



Old Zionsville United Church of Christ

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Pastor's Office Hours

Wednesday, May 4-10am-3pm

Wednesday, May 11-10am-3pm

Wednesday, May 18-10am-3pm

Wednesday, May 25-10am-3pm

Church Office Hours

Mon-Thurs 10am-3pm

(please call before stopping in)

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Brenda Seitz

Organist

David Carlson

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David Carlson

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Beth Massa

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610-754-7701

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From Pastor's Desk...

Why Join a Church?

1. Joining a church is a way of practicing – among a small group of people over a significant period of time – what you'd like to world to be like.
2. Joining a church is to organize your life around a time to confess your limitations, culpability and imperfections together with other people so that you can get used to receiving divine forgiveness and hope in response to your honesty.
3. To join a church is to cultivate an environment unlike your home, work or play where your life is not measured according to any other purpose or goal than to discover and enjoy your own humanity.
4. To join a church is to cultivate an imagination for how your unique talents and creative potential can be offered on purpose for love instead of money.

Peace,
Lori

Sunday, May 1 - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:15 a.m. Communion

Worship

Wednesday, May 4 - 6:30 p.m. GriefShare

in Lower Social Hall

Friday, May 6 – 6:00 p.m. – Supper Club at Hops,
Fogelsville

Sunday, May 8 - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School

9:00 a.m. New Member Class

10:15 a.m. Worship, Mother's Day

Wednesday, May 11 - 6:30 p.m. GriefShare in Lower
Social Hall

Sunday, May 15 - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School

9:00 a.m. New Member Class

10:15 a.m. Worship, new members

joining, All loose offering will
go to Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Wednesday, May 18 - 6:30 p.m. GriefShare in Lower Social Hall

Friday, May 20 – 12:00 p.m. Lunch Bunch at Hamilton Family Restaurant

Sunday, May 22 - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Worship

Wednesday, May 25 - 6:30 p.m. GriefShare in Lower Social Hall

Sunday, May 29 - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Worship

Looking Ahead😊

Wednesday, June 1 - 6:30 p.m. GriefShare in Lower Social Hall

Friday, June 4 – 6:00 p.m. Supper Club at Ozgood's Neighborhood Grill & Bar

Sunday, June 5 - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Communion Worship, Pentecost Sunday
Please wear Red to signify the Holy Spirit!

Wednesday, June 8 - 6:30 p.m. GriefShare in Lower Social Hall

Sunday, June 12 - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School, Last Day
10:15 a.m. Worship

Sunday, June 19 - 10:15 a.m. Worship, Father's Day

Friday, June 24 – 12:00 p.m. Lunch Bunch at The New Pennsburg Diner

Sunday, June 26 - Worship will be held at Dillingersville Schoolhouse at 10:30 a.m.

Consistory has agreed that individuals can make their own decision as to the wearing of masks during church services. Offering will be collected in the pews again and hymnals will be used. If you find yourself testing positive for COVID, **please contact the church office** so we can alert others who may have been in contact with you during time spent at church. Thank you.

OZUCC Mission Statement

The mission of our Church is to be a congregation devoted to our community where we experience and share the loving presence of God by teaching the Good News of Jesus Christ, by celebrating God's Word in the Bible, and through loving service to all people.

News from the Cemetery Association...



We are grateful to Mike Berger for making the Cemetery look nice every week. Please take the time to appreciate the beauty of our Cemetery. Not every Cemetery gets this kind of TLC.

New Cemetery Brochures are available at the entrances to the church or you may call the church office to have one mailed to you.

News from Christian Ed...

We will be starting a **Confirmation Class** in the fall of 2022. All youth in seventh grade or older are eligible to attend. Friends, family members and neighbors are welcome to join in the confirmation journey. More details available soon. Consider adding this to your family life this fall.

Does our church have any interest in **Vacation Bible School**? In the past we have had a Community Bible School Program for our children with the area Churches. The last couple of years it had been cancelled due to Covid and volunteer help. Is it time to restart? Some think so. But it takes many volunteers to help out. Is anyone interested in helping to get it up and running again? Please let the church office know if you are interested. Thanks.



News from Computer and Media Committee...



Please visit **YouTube** on the internet and search for Old Zionsville UCC. You can watch our Worship Services **Live!!!** Please hit subscribe so we can get to a level of getting our own name to share. Thanks.

News from the Evangelism and Membership Committee...

