

## *Worship Assistants*

	July 8, 2018	July 15, 2018	
	9:30 am service	8: 00 am service	10:45 am service
<b>Acolyte</b>	David Herb	Sara Houser	Liana Grove
<b>Lector</b>	Kathy Burson	Laura Wills	Steve Read
<b>Cantor</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Beth Lengel	Crystal Houser	Steve Read
<b>Communion</b>	Ja 'net Gochenauer	Daryl Gochenauer	Greg John
<b>Ushers</b>	Mary Zook* Lenny Zook Scott Houser Bev Caley	Mary Zook* Lenny Zook Scott Houser Bev Caley	Tom Burson* Julie Grove Austin Batcheler
<b>Greeters</b>	Art and Julie Grove	TBD	Ken & Carol Clelland
<b>Altar Guild</b>	John and Maxine Montgomery	John and Maxine Montgomery	
<b>Counters</b>	Rose Hlavac, Cheryl Neidig	Rose Hlavac, Cheryl Neidig	

Attendance July 1, 2018		Other Designated Offerings July 1, 2018	
8:00am service	44	Bell Tower Repair	\$ 161.75
10:45am service	29	Youth Director Support	\$ 55.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>	Social Ministries	\$ 5.00
<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>17</b>	Social Ministries (via Gift Card)	\$ 16.25
		National Youth Gathering	\$ 10.00
		El Salvador	\$ 9.00
		Camping Support	\$ 100.00
<b>Our Tithes; July 1, 2018</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 357.00</b>
General	\$ 6034.50	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$7061.50</b>
Benevolence	\$ 624.00		
World Hunger	\$ 46.00		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6704.50</b>		



Jesus does great deeds of power and gives his disciples authority over demons. Yet none of this power is unilateral; it all must be received by faith. Jesus asks his disciples to go out without money or supplies, so that they will be dependent on how others receive them. When we are sent from the assembly to witness and to heal, we are asked to be vulnerable, to be dependent on the reception of others. The Spirit always operates in the between: between Jesus and his Abba, between Jesus and us, between you and me, between us and those to whom we are sent

### Call to Action

#### Sunday, July 8

9:30am Combined Worship Service  
10:30am Pot luck Brunch/Intergenerational Event

#### Monday, July 9

6:00pm Boy Scouts  
7:00om Congregational Council Meeting

#### Saturday, July 14

11:00am Dennis Weigel II Funeral Service

**The altar flowers** are sponsored today by Ken and Carol Clelland in honor of Pastor Don Seiple's 50th anniversary of his ordination.

### Stewardship Snippet

**Mark 6:8, 9** – Jesus ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics.

*What do you need for your journey in life? Most of us think we need far more than we actually do, and our lives become weighed down with our possessions. When Jesus sends out the disciples with very little, he reminds us that we, too, need very little in life. What could you do without?*

**Help Needed....A military veteran**, Miss Kelley Christini, is looking to purchase a quality used vehicle. She is looking for a way to get to and from the VA Hospital to help with her Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome condition. She would only use it for that purpose so the vehicle doesn't need to be anything special, just something that reliably runs. If you or someone you know has an old vehicle to sell, please call Kelley at 717-379-7997.

### Reflection and Meditations

When Amos told what he saw when God held up the plumb line of justice next to Israel—that the poor were being trampled—he was a threat to the power of priests and king. John the Baptist also spoke truth to power, and Herod had him beheaded. In Herod's fear that Jesus is John returned from the dead, we may hear hope for the oppressed: that all the prophets killed through the ages are alive in Jesus. We are called to witness to justice in company with them..



### Readings for Next Week

Amos 7:7-15 Psalm 85:8-13  
Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:14-29

#### Sunday, July 15

8:00am Worship  
9:30am Combined Sunday School  
10:45am Worship

**POSITION AVAILABLE:** Seeking a full time, live in Cemetery Caretaker for Zion Lutheran Church, Enola, PA. This position is responsible for the overall appearance of cemetery and church grounds and snow removal in the winter. The successful candidate will have a strong work ethic and previous experience in a general labor or grounds keeping type position.

