

WELCOMING ALL, GROWING & SHARING GOD'S LOVE

ZION WEEKLY CALENDAR

SAT., APRIL 26
Volunteer Appreciation & Honor Graduates
Worship Service | 5 PM

SUN., APRIL 27
Volunteer Appreciation & Honor Graduates
Worship Services | 8 AM & 10:30 AM
Volunteer Appreciation Reception | 9:15 AM
High School Graduation Reception | 9:15 AM
Kids of the Kingdom | 9:15 AM
Stephen Ministry Training | 12 PM

MON., APRIL 28
Strong Bodies | 8:30 AM

TUES., APRIL 29
Strong Bodies | 7:30 AM
Men's Breakfast | 8 AM
LWR Mission Quilting | 9 AM
Dreams of Green Garden Meeting | 5 PM

WED., APRIL 30
Strong Bodies | 8:30 AM
Confirmation Class | 6 PM
High School Bible Study | 6:30 PM

THURS., MAY 1 National Day of Prayer
Church Photo Directory Deadline
Strong Bodies | 7:30 AM
God's Little Wonders | 11 AM
Girl Scouts Troop #4723 | 4:30 PM
Girl Scouts Troop #4139 | 5:30 PM

FRI., MAY 2 Office Closed
SAT., MAY 3
Lay School Graduation | 8:30 AM
Worship Service | 5 PM

SUN., MAY 4
Worship Services | 8 AM & 10:30 AM
Choir Rehearsal & Kids of the Kingdom | 9:15 AM
Stephen Ministry Training | 12 PM



WELCOME TO ZION!
We're so glad you're here!

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP
Holy Communion is celebrated at every weekend service. All baptized and communing Christians are invited to partake. **Children** are invited to come forward for a blessing. **Children** are always welcome in worship! We provide **Kids in Church** activity bags. Our services include children's messages, and if your little one needs a break, the **Noah's Ark Nursery** is located in back of the Sanctuary.

RESTROOMS
Restrooms are available near the east entrance, in the lower level, and inside the Noah's Ark Nursery.

WELCOME PADS
Whether you're a member or guest, please sign the **Welcome Pad** in the pew.

VISITING TODAY?
If you're visiting today or considering becoming a member, please fill out a **Welcome Card** in the pew and place it in the offering plate. We'd love to welcome you into the ZION family!

IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS

Please keep these individuals in your prayers. **Adeline Holtz, Leslie Buckbee, Anita Stubenvoll, Larry Gueths, Marion Teckam, Tim Dalke, Pete Hintz, Terry Fusek, Gerald Bartline, Shirley Sorenson, Yvonne Wolf, Linda & Ken Spreeman, Helen Kaurala, Dale Bergsbaken & Bob Janicki.**

HOLY WEEK & EASTER ATTENDANCE

THURS. | 107 FRI. | 190 SUN. | 8 AM | 169 SUN. | 10:30 AM | 174
Total In-Person | 640 YouTube Views | 552

HOLY WEEK OFFERINGS

General Fund: \$7,260 Building Fund: \$520 Restricted Funds: \$692
Holy Week: \$1,233 Total Offerings: \$9,705

APRIL & MAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Service	Time	Live Recordings* & Acolytes
April 27	8 AM	Bella Krone & Brynlee Ray
May 4	8 AM	Brixon Koenig
	10:30 AM	Kyle Huebner
May 11	8 AM	Brynlee Ray
	10:30 AM	Peyten & Morgan Boucher
May 18	8 AM	Need Volunteer
	10:30 AM	Gabe Tonn



Service Time April Lay Readers & Communion Assistants

Saturday 5 PM Steve Dalke (Reader) & Joy Dalke

**Sunday 8 AM Amanda Bernath (Reader)
Bart, Debbie & Bailey Defere**

**Sunday 10:30 AM Mike Eidahl (Reader)
Michael Sleeper & Judy Stoltenow**

Service Time May Lay Readers & Communion Assistants

Saturday 5 PM Robert Hass (Reader) & Diane Rugalski

**Sunday 8 AM Susan Lemke (Reader)
Robert & Jackie Weier**

**Sunday 10:30 AM Sara Boucher (Reader)
Cooper & Jackson Boucher**

To volunteer for summer worship services, scan the QR Code.



