

WELCOMING ALL, GROWING & SHARING GOD'S LOVE



WELCOME CLEO ROSE ANSCHUTZ

We rejoiced in the baptism of **Cleo Rose Anschutz** during the 10:30 AM worship service on **Sun., Jan. 26**. Cleo is the daughter of **Adam and Hilary Anschutz**, and her godparents are **Mason Schinderle & Kayla Jahnke**. Please join us in celebrating this sacred milestone as Cleo is welcomed into the family of Christ. R

IN OUR PRAYERS

We lift up **Leslie Buckbee, Gerald Bartline, Terry Fusek, Eileen Elertson, Dorothy Kunst, Ken & Linda Spreeman, Larry Gueths, Bob Janicki, Shirley Sorenson, and Bob Bergum** in our prayers, asking for comfort, strength, and healing. R



JOIN THE FIGHT AGAINST CANCER!

The **American Cancer Society Relay for Life of Shawano-Menominee** will take place on **Sat., April 12**, from **9 AM to 3 PM** at Shawano Community High School. Join the **ZION Walkers** or simply stop by to show your support. Many members of the ZION Walkers have been personally touched by cancer or are currently fighting the disease. This event unites survivors, caregivers, volunteers, and participants with a shared vision of a future with less cancer and more birthdays. To join the ZION Walkers or support their efforts, register or donate at relayforlife.org/shawano-menominee.wi. You can also



use donation envelopes in the ZION *FOCUS* newsletter or March bulletins. **Checks payable to the American Cancer Society** can be placed in the offering plates. For questions, please contact **Kathy Beyer** at **715.853.2464**

or **Dolly Burdick** at **715.799.4029**, co-chairs of the ZION Walkers. *Together, we can make a difference!* R

CONDOLENCES TO THESE FAMILIES

Darlene K. Bahr (May 13, 1949-Jan. 1, 2025) The passing of Darlene Bahr saddens us. Please keep her siblings, Garwood Bahr, Richard (Pat) Bahr, and Judy (Elton) Wendt; niece, Sherri Runge; nephews, Denny (Christine) Bahr and Joey Bahr (Linda Huebner), in your prayers. Pastor Philip Geiger officiated private family services. Visit, swedbergfuneralhome.com/obituary/darlene-bahr

We extend our heartfelt condolences to ZION's organist, Jill Sousek, and her family on losing of her grandfather, **Warren K. "Bud" Sperberg** (5/7/1931-1/12/2025).

A funeral was on Jan. 16 at Shawano United Methodist Church. Please keep Jill and her family in your prayers during this difficult time. For an obituary, visit mickelsonfs.com/warren-sperberg/5536580/index.php

We also offer our sympathies to Julia Waupoose and her family on the passing of Julia's mother, **Delores Rohloff**, on Jan. 6, 2025. A celebration of life will be held at ZION on Sat., Jan. 18, with visitation at 9:30 AM and service at 11 AM. newmedia-wi.com/content/delores-r-rohloff

We extend our heartfelt condolences to **Kris Johnson** and her family on the loss of her brother-in-law, **Randy Trochil**. His funeral will be held on Sat., Jan. 25, 2025, at St. Jakobi Lutheran Church. Please keep Kris and her family in your prayers during this difficult time, asking for God's peace and comfort to surround them. Visit swedbergfuneralhome.com/obituary/randy-trochil. R

LOUD OFFERINGS COMING BACK

The Sunday School kids are excited to bring back loud offerings! On **Feb. 16, Mar. 16**, and **May 11**, students will collect loose change during services to support local charities. Please bring your change and join us in supporting our kids and this wonderful cause! R



JANUARY TOTAL ATTENDANCE

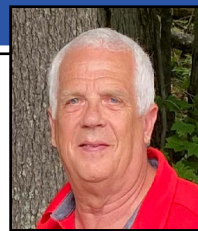
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JANUARY OFFERING TOTALS | \$27,083.96

MEMORIALS TO RESTRICTED FUNDS

- **Lorin & Winnie Preston** given in memory of **Warren Sperberg (Jill Sousek's Grandfather)** to the Music fund.
- **Al & Marge Wichmann** given in memory of **Warren Sperberg** to the Music fund.
- **Choir** given in memory of **Warren Sperberg** to the Music fund. R





“ I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.” ”

~ Isaiah 43:19

Naaman was a man of power. He came to Elisha with all his might, his armies and his gold and silver to see if the prophet could cure him of his leprosy. Naaman was a man of the world. He knew what the world, in its shadowy power, could do. He knew he could buy just about anything. Naaman knew what the world could do. He knew his body was rotting from a fearsome and fatal disease. Naaman came to the prophet Elisha knowing both sides of the world.

