



Old Zionsville United Church of Christ

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Wednesday, July 10-10am-3pm

Wednesday, July 17-10am-3pm

Wednesday, July 24-10am-3pm

Wednesday, July 31-10am-3pm

Church Office Hours

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(please call before stopping in)

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Secretary

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Robin Yoder

From Pastor's Desk...

June 30 is our turn to host the Dillingersville Annual Pilgrimage, 7226 Schoolhouse Lane, Zionsville. Service starts at 10:30 a.m. out under the big tent on the property at Dillingersville. Bring the neighbors and kids. It will be a great time. Lunch for a donation will be provided after the service. And as always, there is a bake sale. :) Bring your own lawn chair to be comfortable. In case of weather issues, call my cell phone after 9 a.m. on June 30 to hear instructions if it will NOT be held at Dillingersville.

Remember on July 7, Sunday, we start worship at 9:30 a.m. This is a communion Sunday and we will celebrate our Freedom too. David usually plays several hymns during the distribution of the elements. I will be asking him if we can sing along with the hymns he plays.

Since the choir has off in the summer, we are looking to you to provide some music to share in worship. If you would like to offer your talent, please let me know.

July 14, Sunday after worship, I will be showing my photographs from my trip to Amsterdam, Luxembourg and Belgium. After the slides, we'll taste some of the cheese that I brought back as well as other tasty morsels. All welcome! Planning to start around 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary unless too hot.

Starting in July, our altar flowers will be coming from Rich Mar Florist! Check them out when you are here.

Check your newsletter in August for a list of updates to your 2024 Membership Directory. Our congregation is changing all the time. Be sure the addresses you have are up to date.

Take care and enjoy this time of summer renewal. Make sure to take God with you everywhere you go.

Peace,
Lori



Monday, July 1 – 10:00 a.m. ATF Sort and Store
Wednesday, July 3 - 6:30-8:30 p.m. Grief Share
Saturday, July 6 – 10:00 a.m. ATF Set Up for Giveaway
Sunday, July 7 – 9:30 a.m. Communion Worship with a Patriotic flair.
Come sing your favorites.

Monday, July 8 – 4:00-6:00 p.m. ATF Giveaway
Wednesday, July 10 - 6:30-8:30 p.m. Grief Share
Saturday, July 13 – 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. ATF Giveaway
Sunday, July 14 – 9:30 a.m. Worship, Picture Show after Worship
Monday, July 15 – 10:00 a.m. ATF Sort and Store
Wednesday, July 17 - 6:30-8:30 p.m. Grief Share
Sunday, July 21 – 9:30 a.m. Worship, all Loose Offering goes to
Pastor's Discretionary Fund
Monday, July 22 - 10:00 a.m. ATF Sort and Store
Wednesday, July 24 - 6:30-8:30 p.m. Grief Share (last one)
Sunday, July 28 – 9:30 a.m. Worship
Monday, July 29 - 10:00 a.m. ATF Sort and Store

If the temperature in the sanctuary is too unbearable, we will worship in the lower social hall. Pastor Lori will attempt to put signs on the front door to indicate that on the weeks when it happens.



Looking Ahead 😊

Sunday, August 4 – 9:30 a.m. Communion Worship
Monday, August 5 – 10:00 a.m. ATF Sort and Store
Sunday, August 11 – 9:30 a.m. Worship
Monday, August 12 - 10:00 a.m. ATF Sort and Store
Sunday, August 18 – 9:30 a.m. Worship, all Loose Offering goes to
Pastor's Discretionary Fund
Monday, August 19 - 10:00 a.m. ATF Sort and Store
Sunday, August 25 – 9:00 a.m. Worship
Monday, August 26 - 10:00 a.m. ATF Sort and Store

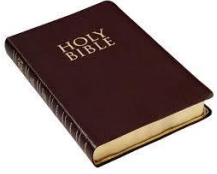
OZUCC Mission Statement

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 Choir...

Choir is off for the summer. We will start up again with rehearsals on Thursday, September 5th with singing in Church on Sunday, September 8. All are welcome to join in, rehearsals will begin at 7:30 p.m.

News from Christian Ed...



Would you like to purchase a new **Bible** that has an interactive feature that can work with your cell phone, iPad or other electronic device? We presented our confirmands with these Bibles and purchased extras in case YOU or a person you know may like one too. The holidays are coming and this could make a lovely, affordable gift. The cost is **\$16 each**. By setting it up with your device, the program can actually "read scripture to you." So for someone who drives lots or prefers to listen to the Holy Word, this could be very appealing.

The Filament app is very simple to use. You simply scan a page number in the Bible to instantly access study notes, devotionals from famous authors, interactive maps, teaching videos and worship music. If you have a loved one who likes to hear scripture before they go to sleep, this would be perfect for them too.

