



# THE VISITOR FROM ZION

NEWSLETTER OF ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN RAHWAY

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## Pastor Pernini's Message: *Perfect Love*

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Over the past several weeks the Congregational Council has been meeting with Pastor Scott Schantzenbach who is the assistant to the bishop of the NJ Synod. Our conversations have been focused on the mission of Zion Evangelical Lutheran in particular and the mission of the Church (notice the big "C!") in general. These conversations have arisen in part out of the dramatically changing cultural context (academically, the shift has been titled of "The Death of Christendom") that the Church inhabits *and* is inhabited by. Attention to the matter of sweeping cultural shifts was signaled by my discussion topic at Zion's Annual Meeting in January of 2015 regarding worship attendance trends at Zion as well as the Church at large in the US. This meeting prompted a discussion on condensing our Sunday morning schedule to a single service at 10am which was voted on and affirmed at a Special Congregational meeting in April of 2015. Since our initial conversations about the mission of Zion as well as "changing the culture of Zion," to use the language of Zion's congregational President, Kevin Brown, the Pew Research Center has published the results of its landmark survey on May 12, 2015 that people who identify themselves as Christians have decreased from 78.4% of the US population in 2007 to 70.6% in 2014; a decline of

approximately 8% is a precipitous decline over a 7 year period (a link to the full report can be found <http://www.pewforum.org/2015/05/12/american-changing-religious-landscape/>). As the survey shows, as well as our apprehension that "The Times They are a-Changin'", our conversations about mission are timely and essential.

What is the mission of the Church? The mission of the Church can be clarified by asking, "Where is the body of Christ?" Firstly, Jesus as God incarnate is the body of Christ. As Lutherans we confess that the bread of the Lord's Supper/Eucharist/Communion is the body of Christ. So where is the body of Christ? During worship we pray after the Offering, "Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care," or, "Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence," or, "Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with your love." We pray each week during the Meal section of worship during the Great Thanksgiving, "Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world." Where is the body of Christ? The Church is named as the body of Christ on the pages of the New Testament (c.f. Romans 12:4-8, 1 Cor. 12:12-27). We, Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church of Rahway, are the body of Christ.

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## New Jersey Synod Assembly

Thursday June 4<sup>th</sup> through Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup>

Synod Assembly is the gathering of the New Jersey Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, occurring annually to worship, hear from colleagues and ministry partners, make decisions, and dream for the future.

The 2015 New Jersey Synod Assembly will be held Thursday through Saturday, June 4-6, at Ocean Place Resort and Spa in Long Branch, NJ. We will have a worship service with the rite of ordination on Thursday evening, June 4th at 7:00 PM. All are welcome!!

If you cannot attend the assembly, please hold the assembly in your prayers as they engage in the work of the Church in our state. For more information, see [www.njsynod.org](http://www.njsynod.org).

## Fellowship Tea Party

Sunday, June 7 at 3:00 PM

Enjoy a variety of exotic and herbal teas, finger sandwiches, pastries, etc.  
Be entertained with music, humor, fashion, games, and prizes.

**Ladies, flaunt your hats/Easter bonnets! Gentlemen, flaunt your ties!**

Volunteers are needed for the following:

- Food preparation and service
- Set-up and Clean-up
- Decoration of the social hall
- Organizing of activities

If you have a tea set at home that you are willing to share/lend,  
please call the church office and let Pat know.

Registration is free, but necessary so we know how many people to prepare for.  
A sign-up sheet can be found in the narthex.

Suggested donation: \$10

## “All God’s Children”

**Worship Service for Individuals with Disabilities**

Saturday, June 13 at 2:00 PM

This worship service will offer a Gospel message, prayer, music and singing. Light refreshments and time for fellowship will follow the service. Volunteers are needed to greet and assist with the service. Please join us in welcoming our brothers and sisters at this new and exciting worship service!

For more information, contact Jamie Dungey at 908-377-8945.



