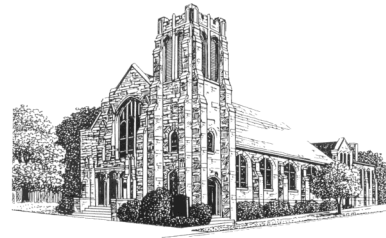


# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH



June 2021

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## Traditional Sunday Worship Service to Resume on June 6th

The Worship and Music committee is pleased to announce the resumption of our traditional Sunday worship service on Sunday June 6. The basis for this change was provided by the CDC's decision to modify their guidelines concerning mask wearing and gatherings for fully vaccinated people. Those guidelines have approved the congregating of vaccinated people without masks and allow for "choral singing" indoors by the fully vaccinated. The committee discussed these new guidelines and decided that this allowed us to return to our "traditional" worship format. We recognize that some may still be hesitant to return to in person worship and we will continue to offer our on-line worship format for those who wish to continue worshipping from home. We also recognize that this change in policy may cause concern for those who are still unable to be fully vaccinated. We hope that those individuals who fall into that group will make the best informed choice for themselves and their loved ones. The Worship and Music committee's mandate is to provide meaningful worship opportunities for the congregation and we have struggled to fulfill this mandate during the past fourteen months. We hope that the congregation will understand that we continue to do our best to fulfill our obligations to you by providing meaningful worship opportunities in an environment that is welcoming and as safe as possible. We will ask that ALL congregation members entering or leaving the Nave and walking up to receive communion continue to wear their masks out of respect for those in attendance who may not yet be fully vaccinated. The Worship and Music committee wishes to express its heartfelt thanks to the congregation for your patience and understanding during these past months.

Beginning with our Sunday service on July 4, and continuing through the end of August, the committee is asking that the congregation select our communion hymns. A hymn request form is located below. Please use this to send in your favorite hymn. Every opportunity will be made to schedule all hymn requests in the coming months.

The lone exception will be Sunday July 25. Sunday July 25 is the half year anniversary of Christmas and the committee thought it would be a great opportunity for us to celebrate Christmas on that Sunday. We are planning a traditional Christmas service for July 25<sup>th</sup>. The church will be decorated for Christmas and we will be singing our traditional Christmas hymns. Pastor Cogar will be preparing us for this service by providing Advent liturgies on the four Wednesdays prior to July 25. (June 30, July 7, July 14, July 21). These liturgies will begin at 7:00 PM

The Worship and Music Committee

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I Would Like to Sing these Communion Hymns on Sundays through the Summer

Hymn # \_\_\_\_\_ Hymn # \_\_\_\_\_ Hymn # \_\_\_\_\_ Hymn # \_\_\_\_\_

Please place this request in the offering plate or send it in to the church office. Every effort will be made to include your requests in upcoming summer services.

## WINDOWS, WINDOWS, WINDOWS.....

Did you know how many windows make up Zion's Nave and auxiliary building space?

And the answer is 118.

Zion has all kinds of windows. Small ones, large ones, plain glass, and stained glass make up the menagerie of windows that both beautify and protect our ninety-seven year old worship and meeting space. The property committee has been discussing the condition of our windows and has earmarked them as our next big agenda item, following completion of the ZARP projects. We have had preliminary talks with painters and have discovered during those discussions that simply painting the window trim will not be the best solution. The church's windows have not been worked on since the 1970's. While we have enjoyed fifty years of expense free coexistence with our marvelous stained glass windows, time has finally caught up to us.

We have now turned to a source who does church restoration. After meeting with this group we are convinced that the windows need restoration as well as painting. Our stained glass windows are in especially poor condition. They are pulling away from their metal supports and the channel lead is now brittle and in some cases flaking off. All of this is repairable of course, but the cost will be a major obstacle and it will take time to adequately address all of the repairs.

We have detailed the projected project costs below. Failing to address this is not an option. What we must do is find a way to get the project completed so that our building can be restored to its intended beauty.

