

Zion Lutheran Church

April 20, 2025



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 4th 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

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 valleyhomemadeandhomegrown@gmail.com

Zion's Weekly Schedule

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

Monday - 4/21

Church Offices Closed

Tuesday - 4/22

Church Offices Closed
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

Wednesday - 4/23

Church Offices Closed
8:30 a.m. Zion Quilters

Thursday - 4/24

Church Offices Closed
8:30 a.m. Zion Quilters
11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday - 4/25

Church Offices Closed
6:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday - 4/26

8:00 a.m. Day of Service
8:30 a.m. One God One Voice
9:00 a.m. Clothes Closet Sorting
9:30 a.m. AA Group
5:00 p.m. Casual Worship
6:30 p.m. AA Group

Sunday - 4/27

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship
10:00 a.m. Tanzania Intergenerational
Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
4:00 p.m. Servants in Christ
6:00 p.m. Prayer Team—Zoom
7:00 p.m. AA Group

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.

Altar Guild members will be available on Monday, April 21 from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. if anyone wants to pick up flowers then.



Noisy Offering

We will be collecting the Noisy Offering on April 19/20 to benefit **On Our Own.**



BIBLE
Women's
STUDY

The next Women's Bible Study begins Sunday, May 4, 6:30 p.m. at Valley Ho Farm.

For more information please contact the church office.

Middletown Valley Community Day of Service, April 26, 2025

Are you in need of physical assistance with home projects? Examples: painting projects, yard work cleanup, small home repair projects, etc...

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



National Day of Prayer Thursday, May 1

The 74th Annual National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, May 1, 2025. A prayer guide is provided to help you. Let's join others in prayer across our country.

"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land." 2 Chronicles 7:14



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

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...

Upcoming Events:

April 27 & May 4,
10:00 a.m. in the
Social Room: An
Intergenerational
Sunday School—
All Things Tanzania.

June 23: Baltimore Orioles
Baseball Night.

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



VBS

SAVE THE DATE

Vacation Bible School
at Zion Lutheran Church

JULY 6-10 AGES 2-11

5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Dinner Included

Ladies Spring Fling Dinner May 7

Tickets are on sale! Please RSVP to Church Office by **May 2** to purchase your tickets! 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.** Questions? Contact the Church Office at 301-371-6500.



Zion's Annual Church Picnic

Sunday, June 22 at 3:00 p.m. at Memorial Park. Family fun activities will begin at 3:30. Dinner will be served at 4:15 p.m. Anyone wishing to help with the picnic can also contact the Church Office. After our picnic, Music and Worship will lead Vespers. Please bring a lawn chair to join in Vespers.

RSVP: Please let us know by June 13 if you are able to attend by calling 301-371-6500 or office@zionmiddletown.org

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 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.

4th Annual Middletown's Memorial Day Ceremony

Honoring Our Fallen Heros

Monday, May 26, 2025

Flag Court at Memorial

Park, 11 a.m.

Bring a chair



Rolled Bandages

We are participating in a **Global Health Ministry Service Project** making rolled bandages to send to hospitals in underdeveloped areas in the world. **We need WHITE sheets donated for this project.** The collection bin is by the Welcome Center. Contact **Lois Ahalt, 301-514-5735**, if you have any questions.



Backpack Ministry meets 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.



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.



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

