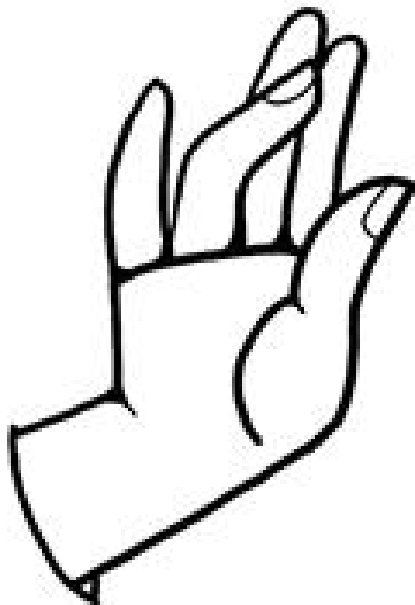


STONE VALLEY PARISH
Hickory Corners and Pillow, Pennsylvania



Alleluía.

I will not leave you orphaned, says the Lord.

I am coming to you.

Alleluía.

John 14:18

A Cooperative Union of the United Church of Christ and
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

*Seventh Sunday of Easter
Memorial Day Sunday*

Sunday May 28, 2017

***Please stand as you are able.**

The Gathering

Good morning! Welcome to the celebration of the Word of God. We hope you find it a time of inspiration, healing, and rejuvenation to begin a new week in the world.

In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name. Amid religious, social, and economic divisions, we seek the unity that Jesus had with his Father. Made one in baptism, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family.

Announcements

A Time to center and prepare yourself

God keep me from seeing what I want to see. Even if it is hard for me, open my eyes to see what I need to understand. Do not let my own fear or privilege hide reality from me. Let me be willing to change, to grow, to understand. Let me take the time it requires to put aside old attitudes to develop new appreciations. I am ready to let go of what shelters me. I am able to walk with you to welcome the stranger. Bring me out of the cave of my comfort and show me the wideness of your world, the variety of your people, the neighbors I never know.

Prelude

**Opening Prayer*

Let us pray together:

We worship you with joy awesome God. Through times of trial and suffering, your love has sustained us. You have restored our self-confidence when we floundered in doubt and fear. You have been our protector through the wilderness. Meet us now in the particular situations each of us faces. Pour out your presence that we may be resources to one another, finding our oneness and our prime vocation in Jesus Christ. May our worship honor you and equip us to serve you. Amen

**Opening Hymn*

“Faith of Our Fathers”

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**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.

**Prayer of the Day*

Let us pray together:

O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**Praise Hymn*

“Our God Reigns”

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The Word

See the ‘Celebrate’ Insert for all the readings.

First Reading

Acts 1:6-14

The Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35

Second Reading

I Peter: 4:12-14; 5:6-11

The Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Choir Anthem

(Congregation Says in Unison The Gospel Acclamation:)

Alleluia. – I will not leave you orphaned, says the Lord. I am coming to you. --Alleluia

The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 17th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel Reading*

John 17: 1-11

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

A Children's Message

Sermon

“The Creed Continued”

Rev. Curtis H.E. Zemencik, Pastor

**Affirmation of Faith*

Let us profess our faith.

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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.

**Hymn*

“God of Our Fathers”

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Joys and Concerns

(Light a candle and say a prayer for someone or some situation you have concern about. You will find a tier with votive cups in the rear of sanctuary. Place a battery operated candle in one of the votive cups.)

Pastor Curtis request:

Pray for me as I pray for you.

Prayers of the People

OFFERTORY SERVICE

Call to Offering

Musical Offertory

**Presentation of our Offering*

**Prayer of Dedication*

Let us pray together:

Thank you, God, for empowering our prayers and multiplying our gifts. You provide for the needy through us. What a privilege! Widows and orphans and prisoners find hope in you because we join you in caring for them. You give homes to the desolate when we share. Your power is working in us. Blessed be your name, O God! Amen.

