

ZION NEWS

WELCOMING ALL, GROWING & SHARING GOD'S LOVE

ZION WEEKLY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26

Strong Bodies | 8:30 AM
 Worship Service | 11 AM
 Lenten Luncheon | 12 PM
 Lenten Supper | 4:30 PM
 Worship Service | 6 PM
 Confirmation Class & Lenten Mentors | 6 PM
 High School Bible Study | 6:30 PM

THURSDAY, MARCH 27

Strong Bodies | 7:30 AM
 Girl Scouts Troop #4717 | 6 PM

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

ZLCW Basket Raffle Starts
 Worship Service | 5 PM

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

Worship Service | 8 AM
 Choir Rehearsal | 9:15 AM
 Kids of the Kingdom (Service Project Day) | 9:15 AM
 Worship Service | 10:30 AM
 Stephen Ministry Training | 12 PM

MONDAY, MARCH 31

Strong Bodies | 8:30 AM
 Staff Meeting | 10 AM

TUESDAY, APRIL 1

Strong Bodies | 7:30 AM
 Men's Breakfast | 8 AM
 LWR Mission Quilting | 9 AM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

Strong Bodies | 8:30 AM
 Worship Service | 11 AM
 Lenten Luncheon | 12 PM
 Lenten Supper | 4:30 PM
 Worship Service | 6 PM
 Confirmation Class & Lenten Mentors | 6 PM
 High School Bible Study | 6:30 PM

THURSDAY, APRIL 3

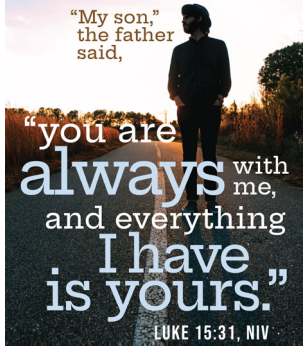
Strong Bodies | 7:30 AM
 Girl Scouts Troop #4717 | 6 PM

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

First Communion Class | 10 AM
 Worship Service | 5 PM

SUNDAY, APRIL 6 ZLCW Basket Raffle Ends

Worship Service | 8 AM
 Choir Rehearsal & Kids of the Kingdom | 9:15 AM
 Worship Service | 10:30 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. May they find strength and healing.

Dale Bergsbaken, Larry Gueths, Gerald Bartline, Pete Hintz, Terry Fusek, Leslie Buckbee, Yvonne Wolf, Adeline Holtz, Stacey Popp, Dorothy Kunst, Maynard Rosenberg, Ken & Linda Spreeman, Bob Janicki and Shirley Sorenson.

ATTENDANCE – MARCH 19, 22-23

SAT. | 5 PM | 39 SUN. | 8 AM | 58 SUN. | 10:30 AM | 44
 Total In-Person | 219 YouTube Views | 372 Wednesday | 78

WEEKLY OFFERING UPDATE 3/23/2025

General Fund: \$13,801 Building Fund: \$350 Restricted Funds: \$584
 Lenten Wednesday: \$244 Total Offerings: \$14,979

LENTEN LUNCHEAS & SUPPERS AT ZION

Please come join us after the 11 AM worship service. ZION's **Lenten Suppers** are every **Wednesday** from **4:30-6 PM** before the Lent evening services. All are welcome. This is a time for fellowship, community, and a warm meal as we prepare our hearts for worship. Interested in helping? Sign up on the bulletin board by the elevator.

WITH SYMPATHY: KENNETH LOUNSBURY

We extend our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of **Kenneth Lounsbury**. Funeral services will be held on **Mon., March 31** at **11 AM**. Swedberg Funeral Home is in charge of the funeral arrangements. Please keep his loved ones in your prayers.

MARCH & APRIL WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Service	Acolytes
3/30/25	8 AM Volunteers needed 10:30 AM Erin Felhofer & Blake Otto
4/6/25	8 & 10:30 AM Volunteers needed
4/13/25 (Palm Sunday)	8 AM Volunteers needed 10:30 AM Peyten & Morgan Boucher
Service	March Lay Readers & Communion Assistants
Sat.-5 PM	Robert Hass (Reader) & Diane Rugalski
Sun.-8 AM	Bart, Debbie & Bailey Defere
Sun.-10:30 AM	Michael Sleeper (Reader) Robert & Jackie Weier
Service	April Lay Readers & Communion Assistants
Sat.-5 PM	Steve Dalke (Reader) & Joy Dalke
Sun.-8 AM	Amanda Bernath (Reader) Bart, Debbie & Bailey Defere
Sun.-10:30 AM	Mike Eidahl (Reader) Judy Stoltenow & Robert Hass

To volunteer for ZION summer worship services, go to: <https://bit.ly/ZionSummerVolunteers>



Meet the Disciples!

Join Us as our Pastor brings the Disciples to life in first-person portrayals. Experience their bold faith, struggles, and commitment to Christ — and reflect on how their journeys connect to yours.



LENTEN WEDNESDAY WORSHIP
 Worship Services | 11 AM & 6 PM
 Lenten Lunch | Noon
 Lenten Supper | 4:30-6 PM



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SOMETHING OLD, Something New

Use scrap paper to fuel new growth and make a gift that keeps on giving.