Elisha knew what the world could do, too. He knew the law in Leviticus prohibiting contact with a leper. But he also knew what God could do. Elisha did not meet Naaman's wealth and power. Elisha simply met Naaman with the Word of God which overcomes the world. This word made Naaman angry. He couldn't understand something that didn't involve the world's power. Yet, through the common sense, "it-can't-hurt" words of his servants, Naaman heeded the Word of God through Elisha. Naaman washed seven times in the Jordan, and was made clean. God's Word washed him beyond the healing of his disease. God made him all new, a fresh child, scrubbed and clean as though he had just come from a bath by his mother.

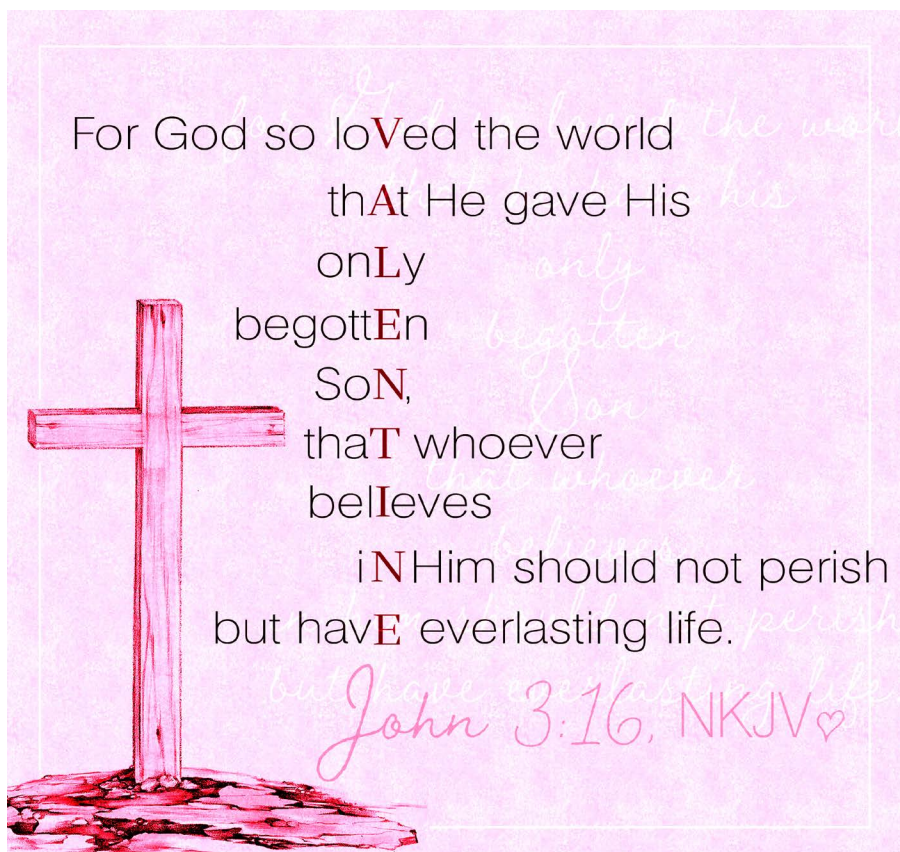
A Leper also came to Jesus. Probably he wasn't rich and powerful like Naaman. Probably he knew only the life of the outcast and the desperation of disease. From his place in the world's weakness, he reached out for the Word which Naaman couldn't hear: The Word of God with the power to heal. Jesus touched him and said, "Be clean." Jesus' Word was even more powerful than Elisha's. it asked no seven-fold dip in the waters of the Jordan. Jesus' Word itself was washing enough. Jesus brought a new Word from God, a Word which washes over bodies, heart and minds and makes them clean, clean like babies straight from their mothers' baths.