**Pastor's Message** *(continued from page 1)*

It is important at this point to harken back to the beginning of this piece to the Pew Research survey that listed a precipitous decline in people who self-identify as Christians. What this means is that for most people who have never been to church, stopped going to church, or lost their faith entirely, the only interaction with the body of Christ is us, Christ's Church. Put another way, we are representatives of what Christianity is, that is those who call themselves disciples of Jesus, and for many people their impression of who Jesus Christ is is contingent on how the people who call themselves part of the Church, that is, us, act and coexist. Thus, the mission of the Church is the witness to what the power of the resurrection of Jesus Christ is for ours, our families, friends, communities, and co-workers lives. Our mission statement says, "Our mission at Zion is to boldly proclaim the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, inspiring people of all ages to share the love of God in our congregation, our homes, our communities, and throughout the world." The mission of Zion is to "... boldly proclaim the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ" to all people.

How might Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church "boldly proclaim the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ?" The body of Christ, patterned after Jesus' own self-giving love, is called to love perfectly. Perfect love is probably not what you think it is. You see, perfect love can never exist between two perfect people because love requires both sacrifice and a delicate commitment. If someone is perfect, then what would need sacrificing for the sake of love? Or, what commitment between two perfect people could be called into question? Thus, perfect love is such a love shared between two or more people where at least one person who is either loving or being loved is imperfect. Therefore, perfect love exists when imperfect people love one another. That, dear friends, is the Church. And, just as Christ's love knows no boundaries, so to should our love know no boundaries because we, being imperfect, love perfectly on account of ours and the world's imperfections. Thus, regardless of a person's capabilities, political views, wealth etc... all people, being imperfect, are worthy of a Christian's love. In

fact, the only condition for perfect love is that the people loving are imperfect. Love, true and perfect love, demands "patience, kindness, is neither envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things (1 Cor. 13:4-7)," even a cross... In traditional "Christian" parlance the recognition of imperfection, be it ourselves or someone else's, is called repentance. Repentance is a mark of the Church. We, as the body of Christ, struggling to proclaim a Grace which genuinely has no referent in this world, are called to be a repenting Church, cognizant of our own imperfections, yet adamant in testifying to the Grace of the One without fault, Jesus Christ. In summary of this section, Jesus' love is made perfect because he loves us who are imperfect.

How might Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church "boldly proclaim the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ?" We proclaim the Grace of Jesus Christ in and through our primary activity, worship. But, it is a reduction of the Grace of Christ to presume that such Grace is proclaimed solely from the pulpit, the sacraments, or other liturgical elements of the service. In fact, the first experience of God's Grace that a newcomer to Zion experiences is in the form of a greeting, "Hello, welcome to Zion Lutheran Church! Can I help you with anything?" From a visitor's perspective, what follows such a greeting, from Prelude to a Postlude, is an experience of the body of Christ as a people who worship Jesus. How do Christians worship God? Worship is not confined to the words we say, the confessions we make, the hymns we sing, the Scripture we read, the sermons we co-create in discussion, the prayers we pray, nor the Sacrament which we consume. Worship of God is narrowly defined as "the work of the people." Worship then is comprised of all the things that I listed above, but it is constituted by perfect love, the work of the people. And, perfect love, as you now know, is created by imperfect people loving God and one another. That, dear friends, is the point and scope of what worship is.

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**Pastor's Message** (continued from page 4)

I have to say, "Is it fair to ask that since Christ welcomed all, despite our imperfections, that the Church should also welcome all?" Zion's welcome statement is summarized in the words of Paul from Romans 15:7, "Therefore welcome all as Christ has welcomed you." What might welcoming mean? Is welcoming simply another way to say that someone "fits" in here as long as they conform to a collectively held expectation of what a Christian is? If welcome means asking someone to conform to whatever it is that you or I want them to be, then this is not welcome, but colonialism. What if Jesus' love were imperfect? What if Jesus had asked us to be flawless, patient at all times, and loving at all times before we would be worthy of God's Grace? I describe Jesus' love as imperfect love because in this example we would necessarily have to be perfect before God could love us. But, Jesus said, "Be perfect, therefore, as your Father is perfect (Matthew 5:48)" which is meant to convey that the Father's love of us is perfect because we are loved by God even when we are dead in sin and imperfect (Ephesians 2:5).

As to the mission of the Church, this is why we participate in Operation Warm Heart, not only to see if the Church can love people who are homeless and without resources which provides a medium for perfect love. But also, to see if people who are homeless can finally begin to love and trust once again the Church whose mission is to take care of those in need (Matthew 25) but who have seemingly forgotten this core Christian practice. As to the mission of the Church, this is why we have started a worship service for people with disabilities because we are called to recognize our imperfections, i.e., repent, of forgetting those people whom society and we have forgotten but whom Jesus welcomed. As to the mission of the Church, we have shown this community that we take *welcome* seriously enough to remove two pews from our sanctuary to make room for the "little children (Matthew 19:14, Luke 18:16, Mark

10:14)" whom Jesus warns us not to keep from coming to him.