Cost to repair ALL stained glass windows	\$116,400.00
Cost to prepare and paint all 118 exterior window surfaces	\$ 26,000.00
Cost to replace all exterior protective window coverings	\$ 82,300.00
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	<b>\$224,700.00</b>

### **The average cost per window - \$1,904.00**

In addition, during our building inspection with the restoration company, we identified three additional areas of concern that should be addressed.

Cost to prepare and paint the bell tower louvers	\$ 16,000.00
Cost to prepare and paint the fascia, siding and soffit	\$ 13,920.00
Cost to prepare and paint the three main entry doors	\$ 5,280.00

In addition to the cost, the project will take time. It is expected that the work will consume much of 2021, 2022 and 2023. So if we decide to pursue this project, we will need to contribute generously and be patient as the work progresses.

Our current Capital improvement budget balance is 59,366.91. We have committed \$ 6,933.00 for renovations to the third floor Sunday school area, which will be completed in time for fall classes to begin. This leaves us with a total of \$52,433.91 for the window project. Our needed funds for addressing the window project is \$ 172,267.00. Adding in the three other areas of concern would increase our needed funds to \$207,467.00.

Over the coming months the property committee, administration and finance and your church council will be debating how best to approach the project. We ask that you give thoughtful consideration to helping us to find a way to save our magnificent church building.

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## News from Luther Chapel - Part of the 3-2-1 Ministry— June

### Report of Meeting—May 23, 2021

**Worship at Luther Chapel:** As of this meeting, all those members fully vaccinated may only wear their mask when entering and exiting the building. No mask will be required during worship. Social distancing will still be practiced. We will be singing hymns and responses during worship. We are also still transmitting over FM 92.5 for those who want to listen.

At the Congregational meeting on Sunday, May 16th, the revised constitution was approved. Copies will be sent to the Synod Office.

**175th Anniversary of Luther Chapel Celebration:** The weekend of July 31 - August 1, 2021 will be the celebration of our **175th Anniversary**. **Saturday, July 31 - 1 - 4 pm** will be an Open House to meet and greet folks. Light refreshments will be available. Dedication of the bench in memory of Pastor Vaughn "Arkie" Taylor will be at **2 PM**. You are asked to bring canned goods that will be shared with a community food bank. We will also be opening the **Time Capsule** that was made at the 150th Anniversary Celebration.

**Sunday, August 1 - Worship at 11:15 AM.** A luncheon will be provided after the service. At **3 PM there will be a Hymn Sing**. Many local organists will be here to play old and new hymns (and you sing along) . We are collecting paper products that day for a community food bank.

**Youth Group News. Saturday June 19 2 - 4 PM .** A Summer Splash party will be held at the church yard with outdoor games and food. Please RSVP Darlene Beatty at 724-541-5168 with the number of children you will be bringing and any questions.

**WELCA NEWS :** We continue to meet the first Saturday of the month - next meeting June 5, 2021 at 10 AM-Noon at Luther Chapel. We are extending an invitation to the ladies of Zion to join us for this meeting and Bible Study. Come see the projects we have been making!

Our annual **TEA PARTY will be Saturday, July 17**. More information will be in the next newsletter. Come join the fun.

Gary and Linda Alsop will be joining the virtual meeting of the Synod Assembly as representative of Luther Chapel.

Please remember these folks on our Prayer List: Bishop Mike Lozano, Pastor Roy Washill, Gary, Linda, Tracy, Ben, Ava, Karin, Noah, Bob, Sharon, Ann, Tedd, Randy, Janet, John, Bob, Mike, Judy, Marilyn, Betty, Ralph, Joshua, Judah, Dale, Kathy, Robert, Julie, Michael, Pat, Trish, Lois, Jay, Chuck, Jamie, Christian, Donna, Logan, Miles, Phyllis, Denise, Leora, Richard, Lisa, Monica, Michael, Arlene, Dennis & Gail, Delsey, Alex, Linda, Trentyn, Cindy, Ellie, Elaine, Rick, Kim, Kaylee, Lillian, Ron, Ken, Denise, Ella.

### **Zion Challenge Update**

We continue to receive contributions toward pledges made to the Zion Budget Challenge. We ask that when you make a contribution toward fulfilling your pledge amount, that you indicated the amount toward the pledge on your giving envelope on the "OTHER" contribution line. This will assist us in follow up to ensure that all membership contributions are properly credited. Your cooperation with this is greatly appreciated. Again we say: Great Job Everyone!

