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# ZOON NEWSLETTER

INVITE...GROW...SERVE

## PASTOR TO PARSONS

*When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom.  
- Proverbs 11:2*

Have you ever tried to explain something to someone who knows it all? It is a difficult task. The first issue is that the person who seems to think they know it all isn't really listening to your explanation. They already "understand" the topic, and so they checked out of the conversation. The next issue is the interruptions. The person who knows it all will interrupt your explanation because your information is wrong, meaning it doesn't line up with their thoughts. There are many other struggles when talking with a know-it-all, but this article is not about know-it-alls. This is about Proverbs 11:2.

The know-it-alls are easy targets when looking at Proverbs 11:2. They want to be seen as authorities on everything, but they do not really know everything about everything. When they are correct on a subject, their pride swells, giving them the confidence to wade into areas beyond their knowledge. When their pride swells, their fall becomes greater. We may not be know-it-alls, but we can relate, especially when our pride swells, and we are on the verge of saying or doing something that could lead to disgrace. In those moments, we are not willing to listen to what others are saying or follow their lead because we know better or can do it better.

Pride is what gets in our way, and it keeps us from being humble and growing wise. Pride says that what I know and believe is enough. Pride puts me first. On the other hand, humility leads us to a different place. Humility recognizes that others can add to the conversation and that their contributions are helpful. Humility opens the door to seeing beyond what I know and to taking into account what others know and experience, which is why humility leads to wisdom.

Maturity is the guide that leads us to humility. The mature person realizes when pride is leading the action and reverses course to listen to those around them. Maturity also guides a person to understand the difference between self-confidence and pride. Self-confidence brings awareness of the strengths one brings to the situation, and they understand that others bring their strengths as well. Self-confidence knows there is room for both viewpoints.

Before you interact with others or react to others, take a few seconds to ask whether the need to share is coming from a place of pride or humility. One leads to wisdom and is the path you should choose to follow.

With Christ's Love,



Pastor Seth



**"Special"**  
**June**

**Birthdays**

**Kay Covone**

**Mary Freehling**

**Ann Freehling 101**

**Diane Jorstad**

**Betty Smith**

**TO OUR OVER 80'S  
CLUB!**

*God's best Blessing to you!*

*Please Remember our over 80  
by sending them a card on  
their special Day!*

**\*\* Congratulations! \*\***

**WHO'S WHO IN  
JUNE?**

**DECORATION**

**FATHER'S DAY**

**SUMMER**

**DECORATING COMMITTEE**

**THE COUNTING COMMITTEE**

**CINDY SHICK, SALLIE ACRE, &**

**CHERYL PETERS**

**MINISTRY TABLE**

**VBS: "RAIN FOREST FALLS"**



06/01	Frank Chrimbchin Jr.	06/14	Brooklyn Peters
	Jeremy Peters	06/15	Alex Kladny
	Luke Hassler	06/16	Steve Brestensky
06/02	Douw Muller	06/19	Wes Krautbauer
	Ryler Nines	06/21	Nathan Waltman
06/03	Jacob Benzinger	06/22	Colleen Mize
	Shannon Mitchell		Aurora Adler
06/05	Gina Woods		Daisy Adler
	Bill Ross		Ruby Adler
	Gary Wiley	06/23	Matther Johnson
	Connie Harbison		Janice Sopo
	Greg Jorstad		Melissa Benzinger
	<b>*Kay Covone*</b>		Cory Weleski
	Payton Westendorf	06/24	Guy Jorstad
06/06	Bob Kemp		Shannon Crimbchin
06/07	Brett Sell		Easton Smith
	Brooks May	06/25	<b>*Jane Sell*</b>
	Wendell Shrewsbury		Christopher Kenton
	Jesse Peters	06/26	Madison Freehling
06/08	Mary Freehling		Rachel Boltz
	Sherry Mitchell		Brock Edwards
06/09	Jeff Walker	06/27	Bryce Hartman
	Cayce Johnson	06/28	Macey Edwards
06/10	<b>*Ann Freehling*</b>	06/29	Gary Riemer
	<b>*Diane Jorstad*</b>		Amy Holben
06/11	Sarah Blose	06/30	<b>*Betty Smith*</b>
06/13	Corky Buckham		
	Evelyn Fleischer		



We are updating the List of Birthdays for Zion Methodist Community Church. If we did not include your birthday, it is probably because we do not have the date on file. If you want your birthday published, be sure the office has your birthdate. If you'd like to be removed, please let us know. Please forgive us if we missed you on your special day!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A  
**Spaghetti Dinner**

In Honor of Scott Hanz and his battle with ALS



Saturday June 6th, 2026  
2pm-6pm  
Zion Methodist Church  
438 Bear Creek Rd, Sarver  
PA 16055

\$15 Dine in or Take-out  
Walk-In Only

Dinner includes: Spaghetti, salad, bread, and beverage

Chinese Raffle Baskets

Please contact Allison Heeter with any questions or donations at  
allisonheeter1@gmail.com.



