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Welcome to all in the name of Jesus Christ! It's exciting to have you with us in the sanctuary, on our Facebook page or on FM 90.5.

Supporting Grace is a task God gives us as a loving response to what He has done for us. For your financial support, in addition to the offering plate during worship, we have a drop box in the entryway as well as our Facebook and website so you can give online.

As We Gather: Without explaining Himself and to the surprise of those He chose, God decided to use the people who eventually became the nation of Israel to save all people. Likewise, He has graciously invited us and all people to join them, solely because we trust His promises. Recognizing that faith, not physical descent, is the factor that includes one in God's promises, Paul laments that most of his Jewish friends have rejected God's Son, Jesus Christ. To those who follow our Lord, the disciples learn in today's Gospel, God's grace even invites them to serve as His instruments in caring for the people around them in words and actions. Today we rejoice in God's invitation, and ask His blessings as we seek to extend His invitation to those who do not know Christ. Words matter so we take every opportunity to share God's will and "explain everything in the kindest way."

Mission Of The Month....Lutheran education is a trademark of our synod's understanding of what makes the Church strong. We are blessed to have CLS nearby and our mission jar in the narthex gives us the chance to support students that attend Central. With the state now providing Educational Savings Accounts in addition to the funds Grace provides, the choice of sending your child to CLS is financially easier. Contact the school office at 223-5271 for more information.

Mark your calendars for the annual St. Paul's - Luzerne Ice Cream Social on August 9th from 4:30-6:30. (See in St. Paul Notes).

Adult Bible Study: Join us Sunday mornings at 9:00 for Bible Studies each week studying the scripture readings (First Reading, Epistle, and Gospel) for the week. All are welcome!

It's That Time Again!: Blainstown Sauerkraut Days is a time that we at Grace take the opportunity to witness to the community via a float in the parade. If you have any great ideas for a float this year talk to Pastor. Planning will be happening soon. Stay tuned!

Singles Events: Zion Lutheran Church in Hiawatha has a singles group for ages 18-100. On **Sunday, August 9th** join them for miniature golf at Airport National (3001 Wright Brothers Blvd) at 1:00 pm and enjoy ice cream afterwards. **THURSDAY, August 27:** Let's enjoy some jazz in Noelridge Park by meeting at the swimming pool entrance at 6:45 pm. Bring a chair, beverage & a snack to share. There are a few food trucks at the event as well. Please RSVP to either Zion at 319/393-2013 or Cindy Gewecke at 319/929-3077 (text accepted with your name).

Christ Lutheran High School (CLHS), together with Zion Lutheran Church – Hiawatha, is proud to announce that they have finalized an agreement to allow CLHS to launch classes at Zion. For more information, please see our full blog post online at www.christlutheranhigh.org/updates. Praise God for reaching this major milestone!

St. Paul Notes (Luzerne)

Call Process: As congregations of the LCMS, it is our privilege and duty to call a pastor as Christ's undershepherd in our midst. This past Sunday evening, First (BP) and St. Pau's (Luzerne), voted to start the call process as a dual parish. **If you would like to submit a name, speak to an elder and get in your nomination by August 2.**

St. Paul's Annual Ice Cream Social will be held on August 9th from 4:30-6:30. Menu includes homemade ice cream as well as sandwiches and desserts. All proceeds go to support missions.

Ladies Meet: Sunday, August 2nd, following worship, the Ladies group of St. Paul's will meet for their regular business.