It should be clear by now that perfect love and welcome go hand in hand. Welcome, synonymous in this instance with perfect love, means making sacrifices for the sake of another. "Welcoming all as Christ has welcomed us" does not begin and end with the "hello" at the door to the church, but rather, welcoming all is an attitude of Christlike self-sacrifice that pervades all that the Church does. Welcoming, like "perfect love," demands not only a recognition of our imperfection, thus dispelling any myth of propriety and arrogance, but puts the needs of others above our own, makes us uncomfortable at times, and, in and of itself, is an example of the perfect love that Christ calls us to. Thus, sacrificial worship, where Christians sacrifice their desires/preferences, histories, and even their abilities is the strongest possible medium for proclaiming the Grace of Jesus Christ because in putting other people's needs before the Church's - the needs of strangers, impoverished, children, disabled, seniors, divorced persons, addicted etc... - the Church bears witness to God's Grace in the most powerful and provocative way - we worship God by enacting the Grace that Jesus Christ has shown us, the perfect love created and purveyed by imperfect people to all imperfect others.

The mission of the Church is both obvious and challenging, it is to repent, or recognize ours and others imperfections, and love God and others anyway. It is to love perfectly while simultaneously being trapped and confronted by our imperfections. It is to welcome all by sacrificing those things which prohibit anyone in anyway from coming to Christ. This is our mission. God help us and be with us along the Way.

Grace and Peace,  
(the very imperfect)  
Pastor Carmine Pernini



## WELCA Notes

Edna Syvertsen, WELCA Secretary

Our monthly meeting was held May 11th in the social hall. Our hostesses were Anita Waldron and Edna Syvertsen. Our June meeting will be "Lunch Out" at Dominec's Restaurant in Avenel. Anita brought us up to date on coming events - the Sunday School open house and coffee hour on June 7th, the Tea Party on June 7th at 3pm which is being organized by Marcia Eversley. The yearly New Jersey WELCA convention will be September 26th in Beechwood.

Our program was a Mosaic video "Women in the Early Church". The video told about Monica, Helena, Thecla, Perpetua, Felicitas, and Lydia. It is thought that early Christian worship most likely took place in people's homes and that women, therefore, played a central role. The video referenced some early Christian writings that are not in the New Testament, The Gospel of Mary The Acts of Paul and Thecla, The Gospel according to Thomas. It was a very informative video and we had an interesting discussion following the video.

All are welcome to join us for lunch at Dominec's on June 8 at twelve noon. Please let Anita Waldron or Edna Syvertsen know if you are able to come to lunch with us.

## QUILTS

We are meeting on the first and third Thursdays at 10 am to make quilts sewing by hand and by machine. Please join us. If you would like to make these simple quilts at home, I can provide you with all the materials you will need with instructions from Lutheran World Relief. Contact Edna Syvertsen 732-634-6687 for your home project.



## LIKE TO CROCHET?

### OR MAYBE WANT TO LEARN?

Therese Bera and Kathryn Irwin are interested in getting a group of people together to crochet sleeping mats out of plastic grocery bags for our brothers and sisters who are homeless. Sounds crazy, doesn't it? But it's not! While it's a little labor-intensive to make the "yarn" out of the plastic bags, the projects work up pretty quickly and only use a very simple single crochet stitch. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY! We will also need donations of reasonably clean and hole-free plastic grocery bags.

We as a family at Zion already open our hearts (and our doors) to our brothers and sisters during the coldest months of the year through our participation in Operation Warm Heart, a program of the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless. Kathryn has spoken to people from the Coalition, and we have been assured that these mats would be of great use to those who are not so fortunate as to participate in Operation Warm Heart.

For a video tutorial, you can visit <https://youtu.be/MQtcpPBjc70>. A box for donations of bags (whole or already cut per the instructions in the video) will be in the narthex. If you are interested in helping out in any way, please contact Therese (908-380-5206) or Kathryn (732-381-1867).

