

The Manbeck Messenger

*"Look! I am sending my messenger,
and he will prepare the way before
me" (Malachi 3:1a)*



JUNE 2026

Monthly Newsletter
Manbeck's

Zion Evangelical Congregational Church
"Seeking to know Christ and make Him known"

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MANBECK'S "ZION" SERVICES

SUNDAY

WORSHIP... 9:00 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL... 10:40 AM

MANBECKS YOUTH... (Go to www.manbecks.org for Dates & Time)

WEDNESDAY

Adult Small Group

PRAYER... 6:00 PM

BIBLE STUDY ... 7:00 PM



"Built to Move"

This was the theme of our E.C. National Conference this year. Our bishop shared about it in his address – based on Acts 17:28, “in Him we move...” and in line with the long-standing EC vision to become a “movement” of God. Guest

speaker, evangelist Rich Stevenson, encouraged spiritual movement in our churches. He said our main invitation to others should be “come and see” what Jesus is doing. Even the Church Health Team handed out flyers with the health benefits of physical movement.



So I've been thinking about movement; Maybe because I usually have a hard time sitting still. (Even as I write this, only a paragraph in and I've gotten up three times to do or adjust or pick-up something. Some call it ADD, but I think it's just CSSD – Can't Sit Still Disorder.) Turns out there's actually a lot of benefits to regular physical movement, even just 15-30 minutes a day of stretching, walking, etc.

- We can think more clearly -- Our brains actually “regrow” neuropathways when we walk regularly.
- We ache less – fluid lubricates cartilage in our joints, increased blood flow brings more oxygen to muscles and our body produces natural anti-inflammatories (think “ibuprofen”) to reduce pain.
- We sleep better & worry less – Movement releases endorphines which actually produce a calming effect, leading to less anxiety or depression.
- We may live longer -- One study said almost 110,000 deaths in the U.S. could be prevented each year if people walked about 6,000 steps a day.

What does this have to do with church? A couple things.

First, we have several opportunities for physical movement this month with VBS coming up. Help us prepare scenery, walk to various places in town to hang posters, walk across the yard to invite a neighbor, and help us during the week of VBS (June 22-26) in some way.

Second, just like all the parts of our bodies benefit from movement, the Church benefits from the involvement of all of its members. Sadly, it is easy for church to be seen as a place we come to simply receive - a good message, encouraging music, funny story, or nice visit with good friends. One author calls it “couch-potato” faith. Recently we've been studying the work of the Holy Spirit. In reality, we wouldn't need God's Spirit in us in order to just sit and receive. His Holy Spirit power is given to us to lead us to action in response to our faith.

So, join the new “health” trend! Ask God how you can move for Him this month. I can't wait to see the results. -- *Journeying with you, Pastor Kyle*

The Perfect Job

My first job was working in an orange juice factory but I got canned –couldn't concentrate.

After that I tried to be a tailor but I just wasn't suited for it, mainly because it was a so-so job

Then I tried to be a chef figured it would add a little spice to my life, but I just didn't have the thyme.

Next I tried working in a muffler factory but that was too exhausting.

I managed to get a good job working for a pool maintenance company but the work was just too draining

I attempted to be a deli worker but any way I sliced it, I couldn't cut the mustard.

Then I worked in the woods as a lumber jack, but I just couldn't hack it, so they gave me the ax.

Next was a job in a shoe factory. I tried but I just didn't fit in.

So then I got a job in a workout center but they said I wasn't fit for the job

After many years of trying to find steady work I finally got a job as a historian, until I realized there was no future in it.

I studied a long time to become a doctor but I didn't have any patience.

My best job was being a musician, but eventually I found I wasn't noteworthy.

I became a professional fisherman, but discovered that I couldn't live on my net income.

My last job was working at Starbucks but I had to quit because it was always the same old grind.

So I retired and found I'm perfect for the job, except there is no time

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LONELINESS

Loneliness is like a piano without keys
Like a violin without strings
Like a sanctuary without a congregation
Or a choir where no one sings.