Administration and Finance Committee

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### **Response Positive for Membership Information Request**

A follow up mailing has been sent to the remaining congregation members who have yet to send in their "Membership Information Update" cards. Plans are in the works for publishing a non-pictorial congregational directory and your responses will go a long way toward making the directory accurate and useful.

Evangelism Committee

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### **Website**

The Zion website has been changed. The new address is .....

**[www.zionindianapa.org](http://www.zionindianapa.org)**

It is changed on the last page of this newsletter also.

PRAY for those who suffer oppression, death, and tragedy. Please pray for those who travel. Please pray for those who serve in the armed forces and for their families. Pray for peace for all peoples.

*Remember all those requesting prayer: Paul Davis, Jenn Rising, Mary Baker, Bishop Lozano, Jessica (Chapman) Badowski, Prisca Maier, Jim Chapman, Shirley Horner, Sande Shotts, Kevin Widdowson, Ruth, Cliff, Karen Holland, Laurie Pate, Loretta Piper, B. Tamski, Ken Vinton, David Kunkle, Allison Miller, Adam Chilenski, Dennis Turner, Kristine Anderson Volpatti, Kathy Yerep, Ken Campbell, Gene Shotts, Tom Bush (Becky Slade's brother), Dominic Yensi, Dave Malin, Tom Brown, Dave Nycum, Karen Davis, Susan Butchkoski, Lonnie Cogar, Jeannine, Petras Family, George Schulze, Denny Swanson, Jr, Jeannie Park, Martha Chapman, Paolo Schianchi, Ron Anderson, Billie Kurtz-King, Bill Johnston, Liesl Andrie, Peter Broad, Bob Reifsteck, Fred Schrock, Bob Butchkoski, Nancy, Abby Bowser, Jim Muller, Royce Walters, Rochelle Calvetti, Jacqueline Davis, Judy Matsko, Kim Walls, Katrina Albright, Quinn Santini, Heidi Good, Bill Mechling, Lisa Vavro, Elaine Park Davis, Leonard Black, Noelle Battick, Ronda Leasure, Janice & Rich Olsen, Linda Kanyan, Annah Hill, Gene Hartzell, Guella Family, Betty Nicolette.*

*For all those serving in the Military and those who have served, especially: Zachery Horner ((grandson of Shirley Horner), Maria Dinuzio, Mark Collins, Stephen Davis, 1st Lt. Chad Beighley (nephew of Dory & Ken Campbell), Matthew McEldowney (grandson of Richard & Shirley Bush), Corey Feretti, Franklin Feretti.*

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE HOME-BOUND AND MEMBERS IN NURSING HOMES, KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS.**

*Roberta Buchanan, Ruth Nelson, Geraldine Shatzer, Marietta (Mo) Foltz, Marie Campbell, Royce Walters, John Carloni, Bea Ruth.*

*We grieve with the family of Marian Creps. Marian passed away April 23, 2021. Services were private.*

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### **GIVING REPORT: MONTH OF MAY**

Needed for May operating budget:	\$ 13,470.83
Received in May:	<u>\$ 9,204.00</u>
Amount Still Due for May:	\$ 4,266.83

Does not include the end of the month giving

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Jacquie McCullough

Chad Akers

Mason Musser

Rhonda Stefanik

Hallie Sweger

Shirley Kelly

David Dahlheimer

Caiden Cardelli

Don McKelvey

Dawn Seagren

Chris Grafton

David Woodall

Gene Jones

Cory Hotchkiss

Andy Campbell

Anthony Akers

Vivian Krznaric

Karl Nagle

Sharon O'Keiff

Tyson Ellenberger

Brian Stancombe

## MINUTES OF THE CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

**April 12, 2021**

Attendance: K. Huston, K. Balcerak, B. Slade, D. Keith, G. Sechrist, Pr. Tedd **Zoom:** K. Gaylor, K. McCullough, B. Mehus (Rik Wissinger and Shirley Horner excused)