Whenever we celebrate a baptism on our congregation, we are all brought once again into the cleansing power of God's Word. The water poured over the person baptized drowns us all anew in its healing flood. The Naamans of this world and the outcasts of this world all stand beneath the same great waterfall of grace and forgiveness. The powerful and the weak, the articulate and not-so-articulate, the rich and the poor, we are all one in our need for cleansing and rebirth. We are together in our need to be scrubbed clean by the power of

God's Word at work within us.

Jesus is for us both the water and the Word. He promises that we will be people of living water; we are made clean. In John's gospel, Jesus tells his disciples, "You are already made clean by the Word which I have spoken to you." (John 15:3) Already made clean! What a wonderful world! We are created in new flesh as God's children, forgiven, restored and renewed for life.

Jesus' power to speak the washing cleansing Word finds its fulfillment in the cross. There, suffering in our humanity, Jesus accomplishes the work which brings health and wholeness to the whole world. Through this sordid, dirty, messy death, the whole world is brought to the place of healing and beauty with cleansed hearts and minds. We who were outcasts are now brought into the household for the feast. We who saw the rotting side of the world are healed of our disease and made ready to join the banquet. Jesus says, "You are already made clean by the Word which I have spoken to you." Just as a mother reminds us that we are already washed in the death of Jesus and ready for the feast. Naaman's power is of no avail. The law's restrictions do not bind. The leper sits next to him at the table. We all join with them in the feast of those who have been made clean in the living water which is God's Word in Jesus. R



EXCITING NEW PROGRAM: GOD'S LITTLE WONDERS PARENT-TOT HOUR

Zion Lutheran Church is thrilled to introduce **God's Little Wonders: Parent-Tot Hour**, a delightful program designed to nurture faith and connection for parents and their little ones. **Starting Thurs., Feb. 6**, this engaging event will take place on the first and third Thursdays of each month, from **10:30 to 11:30 AM** at ZION.

Each session of God's Little Wonders is packed with meaningful activities, including:

- **Hands-on crafts and activities** that spark creativity and joy.
- **Joyful songs and stories** to inspire and entertain young hearts.
- **Simple faith practices** to help parents nurture spirituality in everyday life.
- **Connection time for parents** to build relationships, share experiences, and offer support in a welcoming community.

This program is a wonderful opportunity for parents and children to explore faith together, strengthen family bonds, and connect with other families in a supportive and uplifting environment.

For more information, contact Kristin WhiteHorse at youth@shawanozion.org. We can't wait to see you there!

Come be part of God's Little Wonders, where faith, family, and fun grow hand in hand. R

YOUTH NIGHT OF ICE SKATING FUN

On **Fri., Jan. 31**, the youth of ZION Lutheran Church laced up their skates and hit the ice for an evening of fun at the Crawford Center. The event was filled with laughter, friendship, and the joy of gliding under the colorful lights and lively music provided by the DJ. The event was a great way to take a break from the winter routine and celebrate the joy of fellowship. A huge thank-you to everyone who made this evening possible. Stay tuned for more exciting youth events, and thank you for supporting ZION Lutheran's youth ministry as we continue to grow in faith and community! R



INSPIRING SCRIPTURE ART UNVEILED!

Exciting update for our youth room! Our youth group chose a meaningful Bible verse and design, and Youth Director Kristin brought it to life with a beautiful scripture painting. This artwork is a reminder of faith, hope, and God's presence in our lives. Come check it out! R



SPREADING THE LOVE: ZION YOUTH'S SPAGHETTI DINNER

Join Us for a Spaghetti Dinner Hosted by ZION Youth!

Get ready for a delicious evening of fellowship and food as the youth of ZION Lutheran Church host a **Spaghetti Dinner on Wed., Feb. 19**, starting at **5:30 PM** to raise funds for their ministry and activities. The dinner will feature a mouthwatering menu, including pasta with your choice of meat or meatless sauce, garlic bread, beverages, and an array of delectable desserts.

Tickets go on sale Feb. 3 and are priced at just **\$8 per adult, while children 5 and under eat for free**. This event is open to the entire Congregation, so bring your family and friends to enjoy a wonderful meal while supporting our youth. All youth will be serving the meal and will eat together for free once everyone has been served, demonstrating their dedication and hospitality.

