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IN-HOUSE WORSHIP BEGINS JULY 12



I think, Dear Readers, that you will agree with me that it is has been a strange and confusing time for these last few months. We have all been waiting with varying degrees of anxiety and patience to see what the "new normal" will look like. And on June 24th, the Consistory met to decide how to phase forward in ministry and fellowship.

You will find enclosed in this newsletter the written plan adopted by the Consistory. The first back to back page is a list of the values used in our discussion and an overview of all the phases we might (or have) experienced. The second back to back page is a more detailed description of what to expect as we move to step 3 which we are calling "Vigilant." And vigilant we need to be to avoid stepping back into a cautious yellow phase.

Consistory has voted to resume in-person worship on July 12. We are working to mark the pews so that social distancing is practiced. All worshippers are asked to wear masks, use hand sanitizer upon entry to the building, and be understanding about the changes in the worship service that are necessary to care for one another as we gather together. We will continue to live stream worship for the foreseeable future and hope that our distant faith family members will continue to join with us on Sunday morning. We urge you to make the choice that is most comfortable and appropriate for you at this time.

The "new normal" is an emerging phase and will involve continued change and consideration until we no longer need to take precautionary measures. I am reminded of the words of the prophet Jeremiah, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you."

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns so we can continue to envision how we will live out our lives of faith at Zion's. I am so looking forward to being in one another's presence-in person or virtually. Air hugs are optional. -Pastor June

The church is here for you. Keep Zion's in your prayers as we continue to share the good news of grace and mercy and love with our family of faith and the world around us.

FINANCIAL REPORT - MAY

Beginning balance April 30	\$23,274.90
May income	31,486.76
May expenses	25,309.86
Ending balance May 31	29,451.80

Ending balance includes \$7,541.00 received from insurance claim for repair of Jackson Conference Room.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Zion's Reformed United Church of Christ is to support all people to live a life of worship, fellowship and service to others through the teachings of Jesus Christ, Son of God and Savior.

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Zion's Supports You and You Support Zion's

First, a very large thank you to all who have connected to Zion's ministries and worship over the last three months. It has been wonderful to see so many watching the live stream worship and viewing the videos later. One of the great blessings has been seeing extended family members and those who have lived elsewhere for many years be present in worship and bringing greetings.

We have lots of ways to connect. Continue to check our Face-book page for updates and announcements and worship. We also have a YouTube channel where we post worship videos. If we can get 100 likes on our You Tube page, we can have a custom name. If you have not seen our new website at www.zionsucc.org, please check it out.

We post worship materials on the website in the Pastor's Corner each week and we now have a "give" tab on the top of the page. You have been so faithful in your financial support of the church by mailing in or dropping off your contributions. Several have set up automatic payments through their financial institution and now you can set up a one-time or recurring payment through the website to ensure that you support the ministries that have been sustaining our family of faith and ministry to the wider community.

Your continued giving has allowed us to continue to pay the preschool staff, maintain our commitment to support the Good Shepherd Center and Salvation Army and other mission partners, purchase additional postage for increased communication with the congregation and sending worship materials, and allow Welcoming and Fellowship to sends cards and drop off gifts so folks know they are remembered. This kind of caring is priceless but does require funds.

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GREENVILLE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE

Max Thrasher, a recent graduate of GHS was a varsity letter winner in golf and choir. He was also a member of Key Club and the Outdoor Conservation Club. Max plans to attend a trade school in the Fall of 2021 for diesel mechanics. His parents are Todd and Melanie and he

has a sister Madison. Congratulations and good luck, Max!

JULY SCHEDULE

IMMERSE BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11:00 AM.

On-line worship with Holy Communion on July 5.

In-house and on-line worship on July 12, 19, 26.

The Office will be closed on July 3 and July 6.