**The Lord's Prayer*

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

The Sending

**Commission & Benediction*

Our worship is ended, but now our service begins! Go from this place for you are the body of Christ and the whole world awaits you; So live passionately, love faithfully, and celebrate every moment of your life from now until the finale! Our God of resurrecting grace goes with you. May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.

**The Dismissal*

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

**Threefold Amen*

**Sending Hymn*

“All Hail the Power of Jesus Name”

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**Postlude*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome everyone to worship this morning. Please reach out to welcome our sisters and brothers showing God's hospitality.

The flowers at Salem Zion are to the Glory of God.. The flowers at Zion Stone Valley are in Memory of all Veterans and our brother Charlie Spotts by Truman and Betty Spotts.

.Acolyte Schedule for June 2017

June 4- Salem-Zion- Isaac Jackson; Zion Stone Valley- Chance Hackenburg
June 11- Salem-Zion-Rebecca Wolfe ; Zion Stone Valley- Garrett Kieffer
June 18- Salem-Zion- Rose Zemencik ; Zion Stone Valley- Emily Kieffer
June 25- Combined Worship Salem-Zion Picnic Grove



Graduation Sunday Information

If you have a family member who is graduating from high School, college, or a secondary school or program, please fill out Graduation Form found in the back of church and give it to Pastor Curtis. We want to celebrate this milestone with your family and honor the work and dedication.

Sunday, June 11 we will have a special presentation from Professor Lee Barrett, Lancaster Theological Seminary on the movie "The Shack". This will be a part of worship service. Mark your calendars, save the date!

Whoopie Pie Fund Raiser for Mission Trip to War, West Virginia. \$2.00 a pie. Choc/ white, Choc /peanut butter, Oatmeal, Choc Chip. Place order by June 21st, delivery is June 28th

Bake Sale items needed for Elizabethville Yard Sale. All proceeds to help with the Mission Project in War, West Virginia. Call Shell or Rick Snody 758-2660, concerning collection of baked goods and possible worktimes for sale Friday and Saturday June 2 & 3.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Those who are in care facilities: Lena Kissinger (814), Harold Hoffman (207), Manor at Susquehanna Village, 990 Medical Rd, Millersburg, PA 17061, Shirley Harris, Welsh Heights, 202 Fleming Ave, Danville, Pa, 17821, Josephine Kobel, ManorCare, Room 223, 901 Court Street, Sunbury, Pa 17801. Leah Witmer, Nottingham Village, Heather Court # 310, 56 Neitz Road, Northumberland, PA 17857. Janet Adams, Nottingham Village, 56 Neitz Road, Northumberland, Pa 17857, Steve and Pam Wynn 1306 Toad Valley Road, Dalmatia, PA 17017.

Our featured person of the week to be showered with cards is

Lena Kissinger
Manor at Susquehanna Village
990 Medical Road
Millersburg, PA 17061

Those in the Church Community: Kay Romberger, Joan Bitting, Dennis Buffington, Pastor Curtis, Janet Adams, Scott Strawser, Dale Strawser, Betty Spotts , Bob Gilligan, Paul Feger, Jane Troutman, Steve & Pam Wynn, Kelly Eure,

Those in the extended community: Frank Pierce, Kim Koppenhaver, Bob Shipe, Jesse Witmer, Cindy Maurer, Maria (Haverovich) Lazzarevich, Dean Schaffner as they continue their treatment plans for cancer. Betty Paul, Samuel Snyder, Sandy Hackenburg, Andy Rebuck, Edward & Annetta Zemencik, Doug Schreffler, Carol Romberger, Todd Snyder, Shirley Maurer, Donald Martz.