This is more than just a dinner; it's an opportunity to connect with others, support our youth ministry, and strengthen our community. Your participation helps provide meaningful opportunities for our youth to grow in faith, service, and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you there! R

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TRAINING UPDATE

Our Stephen Minister training class begins on February 2. We ask you to keep our Stephen Minister trainees in your prayers as they nurture their gifts and acquire new skills so that they can bring Christ's love and care to hurting people on behalf of our congregation. Also pray for our Stephen Leaders who will guide them through their training. Watch the weekly NEWS for updates on training topics and prayer requests. R



VALENTINE'S DAY IS A DAY OF CARING FOR OTHERS

Valentine's Day often reminds us of the importance of expressing love to those closest to us. However, as children of God, we are called to extend care and compassion beyond a single day or select group of people. The Bible is rich with teachings about love, kindness, and serving others, guiding us to reflect God's love in all our interactions such as:

- Jesus said: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself" ~ Matthew 22:37-39, NIV. This teaching emphasizes that caring for others is central to our faith.

- Paul writes in Galatians 6:2, "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way, you will fulfill the law of Christ." This verse reminds us to step into others' struggles and offer support through prayer, encouragement, or tangible help.

- Jesus modeled perfect love, healing the sick, feeding the hungry, and spending time with the marginalized. In John 13:34-35, He commands us: "Love one another. As I have loved you, you must love one another. By this, everyone will know that you are my disciples."

Here are Some Tips for Sharing God's Love:

- Pray for Others Prayer is powerful. Take time to pray for friends, family, and strangers. Ask God to meet their needs and reveal His love to them.

- Offer a Helping Hand Look for ways to assist others, whether helping with chores, volunteering, or providing a meal. Small acts of service demonstrate God's love.

- Speak Words of Encouragement Proverbs 16:24 says, "Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones." A kind word can brighten someone's day and remind them of their value in God's eyes.

- Be Present In a world full of distractions, giving undivided attention can be profound. Listen actively and show empathy to those who need a friend.

- Share the Gospel The ultimate way to show care is to share the good news of Jesus Christ. Let others see the hope and joy that comes from a relationship with Him (1 Peter 3:15).

- Extend Forgiveness Ephesians 4:32 reminds us: "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." Forgiveness reflects God's grace.

- Give Generously Giving your time, resources, or talents demonstrates God's love. As 2 Corinthians 9:7 says, "God loves a cheerful giver."

Caring for others as a child of God is a lifestyle rooted in love and selflessness. By following Jesus' example and living out biblical principles, we can touch hearts and glorify God. This Valentine's Day — and every day —

God is
love.

1 John 4:8

let us commit to showing God's love to everyone, being His hands and feet in a world that needs His light. R

THANKS FOR THE SAM25 SUPPORT

SAM25, our local homeless shelter, relies on the generosity of community members to provide supper meals for its residents. On January 20th, the Health Ministry graciously sponsored one of these meals. Joyce Phalen, a dedicated member of the Health Ministry Committee, purchased and prepared the food for the evening.

That night, Joyce, along with fellow committee member Ann Johnson, served the meal to 20 residents and 2 care workers at the shelter. Their efforts were met with heartfelt gratitude and appreciation from everyone in attendance.

We extend our deepest thanks to Joyce and Ann for their compassion and service. Their contribution made a meaningful difference in the lives of those they served, exemplifying the spirit of care and community that makes our mission possible. R

JOIN US FOR NAMI HEARTS & MINDS CLASSES STARTING FEBRUARY 11

Are you ready to take a step toward improved mental and physical well-being? Zion Lutheran Church is excited to host the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Hearts and Minds classes — an engaging, supportive program designed to help you prioritize your overall health.

What is NAMI Hearts and Minds? NAMI Hearts and Minds is a holistic wellness program focused on empowering individuals to make informed decisions about their mental and physical health. The classes combine valuable education, practical tips, and supportive discussions to guide you on your journey toward wellness.

Class Details

- **When:** Starting Tues., Feb. 11, 4:30 – 6 PM

- **Duration:** 5 weeks

- **Where:** Zion Lutheran Church



Why Should You Attend? These classes are designed for anyone looking to:

- Improve their mental health and emotional resilience.
- Explore healthy habits and self-care strategies.
- Build a supportive community with others on a similar journey.
- Gain tools for achieving balance and well-being.