Please **let Pastor Lori know** if you would like to purchase any number of these Bibles. There are two cover styles: black and floral, they are zipper case protected, and are very small - about the size of your hand. Print is small, but these other features bring the Bible to life in a whole new way. See Pastor Lori for more information.

News from Computer and Media Committee...

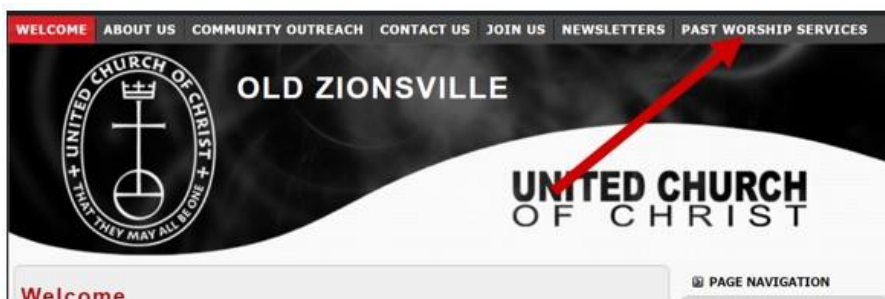
If you can't attend worship on Sunday, not to worry! We livestream our service every Sunday at 9:30am on YouTube and Facebook! Both of these options are available on demand, as well... can't watch on Sunday morning? No problem; watch when you can!



To find us on YouTube, you can visit our channel at <https://tinyurl.com/bdfpux8b>. Or just search for Old Zionsville UCC.



You may have noticed we've started including only highlights of the announcements on the slides we use during worship.



We publish the full bulletin, including details for all announcements, on our website. How to find it? From our home page (<https://oldzionsville.org>), click "Past Worship Services" from the menu at the top of the page.

On that page, you'll see a list of all worship services for the current year, with a link to the video on YouTube and the bulletin in PDF format. Just click the "bulletin" link for the week you need. A new window will appear in your browser with the PDF file showing.

Past Worship Services

All links will open in a new tab.

February 2024

February 25, Second Sunday in Lent – video / [bulletin](#)

February 18, First Sunday in Lent – [video](#) / [bulletin](#)

February 14, Ash Wednesday – [video](#) / [bulletin](#)

February 11, Transfiguration of Christ – [video](#) / [bulletin](#)

February 4, Fifth Sunday after Epiphany – [video](#) / [bulletin](#)

January 2024



If you have any suggestions to improve our streaming, please send an email to Beth Massa (massaed@hotmail.com).

News from the Evangelism and Membership Committee...

Supper Club and Lunch Bunch will be taking a break over the summer months but **Sunday Brunchers** will still be meeting after worship. Please join in on **Sunday, July 21, 2024** at the Mercantile Club, 427 Railroad St, Emmaus. (Cash Only) Please RSVP to Linda or Mark by Tuesday, July 16. **All are Welcome!!!!**

The Evangelism and Membership Committee would like to announce that they have tickets for the **30th Anniversary Riverdance Show** at American Music Theatre in Lancaster, PA. The show is at **2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 1, 2025**. Tickets are \$59.00 each (plus a small service fee -TBD). I know this is a long way off, but I wanted to make sure we had tickets for this special event. **Please, please RSVP (email, call, text, shout, etc.) that you want tickets.** We do NOT need the payment until around the first of the New Year 2025. As always with our outings, we will arrange for carpooling once it gets closer. Also, since this is an early afternoon show, we will probably stop for dinner after the show for those that want to partake. Stay tuned for those details, later.



Our current GriefShare class continues until July 24. We will be starting another class in the fall. The name will be different and we will be cutting the weeks down from 13 but we will announce that when more information is solidified. It will contain some of the same great videos that offer helpful healing information. More details on the new class soon.

News from the 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. Zionsville Area Food Pantry is located at Zion's Lutheran Church. Their email address is ZAFP5901@yahoo.com and their mailing address is P.O. Box 56, Old Zionsville, PA 18068

Remember you can bring items to our Church for the Food Pantry at any time. The Pantry is always in need of personal care items, paper products and all kinds of non-perishable food. Pick up extra at the grocery store and bring it to Church. Place in the shopping cart in the first floor social room. Thanks.

News from the ATF Room...

If you would like/able to help on Monday mornings with sorting and storing all items received for our Giveaways, we welcome your help and are at the Church on Monday mornings by 10:00 a.m. each Monday in July except for July 8.



Help is needed for the next **Giveaway on Monday, July 8** between **4-6 p.m.** and on **Saturday, July 13** between **10 a.m.-12 p.m.** Set up for the Giveaway is scheduled for Saturday, July 6.

Thanks in advance if you can offer some time to this worthwhile ministry of our church. For more info please contact Millie.

News from Music and Worship Committee...

We celebrated our Graduate **Alyson Miller** in Church on Sunday, June 2. Alyson is the daughter of Roger and Mishelle Miller of Alburtis. Alyson graduated from Cedar Crest College with a dual major in Secondary Education and English. She graduated with honors! Congratulations and Best of Luck to your future in teaching.