**POWERED BY LOVE**

AN AUTISM SUPPORT GROUP HOSTS  
4TH ANNUAL

**Autism**

**TOUCH A TRUCK** afternoon of FUN

**SATURDAY JUNE 6TH 2026**

**1PM-4PM**

**Tour Ed Mine**

**Ridge Road Tarentum, PA 15084**

**Childrens Activities:**

Bounce House  
Quak A Doodle Doo  
petting zoo  
Horse back riding  
Face Painting  
Craft and Educational  
Vendors

Andrewich Custom Apparel  
Autism of Pittsburgh  
Calming Canines Training

**Food Trucks:**

Little C's Concoctions  
Quick-E Food Truck  
Kona Ice  
The Roaming Bean Coffee  
Novotny's Pizza Street Eats

**Music:**  
DJ Sky

**Special Guest**  
Pirate Parrot

**Questions Call:**  
Heather 724-212-9301  
Kim 724-272-3787

**FEATURED EQUIPMENT:**

Grapple Truck  
Bucket Truck  
Skid Loader  
Fire Truck  
Police Car  
School Bus  
Race Car  
Tow Truck  
Bobcat Equipment  
Army Trucks  
And more

**Because of you, life doesn't stop.**

DONATE IN JUNE

**\$15**  
**FOR ALL**

Use code JUNE6GIFT-2026-V  
when scheduling. Find out more at  
vitalant.org/JuneDonorGift

**BLOOD  
DRIVE**

**Sarver Community**

**Thursday, June 25, 2026**  
**1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

Family Life Center  
Zion Methodist Community Church  
438 Bear Creek Road  
Sarver, PA 16055



Soak up the sun and share the love! Summer fun can lead to summer blood shortages, but patients' needs persist. Donate blood at our upcoming blood drive in June and use code JUNE6GIFT-2026-V to receive a \$15 Rewards gift card as our thank-you! Donor Rewards program opt-in required. Find out more and schedule your appointment today at [vitalant.org/JuneDonorGift](http://vitalant.org/JuneDonorGift).

Visit [donors.vitalant.org](http://donors.vitalant.org) and enter Blood Drive Code: UC664



For more information or to schedule a donation,  
call 877-258-4825 or visit us at [vitalant.org](http://vitalant.org)  
Find us at @ @ @

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**"Fire**

**&**

**Ice"**

**June 7, 2026**

**7:00 pm**



Come enjoy a night of Hot Sweet Music and  
Folk's God Given Talents in the Sanctaury.

Afterwards...

Enjoy Cold Ice Cream Sundae  
in the Fellowship Hall!

Zion Methodist Community Church  
438 Bear Creek Road  
Sarver, PA 16055



**"Hot" Talent Acts!!!**

**&**

**"Cold" Serve & Ice Cream Topping  
Deadline May 31, 2026!!**

**Sign-up in the narthex!!!**



# Sweet Hour of Prayer

Every Wednesday night from 6:30-7:30 pm, we dedicate a time of prayer lifting our church, its needs, its vision, and the community of believers, seekers, and the lost, among other areas the Holy Spirit directs us to pray for. We meet at 6:15 pm to get our hearts ready with prayer and scripture, then set out to do one thing...PRAY! Speaking to God and being still for God to speak to us. Come and join us! We would love to have you pray with us!

I have been praying for the Holy Spirit to guide me in these invitations to prayer. This month, He led me to a song sung by Cain entitled, "I Made It." If you haven't listened to Christian music outside of the hymns at church, I encourage you to tune in...whatever genre you like, I am sure there is a Christian artist that fits the bill...just listen and let the lyrics speak to you. I am certain God will touch you with that special song that you need to hear. Cain is a worship trio whose songs really touch the soul. Their lyrics are inspiring, and their vocals are a gift. Below is just a sample of the lyrics. I encourage you to search for it on the internet and listen.

Been a long year  
Cried some hard tears on some dark nights  
Tried to pray through  
Nothing seemed to make the wrongs right (Ooh)  
Oh, I can't believe the pain I've seen  
But looking back  
Through every step, you never left  
And I'm so thankful that  
I'm coming out the other side stronger  
One foot in front of the other  
Hands still raising, heart still praising  
I made it, I made it, I made it



Life is hard. There is no doubt about it, but it is also joyful. God never promises us that this life will be easy, but He does promise that He will see us through those hard times. *"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."* – Romans 8:38-39. We learn from scripture that we can lean on God, and His strength is sufficient when ours seems lacking. Nothing is too big for our God. He can handle it...all we need to do is pray and ask Him to help.

