

Welcome!

HERE IS THE
*Lamb
of God*

JOHN 1:29



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Our Mission: Empowered and Inspired by God to bring others to Christ.

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 18, 2026 ~ 9:00 am

The Liturgy of Word and Sacrament

Today's gospel opens with further reflection on Jesus' baptism. He is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world and the one anointed by the Spirit. In the liturgy we come and see Christ revealed among us in word and meal. We go forth to invite others to come and worship the Holy One and to receive the gifts of grace and peace made known among us.

**Congregation please stand*

The Pre-service Music

~ The Gathering ~

*** The Confession and Forgiveness**

BLESSED BE THE HOLY TRINITY, ☩ ONE GOD, THE CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH, THE WORD WHO SPOKE LIFE INTO BEING, THE WIND STIRRING THE WATERS.

Amen.

LET US TURN IN CONFESSION TO THE ONE WHO KNOWS US COMPLETELY.

Please kneel if able.

MIGHTY GOD, LOVER OF JUSTICE,

you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

THE FORMER THINGS HAVE PASSED AWAY, AND NEW THINGS GOD NOW DECLARES: LIKE A SPRING OF WATER THAT NEVER FAILS, GOD COVERS YOU IN THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF CHRIST, AND FORGIVES YOUR SIN IN ☩ JESUS' NAME. MAY THE SPIRIT GIVE YOU STRENGTH TO LIVE FOR OTHERS, AND BLESS YOU WITH THE GIFT OF PEACE.

Amen.

*** The Gathering Hymn "Arise, Your Light Has Come!"**

WOW No. 652

**Arise, your light has come! The Spirit's call obey;
Show forth the glory of your God which shines on you today.**

**Arise, your light has come! Fling wide the prison door;
Proclaim the captive's liberty, good tidings to the poor.**

**Arise, your light has come! All you in sorrow born,
Bind up the broken-hearted ones and comfort those who mourn.**

**Arise, your light has come! The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.**

*** The Greeting**

THE BOUNDLESS GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE WISDOM OF GOD, AND THE LIGHT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BE WITH YOU ALL.

And also with you.

* The Kyrie Eleison (*music on page 57 of LBW*)

IN PEACE, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

(Sung) Lord, have mercy.

FOR THE PEACE FROM ABOVE, AND FOR OUR SALVATION, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

Lord, have mercy.

FOR THE PEACE OF THE WHOLE WORLD, FOR THE WELL-BEING OF THE CHURCH OF GOD, AND FOR THE UNITY OF ALL, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

Lord, have mercy.

FOR THIS HOLY HOUSE, AND FOR ALL WHO OFFER HERE THEIR WORSHIP AND PRAISE, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

Lord, have mercy.

HELP, SAVE, COMFORT, AND DEFEND US, GRACIOUS LORD.

Amen.

* The Hymn of Praise (*music on page 58 of LBW*)

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND PEACE TO HIS PEOPLE ON EARTH.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

* The Prayer of the Day

THE LORD BE WITH YOU

(Sung) And also with you.

LET US PRAY:

Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

~The Word~

The First Lesson Isaiah 49:1-7

Here the servant, identified as Israel, speaks for herself and describes her honored mission. Called before her birth like Jeremiah and John the Baptist, the servant is not only to restore Israel. The servant's ultimate assignment is to bring news of God's victory to the ends of the earth. God in faithfulness has chosen Israel for this task.

(After the reading)

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 40:1-11 Tune “As With Gladness Men of Old” No. 82

To the Lord I raised my cry. In due time he made reply,

HE PULLED ME OUT OF A DANGEROUS PIT, OUT OF A MUDDY HOLE. HE SET ME SAFELY ON A ROCK AND MADE ME SECURE. HE TAUGHT ME TO SING A NEW SONG, A SONG OF PRAISE TO OUR GOD.

Blest are they who trust the Lord; And give heed unto his Word.

FOR YOU HAVE DONE MANY THINGS FOR US, LORD MY GOD; THERE IS NO ONE LIKE YOU! YOU HAVE MADE MANY WONDERFUL PLANS FOR US. IF I TRIED TO SPEAK OF ALL OF THEM, THERE WOULD BE MORE THAN I COULD TELL.