## Sunday School News

Anita L. Waldron, Sunday School Superintendent

### "Easter Egg Breakfast"

Sunday School made 12 Easter baskets for the shut-ins on March 29, 2015. Thanks to all who took part in this great project.

The Easter Breakfast on April 5 was a huge success because of all the help and all of us working together. Thanks to all those who set up, baked, made breakfast casseroles, helped in the kitchen, did the dishes and cleaned up. Many hands make for success. Special thanks to Katie and Justin who worked all morning.

The Easter Egg Hunt was enjoyed by all the children. Thanks to Christine for setting up and filling the plastic eggs.

On June 7 we will have Sunday School visitation for parents and grandparents during Sunday School at 9:45 and there will be light refreshments.



## The Trinity: Shaped by Mystery

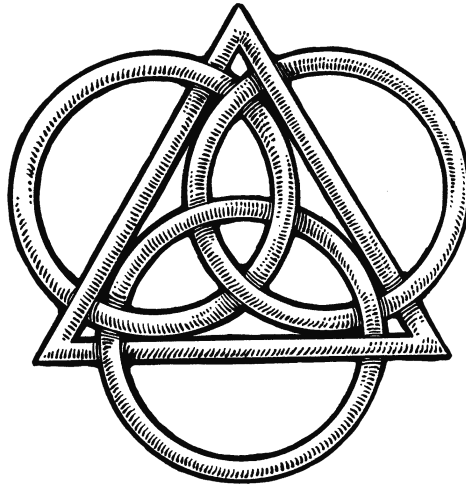
Maria Blajsa

(Jesus said:) "And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever." John 14:16

We could reflect on the mystery of the triune God more often if we confessed our faith each week using the Athanasian Creed. It might not please the members who prefer short services, but it would remind us regularly that the mysteries of faith shape us for service.

A mystery in the life of faith is not a story to be puzzled out. It is a truth that cannot be known in the way that our mind knows how to know. It is known only by our spirit as it opens itself to God's ways of reaching us. We join our spirits to God's mysteries as we pray, live by grace, choose gratitude as a way of life, and depend on the rituals and symbols of the church to guide us.

We do not worship a God who set the world in motion and then disappeared. We do not worship a prophet who was put to death. We do not worship a spirit that drifts in a realm



beyond our reach. We worship the mysterious, intermingled partnership of a creator God, revealed to us through Jesus Christ, who gives faith and power through the Holy Spirit. These three persons of God are one God: uncreated, infinite, eternal, equal and almighty. Yet God is as close to us as our breath and loves each of us with no strings attached. It is a mystery.

We offer ourselves to be shaped by the mystery of our triune God as we gather to share Communion.

Jesus has been really present in every piece of bread broken in his name throughout centuries, taken in faith or fear, joy or heartbreak, health or brokenness. Jesus has been really present in the wine poured from chalices in sanctuaries, plastic bottles in communion kits, tin cups on battlefields, and jelly jars in the kitchens of the poor. From this bread and wine, mysteriously, we receive forgiveness, life beyond death, healing, hope and amazing grace. Thanks be to God.

# ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## JUNE 2015 SERVER SCHEDULE



DATE	WORSHIP ASSISTANT	COUNTERS
June 6	Lee Thor	
June 7	Linda Cenci	Annette Nielsen Donna Murphy
June 13		
June 14	Kathryn Irwin	Herman Renkevans Vi Stebner
June 20	Herman Renkevans	
June 21	Barbara Brown	Barbara Brown Kip Palmer
June 27	Lee Thor	
June 28	Kip Palmer	John Blajsa Maria Blajsa

May Altar Guild: Gayle Berger, Debbie Flanagan

If you are interested in participating in worship leadership as a worship assistant, please contact Vi Stebner (732-382-2514).