In His Service & Yours,  
Cheryl Peters



# ENJOY THE SUMMER

## ZION'S COMMUNITY MEAL

**FREE COMMUNITY MEAL**  
**TAKE A BREAK FOR THE SUMMER!!!**

4:30 to 6:30 pm

Zion Family Life Center

Come and enjoy the meal  
with your family, friends, and neighbors

**COMMUNITY MEAL WILL BE BACK!**

**AUGUST 19, 2026**



# HELLO SUMMER

June 2026

## News Page for Kids and Families



### Quiet Pack UPDATE

We recently updated and are providing new "Quiet Packs" for our kiddos to take into the Sunday Worship service. Each holds coloring pages, crayons, drawing papers, and even some "special" activity pages. The used sheets are to be taken home *EACH* Sunday and the packet placed neatly back in the bin for the next week. Be good stewards of the things we have been blessed to receive!

*Only use 1 packet per child, please!*

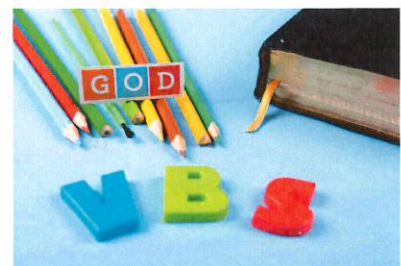
### GYM TIME/ SKILLS/ LEARNING

Would you like to learn the skills and rules for a new sport? Would you like to get time to practice and play to work on getting it mastered after learning the basics? Then watch for details as plans unfold.

We are hoping to get this started during the summer months and offer PICKLEBALL, SOCCER, and BASKETBALL for our older Elementary - High School kids to learn, play, and master the skills! We need some willing "Leaders" with these skills to teach the basics to the interested students. WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS SOON!! Potential Leaders... See Donna if you are willing to share your knowledge, skills, and some time with these youth!



Preschool through Grade 5 will be joining together on Sunday mornings this summer to allow our teachers to get a little break in their routine! Our schedule will appear slightly different. We will gather in Room # 9 in the former Weekday Ministries wing. We will do a time of gathering, a large group lesson, and our activity center introductions for the day. Then we move to Rooms 7 & 8 (same wing) to complete a craft, an activity, and enjoy a snack. If you are currently in these classes, come be ready to see your friends and have some Sunday Fun!  
9:30 AM to 10:30 AM Sunday mornings!



IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN UP  
FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
Forms are on the ministry counter  
in the Narthex or are available online!  
Complete and return it to the car!  
Register to get a VBS T-SHIRT!

# TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's Report as of 04/30/2026 - Nextier Checking Account					
	General Fund **	Designated Fund	Capital Imp. Fund	Building Fund	Total
Balance 03/31/2026	-\$2,143.35	\$25,845.72	\$37,214.76	\$53,800.86	\$114,717.99
Deposits	\$33,387.14	\$6,196.86	\$790.00	\$17,036.47	\$57,410.47
Disbursements	-\$37,975.83	-\$6,815.83	\$0.00	-\$13,900.00	-\$58,691.66
Balance 04/30/2026	-\$6,732.04	\$25,226.75	\$38,004.76	\$56,937.33	\$113,436.80
		<i>Lisa McClelland, Treasurer</i>			

**General Fund** - This is the operating fund where many of our expenses are paid, like payroll, utilities, educational materials, general maintenance, mission money above the designated giving, and other items.

**Designated Fund**—This fund receives monies designated for specific ministries, such as Missions, Memorials, and other particular designations.

**Capital Improvement Fund**—This fund is used for expenses that are not routine and are usually larger, like appliances for the parsonage, roof repairs, and other long-term issues.

**Building Fund**—This fund is for the Faith We Build Campaign, which pays the mortgage for the Family Life Center.

## MISSIONS

### MOMENTS WITH MISSIONS Apr-26

400.00	AT THE LAKE MINISTRIES
250.00	BLESSING BOARD
1,286.21	BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK
300.00	CABOT FOOD BANK
150.00	CENTER FOR HOPE
200.00	DAN AND MADEL BECK (MISSIONARIES)
4,430.00	EASTER OFFERING (SCHOLARSHIP AND 3 CAMPS)
347.00	GLOBAL LINKS
391.80	HAITI
200.00	LIBERTY CHAPEL WATER PROJECT
400.00	MEALS ON WHEELS
100.00	NATHAN KUCHARIK (Campus Ministries)
200.00	ROBERT & DONNA GABLER
347.00	THE HOUSE OF THE CARPENTER
347.00	THE VOICE OF THE MARTYRS
100.00	THE PROMISE HOUSE
9,449.01	TOTAL

17% of Zion's income for April





# CONGRATULATIONS 2026 GRADUATES



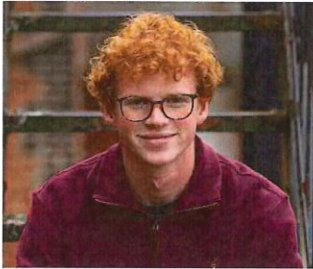
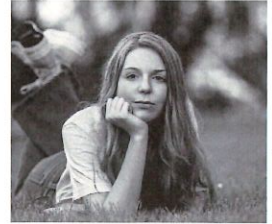
## HIGH SCHOOL