Sign Up Today! Space is limited, so be sure to reserve your spot soon! To register, please contact Nancy Schultz, Health and Wellness Coordinator at ZION: 715.390.4540 or health@shawanozion.org.

Don't miss this opportunity to invest in your health and connect with others in our community. Whether you're seeking personal growth, support, or simply want to learn more about mental health and wellness, these classes are for you. We look forward to seeing you there! R

BECOME A FRIENDLY VISITOR: A PROGRAM OF COMPASSION AND CONNECTION

At ZION Lutheran Church, we believe in the power of meaningful connections to enrich lives and strengthen our community. That's why we invite you to join our Friendly Visitor Program — a ministry dedicated to bringing comfort, fellowship, and spiritual care to those in need of companionship.

The Friendly Visitor Program provides compassionate, meaningful connections through regular visits to members of our congregation who may feel isolated or in need of fellowship. These visits offer emotional, spiritual, and social support to individuals who are homebound, living in care facilities, or experiencing periods of isolation.

Becoming a Friendly Visitor is a special opportunity to share God's love by offering companionship, prayer, and encouragement. Volunteers help individuals maintain a connection to their faith and the church community, providing support through prayer, scripture readings, and, if desired, communion. ZION is committed to equipping Friendly Visitors with the tools they need to succeed. Currently, there are eight Friendly Visitor volunteers, and each receives ongoing training and support to feel confident in their role. This includes guidance on providing communion, handling sensitive situations, and addressing urgent concerns.

If you or someone you know would benefit from a Friendly Visitor, we're here for you. This program is open to anyone in our congregation who feels isolated, whether temporarily or long-term.

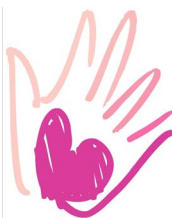
To become a Friendly Visitor or request a visit, please contact Nancy Schultz, Health and Wellness Coordinator at ZION: 715.390.4540 or health@shawanozion.org.

Together, we can create a nurturing environment that reflects the love and care of our faith community. Whether you're offering your time as a volunteer or receiving the gift of fellowship, the Friendly Visitor Program is a beautiful way to connect, share, and grow in faith. R

NEW ZION LIBRARY BOOKS

Little Angel by Geraldine McCaughrean and Ian Beck. This book has beautiful illustrations and tells the story of a little angel and his trip to Bethlehem.

Rebel Horse Rescue Book 5 in the *Horses and Friends* series by Miralee Ferrell Summer is heating up for Kate and her friends when a surprise visitor appears at her family's stable — a beautiful bay horse wearing a halter and a bad attitude. Dubbing the horse "Rebel," the friends set out to find the horse's owner. Where did he come from, and why are horses all over the area disappearing from their pastures and paddocks? It's a mystery that even the sheriff can't figure out, so Kate decides to head p the investigation. When Kate's autistic brother, Pete, develops a strong connection to the new arrival, Kate wonders — did God bring Rebel to them for a bigger purpose? R



CALLED TO LEAD: EMBRACING GOD'S VISION

Dear Friends in Christ:

We often talk about being called to be stewards of God's love. By definition a steward is a manager, but is that really the highest aspiration that God has for us? Have you thought about the difference between a manager and a leader? A manager is a person that is about following the rules, taking care of the status quo and keeping the existing process going. A leader on the other hand is a person that has a vision for a reality that is different than the here and now. A leader works with others to inspire them to see other possibilities. A leader changes things and makes a difference in the world. Whether we lead in our families, neighborhoods, jobs or congregation; isn't that what God is calling us to be about for the sake of the gospel?

Here is a different approach to thinking about stewardship: God created everyone of us on purpose and to make a difference in the world. Great leaders like Jesus, Martin Luther King Jr., or pastors you may have known aren't the only ones who lead lives that matter. We all have a unique role to play as leaders in making the kingdom of God emerge "on earth as it is in heaven." Our unique role is based on how God made us; the skills, talents, experiences and passions that make up who we are. Our calling in life is to be disciples of Jesus and his calling is about all of who we are and all of what we do. Our ability to make a difference is a function of all our gifts and possessions; including how we make, spend, save and share our money.

