

Zion Lutheran Church, 15 S. 4th Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110
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WOW (Worship On Wednesday) 12:10pm
April 17, 2024
WOW Remembers Debbie Grubbs
November 4, 1949 – March 29, 2024

Welcome & Announcements

Greeting

P Welcome in the name of Jesus, the Savior of the world. We are gathered to worship, to proclaim Christ crucified and risen, to remember before God our sister Debbie, to give thanks for her life, to commend her to our merciful redeemer, and to comfort one another in our grief.

When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by Baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

Hymn Verse

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer!

Opening Prayer

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our sister, Debbie. We thank you for giving her to us to know and to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us your aid, so we may see in death the gate to eternal life, that we may continue our course on earth in confidence until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before us; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C Amen.**

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

**He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.**

**Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.**

**Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.**

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

Solo *“On Eagles’ Wings”*

Remembrance

READINGS FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 10:25-28

²⁵ And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶ He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?” ²⁷ And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” ²⁸ And he said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.”

JOHN 14:1-7, 27

14 “Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that ²⁵ And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶ He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?” ²⁷ And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” ²⁸ And he said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.”

where I am you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to where I am going.” ⁵ Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶ Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

Meditation

Hymn Verse

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r thro'out the universe displayed;
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

PRAYERS

P Let us pray. Almighty God, you have knit your chosen people together in one communion, in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Give to your whole Church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with Him to our joyful resurrection. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the consolation of your love. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a holy and certain hope, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

Additional petitions offered... **P** Lord, in your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

P Grant us grace to entrust Debbie to your never-failing love which sustained her in this life. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, and remember her according to the favor you bear for your people. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P God of all grace, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give you thanks because by his death Jesus destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection has opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor

things present nor things to come shall be able to separate us from your love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us pray together as our Savior has taught us:

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn Verses

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

Blessing & Dismissal

P: Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Go now in the name of God the Father, the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.
(1 John 5:7)

C: Amen.

P: Go in peace. Christ is Risen!

C: He is risen, indeed! Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

Please join us for a special luncheon in fellowship hall directly after the worship service.

Assisting With the Service

Presiding Minister: Pastor Karin Pejack

Minister of Technology: Catherine Germann

Pianist: Norma Swain

Remembrance: Kelly Grubbs

Soloist: Doug Long

Song Leaders: Nita Bentz, Doug Long, Jenny Kovach, Terri Preston-Simpson,
Vanessa Xiao

Luncheon Preparation: Eileen Marks, Sam Pejack

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LOOKING AHEAD:

April 24 – June 12 (Wednesdays) 12:10pm WOW Series: “Organic Discipleship”

Based on the Book:

Organic Disciples: Seven Ways to Grow Spiritually & Naturally Share Jesus

by Kevin G. Harney & Sherry Harney

April 24: Foundations
May 1: Bible Engagement
May 8: Passionate Prayer
May 15: Wholehearted Worship
May 22: Humble Service
May 29: Joyful Generosity
June 5: Consistent Community
June 12: Organic Outreach

May 5 (Sunday): 4:00pm Wednesday Club Concert featuring Organ Music at Zion

May 9 (Thursday):

7:15pm Himmelfahrt/Ascension German Service with English translation

6:15pm Coffee & Cake

May 19 (Sunday): 3:00pm Hummelstown Community Singers Spring Concert

At Hummelstown United Church of Christ, 104 E Main St, Hummelstown, PA 17036

Weekly Schedule

Sunday (Communion & Healing Prayer on 1st and 3rd Sundays and Festivals)

9:00am **Sunday School** (in-person only)

9:45am **Fellowship** (in-person only)

10:15am **Worship Service** (in-person & online)

Wednesday (Communion on the 1st Wednesday)

12:10pm **WOW, Worship On Wednesday** (in-person & online)

12:35pm **Lunch Fellowship** (in-person only)