**Rachel Blose, May 29, 2026, Freeport High School**  
She plans to attend **Westminster College**, majoring in **Marketing Management**. Accepted into the **Honors Program of Westminster College**



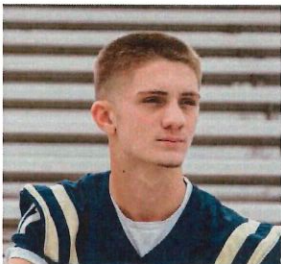
**Lochlan Kooser, May 29, 2026, Freeport High School**  
She plans to attend **Penn West Edinboro** for **Art Education**



**Jacob McClymonds, May 29, 2026, Freeport High School**  
He plans to attend **Purdue University** for **Engineering**.



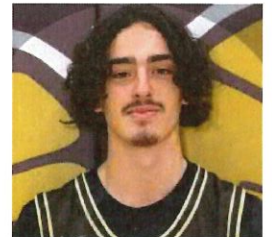
**Wade Potocnak, May 29, 2026, Freeport High School**  
He has started his own lawn care business, **WP Precision Lawncare**. He plans to further his education in the future at a **Technical School** or an **electrical union**



**Drew Ross, May 29, 2026, Freeport High School**  
He plans to attend **Westminster College**, majoring in **Engineering/Business**



**Dean Besterman, June 5, 2026, Highlands High School**  
He is already enrolled in the **Army Reserves** and plans to attend **Slippery Rock University** for **Nursing**



**Payton Bundy, June 5, 2026, Highlands High School**  
She plans to attend **Indiana University of Pennsylvania** for **Nursing** after obtaining her **BSN**, planning to work in the **ICU** for 2 years, then move on to **CRNA School**





# CONGRATULATIONS 2026 GRADUATES

## COLLEGE



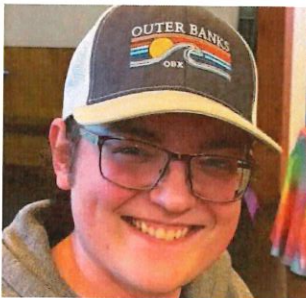
**Garret Ben**, May 8, 2026 *SlipperyRock University*  
He received his **Doctorate in Occupational Therapy**



**Rachel Boltz**, August 15, 2025, *Penn West University*  
She received her **Bachelor of Science in Nursing**.  
She is currently working at **Allegheny General Hospital** in  
the **Cardiovascular Telemetry Unit**.



**Leah Freehling**, May 9, 2026, *Duquesne University School of Nursing*. She received her **Bachelor of Science in Nursing**  
She starts working in June at **UPMC Mercy** in the  
**Neuro/Trauma Stepdown Program**.



**Robert Kladny**, May 8, 2026, *Penn State, University Park Campus*. He received his **Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering**. He plans to pursue job opportunities in the  
Western PA region.



### God Go With You

Poet: Catherine Pulsifer

As you step into the world ahead,  
May faith be stronger than your dread.  
Let wisdom guide the things you do,  
And know that God walks close with you.

When doors swing wide or stay closed tight,  
May His Word lead you to what's right.  
In every joy, in trials too,  
Remember this, God walks with you.

Go forth with courage, hope, and grace,  
His love will meet you in each place.  
This milestone reached, one of many more,  
With God beside you, you will soar.





## ETHEL WESTERMAN MORITZ 2026 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS



The scholarship fund was established in memory of a faithful and generous member of Zion United Methodist Church who died on July 13, 1997, Ethel Westerman Moritz.

Since the fund's inception, 169 scholarships have been awarded in the amount of \$67,476. The awards are now fully funded by your generous donations through a special offering or designated giving. Sincere thanks to our congregation for investing in our youth and honoring the memory of Ethel Westerman Moritz.

Members of Zion continuing their education post high school through an accredited school of higher learning, university, college, trade, vocational, or nursing school may apply twice.

### First Year Applicants: \$ 311.00

- Dean Besterman**, Slippery Rock University (Army Reserves)
- Rachel Blose**, Westminster College, Marketing/Sales
- Payton Bundy**, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Healthcare
- Lincoln Claypoole**, Penn State University, Mechanical Engineering
- Lochlan Kooser**, Penn West Edinboro, Art Education
- Jacob McClymonds**, Purdue University, Mechanical Engineering

### Second Year Applicants: \$ 155.50

- Gabriel Colangeli**, Penn State University, Civil Engineering
- Michael Hanz**, Seton Hill University, Exercise Science/Play Baseball
- Zachary Kladny**, Penn West-Clarion, Mathematics/Secondary Education