**ii- Devotions-** Kevin Huston- One little word. G. Sechrist- May devotions.

**iii- Approval of March minutes-** A motion was made to clean up the wording of the March Minutes: Correct it to say Gary Ellenberger has volunteered to host a workshop. M/ D. Keith, 2<sup>nd</sup> K. Balcerak

**iv- Communications-**

### **ELCA Foundation**

**Review of Gift Policy-** Some minor revisions were suggested to clean up the wording of the gift policy, and a discussion ensued. M/ B. Slade, 2<sup>nd</sup> K. Balcerak- motion carries with minor corrections as noted during discussion. K. Huston asked the council if Ryan Ebner should be asked to attend the May Council meeting, or to have The Administration and Finance Committee meet again with Ryan. It was decided that the AdFin committee can meet again with him.

**Pastor's Report-** Pr. Tedd- Will find the best way for virtual services in conjunction w/ live services, he will explore other options to increase the quality of the Audio.

**v- Review of Financial Report (March 2021).** \$3500 exceeded expectations for March. Money set from budget challenge \$5220 aside in O2 account Motion to send for audit. There was an expense for organ repair and maintenance; an organ repairman happened to be in town; the harpsicord repair was more in depth than anticipated.

**vi- Committee Reports**

### **Standing committees**

**Administration and Finance-** K. Huston Budget Challenge to congregation follow up- \$17013 has been committed as of tonight from the congregation. Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup> is the deadline. To date there have been 51 numbered envelopes who have contributed.

**-Shaffer Gift** Ross Shaffer left \$10,000 to Zion, and requested it be used to reclaim property from parsonage demolition- It will be set aside in ZARP account for that purpose. Demolition is expected to begin this week or next week beginning with the chimney.

**Staff Support-** R. Wissinger- no report (absent)

**Constitution Compliance-** B. Slade audit workshop- Gary Ellenberger is available June 19<sup>th</sup> beginning 10am. The audit workshop will give 9 people an overview of how to conduct and audit she will include herself, plus 8 others. The larger group will break up into smaller groups, and Gary will bounce around and check in. The group will break for lunch, then complete the workshop. There will be 9 people trained for Audit. Zion needs to dispose of records, they only need to be kept for 7 years. We will look into renting a shredder, or possibly burn them. A note will be put in the newsletter to look to volunteers for the workshop.

**Evangelism/ Stewardship-** Sent out questionnaire for congregation, to have contact information updated. So far, there have been 72 Replies. At the end of the month, a second letter will be mailed to non-responders. Give people an option to become associate members if they wish to no longer be active members.

**MINUTES OF THE CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL—cont****April 12, 2021**

**Parish Education-** G. Sechrist- VBS will be held on Saturday Aug. 28<sup>th</sup> at Blue Spruce Park, and will be a 1 day event.

**Property-** D. Keith- On, Wednesday, a company which specializes in painting and refurbishing church windows inside and out will visit the church for an estimate. There are 140 + windows. Get started on it. Two bids were received to paint the Sunday school area. A bid from Western PA Service \$6900.33 was the low bid. Money will come from the capital improvement fund. K. Huston, made a motion to accept the low bid. Everyone present voted yes.

**Rec & Fellowship-** K. Gaylor. As soon as its safe, Rec & Fellowship will host a potluck dinner in the social hall. There has been interest in re-starting the food pantry there are multiple people interested helping. The proposal is to have it 1 time per month as a drive thru. May 15<sup>th</sup> was proposed as a start date, and have it the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month. K. Huston suggested submitting information in the newsletter, K. Gaylor will write something up. Pr. Tedd suggested we make Indiana borough police aware for traffic control. There will be some kitchen repairs made in the next week or two. The fire alarm pull station will be lowered to make it more accessible and there is an unnecessary fire suppressant line above the stove that will be deleted.

**Social Ministry-** No report

**Trinity 3-2-1-** There have been requests to negotiate a different time schedule for service. Luther chapel would have to move to an earlier time and would need to be consulted with. Their next meeting is May 18.

