

### Zwingli United Church of Christ

#### Celebrating and Sharing God's Love

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The mission of Zwingli United Church of Christ is...

to place God first in our lives, following Christ's example; to share in God's love and grace through worship; to grow and be strengthened through prayer and scriptural studies; to practice good stewardship of our time, talent, and treasure in the service of God's kingdom; to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ to others and to invite them into the church's mission and ministry; and to minister in God's wider world as instruments of reconciliation.

We challenge ourselves to continue to grow in understanding and faithfulness in regard to this mission.

The past 18 months have been unlike any we have experienced in the life of the church. Though we've been active in many ways, ministry and engagement has certainly taken on a different tone and appearance. Worship attendance and giving have remained relatively steady, though attendance for worship no longer happens on Sunday only. "On-line," "zoom," and "hybrid" have become a part of our everyday vocabulary and spiritual practice.

Much of the reading I've done over the past few months has focused on questions around the life of the Church as we navigate the pandemic, deal with multiple societal issues (like racism, the political divide, and public health), personal issues (e.g., family illnesses and challenges, mental and spiritual health), and do our best to reach out to those in need. It can seem a bit overwhelming at times which highlights the importance of finding connection, community, and support. Several articles I've read have questioned what the church will look like as we return to in-person worship, education programs and ministry opportunities. Some have noted a significant drop in attendance and engagement in churches across the country. Others have queried, "Will the people come back?"

On the home front, I've been impressed by the many Zwingli members who have been diligent in their commitment to the church. But to be honest, when folk ask how Zwingli is doing, I have to say, "I'm not sure." It's difficult to get a read on the life of the church when much of our interaction is on screen. I usually depend on "body language" and presence, how we make visible our commitment to follow Jesus and to be Christ's body in the world. Zoom and Face Book have been great, but no replacement for face to face, in-person engagement. However, the signs of health are certainly there. We've called a new Associate Pastor and Pastor Alan is offering wonderful ministry and leadership. We're on the cusp of affirming our ONA Covenant, which we hope will lead to deeper hospitality, chances for engagement on the critical issues of the day, and a clear statement and witness in the world about acceptance, affirmation, and God's love for all people. Stephen Ministers and other members have become more involved in the pastoral care of the church. LYFT and the youth and children have found ways to meet, learn, play, and fellowship. We've engaged ecumenically with surrounding churches in various ways, most recently with "Acts of Kindness Fridays." We planned a Perkasie Park service and picnic and were agile when plans needed to change. I could go on.

As we begin to sort out how best to return to church in-person, I hope that we can continue to be nimble in our approach, knowing that we will need to take two steps forward and one step back more often than we would like. It's also important to ask questions of ourselves in light of our mission. Questions like, "Have I been faithful servant of God and the church?" "Have I expressed kindness and patience and concern for others, even when faced with adversity and problems?" "Do I choose to be gracious, welcoming and affirming, even when it would be easier to set aside the challenges of what that might mean?" "How does the Gospel and Spirit challenge me/us to examine my/our world view, attitudes, and commitments?" "Do I offer my talents and treasure in faithful ways, or do I hold back the first fruits of my heart and voice?"

As we begin to "gear up" as fall approaches and look forward to a new season of worship, activity, programs, education and mission in the church, it is important that we take time to ask ourselves these questions. They are some of the many at the heart of our faith. Zwingli is fortunate to have a legacy of members who have gone on before us, and who are active in the church today, that willingly offer themselves in service and faithfulness. Yet, each of us are called anew to the ministry entrusted to us – to ask ourselves where God is leading us personally and as a community of a faith. Listening to this call is critical to the future life of the church.

Our mission statement challenges us "to continue to grow in understanding and faithfulness in regard to [our] mission" and ministry. May we be attentive to this challenge as we listen for and seek God's guidance, and as we make a commitment to deeper faithfulness and service to the church and world.