Supper Club and Lunch Bunch for May....

Supper Club: Friday, May 6, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.
Hops Fogelsville, 7921 Main Street, Fogelsville

Please RSVP no later than Monday, May 2.

Lunch Bunch: Friday, May 20, 2022 – 12 noon
Hamilton Family Restaurant, 2027 Hamilton Street, Allentown

Please RSVP no later than Monday, May 16

June's Supper Club will be on Friday, June 3, 6:00 p.m. at Ozgood's Neighborhood Grill and Bar, 4 Lincoln Road, Kutztown.



These get togethers are for all members and friends of Old Zionsville UCC. Please let Linda or Mark Weaver know if you are able to attend. Let them know in church, email at catofpa@ptd.net or weavermj@ptd.net; or call at 215-679-7599.



GriefShare sessions are being held in the **lower social hall of Old Zionsville UCC**. This group is open to anyone who wishes to explore the program and/or work to heal. We meet from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. each week until June 8. There is no cost for the program but the workbook has a suggested donation of \$15 (or whatever you can afford to pay). The lessons are taught through interesting videos and can help us all as we grow in Christ. Please let Pastor Lori know if you or someone you know would be interested in attending. Call or text: 610-393-3522.

News from our Food Pantry...

The Zionsville Area Food Pantry is open the **2nd Monday** of the month 4:00-6:00 PM and the **Saturday** of that same week 10:00 AM-12:00 PM. May dates are Monday, May 9, and Saturday, May 14. Zionsville Area Food Pantry has reopened for indoor distribution and is located at Zion's Lutheran Church.

News from ATF (All Things Free Room)...

ATF is continuing to accept gently used clothing, clean working small appliances and other miscellaneous household items for all ages. And it's never too early to help us begin stocking our shelves with new items for our annual Christmas shoppers shop in November. Leave things at church or call/text Pastor Lori (610-393-3522) or Millie Kohler (610-737-9432). Thanks to everyone for their generous donations and to our hard working faithful volunteers!

News from the FUN Group...

Faith Uniting Neighbors

Thanks to everyone who donated full size toiletry items for the Zionsville Area Food Pantry and travel size for Lehigh County Conference of Churches. Your generosity will surely be appreciated!



Peanut Butter & Jelly Collection

We will once again be collecting peanut butter and jelly for the Zionsville Area Food Pantry during the month of May. This year our collection dates will be from May 1 through June 5. This way the items can be distributed early in June to the Food Pantry clients. Thank you!



News from Music and Worship Committee...



Phoebe Ministries – Offering will be collected in Worship on Sunday, May 8. Phoebe Ministries is a community of faith, called by God to serve the needs and to enhance the lives of our elders, their families and the broader community. With the blessed help of donors they are able to care for Pennsylvania's older adults, serving thousands of people this year alone. Gifts from congregations have funded compassionate care, wellness programs, and cutting-edge dementia services. Whatever your stage or age, you can start your best years at Phoebe Ministries. Backed by over a century of experience – and inspired by a core mission to promote healthy aging – Phoebe's communities and services provide active retirement with the security of a full continuum of senior care. Discover how the Phoebe culture of caring is leading us into the next generation of senior living, with MORE of what you want—all in one place. Make a gift today!

News from the Scouts...

Our Scout Troop is active all year long. If you know any boys or girls who would like to join Scouting check in with Elliott Fegley - 610-972-7869 or for Cub Scouts, Chris Ofner - 484-639-4279.

News from the Windows Committee...



We are grateful to the East Penn Press for the full page article about our windows restoration in the April 6 edition. Reporter/photograph April Peterson captured our journey and took many amazing photos.

We were thrilled to receive a note from an Allentown reader who said, "I read the article in The Press about your window restoration. I want to congratulate your church in doing great work. So many of our beautiful churches are in disrepair or being closed. I am an artist who appreciates the beauty created. I am a traditionalist who favors such a beautiful church building. God bless you all." We are grateful to the reader for her kind words and generous donation. OZUCC continues to be a light and inspiration to the surrounding area.



Are you considering joining Old UCC? We will be having a **New Class** on Sundays, May 8 and May 10 a.m. each day. On May 15, you received into membership at the Worship Service.



Zionsville **Members'** 15 from 9-10:15 a.m.

You can certainly sit in on the class just to review your knowledge of our church. Please speak with Pastor Lori for further details. We already have three folks signed up. Join in!