**Worship and Music-** Pr. Tedd asked if there were any concerns with how Communion is offered. Right now, he's pre-filling plastic cups, and setting a wafer on top, and setting them on a tray and allowing members to commune themselves. A suggestion was made to make an announcement where the trays for used cups are placed, so the plastic cups can be disposed of. It was suggested that Saturday evening services resume in May. May 1<sup>st</sup> was suggested. An announcement will be put in the next newsletter. A suggestion was made to sing a hymn at end of service as people stand at their pew. A lengthy discussion ensued, and it was decided that we stay as we are until May 31, then reevaluate at that point.

**vii. Old Business-** None

**viii. New Business-** None

**ix. Closing prayers and adjournment**



## **ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**May 5, 2021**

Present: K. Huston, Pr. Tedd, Dawn Seagren, S. Dickson, G. Sechrist, Rik Wissinger, B. Swatsworth met w/ Kevin earlier in the day.

**I-Financial Report-** The income for the month was higher than expected, the expenses were slightly lower. Even without including the \$18,000 Budget Challenge money from the generous donor, the budget is looking better. There may be no deficit. We may want to put an announcement in the newsletter for members to designate budget challenge donations from their regular offering. Motion to send financials to audit- Sue Dickson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don Seagren; motion passes.

**II- ELCA Foundation-** Ryan Ebner was present to answer questions and to speak to the Committee. To move forward, he needs a version that's adopted by the congregation. We are able to remove watermark to remove "draft" add tax ID #, there are some minor revisions that need to be done. There was a lengthy discussion and presentation. Our current investments are not generating much of a return. Since its inception in 1991, there has been a 5% rate of return. Over the last 5 years, the rate of return was 8%. Over the last year, the rate of return was 12%. All management fees were taken out before calculating the rates of returns. Once an entity makes an initial investment (\$25,000 minimum) they receive a certain number of shares. Once per quarter, there is a distribution of a return on the investment which can be reinvested with the foundation. It can also be withdrawn and used however the church would want. The goal is to help congregations have stable distribution to utilize for ministries. There is a governance of administration which utilizes managers, there is also a consulting firm that ensures investors are doing what they should be doing. Oversight is done by a of board of trustees. Ryan would be the point of contact as the regional gift planner. The foundation works with Portico <https://porticobenefits.org/> ; they handle retirement funds, benefits. They have 80 billion in assets. All members of the foundation receive the same rate of return. We wouldn't have to choose how the money is invested. The foundation keeps 4% in cash liquidity to honor distributions, or if someone needs to withdraw. Some examples of investments the foundation makes are in equities, bonds, global real estate. Power generation, windmills, natural gas- alternative investments, all good for the environment. The investments do not compromise our faith for the sake of a profit. They try to find things that are beneficial. Like any investment, there is risk involved. Not all years are great. This would be a long-term investment. The distribution of return could be used for building repairs, we are looking for long term stability. Can dictate what return goes to, Ryan stated that a church in Uniontown designates their return towards building maintenance, outreach/ ministry, to pay for office manager and a music endowment K. Huston- yea or nay? Yes, move forward.

**ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES—cont**

**May 5, 2021**

**III- On Going Congregational Issues-**

**a.** Constitution- Still in limbo. Not approved yet.

**b.** Property projects- i-Sunday school painting, starts as soon as the kids are moved out of the area, we will get an estimate for pricing on flooring from Affordable Interiors.

**ii-** Window painting bids- At first, the thinking was that the windows were going to need a simple painting job; they were last painted in 1970's. Elias painting in Johnstown specializes in church painting; the project is more in depth than they thought, but they have a guy who does this kind of window work. There are 118 windows, and the project is going to be very expensive. \$100,000 may be in the ballpark. The front vestibule is leaking, could be a masonry problem. Brian Mehus will have a mason he knows contact Kevin Huston to make a determination.

**c.** Expanded worship opportunities (Saturday evening)- Thirteen people attended a spoken worship service. It didn't appear to subtract from Sunday attendance.

**d.** Budget challenge- Total pledge amount from congregation was \$18,013. Zion recently received check from the donor for \$18,000. A suggestion was made to hold it in its current location as a budget surplus in case there are a rise in expenses, or a downturn in offering.