Peace, Pastor Butch

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# Healthy Moment Battle Strategy to Overcome the Delta Variant By Kristie Lowery, Faith Congregational Health Nurse

"Discretion will protect you, and understanding will guard you. "Proverbs 2:11

Just as summer was gearing up, there was a feeling of hope as the COVID virus restrictions were lifted, and people were anxious to return to our previous normal state. Six weeks later, we again are back to wearing masks when indoors. When will this COVID nightmare come to an end? It is frustrating and I am right there with you when I say, enough is enough. At this point, everyone has heard enough about this virus and really are like a saturated sponge that cannot absorb anymore. And now the Delta variant has rolled into town and is trying to take over. It wants to be the boss and has put the alpha (original) virus to shame. It has been attacking with a vengeance.

As a healthcare professional, I feel it is important to stress the importance of all people taking necessary steps to prevent the virus from spreading any further. It is necessary to declare battle with the virus and to take action as soon as possible. Our focus needs to be on how to minimize our risks to avoid the delta variant. The COVID-19 Delta variant is spreading across the United States faster than any other variant identified. The highly contagious virus is causing most new infections. In addition to being more contagious, the Delta variant

may increase your risk for hospitalization from COVID-19. The current hospitalizations and deaths due to COVID are being seen in people who are unvaccinated. To win the battle with COVID-19 and Delta variant, we must have a strategy. Listed below is a battle strategy to help us overcome virus plaque that continues to hang over our heads.

#### COVID Battle Strategy

- Vaccine -If you have not obtained your vaccines, the best way to protect yourself and others from COVID-19 is to get vaccinated as soon as possible. The vaccines were developed using science and are not experimental. They went through all the required stages of clinical trials. Extensive testing and monitoring have shown that these vaccines are safe and effective. The COVID 19 vaccines have received and continue to undergo the most intensive safety monitoring in U.S. history. The vaccines are effective and can protect you from getting and spreading the virus that causes COVID-19. They also greatly reduce the probability of severe illness and hospitalization. Getting vaccinated will also protect people around you. The vaccines will not make you sick with the COVID virus. Studies have suggested that unvaccinated people are three times more likely than those who are fully vaccinated to test positive for COVID-19. And, vaccinated people are less likely to transmit the virus to others.
- Masks—To prevent the spread of the virus, it is necessary to wear a mask for indoor public areas whether or not you are vaccinated. Anytime people congregate in close quarters, there is greater risk for exposure to the virus. All

- unvaccinated people should be wearing masks.
- 3. Distancing It is necessary to continue to distance ourselves from others, maintaining a 6 foot distance. It is not easy to distance when large groups of people are congregating but is so important to prevent the spread of the virus.
- 4. Avoid crowds and poorly ventilated spaces Being in crowds like in restaurants, bars, fitness centers or movie theaters puts you at high risk for COVID-19. Avoid indoor spaces that do not offer fresh air from the outdoors as much as possible. If indoors, bring in fresh air by opening windows and doors if possible.
- 5. Wash your hands often Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds especially after you have been in a public place or after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- 6. Cover coughs and sneezes If you are wearing a mask, you can cough or sneeze into your mask. Put on a new, clean mask as soon as possible and wash your hands. If you are not wearing a mask, always cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or the inside of your elbow when you cough or sneeze. Immediately wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available clean your hands with a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.

- Clean and disinfect Clean high touch surfaces daily. This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desk, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets and sinks.
- 8. Monitor your health daily Be alert for symptoms. \_ Watch for fever, cough, shortness of breath, or other symptoms of COVID -19. Take your temperature if symptoms develop. Seek medical attention and obtain a COVID test.

By now I am sure you are thinking that you have been hearing this information for the last 18 months and why now. The virus is still spreading. People are still getting sick and some are even dying. And as restrictions have been lifted, complacency often leads to skipping the crucial risk prevention measures. As a healthcare provider, I encourage you to obtain the vaccine as soon as possible if you have not done so. The data is showing the vaccine is the key factor to stopping the spread of the virus. The Spanish Flu of 1918 lasted for 3 years because they did not have any vaccines to stop the spread. I for one am not interested in dealing with this virus for another year or more. Please consider what you can do to prevent the spread of COVID -19. Do it for loved ones and for your neighbors, church members, and community. Matthew 22:37-39 states, ""Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and areat commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself"

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JOIN US IN PERSON
OR
ONLINE FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP!