Loneliness is like a blade of grass
Growing through a crack of cement.
Loneliness is like a camp ground
Without a single tent.

Loneliness is like a mocking bird
That cannot sing a song.
Loneliness is a feeling
That one does not belong.

Like a pansy in a corn field.
Hidden where no one can see.
I know all there is to know about loneliness
Because it lives inside of me.

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 22-26, 6:00-8:30 PM

Sign-up on our website



IT'S CAMP TIME

Our denominational camp, **Twin Pines**, announces it's 2026 Schedule.

GOD is Stronger

Our God is stronger than anything this world can throw at us.

Available Camps are:

| Camp Name | Session(s) | Drop off time/Pick up time | Age |
|----------------------------|---|--------------------------------|--|
| My First Camp | July 15 th - 18 th | 7:00PM/10:00AM | Grade Completed; 1 st or 2 nd (If first time attending). |
| Elementary Igniter | July 12 th - 18 th | 4:00-4:45PM/ 10:00-10:30 AM | Grade Completed; 2 nd -5 th |
| Junior High Journey | July 19 th - 25 th | | Grade Completed; -5 th - 9 th |
| On the Edge | July 19 th - 25 th | | Grade Completed; 2 nd -5 th |
| Wilderness Way Camp | July 26 th - August 1 st | | Grade Completed; 8 th |
| Lotsa Love | July 12 th - 18 th & July 19 th - 25 th | | Varied |
| Adult Camp | July 19 th - 25 th | | |
| Moms 'N' Gals | August 2 nd - 5 th | | |
| Family Camp | September 4 th - 7 th | 7:00PM/10:00AM | |

For more information check out manbeks.org. Sponsorships may be available.

Church Bulletin Bloopers

Bertha Belch, a missionary from Africa, will be speaking tonight at Calvary Methodist. Come and hear Bertha Belch all the way from Africa.

The sermon this morning: "Jesus Walks on the Water." The sermon tonight: "Searching for Jesus."

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands.

The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today has been cancelled due to a conflict.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.

Potluck supper Sunday at 5:00 PM – prayer and medication to follow.

The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.

Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10 AM. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.
(we presume this means Bible Study)



Two men were walking through the woods and came upon a big black, deep hole. One man picked up a rock and tossed it into the hole and stood listening for the rock to hit bottom. There was no sound. He turned to the other guy and said, "That must be a deep hole; let's throw a bigger rock in there and listen for it to hit bottom." The men found a bigger rock and both picked it up and lugged it to the hole and dropped it in. They listened for some time and never heard a sound. Again, they agreed that this must be one deep hole and maybe they should throw something even bigger into it. One man spotted a railroad tie nearby. They picked up the tie, grunting and groaning, and lugged it to the hole. They tossed it in. No sound. All of a sudden, a goat came flying out of the woods, running like the wind, flew past them and jumped straight into the hole.

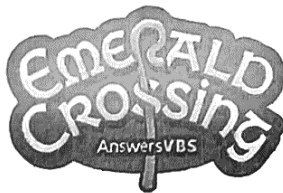
About that time, an old farmer came out of the woods and asked the men if they had seen a goat. One man told the farmer of the incredible incident they had just witnessed, how they had just seen this goat fly out of the woods and jumped straight into the hole. The man asked the farmer if this could have been his goat. The old farmer said, "Naw, that couldn't have been my goat; he was chained to a railroad tie."