Let me tell your glory still; How I love to do your will!

YOU DO NOT WANT SACRIFICES AND OFFERINGS TO TAKE AWAY SINS. INSTEAD, YOU HAVE GIVEN ME EARS TO HEAR YOU, AND SO I ANSWERED, "HERE I AM; YOUR INSTRUCTIONS FOR ME ARE IN THE BOOK OF THE LAW."

How I love to do your will; Let your words my praises fill.

IN THE MEETING OF ALL YOUR PEOPLE, LORD, I TOLD THE GOOD NEWS THAT YOU SAVE. YOU KNOW THAT I WILL NEVER STOP TELLING IT.

To the Lord I raised my cry. In due time he made reply.

I HAVE ALWAYS SPOKEN OF YOUR FAITHFULNESS AND HELP. IN THE MEETING OF ALL YOUR PEOPLE I HAVE NOT BEEN SILENT ABOUT YOUR CONSTANT LOVE AND LOYALTY.

God is faithful to his Word; Blest are they who trust the Lord!

The Second Lesson 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Though God's church in Corinth is a fractious congregation beset with many conflicts, Paul opens this letter by spotlighting the multiple ways God has enriched and sustained its life as part of the divine call into the fellowship of our Lord Jesus Christ.

(After the reading)

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Thanks be to God.

*** The Gospel Acclamation (ELW 175)**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

*** The Holy Gospel St. John 1:29-42**

John the Baptist's witness to Jesus initiates a chain of testimony as his disciples begin to share with others what they have found.

(Before the Gospel)

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT JOHN THE 1ST CHAPTER:

(Sung) Glory to you, O Lord.

(After the Gospel)

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD

(Sung) Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

Pastor Cindy White

***The Hymn of the Day**

"Jesus Call Us; O'er the Tumult"

No. 494

*** The Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

* The Prayers of Intercession

AS GOD'S BELOVED CHILDREN UNITED IN CHRIST, LET US PRAY FOR THE CHURCH, THE WHOLE HUMAN COMMUNITY, AND THE WELL-BEING OF THE EARTH, OUR HOME.

A brief silence.

GRACIOUS GOD, GATHER THE CHURCH INTO ONE GREAT FELLOWSHIP. EQUIP YOUR PEOPLE TO WORK TOGETHER FOR JUSTICE AND PEACE, FOLLOWING THE EXAMPLE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR., RENEWER OF SOCIETY, WHOSE BIRTH WE REMEMBER THIS WEEK. MERCIFUL GOD,

receive our prayer.

CREATING GOD, SUSTAIN THE WEB OF LIFE ON THIS PLANET. PROTECT WILD PLACES, ENDANGERED SPECIES, AND VULNERABLE HABITATS. COME TO THE AID OF THOSE AFFECTED BY NATURAL DISASTERS. MERCIFUL GOD,

receive our prayer.

JUST GOD, YOU DESIRE RESPECT AND EQUALITY FOR EVERYONE. RAISE UP PROPHETS WHO SPEAK TRUTH TO THE NATIONS. EMBOLDEN LEADERS AND THOSE IN AUTHORITY TO ADVOCATE FOR PEOPLE IN NEED. MERCIFUL GOD,

receive our prayer.

HEALING GOD, YOU LIFT UP THOSE WHO ARE BOWED DOWN BY TROUBLE, OPPRESSION, OR ILLNESS ESPECIALLY GARY, BETTY, WALTER, FORREST, STEVE, CHRISTINE, EDDIE, GEORGE, ALL OUR MEMBERS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND. BRING AN END TO SOCIAL INJUSTICE AND INEQUITIES OF EVERY KIND, SO THAT ALL PEOPLE MAY HAVE ABUNDANT LIFE. MERCIFUL GOD,

receive our prayer.