Follow the directions below for your choice of worship.



#### IN-PERSON WORSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

The Return to Church (RTC) team met recently and made the decision to return to masking indoors *for everyone* who attends services or uses our buildings. We also ask those attending on Sunday mornings to speak and sing softly during worship services as well.

Moving back to a policy requiring masks was a very difficult decision. We are acting in this way due to the rise in COVID-19 cases, the more aggressive behavior of the Delta variant, and information gleaned

from Montgomery County and the CDC. The team was especially concerned for youth and children who have not been or are not able to be vaccinated.

We will continue to monitor pertinent information as we always have and make ongoing decisions about restrictions as new information is available. We ask for your patience and hope our church community can be flexible enough to move in and out of restrictions with ease, if necessary, as we keep in mind the safety of our congregation and the community at large.

We continue to ask for your help in protecting our entire congregation by staying home if you feel sick or are experiencing any of the following:

- Any symptoms of Covid-19 cough, fever, loss of smell and/or taste, headache, or shortness of breath.
- Have cared for or been in close contact with anyone diagnosed with Covid-19 in the past 14 days. (Please note that this does not apply to health care professionals.)
- Have been advised to selfquarantine.
- Are currently infected with Covid-19 or are undergoing treatment for Covid-19.

Thank you for your continued support of our Zwingli community. The RTC Committee



#### **ONLINE WORSHIP INSTRUCTIONS**

### To Worship On-Line, follow the directions below:

Prelude music will begin at 8:45 am. Worship will begin at 9 am.

To join us on Facebook Live, please do the following:

Type the following web address www.facebook.com/Zwingli.ucc

(Note: Don't have a Facebook Account? No problem - directions to watch the worship service without a Facebook account can be found at the bottom of announcement.)

To view the worship service at a later date:

Go to <a href="www.zwingli.org">www.zwingli.org</a> or Go to Facebook.com/Zwingliucc or Go to Twitter #Zwingliucc or Check your weekly Z-News on Monday.

- \*\*Directions to view worship service without creating a Facebook account:
  - Type in web address: <u>www.facebook.com/Zwingli.ucc/live</u> at 8:45 am.
  - 2. If video is not playing, click the word "videos" in the left column, then look at the first video thumbnail under "all videos". This should be the most current Live video. If you are early, you may need to refresh the page by hitting F5 on your keyboard.

- You DO NOT need to log in or sign up to be able to view the service.
- 4. Remember, if you load the page before the stream starts, the stream will not pop up. You will need to refresh the page.



#### FAITH REFLECTION ON FACEBOOK LIVE

The weekly Faith Reflections provided on Tuesdays in the past will continue to be on hold as we gear up for Fall activities inperson and online. Pastors Alan and Butch will reevaluate later in the Fall. If you have a deep desire for the reflection time to be reinstated, please be in touch with the church office (office@zwingli.org).



#### We Still Have Openings!

Zwingli Nursery School is still accepting registration for the 2021-22 school year!
Reserve your spot today!
Please call the church office, visit <a href="https://www.zwingli.org/zns">www.zwingli.org/zns</a>

or see Lisa Cinciripini for a registration form. Classes held Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 – 11:30 am.



We invite you to join us for a very special worship service on Sunday, August 29, 2021. On that day, we will begin signing our Open and Affirming (ONA) covenant, with additional opportunities to sign your covenant through September 12. Sunday August 29 will be a special time of ritual and reflection, as we each decide if we will sign the covenant. We will not be holding a vote, but instead this will be an opportunity to sign the open and affirming covenant between you and Zwingli United Church of Christ in welcoming LGBT folks and others into the full life of the church. There will be time built in to reflect and pray before deciding on signing or not signing the covenant.

Over the following two Sundays, September 5 and 12, you will have additional opportunities to sign and turn in your covenant after the services. So please do not feel pressured to sign it on the first Sunday during our ONA worship service.