# June Celebrations

## Birthdays

2 Linda Cenci  
 3 Marie Louise Happel  
 3 Eileen Miller  
 9 Harry McDowell  
 12 Stephanie Piccininni  
 13 Peg Hoepfel  
 19 Anthony Bondar  
 19 Kathleen Silva  
 27 Tenley Kora Rosky

## Baptismal Anniversaries

7 Charlene Lesinski  
 7 Liam Finnerty  
 8 Paul Monte  
 9 Henry Meyer  
 10 Abigail Shine  
 19 Herman Renkevans  
 24 Marie Happel  
 25 Adam Monte

## Wedding Anniversaries

6 Joyce & Creigh Reichard  
 15 Christine & Dave Healey

## Let us Pray...

Therese Bera  
 Ursula Lochner  
 Carol Meadowcroft

Ted Meadowcroft  
 Creigh Reichard  
 Ellie Ringled

Angel Rivera  
 Ryan Roos  
 Scott Samu

Lee Thor  
 Kathy Ward  
 Charlotte Zygo

Abby Allen----- friend of Marcia Eversley  
 Joe Alol ----- friend of Luann Albanese  
 Debbie Beer ----- cousin of Cheryl Piccard  
 Ginny Bonicker ----- friend of Therese & Yogi Bera  
 Andrew Born, USMC ----- nephew of Doug Born  
 Robin Brown ----- friend of Lee Thor  
 Holly Brown ----- friend of Cheryl Piccard  
 Jackson Bunce ----- friend of Pat Ogarek  
 Carl Christensen ----- friend of Patrick Sawler  
 Richard DeNero ----- friend of Cheryl Piccard  
 Helen Deppe ----- sister of Gert Shackleton  
 Robert Deppe ----- nephew of Gert Shackleton  
 Kristin Engstrom friend of The Irwin-Pernini Family  
 Ira Glover ----- friends of Marcia Eversley  
 Patricia Grant ----- friend of Cheryl Piccard  
 Charles Gritschke ----- nephew of Helen Gehring  
 Elanore Hintenach --- mother of Tommy Hintenach  
 Dennis Hoover ----- friend of Gert & Bert Shackleton  
 Meg Keller ----- daughter-in-law of Grace Keller  
 Marilyn Kelly  
 Ed Kertesz ----- cousin of Frank Kertesz  
 Susan Kertesz ----- wife of Frank Kertesz

Frieda Konopi ---- mother-in-law of Carolyn Konopi  
 Bernie Long ----- friend of Therese & Yogi Bera  
 Amy Martin ----- friend of Zion  
 Devon Matthews ----- friend of Cheryl Piccard  
 James McCabe ----- cousin of Cheryl Piccard  
 Barbara McDarby ----- friend Yogi & Therese Bera  
 Ginny Mentzel ----- sister of Natalie Ford  
 Dori Miller ----- friend of Therese Bera  
 Daniel Nietzold ----- son of Kathy Ward  
 Michael Nicols ----- friend of Yogi & Therese Bera  
 Monica & John O'Brien -- friends of Luann Albanese  
 George Policastro --- friend of Therese & Yogi Bera  
 Rita Reddington ----- mother of Carolyn Konopi  
 Emily Resch ----- friend of the Irwin-Pernini Family  
 Maria Ros ----- mother of Fr. Sal Ros  
 Marianne Sabol ----- cousin of Therese Bera  
 Francis Sawler ----- father of Patrick Sawler  
 Helen Spillar ----- friend of Gert & Bert Shackleton  
 Susan Trail ----- friend of Therese & Yogi Bera  
 Hugh Wallace ----- husband of Nancy Jean Wallace  
 Gary Webb ----- brother-in-law of Cheryl Piccard

### **We pray for members at a distance & unable to join us:**

Gloira Anderson  
 Nettie Baser  
 Dot Cole  
 Margaret Felver

Arlene Hasbrouck  
 Marie Jensen  
 Grace Keller  
 Alexander Kitsakos

Harry McDowell  
 Bill Marbach  
 Henry Meyer  
 Helen Rokos

Richard Sillen  
 Henry Thoden  
 John Thompson  
 Dorothy Zehrer

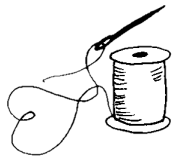
## SECOND FRIDAY CUPCAKES

Thanks to all who contributed cupcakes that were delivered to Second Presbyterian Church on Friday, May 8: Cathy Jones & Marge Speidel. Anyone may contribute. They are much appreciated. Thank you very much also to all the anonymous people who contributed plastic bags or paper products or their prayers! All of this is much appreciated.

The next opportunity to help with this faithful mission is **Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>**. Please drop off a batch of 24 cupcakes **between 1:00 and 2:00 PM** at the Parish Office or call the office for a special arrangement.



