - dur - ing:
- 3 My Lord of life who came in fire when Christ was high as cend-ed:
- 4 My Lord of lords, one Trin i ty, to your pure name be giv en



but those who heard for us your wore a crown of thorns, a crown of life se - cur - ing. your burn - ing love all glo - ry now and ev - er - more, all praise in earth and heav-en.

Text: Christopher Idle, b. 1938

Music: BARBARA ALLEN, English folk tune

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PRAYER OF THE DAY:

- P Let us pray.
- C O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:9b-14

A The word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm103:1-8 (Read Responsively)

- Bless the LORD, I O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's I holy name.
- ² Bless the LORD, | O my soul, and forget not | all God's benefits—
- ³ who forgives ⊢all your sins and heals all ⊢your diseases;
- 4 who redeems your life | from the grave and crowns you with steadfast | love and mercy;
- ⁵ who satisfies your desires | with good things so that your youth is renewed | like an eagle's.
- ⁶O LORD, you provide | vindication and justice for all who | are oppressed.
- ⁷ You made known your ways to Moses and your works to the children of Israel.
- 8 LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and abounding in 1 steadfast love.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-29

A The word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



GOSPEL:

- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 13th chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 13:10-17

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

SERMON:

Please stand as able.

HYMN OF THE DAY:

Oh, Happy Day whenWe Shall Stand #351 (LBW Green Hymnal)

P Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

THE APOSTLES' CREED:

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

P Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near.

A brief silence.

After each portion of the prayers.

- A Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- P Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion.
- C Amen.

PEACE:

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Please stand as able.

The Lord's table is prepared.

Offering brought forward.

OFFERING PRAYER:

- P Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C Amen.

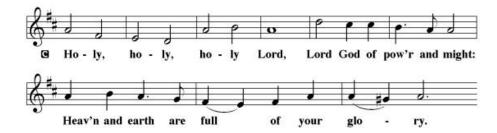
GREAT THANKSGIVING:

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give him thanks and praise

PREFACE:

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS:





P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying. Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, then, his death and resurrection, we lift this bread and cup before you. giving you thanks that you have made us worthy to stand before you and to serve you as your priestly people. And we ask you: Send your Spirit upon these gifts of your Church; gather into one all who share this bread and wine; fill us with your Holy Spirit to establish our faith in truth, that we may praise and glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ. Through him all glory and honor are yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church both now and forever.

- C Amen
- P Now let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- C 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION:

P The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

Please be seated.



DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION We will be communing by tables. Please follow the instruction of the usher. **Communion hymn of meditation** is played until everyone has communed.

Please stand as able.

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

COMMUNION PRAYER:

- P Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.
- C Amen.

BLESSING:

- P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- C Amen

SENDING HYMN: *Oh, for a housand Tongues to Sing* (LBW Green Hymnal Hymnal) #559

DISMISSAL:

- P Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
- C Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE:

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The bulletins are given to the Glory of God by Sally Shambaugh in memory of Dad's birthday.

ATTENDANCE

August 17, 2025, 2025

Last Year 24

Online August 10, 2025

Last Year 72

STEWARDSHIP

August 17, 2025 \$

Last Year \$ 425.00

MONTH OF AUGUST LISTEN FOR GOD

Week 4 Pray the Lord's Prayer. Sit in silence for 20 min.

PLAN AHEAD

August 24	Sunday School for children	(after Service)
	Adult Sunday School via Zoom	7:00 PM
August 26	Husk Corn	9:30AM
	Pick Chicken	1:00 PM
August 27	Wine and Cheese Wednesday	7:00 - 8:30 PM
August 31	Lite Breakfast	8:00 AM
	Worship Service	8:30 AM
	Sunday School for children	(after Service)
	Adult Sunday School via Zoom	7:00 PM
September	6 Pick up soup	2:00 - 4:00 PM
	Community Dinner	5:00 - 6:30 PM
September	7 Worship Service	8:30 AM
	Sunday School for children	(after Service)
	Adult Sunday School via Zoor	m 7:00 PM
September	8 Social Ministry Meeting	9:30 AM
September	14 Worship Service	8:30 AM
	Sunday School for children	(after Service)
	Adult Sunday School via Zoo	om 7:00 PM
September	18 Council Meeting	7:00 PM
September	21 Worship Service	8:30 AM
	Assemble LWR Kits	(after service)
	Adult Sunday School via Zoo	om 7:00 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHICKEN CORN SOUP On August 26th we will be husking corn at 9:30 AM and picking chicken at 1:00 PM. All are welcome to help.

CHICKEN CORN SOUP SALE Social Ministry will be making soup on September 6, it will be \$9.00 a quart and must be pre ordered by August 31. It can be picked up between 2:00 - 4:00 PM, if paying by check please make it out to Mt. Zion. Monies will be used for Thanksgiving/Christmas dinners for Monroe Elementary School families that need a little help. Sign up lists on back table and downstairs bulletin board.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES ARE NOW ON SALE here are the list of supplies we will be needing for the School and Personal Care kits. Lists are on back table.

School Kits Personal Care Kits

Spiral Bound Notebook (70 Pages) Towels (27 x 52 Dark)

Scissors (Blunt)

Blue/Black Pens (No Gel)

Pencils (Unsharpened)

Nail Clipper
Toothbrush
Soap (3 or 4 oz)

Pencil Sharpeners

Crayola Crayons (24 Count) Ruler (Centimeter & Inch)

We will be assembling them after service on the 21st.

NEW HOPE'S DILLSBURG CENTER SPECIFIC

NEEDS: Canned chicken, tuna or beef stew, Canned fruit and fruit cups, Canned vegetables, Peanut Butter, Juice and juice boxes, Ketchup and mustard, Diapers, wipes, diaper cream, Feminine hygiene products, Laundry detergent, Shampoo, Toilet paper; paper towels, Tooth Paste.

WINE & CHEESE WEDNESDAYS For many years, St. Paul's Enola has hosted during the summer. This year they have put together another outstanding group of speakers and are inviting us all to join. It's very casual and a way to enjoy a summer evening. Sixth and last one is August 27, 2025. Information on left bulletin board downstairs.

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE As ever and with your support, the ELCA, through Lutheran Disaster Response, stands ready to walk with our neighbors in the Texas hill country as the floodwaters recede and communities begin to navigate life on the other side of this horrific flood. Lutheran Disaster Response is coordinating with the Southwestern Texas Synod and will work with other partners as well to respond to urgent needs, provide emotional and spiritual care, and support cleanup and long-term recovery. Please make checks payable to Mt. Zion and put Lutheran Disaster in the memo line.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL - GENESIS - SUNDAYS AT 7:00 PM VIA ZOOM flyer has information and an email has been sent also.

THE BULLETINS To sign up the chart to sponsor bulletins, (\$25), is located on left bulletin board inside church doors as this is part of our budget please sign up.

IF INTERESTED in being a First, Second and Psalm reader please let Sandy Goodman know.

FROM PASTOR JENNIFER If you are in need of a home visit, or know someone who is, please contact Pastor Jennifer at 734-576-2025 or pastorjenn.clc.duncannon@gmail.com.