#### Responsibilities:

- Oversee the opening and closing of gravesites
- Maintain log books for inventory, maintenance and all cemetery related work performed
- Maintain all church and cemetery grounds encompassing 6.5 acres.
- Perform routine maintenance of equipment
- Perform snow and ice removal in a timely manner
- Attend monthly meetings

#### Compensation:

Housing is provided in lieu of traditional salary. Caretaker responsible for all utilities.

Interested parties please send resume to Zion Lutheran Church, 265 N Enola Drive, Enola, PA 17025. For questions, call 717-732-9652.

## Prayers This Week



*Family and friends of Bud Reed  
Family and friends of Dennis Weigel II*

*Mike Kulikauskas...recovering from knee  
replacement surgery*



**Are you hungry?** Everybody needs nourishment, both physical and spiritual. Pastor Matthew has started a new summertime fellowship opportunity, “Lunch and Listening.” He will be having lunch every Thursday at noon at the church pavilion. This program will last through September 6th.

Come join **St. Stephen** for Vacation Bible School “Operation Overboard – dare to Go Deep with God!” **Sunday July 15th through Thursday July 19th** starting at 5:30pm with a light meal. Please stop by the VBS table in the fellowship hall for information/sign up to attend or help. Any questions please call/text Cheryl Neidig 717-802-0942 or email [cdneidig@msn.com](mailto:cdneidig@msn.com).



### Another VBS opportunity.



At Shipwrecked VBS, kids discover how Jesus rescues us through life’s storms. Shipwrecked is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, touch, and even taste! Plus, we’ll help kids discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life—something we call God Sightings.

**VBS will be held at Trindle Spring Lutheran Church** (14 State Road, Mechanicsburg) from Monday, July 9 to Friday, July 13. Kids and families are invited to come for dinner at 5:30 every evening in the fellowship hall. Then we’ll gather in the sanctuary at 6:15 to start our Shipwrecked adventure! Each evening wraps up at 8:30 p.m. Registration forms are available at the Welcome Center.

### 2018 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING COMES TO A CLOSE

Every three years, 30,000 high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through days spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service and fellowship, young people grew in faith and were challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives. Each day, participants split up into three groups: one that participated in community service projects throughout the city, another that experienced interactive learning at the NRG Stadium, and the final group received leadership training. Each day finished with a mass Gathering filled with praise and worship music at NRG Stadium. Please see Randy, Cheryl or Sara to hear more about their experiences.

## Pillars of Faith

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### Saint Gregory Grassi and Companions' Story

Christian missionaries have often gotten caught in the crossfire of wars against their own countries. When the governments of Britain,

Germany, Russia, and France forced substantial territorial concessions from the Chinese in 1898, anti-foreign sentiment grew very strong among many Chinese people.

Gregory Grassi was born in Italy in 1833, ordained in 1856, and sent to China five years later. Gregory was later ordained Bishop of North Shanxi. With 14 other European missionaries and 14 Chinese religious, he was martyred during the short but bloody Boxer Uprising of 1900.

Twenty-six of these martyrs were arrested on the orders of Yu Hsien, the governor of Shanxi province. They were hacked to death on July 9, 1900. Five of them were Friars Minor; seven were Franciscan Missionaries of Mary—the first martyrs of their congregation. Seven were Chinese seminarians and Secular Franciscans; four martyrs were Chinese laymen and Secular Franciscans. The other three Chinese laymen killed in Shanxi simply worked for the Franciscans and were rounded up with all the others. Three Italian Franciscans were martyred that same week in the province of Hunan. All these martyrs were beatified in 1946, and were among the 120 martyrs canonized in 2000.

### Reflection

Martyrdom is the occupational hazard of missionaries. Throughout China during the Boxer Uprising, five bishops, 50 priests, two brothers, 15 sisters and 40,000 Chinese Christians were killed.

THIS WHOLE PROPHET GIG  
DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO ME.  
THEY ALWAYS GET SENT TO  
SELF-CENTERED BONEHEADS!



I MEAN, WOULD YOU WANT  
TO SPEND TIME WITH  
ANYONE LIKE THAT?



WHAT!?



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