

WELCOMING ALL, GROWING & SHARING GOD'S LOVE

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP

This Christmas season, we're so glad you've joined us for worship, song, and the celebration of Christ's birth. There's always a place for you and your loved ones. Embrace His peace, and share in the true joy of this holy season!

TUES., DECEMBER 24 Christmas Eve

Worship Service | 3:30 & 5:30 PM

WED., DECEMBER 25 Christmas Day

Worship Service | 9 AM

NEXT WEEK AT ZION SATURDAY, DEC. 28

Worship Service | 5 PM

SUNDAY, DEC. 29

Worship Service | 8 AM

Worship Service | 10:30 AM Octavia Sleeper Baptism

TUESDAY, DEC. 31 Office Closed

WED., JAN. 1 Office Closed | New Year's Day

THURSDAY, JAN. 2

Strong Bodies | 7:30 AM

Girl Scouts Troop #4723 | 4:30 PM

Girl Scout Troop #4717 | 6 PM

SATURDAY, JAN. 4

Worship Service | 5 PM

SUNDAY, JAN. 5

Worship Service | 8 AM | Henrick Steichen Baptism Sunday School | 9:15 AM

Worship Service | 10:30 AM

No Sunday School or Middle School Bible Study on Dec. 22 or 29. Classes resume Jan. 5. No confirmation classes on Dec. 25 or Jan. 1. Classes resume Jan. 8.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Thoughts and Prayers IN OUR

We trust in prayer's power. Lift up these loved ones, asking for God's comfort and healing presence to surround them.

Leslie Buckbee • Gerald Bartline • Marilyn Dahl Terry Fusek • Eileen Elertson • Rita Trinko Ken & Linda Spreeman • Larry Gueths • Bob Janicki

OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES

We extend our condolences and prayers to the families grieving recent losses. On Tues., Dec. 17, at 11 AM at ZION, we held a funeral for Ronald "Ron" E. Raasch, which included military and police honor guard ceremonies in recognition of his life of service and sacrifice.

We also lift up the Logemann family in prayer following the passing of Nita "Kay" Moberg Logemann. Her funeral was held on Tues., Dec. 17 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Wausau. Memorials in her name may be made to ELCA at *goodgifts.elca.org*, and her obituary is at: brainardfuneral.com/obituaries/nita-logemann.

Please also keep Kay Weinig and family in your prayers as she mourns the loss of her father, Ralph Wuske, whose funeral was held on Mon., Dec. 23, at 11 AM at ZION in Caroline. eberhardtstevenson.com/obituary/Ralph-Wuske.

As a church family, we continue to walk alongside these families in love and support during this holiday season.

SPREAD JOY WITH GIVING!

The Health Ministry invites you and your family — children, grandchildren, and all — to pick an ornament from our ELCA Giving Tree. Each ornament shares how you can make a meaningful, tax-deductible gift by check or online. Your generosity brings hope to those in need, making a real difference this holiday season. Rejoice — it's the season of giving!

2025 OFFERING ENVELOPES

2025 offering envelopes are available at the Info Desk. If yours are missing, please contact the office. Your support through regular giving helps sustain ZION's mission and ministries year-round. Thank you for your generosity!

SERVE ON CHURCH COUNCIL

ZION's Church Council needs a **Treasurer** and **Secretary** for the upcoming terms. These roles are key to supporting ZION's ministries. Have experience or just a heart for service? Consider stepping up!

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

SAT | 5 PM | **56** SUN | 8 AM | **50** SUN | 10:30 AM | **70 Total In-Person** | **176 YouTube Views** | **106 views**

WEEKLY OFFERING UPDATE

General Fund: \$5,362 Building Fund: \$1,044
Restricted Funds: \$1,469 Total Weekly Offering: \$7,875

CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING

Mark your calendar! ZION's **Annual Meeting** will be on **Sun., Jan. 26, 2025**, at **11:30 AM** in the sanctuary. Your presence and votes are vital as we review the past year, discuss plans for the future, and make important decisions for ZION. Together, let's shape the next chapter of ZION's ministry. We look forward to seeing you there!

POINSETTIAS BY ZION MEMBERS

(See bulletin for listings) *Note, missed dedication: In Memory of ... Mr. & Mrs. Roy Rades given by Robert & Cheryl Giese and family. Correction: Donna Davis gave a poinsettia In Honor of the Altar Guide, Kristin WhiteHorse & ZION Youth. Thank you to all who generously purchased poinsettias to adorn the Chancel this Christmas. Your donations help create a beautiful atmosphere as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.

CHRIST IN OUR HOME

The January-March issue of **Christ in Our Home**, an inspirational devotional guide, is available on the literature cart in the Commons in regular and LARGE print. Pick a copy for your home for 2025.

PRESENTED BY ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY COO COO CALL AGES ARE WELCOME! SUNDAY DANUARY E 4800 PM - GOOD PM

2024 CONTRIBUTIONS

The last day for contributions to be counted for 2024 will be on **Sun.**, **Dec. 29**. Your yearly contribution statements will be mailed sometime in January.

BINGO FITNESS CHALLENGE!

Kick off the new year with fun! Join our Bingo Fitness Challenge starting Sun., Jan. 5, and take steps toward a healthier, stronger you! Over ten weeks, complete your Bingo card by March 15 while building lasting healthy habits. *Why Join?*

- <u>A Fresh Start</u>: After the holidays, reset and refocus on your health goals. Move more, feel stronger, and start fresh!
- <u>Fun and Motivating</u>: Each Bingo square features activities like new workouts, hydration goals, or mindfulness. Completing squares keeps you inspired and rewarded!
- <u>Build Healthy Habits</u>: Ten weeks is the perfect time to create lasting routines that improve both physical and mental well-being.
- <u>Community Support</u>: You're not alone! Be part of a group cheering each other on as you complete your cards. *How It Works:*

When: Jan. 5-March 15, 2025

<u>Goal</u>: Complete every square on your Bingo card. <u>Tasks</u>: Enjoy activities like fitness challenges, hydration goals, or trying new exercises.

Get Started Today!

Make 2025 your healthiest year yet! The Bingo Fitness Challenge is fun, engaging, and the perfect way to stay on track. Sign up now, grab your card, and let's start this journey together!