## SEWING GROUP



The sewing group meets on the first and third (sometimes the fifth) Thursday of each month in the Education Building. Our next meeting times are **May 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 AM**.

## WOMEN OF THE ELCA

Our next meeting is on **Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at Dominic's in Avenel at 12:00 PM**.

## ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild is looking for additional people to serve for one month a year. Call the church office to sign up.



## VISITOR NEWS

Visitor submissions should be emailed to the church office (secy@zionlutherannj.net). If you do not have access to the internet you may still submit a hard copy. Please keep us up to date on your events. The deadline is the third Sunday, which is **June 21<sup>st</sup>**. Remember: if at all possible, please email your news.

## MEDICAL SUPPLY CLOSET

If you would like to borrow walkers, crutches, canes, etc., please call the church office.

## DONATEABLE ITEMS

**CAMPBELLS SOUP LABELS** for Navajo Lutheran Mission, Rock Point, AZ



Please save your Campbell's Soup Labels proofs of purchases! The labels are used to purchase vehicles for the Mission and are very valuable, as in the past they have been able to

redeem these points in exchange for four 15-passenger vans (worth 1.5 million labels each!), and two 7-passenger mini vans for employee use. Although Campbell's no longer has the 15-passenger vans, the Mission is still able to purchase smaller vans and educational equipment, such as overhead projectors, computers, and playground equipment.

The Campbell's Soup program will only be accepting the bar code portion from the labels. Instead of saving the labels from Campbell's, Swanson's, V8, Prego, and Franco American products, they now just require that the UPC (bar code) insignia be sent. (Any bar code whose number begins with 51 or 14 or any with the Labels for Education will qualify). If the bar code has dotted lines around or near it, cut on the lines.

For more information, see <http://www.nelm.org/support-the-mission.php>

**SODA CAN TABS** for children in need



Save the tabs from your soda cans. The saved tabs will be sent to Florida in gallon milk jugs. Each jug will provide \$100 worth of free medical care to children in need.

A box is in the back of our worship space labeled "Can Tabs." For more information call Carley Lesinski at 732-388-9044.

**USED EYEGLASSES** for those in need



Please bring them to Zion and put them in the box in the back of our worship space.

## ***Notes from Our Brothers and Sisters***

*From Natalie Ford:*

Seven Spirits of God:

1. Spirit of Knowledge
2. Spirit of Love
3. Spirit of Faith
4. Spirit of Truth
5. Spirit of Wisdom
6. Spirit of Understanding
7. Spirit of Strength

Seven Senses of Man:

1. Sense of Thought
2. Sense of Touch
3. Sense of Smell
4. Sense of Sight
5. Sense of Taste
6. Sense of Hearing
7. Sense of Perception/Precept

### Bread of Life from Anita Waldron

#### Cheese Cup Cakes

3 pkgs 8oz cream cheese  
5 eggs  
1 cup sugar  
½ tsp vanilla

#### Topping

1 cup sour cream  
¼ tsp vanilla  
¼ cup sugar

Cream eggs and cheese together. Beat in sugar and vanilla. Pour into paper cups in cupcake tins, 2/3 full. Bake at 300 for 40 min. remove and let settle. Mix together topping and spoon into top. Put jelly, cherries, etc. on top and return to oven for 5 min

#### Warm Winter Lemon Cake

1 box yellow cake mix  
2 4oz service size boxes instant lemon pudding  
2 cups milk  
1 ¼ cups water

Mix cake according to package instructions pour into greased 9x13 cake pan and set aside. Mix milk, water and instant pudding and beat with a wire whisk for 2 minutes. Pour over cake and bake at 350 for 55 to 60 minutes. Top with cool whip, raspberries etc.

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## *Weekend Worship Schedule*

### **Saturdays**

5:00 PM.....Worship with Holy Communion

### **Sundays**

9:00 AM ..... Adult Education

10:00 AM.....Worship with Holy Communion

11:15 AM..... Fellowship Hour

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**Saturday Worship at 5:00 PM**

**Sunday Worship at 10:00 AM**

*Holy Days as Announced*

### **The Parish Staff**

*Ministers: The People of Zion Church*

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Patricia Ogarek, *Parish Secretary*

Dr. Brian F. Dallow, *Director of Music*

Frank Kertesz, *Sexton*

Mr. Kevin Brown, *Congregation President*

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WORLD!**

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