

# Zion Lutheran Church

## April 13, 2025



### HOLY WEEK

Palm/Passion Sunday—Sunday, April 13

Maundy Thursday - April 17 at 7 p.m., Dinner at 6 p.m.

Good Friday - April 18 at 7 p.m.

Easter Vigil - April 19 at 5 p.m.

Easter Sunday - April 20, Contemporary at 9 a.m.,  
Continental Breakfast 10 a.m., Traditional at 11 a.m.

**Sunday, April 13, 9:00 a.m.**



Youth of all ages will gather together after the Prayer of the Day for a lesson and activity. We will return to worship in time for communion.

## Zion's Weekly Schedule

### Saturday - 4/12

6:30 a.m. Lion's Club Breakfast  
8:30 a.m. One God One Voice  
9:00 a.m. Clothes Closet Sorting  
9:00 a.m. Altar Guild Meeting  
9:30 a.m. AA Group  
5:00 p.m. Casual Worship  
6:30 p.m. AA Group

### Sunday - 4/13 Palm-Passion Sunday/

#### Footprints

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship  
10:00 a.m. Mysteries of Worship/Mutual Care Classes  
Children's Choir  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship  
6:00 p.m. Prayer Team—Zoom  
7:00 p.m. AA Group

### Monday - 4/14

10:00 a.m. Office Staff Meeting  
6:30 p.m. Council Meeting

### Tuesday - 4/15

8:30 a.m. Zion Quilters  
5:30 p.m. Girl Scout Leader Meeting  
6:00 p.m. GriefShare  
7:00 p.m. Zion Knitters  
7:00 p.m. CoDA Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal

### Wednesday - 4/16

8:30 a.m. Zion Quilters  
12:00 p.m. JOY Luncheon

### Thursday - 4/17 Maundy Thursday

8:30 a.m. Zion Quilters  
11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal  
6:00 p.m. Worship Dinner  
7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship

### Friday - 4/18 Good Friday

6:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous  
7:00 p.m. Good Friday Worship

### Saturday - 4/19 Easter Vigil - Noisy Offering

8:30 a.m. One God One Voice  
9:00 a.m. Clothes Closet Sorting  
9:30 a.m. AA Group  
9:30 a.m. Orchestra Rehearsal  
10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt  
10:00 a.m. Handbell and Choir Rehearsals  
5:00 p.m. Easter Vigil  
6:30 p.m. AA Group

### Sunday - 4/20 Easter Sunday - Noisy Offering

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship  
10:00 a.m. Easter Sunday Breakfast  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship  
3:30 p.m. 4-H Business Meeting & Activity  
6:00 p.m. Prayer Team—Zoom  
7:00 p.m. AA Group

## Sunday Morning Adult Class Offering:

### Mysteries of Worship Rituals Series, by Pastor Matt and Altar Guild:

April 13: *Where the Unused Wine, Wafers, Baptism Water goes after the Service*

April 20: Easter Breakfast (No Adult Sunday School)

### Servants of Christ



*"In every community there is work to be done In every heart is the power to do it."*

A new ministry is developing here at Zion for all ages. We encourage all to participate young and old, even friends & family. On the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month (time depends on each project), we will gather and do service projects. What a great way to come together, learn and serve!

**First Project: Sunday, April 27, 4 p.m., meet at Church — Community Assistance with Flower bed clean-up.**

\*Looking for community weeding and bed clean-out projects, please contact Jamie Derr @301-305-9796 or

[valleyhomemadeandhomegrown@gmail.com](mailto:valleyhomemadeandhomegrown@gmail.com)

All are welcome and help is needed in many ways. Anyone interested that would like to be involved in brainstorming and facilitating an event, contact Jamie Derr @301-305-9796 or

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### Easter Flowers

If you ordered Easter Flowers and indicated you want to pick them up, you may do so after the 11 am Easter Sunday service.



The Altar Guild has prepared a list of members and the type of flowers each person ordered. The list is in the front window on the right side of the Sanctuary.