ABIDING GOD, YOU ARE PRESENT WITH THIS CONGREGATION. KEEP US MINDFUL OF OUR MISSION AND GUIDE OUR MINISTRIES IN THIS COMMUNITY. KINDLE IN US A DESIRE TO HELP ONE ANOTHER. MERCIFUL GOD,

receive our prayer.

FAITHFUL GOD, YOU PROMISE TO BE WITH US ALWAYS. WE REMEMBER WITH GRATITUDE THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED WHO NOW REST IN YOU. STRENGTHEN US TO THE END, THAT WE MAY SEE YOU FACE TO FACE. MERCIFUL GOD,

receive our prayer.

GOD OF GRACE AND MERCY, (PLEASE SHARE ANY PERSONAL PRAYER PETITIONS) HEAR OUR PETITIONS THAT WE SPEAK OUT LOUD AND THE ONES THAT WE HOLD IN OUR HEARTS. MERCIFUL GOD,

receive our prayer.

CONFIDENT THAT THE HOLY SPIRIT RECEIVES OUR PRAYERS AND ANSWERS US, WE COMMEND ALL FOR WHOM WE PRAY TO GOD'S LOVING-KINDNESS MADE KNOWN TO US IN CHRIST JESUS OUR SAVIOR.

Amen.

* The Peace of Christ

THE PEACE OF THE LORD BE WITH YOU ALWAYS.

And also with you.

~The Meal~

The Offering and Offertory

Zion members, please use your envelopes for contributions so that your offering may be officially recorded. Please mail your envelopes to Zion Lutheran Church 101 N. Greenwood Street Tamaqua, PA 18252 or visit ziontamaqua.com for our Vanco option.

* The Offertory Procession (music on page 66 of the LBW)

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; Unite them with the prayers we offer now.

Grace our table with your presence, And give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

* The Offertory Prayer

LET US PRAY: GOD OF MAJESTY, NO EYE HAS SEEN, NO EAR HAS HEARD WHAT YOU HAVE PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE YOU, YET IN THIS MEAL YOU REVEAL THE WIDENESS OF YOUR MERCY. USE WHAT WE HAVE GATHERED TO FEED US WITH THE REIGN OF GOD COME NEAR, JESUS CHRIST, OUR SAVIOR AND LORD.

Amen.

* The Preface and Sanctus (music on page 68 of LBW)

THE LORD BE WITH YOU

(Sung) **And also with you.**

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS.

We lift them to the Lord.

LET US GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD OUR GOD.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

IT IS INDEED RIGHT.....THEIR UNENDING HYMN: (ELW No. 193)

(Sung) **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:**

Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

* The Prayer of Thanksgiving

HOLY ONE, THE BEGINNING AND THE END, THE GIVER OF LIFE: BLESSED ARE YOU FOR THE BIRTH OF CREATION...BLESSED ARE YOU FOR YOUR SON JESUS, THE WORD MADE FLESH.

IN THE NIGHT IN WHICH HE WAS BETRAYED, OUR LORD JESUS TOOK BREAD, AND GAVE THANKS...DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

AGAIN, AFTER SUPPER, HE TOOK THE CUP, GAVE THANKS...DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

LET US PROCLAIM THE MYSTERY OF FAITH:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

WITH THIS BREAD AND CUP WE REMEMBER YOUR WORD DWELLING AMONG US, FULL OF GRACE AND TRUTH. WE REMEMBER OUR NEW BIRTH IN HIS DEATH AND RESURRECTION. WE LOOK WITH HOPE FOR HIS COMING.

Come, Lord Jesus.

HOLY GOD, WE LONG FOR YOUR SPIRIT. COME AMONG US. BLESS THIS MEAL. MAY YOUR WORD TAKE FLESH IN US. AWAKEN YOUR PEOPLE. FILL US WITH YOUR LIGHT. BRING THE GIFT OF PEACE ON EARTH.

Come Holy Spirit.

ALL PRAISE AND GLORY ARE YOURS, HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL, WORD OF GOD INCARNATE, POWER OF THE MOST HIGH, ONE GOD, NOW AND FOREVER.

Amen.