A BIG THANK YOU

I would like to extend a big thank you to the congregation for all the prayers, well wishes, visits and the beautiful cards. I am continuing my healing at home, with a grateful heart for family and friends. ~ Blessings, **Yvonne Wolf**

THE WEE CARE ELVES NEED YOUR HELP AT CHARLIE'S RED BARN July 24, 25 & 26

Wee Care will be doing **Charlie's Red Barn** on July 24, 25, and 26.

If you are interested in having a good time, laughing a lot, and



meeting many interesting people, please sign up on the sheets located on the information desk. No experience is necessary. Thank you. This is one of our biggest and most fun fundraisers of the year. Your time and energy will make a real difference for the children we serve.



UNUSED TOYS LOOKING FOR A NEW HOME?

Cleaning out toy bins or making space? We'll gladly take unused toys off your hands! Our Tots Class is looking for: baby dolls, dolly strollers, pretend food for the play kitchen, and small toy trucks to help little ones learn through play. Gently used items are welcome and appreciated. Donations may be dropped off in the church office. Thanks for helping bless our tiniest friends!

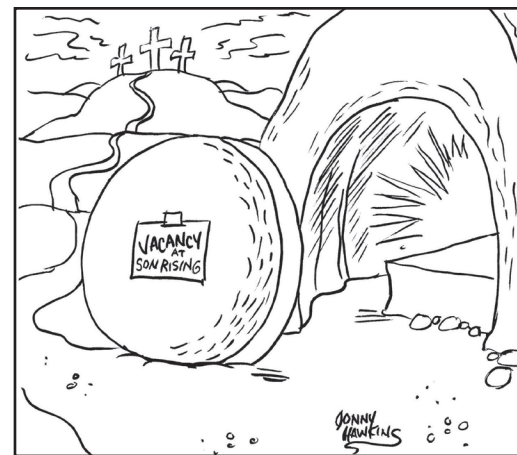


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THE COMMUNITY BLOOD CENTER
Donate blood, save lives.
It's so rewarding!

BLOOD DRIVE
ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
1254 S. Union St., Shawano, Wisconsin
Monday, May 12
1 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

To schedule your life-saving appointment, please scan the QR code. If you prefer to speak with someone, call (800) 280-4102.



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Springing to LIFE

New life defines the season of spring. Make this Easter craft that symbolizes rebirth.

What you need:

- Brown paper lunch bag
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Glue stick
- Jellybeans

What you do:

- From the bag's bottom, cut two 2-inch circles. Set aside.
- From the sides, cut two 10-inch circles.
- Draw a thin spiral on each large circle and cut along the lines. Crinkle spirals gently.
- Starting at the center, wrap one spiral into a nest. Glue every few inches to hold it.
- Glue one small circle to the bottom of the nest.
- Repeat with the other spiral. Fill nests with jellybeans and give to a friend!

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
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A member congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Pastor **Scott Ludford**, Sr. Pastor | **Jill Sousek**, Organist & Music Director | **Kay Kristof**, Adm'n. Asst.
Kristin WhiteHorse, Family & Youth Director | **Nancy Schultz**, Health & Wellness Coordinator
Randy Steffen, Worship Coordinator | **Ann Johnson**, Custodian | **John Phalen**, Maintenance

ZION BLOOD DRIVE ♦ May 12 | 1-5:30 PM ♦

We could use a few more blood donors to be added to our ZION list so we can call you for a donor appointment time in May. Call **Ginny Vraney** at 715.799.3507 or contact **Nancy Schultz** with your information. Be a hero and be willing to give the "Gift of Life!"

GARDEN PLOTS STILL AVAILABLE!

Ready to get your hands in the dirt and grow beautiful things? Join us for the **Dreams of Green Community Garden Annual Meeting** on **Tues., April 29**, at 5 PM in the ZION Fellowship Hall. Whether you're a seasoned gardener or just getting started, you can reserve your garden plot and be part of a vibrant, growing community! Contact **Nancy Schultz** at health@shawanozion.org.