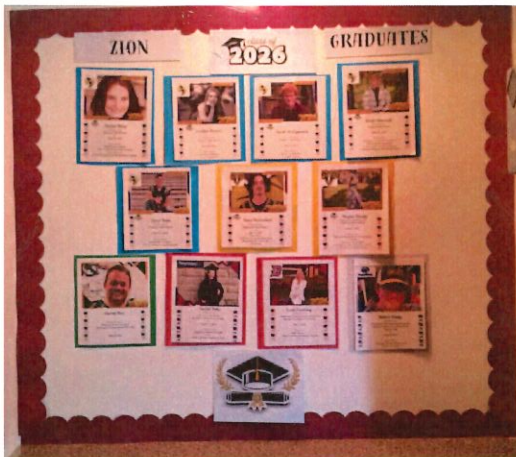
*For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.  
Jeremiah 29:11*



Ministry  
Table



May



*The McClymonds family invites you to celebrate Jacob's graduation from Freeport High School.*

*The celebration is on June 13th from 1 pm - 5 pm.*

*It will be at the pavilion at Zion Methodist Community Church or in the Family Life Center if there is inclement weather. Please RSVP to*

*Pastor Seth by email at [pastorseth@zionsarver.com](mailto:pastorseth@zionsarver.com) or by phone at (724)353-1720.*





# PARENTS NIGHT OUT!

~ Saturday, June 27th, 2026, 4-8 pm: Young Parents can enjoy a few hours to reconnect as they leave their children in capable hands. We will have a healthy meal, healthy snacks, games, and crafts to entertain your little ones

. Sign up at church in the narthex or email me at [pleasegod@zoominternet.net](mailto:pleasegod@zoominternet.net), or text me at 724-822-3608.

The DEADLINE to sign up will be Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

Looking forward to serving our young families!

~ Cheryl Peters



OUT OF THE WOODS IS BACK SOON!!

WE INVITED THEM BACK FOR ANOTHER YEAR OF FUN!

SEE FLYER BELOW!



## KREW

I would like to thank my partner in fun Cindy Shick she is always there to help and thinks of new ideas of things to do with our kids. JoAnn Culp, she helps everyone from crafts to cooking whatever we need she is on top of it. Our Newest Krew member Diane McDonough, she started slow but has gotten to know us she is a great help and good with our group of kids.

Thank you Ladies i could not do it without you!!!

Hope



WESLEY WOODS & ZION METHODIST CHURCH PRESENT

\$80/ PER CAMPER

## OUT OF THE WOODS, DAY CAMP

**Ages 5-12**  
**Dates:** MONDAY - FRIDAY July 27 - July 31  
**Activities:** Games, Water Day, Crafts, Bible Studies and MORE!  
**Register now at:** [wesleywoods.com/outofthewoods](http://wesleywoods.com/outofthewoods)

**Address:**  
 Zion Methodist Community Church  
 438 Bear Creek Rd  
 Sarver, PA 16055



Kidz Klub seems like it just started! We have a lot of fun doing crafts, playing games, and learning about Jesus. This picture is from the meeting in May. We were outside all day, and we had a picnic in the pavilion. Maggie, Mia, Moe, Henry, Connor, Harper, Skadi, and Josie played on the playground. played hide and seek, and I Spy What God Has made. We decorated flowerpots and planted a flower to take home. I can't wait till Fall to see what we do next!!!





## 2026 Zion's Vacation Bible School

Date: July 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Time: 8:45 am - 12:15 pm

Location: Check-In in the Church Library

Opening in Church Sanctuary

Students in Preschool - Age 4 & Potty Trained

Thru Completion of GRADE 5

Registration starts May 10, 2026 - July 5, 2026



*Are invited to come and join the fun as we  
explore the nature of God*





**RAINFOREST FALLS**  
*Exploring the Nature of God*  
2026 Participant Registration Form  
Please complete 1 FORM per student

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Last school grade completed \_\_\_\_\_

In case of emergency, contact (please list relationship to student)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Allergies or other medical conditions \_\_\_\_\_

How is allergy manifested? (Hives, swelling, etc) \_\_\_\_\_

Home church \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I give my permission for my child to be photographed for social media posts. No names will be included.

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Shirt Size:** \_\_\_\_\_

Youth: sm,m,l,xl



### Youth Sunday and Happy Mother's Day!

These two things go well together. Sunday, May 10, 2026, is Mother's Day, and the Church service was taken over by our Jr and Sr High Youth Group for the day. Our youth group is small, but God has worked in each of our youth's lives. We had a guest organist/ pianist, **Ryan Karwoski** a Sophomore at Knoch High School, who is pictured first above. He did an awesome job keeping up with the music and service. **Declan Kooser and Wyatt Bandi** they did the children's moment, explaining the items moms use each day to take care of them. **Lochlan Kooser** led the service and presented the morning message about her journey in finding God's faith in her life. **Josh McClymonds** was our liturgist for the day and played Special Music on the piano during the service. **Wyatt Bandi, Declan Kooser, and Riddick Kooser** were our ushers and read scripture. The final picture was a Mother's Day poem read by all. They may be small, but they are mighty and have God's love in their hearts and always a kind word. **Thank you, Jr. & Sr High Youth.**