Third Sunday Treats – There will not be any Third Sunday Treats for the months of July and August. We offer our sincere thanks to Jack and Wendy Yeakel for their faithfulness to this ministry. They are amazing hosts who provide not just food but a Spiritual Welcome to those who enjoy our Third Sunday Treats! Thanks Jack and Wendy!!!

Father's Day Challenge Winners from June 16

FATHER'S DAY POEM

A dad is someone who
wants to catch you before you fall
but instead picks you up,
brushes you off,
and lets you try again.

A dad is someone who
wants to keep you from making
mistakes
but instead lets you find your own
way,
even though his heart breaks in
silence
when you get hurt.

A dad is someone who
holds you when you cry,
scolds you when you break the rules,
shines with pride when you succeed,
and has faith in you even when you
fail...

Unknown

1. Oldest Father in Attendance: Cyrus Mohr
2. Youngest Father in Attendance: Roger Miller
3. Traveled the Farthest to Celebrate Father: David Carlson & Family
4. Father with the Most Children in Total (living and dead): Phil Rhode with 5!

Congrats to all of our winners and to all the men of our church family for all the loving and nurturing you do everyday!

News from Social and Aid...

Thank you to all who helped with making sandwiches in June. The total profit of the sale was \$540.63, 80% went into our General Fund to help with paying Church bills and 20% went to the Cemetery. We'll see you again in September!

News from the Youth Group...

Youth Group will not be meeting during the summer, but will resume in September. See you all in September! ☺

News from Windows to the Future...

Mark your calendars! Window Dedication Celebration on Sunday, September 29, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. **All Welcome.**





Sunday, July 14 - 9:30 a.m. Worship and then immediately following worship you are welcome to bring family and friends to share in a time to hear about Pastor's Lori trip and see the pictures she had taken and will put up on the screen. We will have time to sample the many cheeses she brought back from Amsterdam for you as well as the Stroopwafels, chocolate, and salt licorice. Actual start time is about 10:30 a.m.

Wooden Crosses are available for sale. They are being decorated for Patriotic Holidays. You can also buy the flower/ribbon portion to attach to the cross you have previously purchased. The attachment costs \$15. The whole decorated cross cost \$30. See Richard Yeakel, Lisa Talecki or Lori after Worship or call the Church office.



Greeters and Liturgist! Please consider being a Greeter or a Liturgist during Worship. Call the office or email to get your name added to our List. Thank you!

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!!

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.

Our Church is now equipped with an **Assistive Listening System**. You provide your own headphones which can be connected to the transmitter which will allow you to more clearly hear the Worship Service or any program being offered in the Sanctuary. See anyone at the sound booth to inquire.



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.

Church Lost and Found Box – 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.



Offerings and Donations Received for June

General Use.....	\$ 8,796.70
Benevolence.....	190.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund.....	69.00
Windows to the Future.....	895.50
Utilities.....	30.00
Building Repair.....	90.00
Parsonage Rental.....	1,645.00
Parking Lot Maintenance Fund...	20.00
Cemetery.....	45.00
General Expenses.....	\$13,580.42
includes gas.....	\$717.34
includes electric.....	\$477.72

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.

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 Rich Mar Florist for that Sunday. Thank you!

Please Note: As of July 1, 2024, we are getting our Altar Flowers and special arrangements from Rich Mar Florist of Allentown. The price for two Altar Flowers will remain \$40.00. As of right now the price for a special chancel arrangement will be \$30.00. Brenda Seitz, in the Church office, will take care of ordering the arrangements for the dates that you have requested at the beginning of each year. If you have any questions or changes please call or email the office. Thanks in advance.

**Deadline for material to be included in our August Newsletter is
July 29. 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.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 ATF 10am Scouts 6pm	2	3 Pastor Lori Office Hours 10am-3pm GriefShare 6:30pm	4	5	6 Set Up for ATF Giveaway 10am
7 9:30am Communion Worship	8 ATF Giveaway 4-6pm Scouts 6pm	9 FUN Group 7pm	10 Pastor Lori Office Hours 10am-3pm GriefShare 6:30pm Finance 7pm	11	12	13 ATF Giveaway 10am-12pm
14 9:30am Worship, Slideshow of Lori's trip following Worship	15 ATF 10am Scouts 6pm	16 Consistory 7pm	17 Pastor Lori Office Hours 10am-3pm GriefShare 6:30pm	18	19	20
21 9:30am Worship Pastor's Discretionary	22 ATF 10am Scouts 6pm	23	24 Pastor Lori Office Hours 10am-3pm GriefShare 6:30pm	25	26	27
28 9:30am Worship	29 ATF 10am Scouts 6pm	30	31 Pastor Lori Office Hours 10am-3pm			

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