We hope you have actively engaged in all the conversations over the last couple of years and continue to engage with us as you discern your response. We hold sacred each person in our church. And so, if you are struggling on whether you want to sign the covenant, or if you just want to discuss it, you are invited to reach out to either Pastor Butch or Pastor Alan to voice your concerns. We are here to listen, council, and pray with you as you make this important decision.

#### **ONA COVENANT**

At Iwingli United Church of Christ, we promise To engage and nurture Christ's light in all of God's people, no matter their sexual orientation or gender identity, race or ethnic background, social status, soul injury, religious beliefs, age, and physical, mental, or addiction challenges.

We aspire to be a counterweight to exclusion and discrimination. We choose to purposefully welcome and include all people in every aspect of our church family including worship, fellowship, and leadership, lay and ordained, and will meet you where you are on life's journey to share God's love with you. It is our commitment that all members should feel and be safe, as we express God's universal and unconditional love in our church, community and daily lives.



#### SUNDAY SCHOOL IS BACK!

Please join us on **Sunday**, **September 12** for the kickoff of our Sunday School Year.
Please join us for the "Moving Up and Moving Forward" celebration at church.
We will be doing crafts and having snack.
Then, on **September 19**, join us for our first day of Sunday School! This year we will have classes PreK-2<sup>nd</sup> grade and 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade. We will meet from 10:30 – 11:30

am. Weather permitting, we will have Sunday School outside. If the weather is not cooperating, we will hold classes inside with masks. (We will be following all CDC guidelines.) We look forward to seeing you!



### SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS/HELPERS WANTED

Sunday School is beginning September 19th. If you are interested in teaching or being a helper for our **Prek - 2nd** grade class, our **3rd - 5th grade** class, or our **youth group**, please sign up on the sign up genius links below. Any time you can volunteer is appreciated. Thank you!

#### Children's Sunday School

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0A4 FADAA2BAAFE3-sunday

#### Youth Sunday School

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F4 9AFA62CA02-youth

#### **ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

We will meet every Sunday morning via Zoom at 11:30 am (except the first Sunday when we join Adult Electives at 10:30.) We will be studying traditional Sunday School themes based on the Standard Sunday School Commentary. Our teachers are Larry Moss, Jonathan Widgins, and Charlotte Kramer. The themes for 2021-2022 will be:

Sep, Oct, Nov 2021: Celebrating God Dec, Jan, Feb 2022: Justice, Law, History Mar, Apr, May 2022: God Frees and Redeems

Jun, Jul, Aug 2022: Partners in a New Creation



#### **ADULT ELECTIVES THIS FALL**

#### September 12

Moving Up and Moving Forward

#### September 19

Adult Electives and Adult Bible Study: We will have a joint session led by Jonathan Widgins. We will explore the Sunday School Lesson: "Praise By Expecting and Following". Join us as we get our Sunday School started for the 2021-2022 season!

### September 26 General Synod Session

Join us for an update on General Synod 33, the national gathering of the United Church of Christ, that was held virtually July 11 - 18, 2021. Pastor Butch will facilitate this presentation and enlighten us with an overview of the information provided from the conference. We look forward to your attendance.

### October 3 Hope for Health

Mary Benner, representing Hope for Health, has made many trips in the last ten years to Haiti. She will share her journey with us and will let us know what God has in store for her, especially in these very troubled times.

#### October 10 CROP Walk

Church World Service/CROP is celebrating it's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Please join us to learn more about the history of CWS/CROP and learn how the mission is the same, but changes that have been made to accomplish that mission. Zwingli is participating in the Pennridge CROP Hunger Walk on this day. Sponsor a walker or register to walk.



### LYFT AND YOUTH BACK TO SCHOOL COOKOFF

We're firing up the grill and want YOU to join us on Sunday, August 29 at 11:30 am. We will provide hamburgers/hotdogs and drinks. Please sign up at the following link or call 215-723-1186to bring a side dish and/or a dessert to share:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F49AFA62CA02-back.

Looking forward to seeing you there!