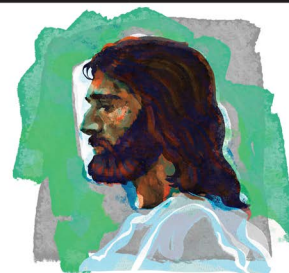
God wants us to be able to look at our lives and know that we matter. We have a purpose and our decisions and choices make a difference as we proclaim Christ's love. We are a congregation that is energized by lively engagement in our faith and life together. Thank you for taking up the challenges of leading in God's work with generous hearts that make Zion Lutheran Church the faith community that it is! R In Christ's service, ~ Pastor Scott



Bible Quiz

Jesus was known for using a certain type of speech in his teaching. What was it?

- A. soliloquy
- B. parable
- C. lecture
- D. riddle



Answer: B (See Mark 4:33-34)

SCHOLARSHIP THANK YOU

Thank you for the generous amount for my second semester classes. I'm looking forward to my classes especially my advanced riding class. I get to ride twice a week out at our Equine lab farm. First semester went by way too fast, hoping second semester goes quick too but not too quick. Thank you again for your love and support. R
~ Allison Laffin

ZLCW ANNUAL REPORT UPDATE

ZLCW Secretary has expressed concern the full ZLCW report was not included in the Annual Report. As the Women of Zion play a vital role in serving our church, community, and beyond, they request that the complete report be shared to ensure all members are informed.

Zion Lutheran Church Women have been busy serving others in 2024. Some of their activities included:

- Collected Personal Care Kit items and made 63 kits sent to Lutheran World Relief (LWR) October 2024
- In lieu of a Salad Supper in the fall, it was decided to have a Silent Auction April 13-21, 2024, as a fundraiser for end of year benevolences. It was very successful and a second Silent Auction was held November 16-24, 2024. This was also successful.
- Donated a quilt to Shawano-Menominee American Cancer Society Relay for Life.
- Donated a quilt to the Shawano County Historical Society Rhubarb Festival in June.
- With the help of Zion members School Kit supplies were collected and 50 School Kits were sent to LWR in October 2024.
- Quilts were given to six Zion high school seniors in May 2024.
- Throughout the year Wee Care volunteers used the kitchen to bake cookies as a fund raiser to purchase food for lunches given to students.
- Funeral meals were served by ZLCW and the food catered from Charlie's.
- Festival of Trees was held at Zion in December. There was approximately a dozen decorated trees throughout the Commons. They added much to the area throughout the Christmas season!
- A monthly Bible Study group meets at 3:30 p.m. October through April and at 6:30 p.m. May through September the third Monday of each month in Zion's library. The group uses the Bible Study in the Gather magazine, a publication of the ELCA. Join us for fellowship and to learn more about the Bible.
- Zion's Mission Quilters made a total of 204 quilts, 63 Personal Care Kits, and 50 School Kits from October 2023 to October 2024. These items were sent to the LWR warehouse in Minneapolis. Zion's confirmation students brought the boxes upstairs to the long hallway, taped them shut, and stacked them in the east entryway for easy loading into Mike Eidahl's truck, Diane Rugalski's van, and Dorothy Eidahl's van. It was wonderful to see what the Mission Quilter's and Zion members did for others.
- At the December ZLCW meeting, the Executive Board decided where to donate monies (see ZLCW Treasurer's

Report) to support various charities in Shawano, Zion and the world. Thank you for your support throughout the year. Without your support we could not share these benevolences.

- Throughout the year Zion's Mission Quilters were gifted with monetary and fabric donations from Zion members and the community. This means so much to us and is vital to the success of this dedicated group of women. Anyone is welcome to join us! You do not need to know how to sew! We meet every Tuesday morning at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. It is a time of making new friends, fellowship, and doing something for others.

- Zion's Mission Quilters are always in need of fabric donations, blankets, twin/queen/king sheets and monetary donations used to purchase batting to put between the layers of fabric. (We cannot use fabric that is camouflage, fleece, Christmas, netting, slippery fabric or military.) The items should be clean. Dark colors work best, but light colors are also used for middles in place of batting. Please consider Zion's Mission Quilters if you have or know of someone who no longer needs their fabric.