## GOD LOVES YOU!



## SO DOES ZION!



### Visitation and Card Shower Section



Gina Woods

Ron & Kay Covone    Autumn Grove Care Center  
186 Srader Grove Road    555 South Main Street  
Freeport, PA 16229    Room #112  
Birthday!    Harrisville, PA 16038  
Birthday

Sherry Mosley    Harry Hoover  
115 Coal Hollow Road    Oertel Building Room 205  
Sarver, PA 16055-9717    615 N Pike Road  
Cabot, PA 16023

Jack Doverspike    Jeanne Foster  
429 Sarver Road    11145 SW 69th Circle  
Sarver, PA 16055-9526    Ocala, FL 34476

Pat Gray    Ann Freehling  
112 Marwood Road#4234    521 North Pike Road  
Cabot, PA 16023    Sarver, PA 16055  
Birthday

Roxanne Freehling  
Quality Life Services  
of Grove City #340  
400 Hillcrest Ave #1708  
Grove City, PA 16127



### Father's Day Tool Donation Form

*Christ's love offers strength in hard times. It has been Zion's tradition to honor our fathers every year on Father's Day. This year, we are asking for monetary donations to support **Church World Service Tools** to equip families worldwide with the tools that they need to build a brighter future. Please fill in the information below and place the form along with your donation in the offering plate or turn into the office by **June 14, 2026***



\_\_\_\_\_ *given in honor of*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ *given in memory of*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Total donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Thank you for honoring our honoring our father's, and blessing those who will know God's love through the tools you have provided..*

**ZION METHODIST  
COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Phone: 724-353-1720

Fax: 724-353-1721

E-mail: office@zionsarver.com

Voice Mailboxes (messages only):

Pastor Seth McClymonds: 724-353-9510

Email: pastorseth@zionsarver.com

Church Office:(Hope Albaugh): 724-353-9520

Director of Education & Children's Ministries  
and Facilities Coordinator

(Donna Scholl): 724-353-9530

Email: donna@zionsarver.com

Music Office: 724-353-9540

music@zionsarver.com

Trustees: trustees@zionsarver.com

**PRAYER WARRIORS LEADER**

Prayer Warriors are standing by to pray for you.

Allison Shaw is serving as the point person for our  
prayer chain ministry!

Allison can be reached by email, text, or phone.

Her email is aemcc11@gmail.com

Allison's Phone is 724-822-5339



**Zion's Mission Statement**

*Invite people to know Jesus Christ.*

*Grow those who respond into  
disciples.*

*Serve all people in the name of  
Christ.*

**Zion's Faith Statement**

*"Zion Methodist Community Church is  
Jesus-centered, believing in the inspired  
authority of scripture, the lordship of  
Jesus Christ, and the maintaining of  
traditional Methodist beliefs."*

**VITAL STATISTICS**

Weddings: None Reported

Deaths: None Reported

Births: None Reported

Baptisms: None Reported

New Members: May 17, 2026

Wyatt Lee Bandi

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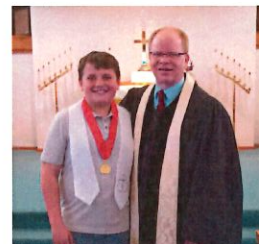
Declan Elias Kooser

Brooks Frederick May

Skyler Nicole Thompson

**Welcome to the Zion Family!**

If you are considering joining Zion, Pastor Seth  
would be pleased to speak with you and address  
any questions you may have. If we have omitted  
your special date or event or printed incorrect  
information, please notify the Office Manager,  
and a correction will be made



**ADDRESS and EMAIL CHANGES**

Please NOTIFY the office if your address or email  
changes. You can notify us by phone, mail, email, or by  
leaving a note on the attendance pad.

Over the past few weeks, we have incurred significant  
postage costs because people didn't provide us with their  
new addresses. I want to emphasize this point: please  
notify us promptly if your address changes. Every piece  
of bulk mail (newsletters, holiday letters) sent to the  
wrong address

The cost is \$3.98 per piece of mail if returned to  
Zion. Let's be good stewards!

Daily Bible Study offered Online (BSRG2)



Good Stewards:



We need to be good stewards of the church. Please remember before you leave an area of the church or a meeting, Pick Up After Yourself, Clean and Put Away Dishes, and Turn Off All Lights. Thank you.

Join Sandy Kalmar for an in-depth Bible study that is shared daily. The study draws on insights and applications from various commentaries, focusing on one book at a time until it is completed. The sessions alternate between the Old and New Testaments, covering several chapters each week with a specific passage to study daily. Participants receive the material for the next day via email the evening before, allowing them to study at their convenience (no group discussions are held). The next book to be studied will be **\*\*Joshua\*\***, followed by a fresh start in the New Testament with the book of **\*\*Matthew\*\***. This format is ideal for anyone unable to attend a group study. New participants are welcome at any time! For questions or to express your interest, please contact Sandy Kalmar at [skalvbs@gmail.com](mailto:skalvbs@gmail.com).