#### **JULY BLOOD DRIVE A SUCCESS!!!**

Words are sometimes hard to sufficiently express the delight when something special happens. So how about a quote from Carol Graves, Miller-Keystone

Account Manager, the day after our July drive, "You had a fabulous drive last night." How fabulous? 27 units of blood were successfully collected. Of the 27, 11 were O Positive and 5 were O Negative. Shortly after that e-mail came one titled "UCC churches rock!" It seems that St. James UCC in Limerick also held a drive and both our churches surpassed a Miller-Keystone goal set based on past drives by 5 units each. Between the two churches 21 units of O Positive were collected and 13 of O Negative. Carol finished by saying, "These blood types are precious to us. Thank you, my friends."

The fall drive at Zion Mennonite Church will not be held this year due to complications brought on by the pandemic including shortage of staff and available dates for the drive. Consequently the next drive will be Martin Luther King Day, January 17<sup>th</sup>, at Zwingli. Mark your calendars.



#### **NEW MONTHLY BLOOD DRIVE**

Beginning this August, Zwingli has become the new location of the Miller-Keystone blood drive that used to be held at Emmanuel Lutheran Church the fourth Tuesday of every month. The space used by M-K is no longer available at Emmanuel and other available rooms are too small for –M-K's equipment. At the August Council meeting, approval was givenfor M-K to use our Family Life Center for this drive. Since this a regular monthly drive, M-K will be reimbursing Zwingli a set amount each month to help offset any possible expenses incurred on our part; i.e. utilities, cleaning, etc.

All promotion and registration will be handled through Miller-Keystone's website, giveapint.org. In the past this drive was specifically for COVID plasma, double –red cells and other special collections. However, they also took whole blood donations. It is now for whole blood only. If you decide to give to this drive, be cognizant of the last time you gave and leave at least 56 days between donations.

This is another opportunity for Zwingli to serve the Souderton area and Miller-Keystone Blood Centers as they provide lifesaving blood to our hospitals. Special thanks go to Zwingli's Council for allowing this to happen.



#### **NEIGHBORS IN NEED**

On Sunday, October 3, Zwingli will be collecting for Neighbors in Need (NIN). NIN supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One third of the funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry. Two thirds of the funds are used by UCC Justice and Witness Ministries. Through NIN grants, a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts and direct service projects are awarded by UCC churches and organizations in their community.



38th Annual Pennridge CROP Hunger Walk Walk Date: October 10, 2021 Walkers and Sponsors Needed!

This year we are back to face-to-face walking! We hope to see you all there. If you do not feel comfortable being face-to-face, please join us virtually at any point that weekend. Share a selfie with us!

#### Registration:

**5-mile walk** – 12:30 at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, 20 Dill Avenue, Perkasie. **Golden Mile** - 2:30 at Lenape Park, Walnut Street parking lot by the ball fields.

Bring canned food for Pennridge FISH!

See Lisa Cinciripini if you want to walk with us this year.



#### KATE SAURMAN- MISSIONARY - UPDATE

Happy July! As we begin another summer I find myself for a loss of words reflecting on the past 16 months. I haven't talked much about these situations until now as they aren't really my story to tell, but last year as lockdown started, my dad was diagnosed

with cancer. While being trapped in the states during the pandemic was not in my plans, I was thankful to be here with my parents during a time when needing support the most, they were highly isolated. When the borders finally opened and I was able to return to Brazil I was shocked to arrive weeks before one of my dear friends and roommates was diagnosed with cancer as well. She spent the next 6 months in chemo while we cared for her. I'm glad to say that she just had her final surgery, and my father just finished his final radiation treatment! I don't have answers for the sickness this year has held for so many but I do know the one who has the final word. Compassion is a gift but it's also a skill that Christ continues to cultivate through the darkest hours. There is often a crushing that comes before change. As a world, we have endured this process over the past 16 months. I've been reflecting on the loss of this year and thanking God for his mercy which comes in so many forms, whether on this side of death or the other.

The past month I have needed to slow down again to piece my own health back together. I've written about this before, but ten years on the mission field have taken a toll on my own body. I've had countless parasites and viruses that have left lasting effects. Pain and fatigue are something I have become accustomed to living with but in May I felt myself hit a turning point.