BUILDING FUND

4/20/2026 through 5/18/2026

| Date | Category | Amount |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| BALANCE 4/19/2026 | | 32,445.34 |
| 5/10/2026 | Benevolent Fund | 244.00 |
| 4/20/2026 - 5/18/2026 | | 244.00 |
| BALANCE 5/18/2026 | | 32,689.34 |
| TOTAL INFLOWS | | 244.00 |
| TOTAL OUTFLOWS | | 0.00 |
| NET TOTAL | | 244.00 |

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| Beginning Balance as of 4-19-2026 | \$32,445.34 |
| Ending Balance as of 5-18-2026 | \$32,689.34 |
| CD at C.A.C.L. Financial | \$59,181.07 |
| Minus Memorial Funds | \$ 3,055.90 |
| Minus Benevolent Funds | \$ 3,145.00 |
| Total Balance of Building Fund | \$85,669.51 |



VBS

Work Days & Prayer Times

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|---------------|--------------|
| Wed., June 3 | 10am-2pm |
| Sat., June 6 | 10am-2pm |
| Tues. June 9 | 12:30-4:30pm |
| Sat., June 13 | 10am-2pm |
| Wed., June 17 | 10am-2pm |
| Sat., June 20 | 10am-2pm |

Join us during two 30-min
Prayer Times each week on
Zoom:

Mondays at Noon
Wednesdays at 7pm

(*links sent in weekly email)

****Work may include: painting scenery or props, assembling yard signs, organizing materials, rehearsing drama**

GENERAL FUND

4/20/2026 through 5/18/2026

| Date | Num | Description | Category | Amount |
|------------------------------|------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| BALANCE 4/19/2026 | | | | 21,005.70 |
| 4/24/2026 | ACH | Nationwide | Pension | -420.00 |
| 4/26/2026 | ACH | PA Dept. Of Revenue | State Taxes | -137.82 |
| 4/26/2026 | 5829 | HAB-EIT | Local Taxes | -94.68 |
| 4/26/2026 | 5830 | HAB-LST | Local Taxes | -14.70 |
| 4/26/2026 | 5831 | Tevis Energy | Heating Oil | -2,277.06 |
| 4/26/2026 | DEP | | Church Offering | 1,523.00 |
| 4/26/2026 | DEP | Food Pantry | Special Offering | 205.00 |
| 4/28/2026 | 5832 | Pastor Kyle Roth | Pastor Salary | -2,159.91 |
| 4/30/2026 | DEP | | Interest Inc | 4.28 |
| 4/30/2026 | fee | bank Service Fee | Bank Charge | -2.00 |
| 5/3/2026 | DEP | | Church Offering | 1,089.00 |
| 5/3/2026 | ACH | Comcast | Telephone-Internet | -199.29 |
| 5/5/2026 | 5833 | PPL | Electric | -112.09 |
| 5/5/2026 | 5834 | Cathy Nagle | Annual Conference | -276.79 |
| 5/5/2026 | 5835 | E. C Church | Special Offerings | -180.00 |
| 5/5/2026 | 5836 | P.G. Council Of Churches | Special Offerings | -205.00 |
| 5/10/2026 | DEP | | Church Offering | 1,501.00 |
| 5/11/2026 | 5837 | E. C Church | Apportionment | -409.83 |
| 5/11/2026 | 5838 | E. C. Global Ministries | Supported Missionaries | -500.00 |
| 5/11/2026 | 5839 | Pastor Kyle Roth | Pastor Salary | -2,159.91 |
| 5/17/2026 | DEP | | Church Offering | 1,567.00 |
| 4/20/2026 - 5/18/2026 | | | | -3,259.80 |
| BALANCE 5/18/2026 | | | | 17,745.90 |
| TOTAL INFLOWS | | | | 5,889.28 |
| TOTAL OUTFLOWS | | | | -9,149.08 |
| NET TOTAL | | | | -3,259.80 |