### Reminder – Removal of Easter Flowers, etc. from Cemetery

**Any flowers, wreaths, etc., that are placed at gravesites for Easter must be removed 10 days after Easter. Anything that is on the ground at gravesites after April 30 will be removed and possibly discarded.**

This is necessary because of the mowing season. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

*-The Cemetery Board*

### JOY +50 (Just Older Youth) Luncheon—April 16

Join us for our next JOY Luncheon on April 16, at 12 noon. Everyone in the Middletown Valley is welcome! The cost is \$10 per person. Call Alexa for reservations at 301-514-4479 by Monday, April 14.





## Community Easter Egg Hunt

Hop on over and join us!  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 19**  
**10 AM - NOON**  
**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**107 WEST MAIN STREET**  
**MIDDLETOWN, MD**

Join us for a very special Easter celebration! There will be crafts, activities, a service project and an egg hunt! And don't forget to bring your baskets!

**CareNet Pregnancy Center  
Baby Bottle Campaign**  
 Zion is helping CareNet by filling an empty baby bottle with loose change, or a check made payable to CareNet. Please return the bottles to the **PURPLE** box in the church office by **Easter Sunday, April 20**. Many thanks!



## Ladies Spring Fling Dinner May 7

Tickets will go on sale **starting April 6**. The cost is \$12 per person, kids ages 6 to 16 are \$6 and 5 and under are free. Paint Night to follow. Zions youth to distribute rocks throughout neighborhoods.

**Dinner at 6:00 pm, Paint Night at 7:00 pm.**  
**Please RSVP to Church Office by May 2** to purchase your tickets! Questions? Contact the Church Office at 301-371-6500.

## Middletown Valley Community Day of Service, April 26, 2025

**Are you in need of physical assistance with home projects?**



*Make a difference—get involved*

Examples: painting projects, yard work cleanup, small home repair projects, etc...

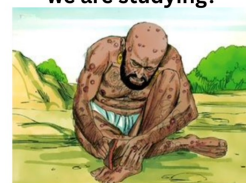
**Please contact Deb at Zion Lutheran Church 301-371-6500, ext. 203 to register your project.** Middletown's Day of Service will not be successful without volunteers!  
**Call Deb to sign up to volunteer: 301-371-6500, ext. 203.**

## Walk in Othello Park Bible Study



1901 Jefferson Pike, Knoxville, MD  
 Wednesday's @ 6:30 – 7:15 pm  
 April 23-May28

**Guess what book of the Bible we are studying?**



And you thought you had problems...

### Worship Services

**Saturday: 5 p.m. Informal Worship**

**Sunday Services: 9 a.m. Contemporary Worship & 11 a.m. Traditional Worship**  
**Christian Education: Sundays at 10:00 a.m.**

### Zion Worship Service Viewing Options:

To view our weekly recorded worship service any time during the week, you can just click on the webpage link at [www.zionmiddletown.org](http://www.zionmiddletown.org) and it will take you directly to the video. The link for the livestream of one service each week is on the website; click the link and it will take you directly to the video.

Our **Backpack Ministry** will be meeting the needs of students on the weekends when they do not receive food at school.

**Donations include:** macaroni and cheese, granola bars, pretzels, shelf stable milk, juice boxes, individual fruit or pudding cups, crackers in sleeves, individual cereal including oatmeal, raisins, tuna or chicken in a can.



**Monetary donations to the Backpack Ministry are always welcome, please put Weekend Backpack Ministry in the memo line.**



### **Golf Tournament-May 5!**

*To benefit Zion Lutheran Church Steeple*

**You can help make this tournament a success by becoming a sponsor today!** Your sponsorship goes towards the goal of raising \$10,000 towards the restoration and repair of the "Beacon in the Valley" steeple. **Do you play golf? Talk to your friends and form a foursome to play in the tournament.**

For information please see a committee member or call the church office, 301-371-6500. Registration forms are outside of the church office.

**FOOD BANK DONATIONS can be dropped off in the cart located at the ramp, or taken directly to the Food Bank on Wednesdays from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.**



**Apple Butter**  
*\$6 for a pint*



### **Budget/Income Information-YTD as of March 31, 2025**

YTD Proposed Budget income \$146,906.

vs YTD Actual Income \$130,517.

YTD Proposed Budget Expense \$162,502. vs

YTD Actual Expenses \$160,753.

**Actual YTD Income is less expenses in March 2025 by \$30,236.**

**March Noisy Offering to Lantern Hill — \$357.99**