Attention Soon-to-be Grads! Please let the church office know if you or a loved one will be graduating from High School, College or a Military program this year. We would like to honor you for all your hard work by putting your name and the name of the school in next month's newsletter. We would love to hear any future plans you would like to share with your church family also. You may call the church office, send us an email, fill out the enclosed form and put it in the secretary's mailbox or even drop the form in the offering plate any Sunday morning. **We will be celebrating all of our graduates in worship on Sunday, June 5. A special gift will be given to those who send us their graduation information by May 22 ☺**



Greeters and Liturgist! If you would like to be added to the Greeter's List or be a Liturgist during Worship please call or email the Church office.

Approved **Consistory Minutes** can be found posted on the bulletin board at the side entrance to the Sanctuary for anyone wishing to take a look!!



Church Lost and Found Box – This is what our Lost and Found Box looks like! It is located on top of the mailboxes next to Pastor's Office. There is always something in it. Check it out and see if you lost anything! Or call the church office, sometimes we hold onto things in the office. Right now we have a pretty **silver half hoop earring** found in our Sanctuary, if it belongs to you please call or email the office.

Offering Box - A secure box is located in the rear of the sanctuary for you to deposit your offering **or** other important papers if you happen to be in the church when the office isn't open. It has been secured to the floor and is locked. It will be opened on a Sunday morning so the offerings in there can be combined with those in worship that day. Thanks for your continued support of our church.

There are two **Bulletin Magnifier Sheets** available for you to use in worship. They are the size of a full sheet of paper and can be found in the side pocket on the sound system. Pick one up and try it out, then return it to the sound system after worship.

Eyeglass Donations - A collection box for used eyeglasses is located at the front door entrance of the Sanctuary. The Lions Club appreciates your donation.



Offerings and Donations Received in April

General Use.....	\$10,041.25
Benevolence.....	320.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund.....	72.00
Windows to the Future.....	1,451.00
Parsonage Rental.....	1,495.00
Sunday School.....	13.00
Parking Lot Fund.....	15.00
Cemetery.....	207.00
 General Expenses.....	 \$11,844.28
includes gas.....	\$584.02
includes electric....	\$209.08

Please remember there is a third box on your offering envelopes should you wish to give offering toward our Parking Lot Maintenance, Cemetery, Window Fund, Building Repairs or any Property Expenses. Just designate in what area the money should be placed. Thank you.

Thank you
Church
Volunteers

May 1
May 8
May 15
May 22
May 29
June 5

Greeters
Randy & Sharon Trexler
Chris Schell
Nancy Weitzel
Mark & Linda Weaver
John & Nancy Civitts
Kathy Latshaw

Liturgist
Nancy Weitzel
Lee Hoch
Jane Bedell
Robin Yoder
Pat Sajkowicz
Ruthann Mutchler

Altar Flowers

May 1
May 8 William Yeakel
May 15 Jeff & Cheryl Dreas
May 22 Dennis & Cindy Kneisley
May 29
June 5 Henry & MaryAnn Heil

Bulletins

Carlton & Emily Dreas
Todd & Jen Goudsward
Paul & Robin Yoder
Dennis & Cindy Kneisley
Bob & Annie Souder
BettyLou Hartman

Chancel Flowers: June 5 – Blanche Steiner

If you wish to sponsor Bulletins or Flowers, please call the church office, 610-966-3601 or email at ozuccoffice@ptd.net. Bulletins are \$10.00, Altar Flowers are \$40.00, our Seasonal silk arrangement is a donation of \$30.00 to our Windows Fund. If you are already signed up to sponsor Altar Flowers and would like us to use our silk arrangement please let the office know **as soon as possible** so Brenda can cancel our arrangement with Phoebe Floral for that Sunday. Thank you!



Altar Attendants Needed! We are so fortunate to have beautiful altar flowers either silk or real each week. **But volunteers are needed to help the Flower Guild.** Each week after worship someone needs to remove the flowers from the altar and make sure they get to their sponsors or to another location based on the wishes of the giver. Please consider helping your Church

in this important ministry. We have many weeks open. Please call the church office or send an email and let us know what week or weeks you would be able to help. Thanks in advance for your help in BEING THE CHURCH.

Deadline for material to be included in our June Newsletter is May 23. Please place all info in the Secretary's mailbox or email to the office at ozuccoffice@ptd.net

To add names to our Prayer List please call or email the church office.