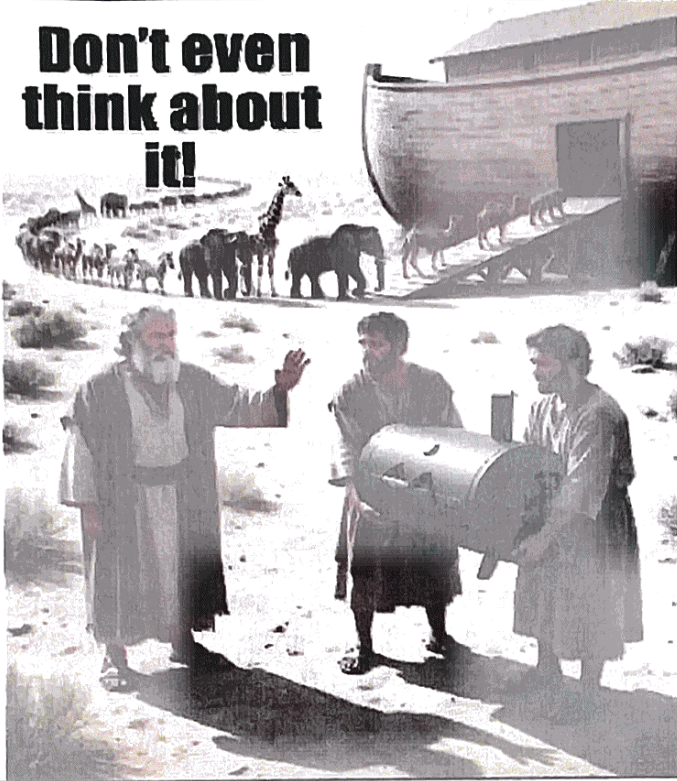
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|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Beginning Balance as of 4-19-2026 | \$21,005.70 |
| Ending Balance as of 5-18-2026 | \$17,745.90 |
| CD at C.A.C.L. Financial | \$38,947.29 |
| Total Balance of General Fund | \$56,693.19 |

SIX YEAR OLD ANGIE and her 4 year old brother, Joel, were sitting together in church. Joel giggled and talked out loud. Finally Angie had had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church."

"Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel asked.

Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door? They're hushers!"

**Don't even
think about
it!**



Noah's Last Minute Instructions

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

| | | |
|---------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| 7 -Bill Hrichak | | 18 - <i>Missy Wagner*</i> |
| 9 -Jennifer Stump | | 19 -Chad Nagle |
| 10 -Marion Winklebleck | | 21 - Eliza Kurtz |
| 11 - <i>Wendy Toy*</i> | | 23 -Cathy Nagle |
| 13-Robert Winklebleck | | 27 -Christine Nickel |
| 18 - <i>Missy Wagner*</i> | | 29 - <i>Bettina Schaeffer*</i> |

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

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| 15 th Scott & Judy Lengle | | 19 th Kyle & Lori Roth |
| 17 th Robert & Marion Winklebleck | | 25 th Willis & Betsy Kimmel |
| 25- Eric & Katie Kurtz | | |

SPECIAL MUSIC

June 7 – Rosa Roth
June 14 – Ardella & Cathy
June 21 – Father's Day
June 28 – Eve Kurtz

July 5 – Chris Nickel
July 12 – Lisa Dillon
July 19 – Rose Roth
July 26 – Ardella Newswanger

If you are unable to fulfill your obligation throughout the year, please contact Ardella or Judy. If you would like to be added or taken off for special music, please see Cathy Nagle.

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USHERS

June 7 – Carol & Harold
June 14 – Lois & Lisa
June 21 – Wayne & Bob
June 28 – Betsy & Willis

July 5 – Laura & Faith
July 12 – Roth family
July 19 – Larue & Florence
July 26 – Kelly & Jason

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JUNIOR CHURCH AND NURSERY

The children will be dismissed for Jr. Church which is taught by Lori Roth. The nursery schedule for five and under is listed below. We are looking for more volunteers to serve. Please see Lori Roth.

June 7 – Jen Flynn
June 14 – Deb Reiter
June 21 – Ardella Newswanger
June 28 – Wayne & Donna

July 5 – Cathy Nagle
July 12 – Lori Roth
July 19 – Laura Fritz
July 26 – Chris Nickel

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SPECIAL OFFERINGS

The Building Fund Offering will be received on June 14. This offering will help with any future building projects.