What you need:

- Scrap paper
- Water
- Herb or flower seeds
- Blender
- Strainer
- Cookie sheet
- Towel
- Adult help



What you do:

1. Tear the scrap paper into strips and place in a bowl. Cover the paper with water and let it soak overnight.
2. Pour the mixture into a blender and blend about 10 seconds.
3. Strain and squeeze the paper pulp to remove excess water. Place in a bowl.
4. Sprinkle seeds over the pulp and mix to incorporate them into the pulp.
5. Shape the pulp into a flat layer on the cookie sheet. Use a towel to soak up excess water. Allow the paper to dry completely.
6. Tear paper into shapes or fold into a card. You can plant the paper directly into soil. Water it and then watch your plants grow!



ZLCW SILENT AUCTION STARTS MARCH 29

Get ready — ZION's beloved ZLCW Silent Auction of Baskets is back from **March 29–April 6!** Thank you to everyone who donated baskets for this fun and meaningful event. From sweet treats to creative themes, there's something for everyone. Stop by the Narthex, and place your bids to support the ZLCW mission. Let the bidding begin!



GATHER AT THE BAY

Who: A ministry led by young adults, for all adults (ages 18-35).

What: Join us for an in-person meetup in the Green Bay area at Calvary Lutheran Church. Enjoy games, a scavenger hunt, light snacks, and the chance to build meaningful spiritual connections with fellow young adults.

Where: Calvary Lutheran, 1301 S. Ridge Rd., Green Bay

When: **March 30 | 7 PM**

Why: Come, connect with other adults. No expectations, just a chance to be yourself, meet new people, and find support wherever you are on your journey.

Contact: Robbie at 920.445.3520.

KIDS OF THE KINGDOM SERVICE PROJECT

Thank you to everyone who supported the **Kids of the Kingdom Loud Offering!** We collected \$215 to purchase games, supplies, and bingo prizes for our local nursing homes. We are continuing to collect items. Please place donations in the box by the bulletin board. A list of needed items is posted there as well. Our May Loud Offering will also support this project. Thank you for helping us make a difference!

ZION BLOOD DRIVES ♦ **May 12 | 1–5:30 PM** ♦ **Sept. 22 | 1:30–5:30 PM**

Mark your calendars! You can donate blood every 56 days so plan ahead and make a difference at our upcoming drives. More details will be shared as the dates approach. Thanks for being ready to say “YES” to saving lives!

FILL THE SANCTUARY WITH BEAUTY THIS EASTER!

Honor or remember a loved one this Easter season by sponsoring an Easter plant. Order forms are available in the bulletin, on the ZION website, or in the Narthex. Simply complete a form, select your plant, and return it with payment in an envelope — place it in the offering plate or drop it off at the church office.

Available Plants: **Easter Lily** – \$20, **Kalanchoe** – \$25,

Mum – \$25, or a **Begonia** – \$25 each. **Deadline: Mon., April 7.**

MARCH MADNESS: BIBLE BRACKET CHALLENGE

Congratulations to our Winners in the March Madness: Bible Story Bracket Challenge! **Morgan, Peyton, and Cooper Boucher** and **Lane Laude** all received Culver's Gift Cards for participating in this new March event!

CROSSWAYS CAMPS — WHERE FAITH MEETS FUN!



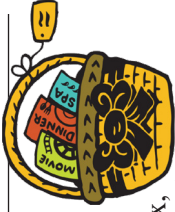
CROSSWAYS

CAMPING MINISTRIES

Give your child an unforgettable summer at Crossways Camps!

Campers will grow in faith, make

lifelong friends, and enjoy outdoor adventures like swimming, hiking, and campfires — all in a Christ-centered environment. With programs for all ages, Crossways provides a safe and supportive space where kids can explore their faith, build confidence, and have fun. Caring counselors, engaging activities, and worship make this a summer experience they won't forget! Learn more and register at crosswayscamps.org/youth. Spots fill fast — don't miss out!



“My people have been lost sheep.....”

Jeremiah 50:6, NIV

SHAWANO-MENOMINEE RELAY FOR LIFE

PEARLS OF HOPE



Support Relay for Life! Use the inserted envelopes to donate and make a difference!

Celebrating

30 Years 1995-2025

Saturday, April 12 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Shawano Community High School

The public is always welcome to join us in the Fight Against Cancer!

Survivor Recognition, Food, Music, Games, Family Fun and More

Please join our Zion Walkers and other Relay For

Life Teams in raising funds or just drop by to give your

support. You may also donate online

www.relayforlife.org/shawano-menomineewi

search for team: Zion Walkers or any team individual

Questions? Call Kaitly 715-853-2464 or Dolly 715-799-4029



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Training Update

Thank you for your prayers so far, please continue to pray for our Stephen Leaders and Stephen Minister trainees. Here is what they are studying this week.

Session Eleven — Telecare: The Next Best Thing to Being There

While most of their caregiving will take place in person, occasionally Stephen Ministers may also care for people over the telephone. In this session, our Stephen Minister trainees learn when using the phone is appropriate and how to provide care most effectively over the phone.

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

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

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First Communion

Class- April 5 @ 10am
Service- Thurs, April 17 @6pm

This sacrament is open to any child whose parents feel they are ready. At least one parent must attend the class with their child.

Contact Pastor Scott or Kristin WhiteHorse if your child is interested.