A Poem for Mothers

With their thoughtful words
and their caring ways,
mothers can brighten
the darkest of days.

Through our mothers
we feel God's love
They truly are gifts
From Heaven above!



Join Salem United Methodist Church for an intimate visit with **Daryl Mosley**, Grand Ole Opry veteran, storyteller and 2-time songwriter of the year as he shares songs and stories of his life, career and faith. He will be at their pavilion on June 4th at 6:00 p.m. See flyer attached.

Adult & Teen Volunteers needed for Summer Camp

We have in-person opportunities to get involved. Camp is scheduled for June 20 - July 29, 2022. Monday - Friday (8am-3pm). Check out the GET INVOLVED Tab on our website:

www.camelotforchildren.org



Please DONATE for Summer Camp 2022 THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

Camelot's Summer Camp program will be starting on June 20, 2022 and they need help purchasing supplies. There is a wish list on Amazon to make easy purchases if you would like to help. They also have a list of miscellaneous supplies needed, including recycled items like large plastic soda bottles and old blankets. They also need Adult and Teen Volunteers to help out. To fill out a volunteer application please go to their website: www.camelotforchildren.org

If you would like to purchase something from their wish list please use the link below:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/68UDG80HF7CW?ref=wl_share&blm_aid=17581

If you would like to see what miscellaneous supplies they need please use the link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e4cabaf2fa2ff2-camp4>

Click on the following link to sign up for donating recycled items:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e4cabaf2fa2ff2-camp5>

Find us on Social Media!

Facebook: <https://bit.ly/3rZutSJ>

YouTube: <https://bit.ly/37Ma1xW>

Twitter: <https://bit.ly/37Mbswh>

Instagram: <https://bit.ly/3vN3tH8>

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May 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Communion Worship	2 Boy Scouts 6pm	3 Cub Scouts 7pm	4 Pastor Lori Office Hours 10am-3pm GriefShare 6:30pm	5 Choir 7:30pm	6 Supper Club 6:00pm Hops Fogelsville	
8 9:00am Sunday School 9:00am New Member Class 10:15am Worship Phoebe Collection 	9 ATF Room 4-6pm Boy Scouts 6pm	10 Cub Scouts 7pm FUN Group 7pm	11 Pastor Lori Office Hours 10am-3pm GriefShare 6:30pm Finance 7pm	12 Choir 7:30pm		14 AFT Room 10am-12:30pm
15 9:00am Sunday School 9:00am New Member Class 10:15am Worship, New Members Pastor's Discretionary Fund Collection	16 Boy Scouts 6pm IT Meeting 7pm	17 Consistory 7pm	18 Pastor Lori Office Hours 10am-3pm GriefShare 6:30pm	19 Choir 7:30pm	20 Lunch Bunch 12 Noon Hamilton Family Restaurant	
22 9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Worship	23 Boy Scouts 6pm	24 Cub Scouts 7pm	25 Pastor Lori Office Hours 10am-3pm GriefShare 6:30pm Cemetery 7pm	26 Choir 7:30pm	27	28
29 9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Worship	30 Boy Scouts 6pm	31  Cub Scouts 7pm				

CALLING ALL GRADUATES

Calling all graduates and families of graduates! We want information from you! **Graduate Recognition Sunday is June 5, 2022 at our 10:15 a.m. Worship Service.** We want to celebrate your accomplishments with you and also offer you a small token of our congratulations! Please complete the following information and return it to the church office (may be dropped in offering plate) by May 22, 2022 so we can prepare for the celebration! Thanks!

Name of Student _____

Son/Daughter of _____

Graduates (ed) from (name of higher learning facility):

Date of graduation or expected:

Month: _____ Year: _____

with a degree of (Associate, Bachelor, Masters, etc.)

in _____

(name of field of degree, i.e. business management, computer science, etc.)

Future plans include: (i.e. going on to Penn State, finding a career in...., etc.)

Anything else special you would like to mention?

Return to Old Zionsville UCC by May 22, 2022. Thank you!



Join us for an intimate
visit with the Grand Ole
Opry veteran,
storyteller, and 2-time
Songwriter of the Year
as he shares songs and
stories of his life,
career, and faith

A visit with

Daryl Mosley



Come join us!

Salem United Methodist Church, 6440 Powder Valley Rd.
Zionsville, PA 18092

June 4th @ 6pm. Bring a chair or join us in the pavilion!