The Monthly Special Offering will be received on June 28. This offering is the required Student Aide Offering, given annually to help pastors with their student debt. Please give as the Lord leads you to support these ministries. Envelopes are provided in your weekly bulletin. You may also mail your offerings to:

Deborah Reiter
159 Spittler Road
Pine Grove, PA 17963

PINE GROVE AREA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

We are collecting any brand of ink cartridges and used batteries. You can either give them to Cathy or put them back on the desk in the fellowship hall. We will use them for either buying ink for Church School or purchasing church supplies at Staples.

Please continue to pray for the Church School and Council of Churches and all it does for the community.

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CHURCH CLEANING

A cleaning schedule is posted for 2026 on the inside of the church door in the vestibule. Church cleaning is done by individuals in our church who volunteer for a month. If you would like to volunteer, just sign your name on the sign-up sheet behind the month you would like to clean. Thank you!

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OFFICIAL BOARD NEWS

The Official Board met on Tuesday, May 19. Items discussed are as follows:

- Pastor Kyle is thinking of doing a student Sunday. No date as yet.
- No Fourth Friday Praise Night in May or June. Possibly an outdoor one in July with a camp fire.
- Next communion will be July 5. Carol Lengle in charge of elements.
- Estimate for putting a roof over the fire escape, cover the steps and light at the door. No decisions was made due to not having a quorum. Will meet in 2 weeks as estimate is good for one month.
- Mark is working on the church directory.
- Chris Lengle is swamped with work so Elijah would be willing to put a cabinet in the nursery. Pastor Kyle to bring an estimate to the Board.
- Refrigerator in the cook house had mold and the other one had molding food in it. Suggestion was to clean them with Clorox, air dry, and then plug them in and check after a week.
- Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 9 at 7:00.

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LADIES LUNCHEON

The Ladies Luncheon will start up again in the fall.

NEWS FROM OUR MISSIONARIES

As many people spent Easter weekend with family or at church with their spiritual family, a group of ten men converged in Indianapolis for the NCAA Final Four Championship outreach. Our team leader, Steven Kendall did an amazing job organizing this event. It was a busy four days of ministry around Lucas Oil Stadium and the Indiana Pacers arena as there were multiple championships that weekend from Division 1, 11, 111 and the NIT Championship. There were not only lots of fans roaming around, but also many basketball players. It was not uncommon to hear statements such as, ***"Thanks for being here."*** and ***"I Love Jesus also."*** A number of these comments came from the players themselves. I can still remember one man stating on Sunday, "These guys are serious about this. I give them credit. They have been here all day." My best two encounters were with two homeless men on the first day, as I was able to share the gospel with them and have prayer with them. It never fails as we go out with the gospel, what the Lord brings people to us. Another year of campus ministry has come and gone and a good number of students on the campuses of UNC, NCS and Wake Tech North have been engaged with the gospel. I believe that there have been around forty professions of faith and I rejoice in that many have decided to trust Christ, but I rejoice in seeing many of these same students growing in their faith and being involved in campus ministry and church. It also excites me to see many of them being bold in their witness for Christ to their peers on campus. **PTL**



| OAM, Inc. | |
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| Outreach Prayer Needs | |
| Weekly Outreaches | Event Outreaches |
| Monday - Summer Day Off | Myrtle Beach Anime Convention Ocean Beach -Maryland |
| Tuesday - Jones Franklin Abortion Mill & Sheetz Gass Station | |
| Wednesday - Office Day | |
| Thursday - Jones Franklin Abortion Mill, Courthouse & Sam's Club | |
| Friday - Bus Station Outreach | |
| Pray for us as we transition into our summer ministry schedule. Continue to pray for us. God Bless! | |

Joe Joy

Good news Day Camp

The Pine Grove session of Child Evangelism Fellowship **Good News Day Camp** will be held at Manbeck's , 110 Wild Cherry Road, Schuylkill Haven,. The week of July 13 – 17. Bus transportation for Pine Grove residents is available. Find more information from Cathy Nagle or visit the website, www.cefschuylkill.com or the church's website.

LADIES LUNCHEON

The monthly Ladies Luncheons will resume in September.



See you then.
