

## **News and Announcements:**

**Please Pray for Those Who are Ill, in Hospital, or Requested Special Prayers:** Erin Dupuis, Florence Felske, Edith Gorr, Richard Hubert, Allison Kellough, Hilda Klawitter, Jean Kuehl, Joan Lehman, Kris Purdy, Joyce Scheuneman, and Gerry Vandersleen.

**OFFICE HOURS** – The church office has begun to be open again. It is currently open on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday morning from 9am until 12 noon. When coming into the office, please remember to wear your face mask, as this will be mandatory.

**OFFERING UPDATE** - We are truly blessed to have received your offerings over the past 5 months. We would like to ask you to consider the following which will help to keep us safe: use a cheque in your envelope in place of cash, e-transfer your offering to [zionoffice@nrtco.net](mailto:zionoffice@nrtco.net), or sign up to have your offering automatically withdrawn from your account each month. Susan Dupuis, Counting Co-ordinator

**IPAD/TABLET COURSE** - Tuesday, September 22. iPad / tablet course is continuing. Topic is Features of Facebook. For registration, please contact Jan Scheidt at (613) 631-0658

**NOTE FROM WORSHIP & MUSIC** – As we are following recommendations from the Renfrew County Health Unit and synod, we are not singing our hymns as a congregation. At our planning meetings for the resumption of our services it was felt that if the words to the hymns were projected, we would all be tempted to start singing. For that reason, the words are not being projected.

**CONFIRMATION GATHERINGS** (classes) resumed on September 13th, gathering in the parish hall (to allow for social distancing) at 11:30 A.M. until 1:00 P.M.

The Confirmation Schedule for September and October:

September 20th, Group A (*Grade 8*)

September 27th, Group B (*Confirmands - last class*)

October 4th, Group A

October 11th, Thanksgiving Sunday, no class

October 18th, Group A

October 25th, Confirmation for Group B, 11:00 A.M.

No class for new first year confirmation youth will be held this year, with a combined grade 7 and 8 class being offered next Autumn. - Pastor Stephen

**GARAGE SALE** –We are planning to proceed with our annual garage sale Saturday September 26th from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. We will be needing volunteers to help us set up the week before. If you can help any or all of the days your help would be greatly appreciated. Please call Ellen Vandersleen @ (613) 732 - 7649. If you wish to donate items for the sale please phone the church office to set up a time when Kevin or Jean will be here. We have been collecting items for months now, thank you for all your donations. It will be wonderful to start seeing everyone again, even if we are behind a mask, as we will be required to wear masks. Proceeds will be directed towards the video equipment upgrade and the Robbie Dean Family Counselling Centre.

**WE CARE KITS** –Once again members of the Social Ministry Committee will be gathering items for Canadian Lutheran World Relief's "We Care" Children's Learning and Living Kits. The kits are distributed to children in refugee camps and remote villages around the world. Kits, kit items and donations will be collected in

November. The kits will be assembled and shipped to CLWR at the beginning of December. Here is the list of kit items:

- 3 lined notebooks
- 10 unsharpened pencils with erasers
- 1 metric ruler (30 cm), 1 pencil sharpener and 1 eraser
- 1 pack of crayons (or pencil crayons)
- 1 small and simple toy (new and not requiring batteries, examples: doll, truck, ball, stuffed toy)
- 1 bar of soap and 1 toothbrush (new and wrapped)
- 1 tube of toothpaste (expiration date no earlier than one year)\*\*\* Please wait until November to hand in your kit items.

These kits make a real difference in the lives of children. Last year, thanks to the generosity of Zion members, 119 kits were completed. Since 2002 we have shipped 1,437 Learning and Living Kits to CLWR. You can read more about the "We Care" program at [www.clwr.org](http://www.clwr.org).

**BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN** – First Steps Options – Pregnancy Resource Centre – will be hosting their annual Baby Bottle Fundraising Campaign from September 14<sup>th</sup> – October 4<sup>th</sup>. Baby bottles can be picked up at the church this morning at the entrance. Please make cheques payable to First Step Options, and either drop off at the centre or return to Zion by October 4<sup>th</sup>.

**ETERNITY FOR TODAY** - Just a quick reminder that the office needs to know who would like to renew or begin their subscription for our devotional booklet "Eternity for Today". Parasource (*church supply company*) needs to have any changes to our current subscriptions by the end of September. Please call the church office at (613) 732-8792 if you would like to continue to

receive, or begin receiving this daily devotional. **The deadline for placing your order is September 24, 2020.** Cost for this devotional is \$9.00 for the year. Subscription payments are due when you receive/pick up your first issue for 2021 in December 2020. The last issue for the year is currently in the church office. Please arrange to pick up your copy.

### **Today's Scheduled Worship Leaders**

**Counters:** Murray & Sandra Sell, Mervyn Bimm

**Guides:** Fred & Cindy Thrasher

**Sexton:** Don Boldt

**Worship Assistant:** Ellen Vandersleen

### **This Week at Zion – September 21 – 27**

**Tues**      **10am**      IPad/Tablet Course

**Wed**                      **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

**Sat**          **8am**          Garage Sale

**Sun**          **10am**          Holy Communion

**11:30am** Confirmation Class (*Group B – Last Class*)

### **Holy Communion, September 20, 2020**

Prelude

Parish Announcements

O God, We Call, sung by vocalists as we prepare for worship

Gathering song, sung by vocalist(s) Great is Thy Faithfulness

Greeting

Kyrie, sung by Pastor and Cantor

Prayer of the Day (prayed together) Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

First Reading - Jonah 3:10 - 4:11

Psalm 130: Remember Your Love

Second Reading – Philippians 1:21-26

Gospel Acclamation, sung by Pastor

“Alleluia ... Open our hearts, O Lord, to give heed to what is said by your Son. Alleluia.”

Gospel – Matthew 20:1-16

Homily

Hymn: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy (sung by vocalists)

Prayers of the Faithful:

Music, as the Altar is prepared for the Great Thanksgiving

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 our thanks and praise.

P. It is indeed right...we praise your name and join in their unending worship:

C. Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor prays the Eucharistic Prayer (please join in praying the  
Lord's prayer at the end of the Eucharistic Prayer)

Music as communion is received while you remain in your pews.

Prayer after communion (prayed together) Almighty God, you  
come to us as the true bread from heaven in your Son, Jesus  
Christ our Lord. Grant that we, who have received this  
Sacrament, may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled  
with his endless life, now and forever. Amen

Blessing

Sending song, On Our Way, Rejoicing (sung by vocalists)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude ... after the postlude, please let the guides lead you out  
of the Place of Worship and try to observe physical distance.

Offerings may be placed in the basket on the shelf by the  
Baptismal Font as you arrive for worship or when you are leaving  
the Place of Worship, as we are asked not to pass offering plates  
during this time of caution.