**PUZZLE EXCHANGE**

We have a jigsaw puzzle cart set up in the library for all ages. You can bring in your slightly used jigsaw puzzles, place them on the cart, and take a new puzzle to try. Questions: see Bill Fischer.

<https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/zionsarver>

Looking for that summertime bible study or video for those long summer trips! Check out Right Now Media!

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**ZION SUNSHINE BASKETS**



Do you have a friend who is homebound or bedridden due to illness or injury? They may need a hug or a bit of get-well-soon to let them know someone cares. God loves them!



Bring your old, tired American flags to Zion for proper disposal.

The Girl Scouts in our area have provided Zion with a Flag Box. (white box with red/white/ and blue colors of the flag on it.) It is located in the lower parking lot, adjacent to the Zion Family Life Center.

**ATTENTION GRADUATES!!!**

All Graduates will be honored on Graduate Sunday, June 14, 2026, at both of our worship services. This is the only time scholarships, awards, and gifts are presented to graduates.

If we do not have your information. Email the office:

office@zionsarver.com or call 724-353-1720 between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm to inform us.





# Summer Camp Registration is Open!!!



Spring is a great time to look ahead to warmer days (and a summer filled with fun for our youth). Are you going to camp this summer?! Funds are available to help defray camp costs. Full-time campers receive \$300 towards the cost of their camp!!! Mini campers will receive \$200 towards the cost of their Camp!!! There are opportunities to apply for additional assistance through the individual camps. All Applications are available online. See below for scholarship information.



Scan the QR codes to learn s'more about each church camp!

Camp Allegheny:



Jumonville:



Wesley Woods:



Take a look at the camp web pages:

[www.campallegheny.org](http://www.campallegheny.org)

[www.jumonville.org](http://www.jumonville.org)

[www.wesleywood.org](http://www.wesleywood.org)



Zion would love to support more children in the opportunity to attend church camp! Please check out the 3 camps (Camp Allegheny, Jumonville, and Wesley Woods) and find a camp that's right for you! Zion is committed to the camping program and assisting all children, youth who are active in ministries of Zion. Please do not hesitate to call, email, or ask me in person about any of the camping programs. I have attended Camp Allegheny and Camp Jumonville, and mu kids have attended Camp Allegheny and Wesley Woods. I know the most about Camp Allegheny. Pastor Seth and his family would be great resources for questions about Wesley Woods.



There are lots of choices of different camps! Verification of registration must be emailed to me in order to request financial assistance from Zion. Thanks, and I look forward to talking to you!

Molly Dorain, Camp Steward

724-681-2619

[molly\\_ot@yahoo.com](mailto:molly_ot@yahoo.com)



## BLUES PROGRAM FOR 8TH GRADE AND ABOVE IN BUTLER COUNTY

Stress and anxiety impact us all. Learn coping tools that are proven to work!

The Blues Program gives you the skills, knowledge, and confidence to take charge of your mental health.



Register here!



724-432-3474



[Kaitlynn@KeystoneWellnessPrograms.org](mailto:Kaitlynn@KeystoneWellnessPrograms.org)



Zion, Women In Faith,  
Thank you for the gift for  
*Administrative Professionals Day*. I  
appreciate the thought that went  
into the glass window art. It is  
beautiful and reminds me every  
day that God is with me. Thank  
you, everyone.



God Bless  
Hope Albaugh



Thanks,  
David Costello  
Church World Services

**Zion Methodist Community Church**

Thank you for another great blood drive! We collected 36 units of blood products, which will help up to 108 area patients.

We appreciate your support of life-saving blood donation. Please thank all involved with the blood drive, especially the blood donors!

Thanks!  
Dena

Thank you for supporting our "Vital" blood supply!

Dena Gribble  
Account Manager  
Vitalant  
412-418-3288 cell  
dgribble@vitalant.or



**Zion Congregation,**

Thank you for your recent donation. We truly appreciate your generosity. We prepare and deliver 50+ meals every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Our administrators, cooks, clerks, and drivers are all volunteers, so your donation goes directly to those who most need our help. We are pleased to be able to offer this service to the community, and your support is critical.

Thank you and God bless,  
Freeport Meals Area Meals  
on Wheels



**Dear Friends,**

On behalf of everyone at the Center for Hope, thank you for your two generous donations towards Community Support. We are grateful for your partnership. You are helping us not only meet urgent needs but also build a community where no one has to face hunger alone.

Sue Otto  
Director



**Dear Friends,**

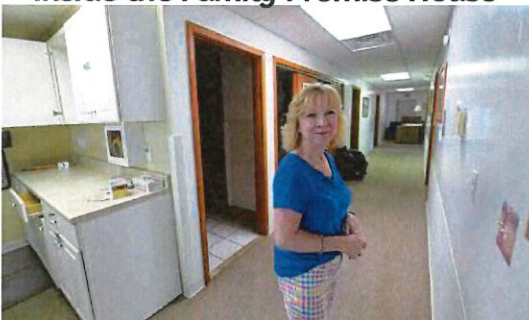
The AVAC wishes to thank you for your generous gift to the AVAC Family Promise House. We are very grateful for your generosity and support. Your donation will aid in the accomplishment of the humanitarian goals of AVAC, and many people will be helped by your kind and thoughtful donation.