- In February 2024 a new ZLCW handbook will be printed. If you no longer have a land line telephone and use only a cell phone, please contact Karen Childs at 715.526.2445 or Dorothy Eidahl at 715.526.2650 with your cell phone number. We want to include everyone in the handbook with correct information.

Did you know each confirmed woman of Zion is a member of ZLCW? It is incredible knowing that, together, we can serve others through various activities here and in the community. We can walk together in our faith journey, no matter where we are in that journey. And, we can help others at Zion, in our community and in the world.

Please prayerfully consider joining ZLCW and sharing your talents in 2025 and all ZLCW does for Zion, Shawano and the world.

ZLCW Executive Board:

- Co-Presidents: Karen Childs and Mila Waukechon
- Vice-President: Vacant
- Secretary: Dorothy Eidahl
- Treasurer: Linda Trevarthen
- Secretary of Education: Vacant
- Co-Stewardship Chairs: Karen Childs, Dorothy Eidahl
- Kitchen: Mila Waukechon
- Ways & Means: Karen Childs R

Printed copies of the 2024 ZION Annual Report are available in the church office.



2024 ZION Contribution Statements were mailed to you on January 28, 2025.

FEBRUARY ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

Date	Service	Acolytes
Sun., Feb. 2	8 AM	Brixon Koenig
	10:30 AM	Erin Felhofer, Brooklyn WhiteHorse
Sun., Feb. 9	8 AM	Levi Effenberger, Lane Laude
	10:30 AM	Peyten & Morgan Boucher
Sun., Feb. 16	8 AM	Open
	10:30 AM	Leah & Molly Hanson
Sun., Feb. 23	8 AM	Brixon Koenig
	10:30 AM	Kyle Huebner R

March Dates to be determined



Love is patient, Love is kind.

1 CORINTHIANS 13:4

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS SCHEDULE

Month	Service	Volunteers
February	Saturday-5 PM	<u>Lay Reader:</u> Joy Dalke <u>Communion Assistants:</u> Joy Dalke & Steve Dalke
	Sunday-8 AM	<u>Lay Reader:</u> Carey Grieves <u>Communion Assistants:</u> Carey & Brian Grieves, Scott Glysch
	Sunday-10:30 AM	<u>Lay Reader:</u> Judy Stoltenow <u>Communion Assistants:</u> Judy Stoltenow, Susan Lemke, Winnie Preston
March	Saturday-5 PM	<u>Lay Reader:</u> Robert Hass <u>Communion Assistants:</u> Robert Hass & Diane Rugalski
	Sunday-8 AM	<u>Lay Reader:</u> Matt Heling <u>Communion Assistants:</u> Matt & Vicki Heling, Dawn Brock
	Sunday-10:30 AM	<u>Lay Reader:</u> Michael Sleeper <u>Communion Assistants:</u> Michael Sleeper, Robert & Jackie Weier
April	Saturday-5 PM	<u>Lay Reader:</u> Steve Dalke <u>Communion Assistants:</u> Joy Dalke & Steve Dalke
	Sunday-8 AM	<u>Lay Reader:</u> Amanda Bernath <u>Communion Assistants:</u> Debbie, Bart & Bailey DeFere
	Sunday-10:30 AM	<u>Lay Reader:</u> Mike Eidahl <u>Communion Assistants:</u> Mike Eidahl, Judy Stoltenow & Robert Hass
May	Saturday-5 PM	<u>Lay Reader:</u> Robert Hass <u>Communion Assistants:</u> Robert Hass & Diane Rugalski
	Sunday-8 AM	<u>Lay Reader:</u> Susan Lemke <u>Communion Assistants:</u> Susan Lemke, Robert & Jackie Weier
	Sunday-10:30 AM	<u>Lay Reader:</u> Sara Boucher <u>Communion Assistants:</u> Sara, Cooper & Jackson Boucher R

We Love
Our
Volunteers



Make this heartfelt craft as a decoration or gift.