* The Lord's Prayer

JESUS, REMEMBER US IN YOUR KINGDOM; AND TEACH US TO PRAY:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

* The Invitation to the Holy Meal

HERE IS THE LAMB OF GOD WHO TAKES AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD! COME TO THE TABLE; TASTE AND SEE.

* The Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

The Distribution

All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the Sacrament are welcome to commune when we celebrate the Lord's Supper. Zion members, please complete a Communion card once a year for our records.

* The Post-Communion Blessing

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST STRENGTHEN YOU AND KEEP YOU IN HIS GRACE.
Amen.

* The Post Communion Canticle (*music on page 72 of LBW*)

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

* The Post Communion Prayer

LET US PRAY: RADIANT GOD, WE HAVE SEEN YOUR GLORY IN THE FACE OF JESUS CHRIST. IN THE SACRAMENT OF HIS BODY AND BLOOD YOU HAVE DRAWN US TO YOUR HEART. SEND US FROM THIS TABLE WITH DELIGHT, THAT OUR LIVES MAY REFLECT THE BEAUTY OF YOUR LOVE, AND BEAR WITNESS TO ALL WE HAVE SEEN AND HEARD, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, OUR SAVIOR AND LORD.

Amen.

~The Sending~

* The Benediction

MAY THE TRIUNE GOD, WHO HAS PUT A NEW SONG IN YOUR MOUTH AND TUNED YOUR HEART FOR PRAISE + BLESS YOU NOW AND FOREVER.

(Sung) Amen! Amen! Amen!

* The Dismissal

GO IN PEACE. DO JUSTICE. LOVE MERCY.

Thanks be to God.

* The Sending Hymn

“On What Has Now Been Sown”

No. 261

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First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7 – Not Printed

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 – Not Printed

Gospel: John 1:29-42

²⁹ [John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!³⁰ This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’³¹ I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.”³² And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.³³ I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’³⁴ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One.”

³⁵ The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶ and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" ³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸ When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹ He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹ He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). ⁴² He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

January 25, 2026 readings are: Isaiah 9:1-4 Psalm 27:1, 4-9
1 Corinthians 1:10-18 Matthew 4:12-23

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

January 17-18, 2026

***If you need assistance, please see one of the ushers in the back of the church; Large Print Bulletins are available. Grape juice is available in the tray for those who wish not to partake of the wine. Please Silence your cell phones during service. A Family Room is available for use during or after services, located across from the office. A changing station is available for your convenience in the restroom across from the Family Room. We respectfully ask that you refrain from taking photos during the service. Opportunities are always available after the service. Welcome visitors, please sign our guest book. Thank you.**

GIFTS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of my parents by Shelly Woodring

THE BULLETINS are given to the Glory of God and

In honor of the birthday of my grandson, Nikolas Smith by Denise I. Smolar

Please remember the following in your prayers: Gary Schrepple, Betty Ann Waidell, Walter Weston, Forrest, Steve Ristila, Christine Zimmerman, Eddie Smith, George Weaver, and all our members who are homebound.

February Candle, Altar Flower & Bulletin sponsors are needed.
Please sign up on the church bulletin board.

A reminder that both a record of communion AND a record of contribution is necessary to maintain voting active member status. Please remember to complete a communion card and to use your offering envelopes. Thank you, Church Council

Welcome!!

Parish office phone number and fax is 570-668-2180.

Parish office email address is zionlcof@verizon.net

Parish website is www.ziontamaqua.com

Parish Office Hours- Monday & Wednesday: 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Tuesday & Thursday: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Zion's 2026 Church Council officers: Brian Lawfer, President, Amanda Hascin, Vice President, Shelly Woodring, Secretary, Dave Gensure, Treasurer, and Ann Marie Hadesty, Financial Secretary. Other members of Council include Sheri Beltz, Brian Constenbader, Arlene Derr, Laura Fulmer, Thomas Graham (Youth Advocate), George Taylor, Michelle Valentine, and Brittany Voelpel; if you have suggestions or concerns, please seek out a member of Council so that we can promptly address the needs of the congregation.

This Week in Our Church

We welcome
Molly Betz as our
guest pianist
today. We thank
her for sharing her
talent with us.
Please Welcome
her personally.