Thank you again for helping us do just that and for your continued support.



Yours in Christ,  
Karen Snair  
Executive Director

**Inside the Family Promise House**



**Dear Zion Methodist**

**Community Church,**

Thank you for your generous gift. Because of you, families in our community will experience real hope-- through God's love, a welcoming home, and the comfort of furniture and medical equipment they could not otherwise afford. Your support truly means the world to us. We are deeply grateful for your kindness and faithfulness. Every gift you give helps transform lives, restore dignity, and remind our neighbors that they are not alone.

With heartfelt gratitude,  
All of us at The Blessing Board



**Dear Zion Methodist**

**Community Church,**

Thank you for your generous gift to our Booster Fund at Wesley Woods Christian Camp. Your prayers and support make it possible for our ministry to continue sharing the love of Christ and creating life-changing experiences for all who set foot on our grounds. We truly could not do this without you, because of your partnership, lives are being transformed, faith is being strengthened, and future generations are being equipped to follow Jesus.

With gratitude  
Joe Llig  
Executive Director



**Meals On Wheels:**

Monthly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, June 8, 2026, 7:30 am to 11:00 am at Freeport UMC,

Prepare and serve a meal. We need more Volunteers. If you have any questions or would like to help, do not hesitate. Get in touch with the Coordinator:

Becky Ross(724)467-2045 or ross4him@hotmail.com.



The 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm in Zion Family Life Center. Our next meal will be on.

Wednesday, June 17, 2026.

The menu is planned to include spaghetti, salad, bread, and dessert.

**Volunteers are needed to greet, serve, and clean-up.**

**See Lori or Toni Gehenio times and questions.**

*All are welcome and invited to enjoy a free meal and fellowship with the Community.*



**Family Promise House**

For the month of June, Zion is collecting Cleaning Supplies and Paper products.

The supplies they need are toilet bowl cleaner, shower cleaner, basin and tub cleaner. Disinfectant cleaner for the tables and dish soap.plastic Ware (forks, spoons, and knives). paper plates, bowls, and cups.

There are boxes in the entrance of the church to put all donations for the Family Promise House.



**ORGANIZATIONS THAT WE SUPPORT AS A PART OF OUR MISSION.**



**EXPRESSIONS OF OUR FAITH**

*"I was hungry, and you fed me, thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you received me, naked and you clothed me; I was sick and you took care of me, in prison and you visited me.*

*(Matthew 25: 35-36)*



**Operation Christmas Child:**

WE are ramping up in 2026 to have a bigger year. We are going to collect each month this year. May's collection items are quality toys, such as yo-yos, small jump ropes, slinky toys, small cars, small baby dolls, etc. Please put any collections in the box under the cabinet in the narthex marked Operation Christmas Child.

*Thank you for collecting year-round.*



**School Bags for Operation Christmas Child:**

It is not too early to start sewing school bags for OCC. Kits of 8-12 pre-cut bags are now available in the top 2 drawers of the marked cabinet.

Each kit contains directions and a finished sample. When completed, they may be place in the OCC cabinet on the left side.



Expressions of Our Faith meets in the library on June 30, 2026, at 6:00 pm, so you know that new members are welcome. Please join us if you want to serve on our Mission Encounter Team.



June 2026



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>SUNDAYS: 8:00am - Worship 9:30 am - Sunday School All Ages 10:45 am -Worship</p>	6:45 pm Boy Scouts - FH	7 pm Trustees				
9 am Donut Fellowship 7 pm Fire & Ice	7:30 am Meals On Wheels 10 am Staff Meeting 7 pm Admin Bd 6:45 pm Boy Scouts - FH	10 am Elementary Youth Outing 7 pm Women In Faith				2 pm - 5 pm Pavilion & FLC In Use
Graduate Sunday! PNOI Deadline!			5:00 pm VBS- All Youth Volunteers - Library			
Father's Day	10 am Staff Meeting	10:30 am Newsletter Fd.	Annual Conference --	Annual Conference	Annual Conference	Parents Night Out 4 pm-8 pm
1 pm-4 pm - FLC - In Use		6 pm Missions	6:30 pm Herbal Thyms	11 am Vitalemt Set-Up 1 pm Blood Drive - FLC		

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2026

**VBS "Rain Forest" Coming to Zion Methodist Community Church**  
Date: July 13<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> 2026  
Time: 8:45 am - 12:15 pm

**Registration is Now!!!**  
Preschool - Age 4 & potty trained  
Through Completion of Grade 5

**RAINFOREST FALLS**  
Exploring the Nature of God