After getting COVID back in January, my doctors did some more tests and found that I also have lymes disease and several other infections. It was highly recommended that I seek more intense care quickly. After much prayer and counsel I am persuing treatment at a facility in NYC that specializes in rare diseases. This is a huge step of faith and investment into my future. Please pray with me that God would release His healing

and the financial resources to cover this. The estimated cost is \$25,000. I hate even writing that number, but over and over as I've wrestled with this decision, I am reminded that our bodies are a vehicle of God and a precious aift. Jesus has healed me both physically and emotionally in amazing ways over my lifetime, however, for whatever reason sometimes He has a longer process we need to walk through to see the fruition of a particular struggle. If this is something you feel moved to sew into, you can make a tax deductible donation at the following link and specify in the notes that it is for my health. And if not please know you're prayers are more than enough and I appreciate your support in every form more than I can say!

I hope this email finds you and your families well. I am so grateful for each of your lives and encouragement.

God Bless, Kate

#### Donate

https://www.modernday.org/fieldworkers/saurman/

### KEYSTONE OPPORTUNITY CENTER IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Back packs for school children
Dish soap
Cleaning products
Sugar
Oil
Low sugar/low salt products
Gluten free products
Baby wipes

Contact: Cindy Dembrosky for questions 215-723-5430, Ext. 101 Donations accepted on Mondays from

10-1 at Keystone's front entrance (104 Main St., Souderton) OR Tuesday to Thursday at pantry entrance 9-4.

**YOU** have made a difference in the lives of those in our community with your donations!



#### SIMPLE WAYS TO HELP THE

#### **GENERAL FUND BUDGET**

#### GIANT, Landis and Shop Rite Gift Cards

By purchasing store gifts cards from Zwingli Church, on a Sunday morning, you help contribute 5% of your store spending to the general fund of our church. AND, it doesn't cost you a cent. Purchase a \$25, \$50 or \$100 gift card to Giant Stores, Landis Supermarket or Shop Rite through the church office during the week. Thank you for your participation in this program!

#### SUPPORT ZWINGLI BY SHOPPING ATAMAZONSMILE!

When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon will donate .5% of your purchase to the Zwingli UCC general fund. Just go to smile.amazon.com, designate Zwingli United Church of Christ as your charity, and start shopping! Or type in this link which will take you directly to Zwingli's Amazon page:

https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-6291301



#### 2021 FLOWER AND BULLETIN SPONSORSHIPS

Would you like to sponsor the flowers in the chancel one Sunday morning or a bulletin?

Chancel flowers are \$39. Bulletins are \$15.

For either/both sponsorship, please request a form from the church office or pick one up in the vestibule during office hours. Fill out the form and attach a check and place in the labeled box in the vestibule OR mail to 350 Wile Avenue, Souderton, PA 18964. We appreciate your support.



### FASAGEO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT AND PIZZERIA FUNDRAISER

We have partnered with Fasageo's Italian Restaurant and Pizzeria, 724 Ridge Rd., Sellersville, PA for an ongoing fundraiser. Fasageo's will return 10% of any food sales purchased to Zwingli. You just need to inform them when placing your order for

dine in, pick up, or delivery that you are a member of Zwingli. It's that simple!

#### **BULLETIN MAILINGS**

Would you like a bulletin mailed to you on a weekly basis? Please call the church office and we will add you to our weekly bulletin mailing list.



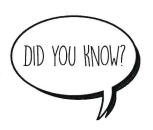
#### IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED

Due to privacy procedures implemented by all healthcare facilities, it is much more difficult for the church to obtain information about patients than it has been in the past. If you or a member of your family is hospitalized, or at a rehab or other health facility, please let the church office and the pastor(s) know directly. This is the only way you can be certain this information will be received.



#### **SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**

The church office will return to normal hours on September 7. Office hours will be Monday – Thursday, 8:30 – 4:30 and Friday: 8:30 – 3:30 pm. Closed 12 – 1 pm daily.



#### STAY INFORMED

If you want to stay current on what Zwingli Ministries and Council are doing, pick up a Pre-Council Report from the vestibule. See the wonderful ideas that are being shared by your leaders!