SUNDAY, January 18, 2026

9:00	The Service of Word & Sacrament
10:15	Acolyte Training
10:15	Christian Education
11:00	Confirmation Class

MONDAY

5:45	Newsletter Deadline
5:45	Property Meeting
6:30	Council Meeting

SATURDAY

6:00	Saturday Evening Worship
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SUNDAY, January 25, 2026

9:00	The Service of Word & Sacrament
10:15	Senior Choir Rehearsal
10:15	Christian Education
11:00	Confirmation Class

Supporting Zion's Ministries

"Empowered and inspired by God to bring others to Christ"

Received 1/11/26 in support of Zion Ministries:

From our gifts	\$2,177.00
From Thrift Store	\$0.00
From Endowment (other)	\$0.00
From Culinary	\$0.00

Received for Endowment: \$0.00

Received for Capital Campaign: \$570.00

Received year-to-date for Zion's mission/ministries:

From offering/gifts/memorials:	\$5,075.79
From Thrift Store:	\$0.00*
From Endowment:	\$0.00
From Culinary:	\$0.00

Year-to-date total for Zion's mission/ministries: \$5,075.79

* Thrift Store donates half of income to Outreach total income - \$0.00

Thank you for your gifts. Your gifts allow us to share the word of God and the love of Jesus with our congregation and our community.

GIFTS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

CURRENT FUND DONATIONS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of Jan McRoberts by John & Carol Dietrich

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Upcoming Events

ASAP – Annual Reports

January 18 – Acolyte Training

January 19 – Newsletter Deadline

February 7 – Hoagie Sale

February 8 – Annual Congregational Meeting

February 18 – Ash Wednesday Service

There will be Acolyte training on January 18, 2026 after Church during Sunday School Hour. Thank you.

Attention Committees: All committee chairpersons are reminded to submit a report outlining the activities of your committee in 2025 for the annual report. These reports are to be submitted to the church office ASAP. You can e-mail the church office at zionlcof@verizon.net or stop by the office. Thank you for your co-operation.

Culinary Hoagie Sale Saturday, February 7th - deadline to order is February 1st - Regular Hoagies are \$8 each. Pick up is from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm and 5:30 – 6:45 pm. Order at <https://www.ziontamaqua.com> or by calling 570-668-4451. Thank you for your support!!

Altar Flower and Bulletin Sponsors needed for 2026 - The Altar Flower and Bulletin Sponsor list for 2026 is on the bulletin board. The costs of the flowers are \$42.60 and individuals will be billed from the florist. The cost of the bulletin sponsorship is \$16.00 and monies are due when you place your name on the list. You can also sponsor the Candles for the month at \$40. Please remember to fill out a card with your honorarium or memorial, this information is needed for the bulletin. Please do not sign up without filling out a form. These sponsorships are on a first come first serve basis; this is to ensure that everyone has equal opportunity to sponsor these memorials. Please contact the church office if you have questions. Thank you in advance for your sponsorship!

DEADLINE: All information for the **February 2026 issue of the “Herald”** is due at the church office no later than **Monday, January 19, 2026. Please note this is a combined issue.** You may e-mail your information to zionlcof@verizon.net or stop in during regular office hours. Thank you for your co-operation!

OUR ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held Sunday, February 8, 2026, following the 9:00 am Service. Our agenda will consist of the approval of the 2025 Annual reports for all committees and organizations. As always, we encourage all members to attend this meeting as a quorum needs to be met.

Zion's Blessings Thrift Shop – There will be no sale in February. The next sale will be on March 6, 2026. We **ARE NOT** accepting donations of any kind until further notice. Please watch the bulletin in February for updates on what we will accepting at that time. Thank you all for your continued support!

When submitting Redner's receipts:

1. You must have a Redner's card & swipe the Redner's card upon checkout so the save a tape amount is on the receipt.
2. Please do not cut the information with the save a tape code off the receipt.
3. Please hand in the receipt to our container in the gathering room or mail them to the church office.

If you have any questions, please see Beth Marcavage. Thank you and keep saving!