Military personnel Cole Smeltz, Tyler Long , Jonathan Ivey , Kevin Keim , Justin Eroh

The Parish Prayer Team will have a monthly Prayer Time and lift these concerns and others we are told or receive in Red Prayer Bowls in prayer. We will still be lifting joys and concerns up during our regular worship



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Zion Stone Valley, Hickory Corners

9:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
 Cindy Enders, Becci Mauser

Cindy Enders
 Joan Gaswieski
 Cameron Gaw
 \$530.00

Organists

Choir Director
Readers
Acolyte
Offerings

Salem-Zion Church of Pillow Inc.

9:00 a.m. Worship Service
 10:15 a.m. Sunday School
 Tina Buffington, Becci Mauser &
 Yvonne Romberger
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 Cindy Paul
 Cameron Harner
 \$2,767.20

Salem Zion

The Board

Larry Adams, President (meets 1st Wednesday @ 7 p.m.)

Altar Guild
 Teachers

Patricia Smeltz, RuthAnn Latsha, Kay Romberger, Sharon Comes
 Larry Adams, Sharon Comes, Fran Eure, Kaye Thoma,
 Rick & Shelly Snody, Sam & Linda Wolfe

Zion Stone Valley

The Board

Mark Witmer, President (meets 2nd Tuesday @ 7 p.m.)

Altar Guild
 Ladies Aid Society
 Tape Ministry
 Adult Teachers
 Memory Keepers
 Prayer Chain

Sandy Paul, Coordinator
 Jennie Romberger, Coordinator
 Joan Gasiewski, Coordinator
 Truman Spotts, Betty Schaffner
 Ida Anderson & Lauren Hackenburg, Coordinators
 Yvonne Romberger—SZ (758-4597); Rita Glace—ZSV (758-9270)

Staff

Parish Board Secretary

Sheryl Gilligan, 357 North Main Street, Herndon PA 17830
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Ida Anderson, Zion Stone Valley 758-2366 (home) 717-645-4240 (cell)
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Pastor Emeritus

Rev. J. Robert Snyder

STONE VALLEY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zion Stone Valley New Roof Campaign

The roof has been replaced on the main sanctuary building.. Please, help us raise the funds to cover the cost of the new roof. Mark your offering envelope designated amount to the new roof.

Total Roof Bill	\$ 46,032.00
Total Donations Received through May 21	\$ 25,411.50
Balance Needed	\$ 20,620.50

Zion Stone Valley	
Budget 2017	
<u>General Fund</u>	\$80,000.00
Amount need each we meet budget	\$ 1,569.00
Received through May 14, 2017	\$29,302.73
Received May 21, 2017	\$ 2,767.20
Surplus (Deficit)	(-) \$ 47,930.07

Upcoming Ladies Aid Events:

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<https://www.facebook.com/events/1869113873307335/>



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Check It Out !!! We Have Gone Live!!!

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**emergency announcements, closings, newsletter, special worship services, activities, events
of parish and community**

Seeking for both congregations Information Tech Person

Young or Old or somewhere in between. Interested in helping to lead worship; work close with Pastor Curtis and Sound Tech Person. Must be Responsible and be present at worship when scheduled. Participation in worship a must. Can have flexible schedule if we have a team.





Memorial Day is a day of remembering the men and women who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces.

This Is Our Story, We Were Soldiers

Returning veterans reflect on the lives lost. We are forever indebted to them and their loved ones for giving all they had to give. Their names are written in stone, and their selfless acts of valor engraved in our collective conscience. No words can do justice to their patriotism for they payed the ultimate price

SALEM ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nursery Available

At Salem-Zion Church we invite you and your babies and children to be in our midst during worship but, we have available an infant and parent area for those times when privacy is needed. There is a changing table, bassinet, play area, and a rocker for the parent to comfort themselves and infant. The area is located in the large social room at the end of the hall close to rest rooms, refrigerator, and microwave

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Salem-Zion Church, Pillow Picnic,

Sunday, June 25 @ 10 am

Music by Seger Family

followed by great food and fellowship.

Bring lawn chairs.