Or contact the church office and ask to receive the report monthly via email!

#### **SUNDAY MORNING USHERS/GREETERS**

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August 29	Liz Bibic, Charlotte Kramer	
	Pam and Pete Myers	
September 5	Gene and Rhonda Moyer	
	Ed and Sue Rauch	
September 12	Jennifer Smeed, Miles Smeed	
	Carol and David Reiff	
September 19	Rick and Missy Rogers	
	Marian Eide, Sue Wack	
September 26	Joan Yeager, Kristie Lowery	
	Laurie and John Reynolds	
October 3	Dale and Susie Woodland	

#### **REFRESHMENTS**

August 29

October 10

September 5	Trustees
September 12	Educators
September 19	Esther Wack, Missy Rogers
September 26	Suzi Leonard, Laurie Reynolds
October 3	Shepherds

Lois and Lee Hunsicker

Missioners

Gene and Rhonda Moyer Jessica and Mike Jalboot

October 10 Carol Reiff, Karen Rosenberger

#### **FACEBOOK MONITOR**

August 29	Laurie Reynolds
September 5	Tony Villareal
September 12	Laurie Reynolds
September 19	Lisa Cinciripini
September 26	Tony Villareal
October 3	Kristie Lowery
October 10	Kristie Lowery

#### **MONEY COUNTERS**

August 29	Mike and Jess Jalboot
September 5	Rick Rogers, Joanne Kramlik
September 12	Charlotte Kramer, Marian Eide
September 19	Kristie Lowery, Rick Rogers
September 26	Lee and Lois Hunsicker
October 3	Joanne Kramlik
October 10	Carol and David Reiff

DEADLINE FOR
SUBMITTING MAILING
ARTICLES FOR THE
OCTOBER MAILING
ARE DUE
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

PLEASE INCLUDE ANY
INFORMATION FOR
ALL OF OCTOBER AND FIRST TWO
WEEKS OF NOVEMBER.

#### **Zwingli UCC Staff**

Butch Kuykendall, D.Min.	Senior Pastor
Alan Miles, M.Div	Associate Pastor
Steve EmeryDirect	ctor of Music/Organist
Linda Cuddahy	Nursery Caregiver
Lisa Cinciripini	Office Administrator
Kristie Lowery	Office Assistant

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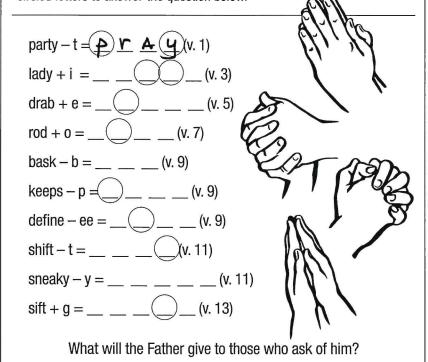




## Teach us to pray

In Luke 11:1-13 (NIV), Jesus teaches about prayer.

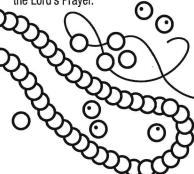
Directions: Add or subtract the letters indicated and unscramble the letters to form a new word, using hints from the passage. Then unscramble the circled letters to answer the question below.



Answer: pray, daily, bread, door, ask, seek, find, fish, snake, gifts; Holy Spirit

### Prayer bracelet

Make this craft to help you remember the Lord's Prayer.



#### What you need:

- Elastic string (12 inches)
- Colored beads (see below)
- Clear nail polish

#### What you do:

- 1. Knot the string at one end. Add beads in this order: blue, white, gold, green, yellow, red, black, orange
- Tie the ends so the bracelet fits your wrist. Place a dot of nail polish to secure the knot. Trim excess string.
- 3. As you pray, use the bead colors as reminders of Jesus' words (see Matthew 6:9-13):
  - blue = the Father
  - white = God's holiness
  - **gold** = God's kingdom
  - green = the earth
  - **yellow** = wheat (bread)
  - red = Christ's blood (forgiveness)
  - **black** = temptation
  - **orange** = God's power to deliver