FINAL BAKE COOKIE SALE BEFORE SUMMER BREAK

Our last **Wee Care Cookie Sale** before the summer break is coming up on **May 17 & 18!** This month's featured flavor is a favorite — **Peanut Butter Oatmeal Chippies** — chewy, sweet, and loaded with goodness. All proceeds support the **Wee Care** program, which helps feed local children in need each week. Thank you for making a difference, one cookie at a time.

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS ~ YOU ARE SUPERHEROS!

April is **Volunteer Appreciation Month**, and we want to give a heartfelt thank you to every one of our amazing volunteers! Whether you greet at the door, teach Sunday School, serve in worship, help behind the scenes, or lend a hand wherever needed — you are a vital part of our church family, and we are so grateful for all you do. To celebrate **YOU**, please join us for a **Volunteer Appreciation Brunch** between services on **Sun., April 27** in the **Fellowship Hall**. Come enjoy some food, fellowship, and a small token of our thanks! If you can't make it Sunday, stop in the church office for an token of thanks!

PIECE IT TOGETHER: A MULTI-GENERATIONAL SHOWDOWN!

Wed. May 21, 2025
5:30pm

\$10 per team

Light Dinner Available

Get ready for a fun-filled showdown!
Gather your **team of four**, including:

- ✓ One member under 20
- ✓ One member aged 20-50
- ✓ One member over 50
- ✓ 4th member of any age!

Register by
May 15

Each team receives the same **300 piece puzzle**
Work together, and race to the finish for a chance to win
prizes for the **top three teams!**

Sign up today!

Signup on bulletin board or email
youth@shawanozion.org



STEPHEN MINISTRY Training Update

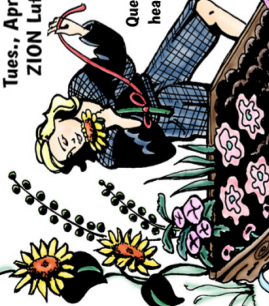
Here is what our Stephen Ministers are studying this week. Continue to pray for them as they grow in their ability to bring Christ's love and care to people as a ministry of our congregation.

Session Fourteen — Dealing with Depression: The Stephen Minister's Role

This week, our Stephen Ministers learn the characteristics and symptoms of mild, moderate, and severe depression. They learn when a mental health professional needs to be involved and how to connect a depressed person with a mental health professional. They also practice skills appropriate to giving care to those who are mildly to moderately depressed.

Dreams of Green Annual Meeting

Tues., April 29 at 5 PM
ZION Lutheran Church



Questions, send email to:
health@shawanozion.org

PRESENTED BY ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

FAMILY BOONGOO NIGHT

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!

SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025

6pm-7:30pm

BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY FOR
AN EVENING OF FUN AND PRIZES

Registration
Deadline
May 20



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

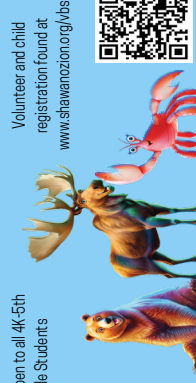
JUNE 2-5

9AM-NOON

Zion Lutheran Church
Shawano, WI

New friends * Amazing experiments * Creative games
Super-fun snacks * Surprising adventures * Incredible music

VBS is open to 4K-5th
Grade Students



Volunteer and child
registration found at
www.shawanozion.org/vbs



God's Little Wonders

Join us for God's Little Wonders:
Parent-Tot Hour, a special time for parents and their little ones to connect, explore, and grow in faith together.

First and Third Thursdays

11:00am - 12:00pm

Zion Lutheran Church
1254 S Union St, Shawano, WI

This engaging hour includes:

- ★ Hands-on activities and crafts
- ✪ Joyful songs and stories
- 👉 Simple ways to nurture faith in your family
- 👉 Connection time for parents to share, support, and build community

CONTACT
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VOLUNTEERS ARE SUPERHEROS

Volunteer Appreciation
Celebration

SUNDAY, APRIL 27TH
BETWEEN SERVICES

This weekend ZION recognizes all of our wonderful volunteers during all services, presenting gifts, and celebrating with a brunch.