**e.** Congregation contact information- 90 responses were received back from the congregation. A letter will be mailed out to non-responders next week. A suggestion was made to create a spreadsheet, maybe have a church directory. Jen Rising volunteered to handle readers.

**Old business-** None

**New business-** None

K. Huston, move to adjourn. R. Wissinger 2nd

## PROPERTY COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 18, 2021

**Members Present: Jerry Ruffner, Kevin Huston, Dave Keith,**

**Committee issues discussed:**

### **Completed Projects**

1. April 28, 2021 – Boiler Inspector did not approve boiler repair. Metal pipes are required.
2. April 29, 2021 – Eastern Elevator performed their quarterly maintenance.
3. May 10, 2021 – Eastern Elevator and Inspector performed an every three year elevator test/ inspection
4. May 10, 2021 – Received bid from Elias Church Restoration for Window project - \$ 224,700.00
5. May 10, 2021 – Received bid from Elias Church Restoration for Bell Tower - \$ 16,000.00
6. May 10, 2021 – Received bid from Elias Church Restoration for doors - \$ 5,280.00
7. May 10, 2021 – Received bid from Elias Church Restoration for soffits - \$ 13,920.00
8. May 12, 2021 – Boiler pipes were replaced. We are now waiting for inspector to give final approval
9. May 18, 2021 – Former Parish House site was leveled and seeded completing the ZARP phase three project.
10. May 18, 2021 – Flowers were planted around the outside of the pastor's office, now exposed due to Parish House demolition

### **On Going Projects:**

1. With the demolition of the Parish House, the committee approved having electricity installed to the garage. This will be done by Pardee at a cost of \$700.00 **Completion Date July 2021**
2. March 19, 2021 – Heavy rain exposed a continuing leak problem at the sixth street entrance to the church. Several contractors have addressed this in the past but no permanent solution has been obtained. **This continues to be an ongoing issue. The committee is looking for solutions through Masons and roofing contractors**
3. April 12, 2021 – Council approved a bid from Western PA Service Company for \$6,933.00 to repair, prep and paint the third floor Sunday School rooms. **Completion date July 2021**
4. Three outlets in third floor Sunday school area need to be updated. **Completion date July 2021**
5. Bathroom faucet on third floor needs to be repaired. **Completion date July 2021**
6. Replacing the flooring in third floor Sunday school area needs to be addressed. **Bids are being secured.**
7. Fire box in pre-school is positioned at a height that would allow children to engage it. Jerry is calling the Indiana Fire Department to see if we can either move or cover it
8. Pastor Tedd has asked for a screen door on the Pastor's outside office door to be installed. The committee has taken this under consideration

### **Available Funds for Projects**

1. Capital Improvement Account Balance: \$59,366.91
2. ZARP Account Balance: \$ 31,732.80

**The Committee's next meeting will be Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 7:00 PM**

**Formal recommendations to council: None**

**WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**May 24, 2021**

**Members Present: Beth Grafton, Kathy Huston, Kevin Huston, Rik Wissinger, Jan Cikowski, Christine Clewell, Pastor Cogar**

**Topics Discussed:**

1. The committee discussed the altar flowers. It was decided that we would continue to use the silk flower arrangements through the summer months. Beginning with Sundays in September, we ask that the congregation return to our former altar flower program. Please use the calendar on the bulletin board outside the nave to sign up for weekly flowers or call the church office to reserve your week.
2. The committee discussed continuing to post the Sunday services to Facebook and the web site. We are still seeing over 100 views of the service each week and the committee feels that continuing the service video posts will be a positive tool for outreach with our shut in members, our members who still cannot attend in person, and the community. The committee recommends that responsibility for recording the services each Sunday should fall to the congregation membership and not Pastor. This will allow for a smoother recording process. Volunteers for this process will be sought.
3. Discussion was held concerning our worship services. Beginning with Sundays in June, Zion will be returning to our normal worship service, **except for communion distribution**. Saturday services will remain spoken as normal and Sunday services will move to the full sung liturgy.
4. Discussion was held concerning hymn selection for Sundays during the summer. It was decided that the congregation should select the communion hymns for each Sunday beginning on July 4<sup>th</sup> and continuing with each Sunday through September 5. The lone exception will be our "Christmas in July" service on July 25<sup>th</sup>, which will be a traditional Christmas service.
5. The committee selected hymns for the June services.