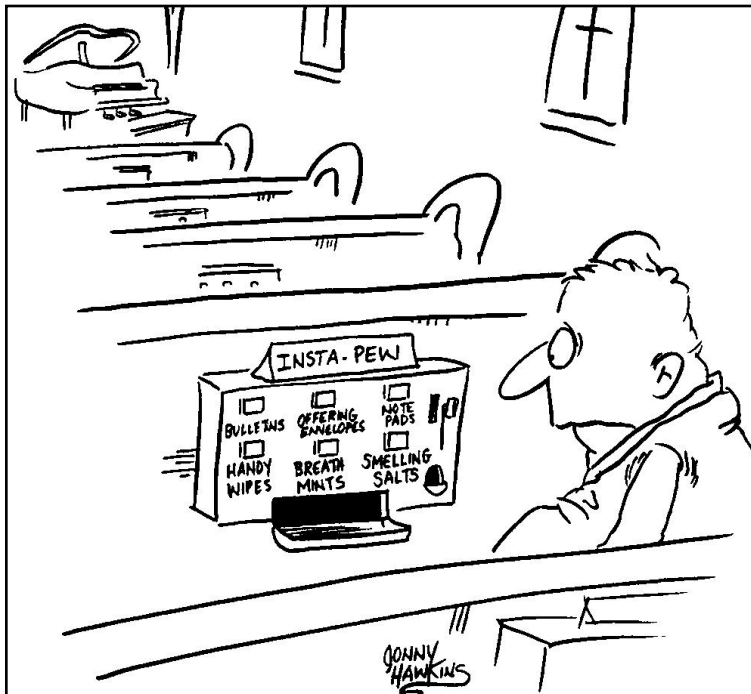
What you need:

- Yarn
- Scissors
- Parchment paper
- Baking sheet
- Heart-shaped cookie cutters
- ¼ cup cornstarch
- ½ cup water
- Adult help



What you do:





1. Cut yarn into 12-inch pieces.
2. Place cookie cutters atop a baking sheet lined with parchment paper.
3. Combine cornstarch and water in a saucepan. Heat mixture over medium heat, stirring until thick and smooth. Remove from heat and cool to form a "glue."
4. Dip each piece of yarn into the mixture to coat completely. Squeeze off any excess.
5. Place yarn in the cookie cutters, allowing pieces to cross and loop within the heart. Add more until the cookie cutter is filled and the yarn looks like a heart.
6. Remove cookie cutters and bake the sheet for two hours at 150°F, or until hearts are dry and hard.



We
love
because
He first
loved us.

1 John 4:19

February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>2</p> <p>Love never fails. 1 Corinthians 13:8</p>	<p>3</p> <p>8:30am Strong Bodies 12:00pm Health Ministry Committee Meeting 3:30pm Jill Sousek Meeting 5:00pm Worship & Music Committee Meeting</p>	<p>4</p> <p>7:30am Strong Bodies 8:00am Men's Breakfast 9:00am LWR Mission Quilting</p>	<p>5</p> <p>8:30am Strong Bodies 4:30pm Stewardship Committee Meeting 5:00pm Joyful Ringers Rehearsal 6:00pm Confirmation Class 6:30pm High School Youth Group</p>	<p>6</p> <p>7:30am Strong Bodies 10:30am God's Little Wonders - Parent/Tot Hour 4:30pm Girl Scouts Troop #4723 5:30pm Girl Scouts Troop #4139</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>5:00pm Worship Service</p>
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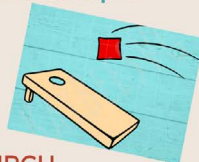
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YOUNG ADULT SINGLES BAGS & BOARD GAMES

Tues. February 11th

5:30-6:30pm



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1254 S UNION ST. SHAWANO, WI

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Join us for an evening of games, laughter, and fellowship as
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Cinderella

Music by RICHARD RODGERS
Book and Lyrics by OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN II

February 6-8 at 7pm and February 9 at 2pm

Ticket Costs: Students - \$6, Seniors - \$9, Adults - \$12

Tickets can be purchased in the HS Office,
at the door, or at shawanotheater.ludus.com



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Parent-Tot Hour, a special time for parents and their little ones to connect, explore, and grow in faith together.

Starting February 6

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This engaging hour includes:

- ✦ Hands-on activities and crafts
- 🎵 Joyful songs and stories
- 👤 Simple ways to nurture faith in your family
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Wednesday, February 19th, 2025
5:30pm - 7:30pm

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