Pastor June and Julie will be attending the St. Paul's Board meeting on July 15. The office will be closed from 11:30 to 2:30



Thank you to the Ministry of Welcoming and Fellowship for the nice surprise that Julie delivered to our door. It was such a ray of sunshine on a dreary day. Bob transplanted it and it is sitting proudly in our garden window with two new blooms. It was a gift of love and we appreciated your thoughtfulness. We're so blessed to be part of our Zion's church family.

-Bob and Betsy Fischer

Thank you for the flower and the Mother's Day Card with the poem!

-Pat Seiple

Thank you for all of the lovely notes we received in the office in the past 3 months! You brighten our days!

-Pastor June and Julie



Please remember the family of Carol Neifert in your prayers. Carol passed away on Saturday, June 27 at her home in Pittsburgh. Cards can be sent to: Ken Neifert, 8141 Remington Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15237

PRAYER REQUESTS

As a caring community, the prayer chain members encourage you to include the following in your thoughts and prayers. If you would like one of our members added, please contact the church office.



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Coronavirus
Nursing Home Residents/Shut-ins
Linda Schehl
Bruce Wolff
Allen and Susan Morrill and family
Diane Steuart
Chub Eddy
Ruth Woodworth
Linda Allison
The family of Hugh McCright
Charlie Owen
Renee Bost
April Konig

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

FOR YOUR SAFETY AND FOR THE SAFETY OF OTHERS

PLEASE



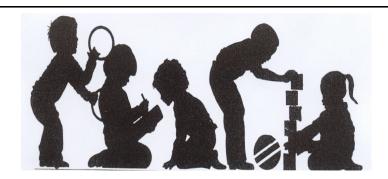
Wear a mask

Use hand sanitizer



Practice social distancing





REGISTER NOW FOR PRESCHOOL BEGINNING IN THE FALL!

Registrations now being accepted for our preschool classes held on TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, and THURSDAYS beginning September 8.

Preschool Class is for children ages 3 and 4. Pre-K Class is for children ages 4 and 5.

Tuition is \$98.00/month.

Please call or stop in the church office for a brochure and registration form.

Zion's Community Preschool is dedicated to constantly evaluate our practices to evolve with the most up to date information regarding COVID-19. Our aim is to keep our students, families, and staff as safe and healthy as possible while continuing to provide services. Both a COVID-19 Policy and COVID-19

Statement are available in the church office.



PRESCHOOL THANKS!

Your generosity and support of the preschool during these uncertain times has been greatly appreciated! Thank you so much! We are diligently planning to provide for a safe and healthy return to our classrooms this fall following the recommended guidelines of the CDC and PA Department of Health.

The Preschool Staff- Sue, Bronwyn, Shannon, Lynn and Natalie



PRESCHOOL DONATIONS

Supplies for the preschool will be handled a little differently this year due to Covid-19. Each child will have their own box of crayons, markers, etc., rather than sharing with the whole class.

Would you like to donate items? Please bring them to the church office.

Requested supplies are:

- Crayola Crayons (30 -classic colors pack of 8)
- Crayola Washable Markers (30 -classic color pack of 8)
- Crayola Washable Watercolors (30 -8 regular colors)
- Elmer's glue bottles (30 -4 oz.)
- Elmer's glue sticks (30- .77oz)
- Kleenex
- Hand sanitizer (at least 60 % alcohol, may not contain isopropanol or methyl alcohol)

WATER DAMAGE TO JACKSON CONFERENCE ROOM

The Jackson Conference Room sustained water damage due to a small tear in the membrane of the flat roof. The repair of the roof and damage to the room were covered by insurance. The Ministry of Property is making plans to replace the drop ceiling and lights, paint and replace carpeting.

SUNDAY MORNING CHILDREN'S TIME

All children who wish to participate in a story/craft time in Fisher Hall will be excused from worship early. The activity will be led by Julie Hills and Lynn Rinella.

THE GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER JULY REQUESTS ARE

PERSONAL CARE ITEMS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Plans are in progress to open the Thrift Store for shopping and donations in July. Please watch their Facebook page for an opening date.