**Date of NEXT Meeting: Monday June 21, 2021 at 7:00 PM.**

**Formal recommendations to council:**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Kevin Huston**

**PARISH ED COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**April 28, 2021**

Meeting was opened at 7pm with a prayer.

Update Sunday school classrooms

Jessica updated the committee that a contractor has been hired and will begin work on the SCS rooms June 14, 2021. The plan is that the rooms will be ready for in person SCS For Rally day in September 2021.

VBS update – Beth Wheeler is working with Dory Campbell for the VBS program. Beth has been working on the introduction and sessions. She has been in contact with members of the community garden and other community groups to take an active role in VBS. Pastor Tedd is checking with campus ministries to see if anyone would be willing to play music that day. VBS will be at the Blue Spruce Large pavilion August 28, 2021.

Catechism update - Dory Campbell

Due to my shoulder surgery, the last 6 lessons for this year have been delayed. Because three are communion and the other three are on baptism we are doing two extended lessons with hands-on activities that often are excluded in regular lessons due to time constraints. Kalise will continue to connect with Pastor Tedd as she works on her faith statement. She is scheduled to be confirmed this October on Reformation 2021

Sunday School May 23, 2021

Parents are requested to video/record their child/children talking about what they learned or activities they did this year during SCS. These videos would be placed on the Zion Facebook page for the congregation to see. An email will be given to the families to send the videos. Jessica Mehus will take care of placing them on the Zion Facebook page. Videos need to be sent to Jessica no later than May 16, 2021.

Any other business

Parish Education would like to have an email address for committee and SCS business. Jessica will be contacting Steve Higgins or Christoph Maier to set one up through Zion. Should this not work out Jessica will create a gmail account for Parish Ed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennifer Rising

June 2021

Date	Lay Reader	Altar Guild	Ushers	Assist. Min.	Tellers
June 5/6	5:30-Karen Gresh 9:30-Jenn Rising		5:30-Dave & Linda Malin 9:30-Tyson Ellenberger, Pernell Bowersox	5:30-Kim Balcerak 9:30-Beth Grafton	Kim Balcerak
June 12/13	5:30-Jim Chapman 9:30-Jenn Rising		5:30-Dave & Linda Malin 9:30-Richard Smith, Jim Slade	5:30-Kevn Huston 9:30-Jenn Rising	Kim Balcerak
June 19/20	5:30-Josh Widdowson 9:30-Bob Shively		5:30-Shirley Horner, Chuck Rodnicki 9:30-Don & Dawn Seagren	5:30-Rik Wissinger 9:30-Kevin Huston	Kim Balcerak
June 26/27	5:30-Jerry Ruffner 9:30-Claudia Ditch		5:30-Rik & Bev Wissinger 9:30-Tyson Ellenberger, Pernell Bowersox	5:30-Kim Balcerak 9:30-Rik Wissinger	Kim Balcerak
	Jenn Rising 724-762-1146	Kathy Huston 724-349-4208	5:30 Dave Malin 724-349-3996 10:00 Dave Keith 349-4583 Pernell Boxwersox 349-5639	Kim Balcerak 724-388-2341	

Sunday      Monday      Tuesday      Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Saturday

		1	2	3 <u>Zion office closed</u>	4 Zion office closed	5 5:30 Liturgy
6 9:30 Liturgy 10:45 Choir Practice	7	8	9 7-Adm/Finance	10	11 Zion office closed  Synod Assembly 9:00-5:00 <u>Full Digital-Zoom</u>	12 5:30 Liturgy
13 9:30 Liturgy 10:45 Choir Practice	14 6:30-Council	15 7-Property	16 <u>Jerry—Vacation</u>	17	18 Zion office closed	19 5:30 Liturgy
20 9:30 Liturgy 10:45 Choir Practice  <u>FATHER'S DAY</u>	21 7-Worship & Music	22	23	24	25 Zion office closed	26 5:30 Liturgy
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