

Welcome!



*Where do you get that
living water?*

JOHN 4:11

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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

The Third Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2026 ~ 9:00 am

The Liturgy of Word and Sacrament

In today's gospel the Samaritan woman asks Jesus for water, an image of our thirst for God. Jesus offers living water, a sign of God's grace flowing from the waters of baptism. The early church used this gospel and those of the next two Sundays to deepen baptismal reflection during the final days of preparation before baptism at Easter. As we journey to the resurrection feast, Christ comes among us in word, bath, and meal—offering us the life-giving water of God's mercy and forgiveness.

**Congregation please stand*

The Pre-service Music

~ The Gathering ~

* The Confession and Forgiveness

BLESSED BE THE HOLY TRINITY, † ONE GOD, WHO FORGIVES ALL OUR SIN, WHOSE MERCY ENDURES FOREVER.

Amen.

LET US CONFESS OUR SIN BEFORE GOD, WHO REMOVES OUR GUILT AND BLOTS OUT ALL OFFENSES.

Please kneel if able.

GRACIOUS GOD,

For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word: For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition, and for disdaining the living water Christ offers: For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent, and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

GOD'S STEADFAST LOVE, GRACE, AND FORGIVENESS ABOUND. THROUGH FAITH, THE FREE GIFT OF GOD, YOU HAVE BEEN CLOTHED IN THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF CHRIST. IN THE NAME OF † JESUS CHRIST, YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN. THE SPIRIT OF THE ONE WHO RAISED CHRIST FROM THE DEAD DWELLS IN YOU, POURS GOD'S LOVE INTO YOUR HEARTS, AND GIVES YOU LIFE AND PEACE.

Amen.

* The Gathering Hymn

“Lamb of God”

ELW No. 336

**Your only Son, no sin to hide, But You have sent Him,
From Your side to walk upon this guilty sod And to become the Lamb of God.**

(Refrain) **Oh Lamb of God, Sweet Lamb of God, I love the Holy Lamb of God.
Oh, wash me in your precious blood, My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.**

**Your gift of love we crucified. We laughed and scorned him as he died.
The humble King we named a fraud, And sacrificed the Lamb of God. *(Refrain)***

**I was so lost, I should have died But You have brought me to Your side
To be led by Your staff and rod And to be call a lamb of God *(Refrain)***

* The Greeting

THE GRACE OF JESUS CHRIST OUR SAVIOR, THE RECONCILING LOVE OF GOD, AND THE COMMUNION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BE WITH YOU ALL.

And also with you.

* **The Kyrie Eleison** (*Now the Feast*)

IN PEACE, IN PEACE, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

FOR THE REIGN OF GOD, AND FOR PEACE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, FOR THE UNITY OF ALL, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

FOR YOUR PEOPLE HERE, WHO HAVE COME TO GIVE YOU PRAISE, FOR THE STRENGTH TO LIVE YOUR WORD, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

HELP, SAVE, AND DEFEND US, O GOD.

Amen.

* **The Prayer of the Day**

THE LORD BE WITH YOU

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

LET US PRAY:

Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin.

Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of

your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and

the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

~The Word~

The First Lesson Exodus 17:1-7

Because the thirsty Israelites quarreled with Moses and put God to the test, Moses cried out in desperation to God. God commanded Moses to strike the rock to provide water for the people. The doubt-filled question—"Is the LORD among us or not?"—received a very positive answer.

(*After the reading*)

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 95 Tune "*Now Thank We all Our God*" No. 533

Oh, come, now join to praise The Rock of our salvation.

COME INTO HIS PRESENCE WITH THANKSGIVING. MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE TO HIM WITH SONGS OF PRAISE.

With thankful anthems raise Your shouts of exultation.

FOR THE LORD IS A GREAT GOD, AND A GREAT KING ABOVE ALL GODS. IN HIS HAND ARE THE DEPTHS OF THE EARTH; THE HEIGHTS OF THE MOUNTAINS ARE HIS ALSO. THE SEA IS HIS, FOR HE MADE IT, AND THE DRY LAND, WHICH HIS HANDS HAVE FORMED.

Before your Maker bow, And worship at his throne.

FOR HE IS OUR GOD, AND WE ARE THE PEOPLE OF HIS PASTURE, AND THE SHEEP OF HIS HAND.

Come with thanksgiving now; Acknowledge God alone!

OH, THAT TODAY YOU WOULD LISTEN TO HIS VOICE.

Oh, hearken and obey The voice of him who feeds you.

DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS AS AT MERIBAH AND ON THE DAY AT MASSAH IN THE WILDERNESS WHEN YOUR ANCESTORS TESTED ME, AND PUT ME TO THE PROOF, THOUGH THEY HAD SEEN MY WORK.

Oh, turn no more astray From where your Shepherd leads you.

FOR FORTY YEARS I LOATHED THAT GENERATION AND SAID, "THEY ARE A PEOPLE WHOSE HEARTS GO ASTRAY, AND THEY DO NOT REGARD MY WAYS."

Before your Maker bow, And worship at his throne.

SO I SWORE IN MY WRATH, "THEY SHALL NOT ENTER MY REST."

Turn with repentance now; Acknowledge God alone!

The Second Lesson Romans 5:1-11

Though we often hear that God helps those who help themselves, here Paul tells us that through Jesus' death God helps utterly helpless sinners. Since we who had been enemies are reconciled to God in the cross, we now live in hope for our final salvation.

(After the reading)

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Thanks be to God.

* **The Gospel Acclamation** *(Lenten Verse Now the Feast)*

**Return to God with all your heart, the Source of grace and mercy;
Come, seek the tender faithfulness of God.**

* **The Holy Gospel** St. John 4:5-42

Jesus defies convention to engage a Samaritan woman in conversation. Her testimony, in turn, leads many others to faith.

(Before the Gospel)

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT JOHN 4TH CHAPTER:

(Spoken) **Glory to you, O Lord.**

(After the Gospel)

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD

(Spoken) **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Sermon

Pastor Cindy White

* **The Hymn of the Day** *"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"* Additional Hymnal No. 22

I heard the voice of Jesus say: "Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down Thou head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was, Weary and worn, and sad.
I found in Him a resting place, And He hath made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say: "Behold, I freely give
The living water, thirsty one, stoop down, and drink, and live."
I came to Jesus and I drank of that life-giving stream.
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, And now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say: "I am this dark world's light.
Look unto me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright."
I looked to Jesus and I found in Him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk Till traveling days are done.

* **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose

again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*** The Prayers of Intercession**

RECONCILED BY GOD'S MERCY AND SUSTAINED BY GOD'S PRESENCE, LET US PRAY FOR THE WORLD AND ITS NEEDS.

A brief silence.

O GOD, WHEN SUFFERING ARISES, PRESERVE YOUR CHURCH. GIVE TO PASTORS, DEACONS, BISHOPS, AND ALL SERVANTS OF YOUR GOSPEL THE ENDURANCE THAT PRODUCES CHARACTER AND THE HOPE THAT WILL NEVER DISAPPOINT. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

WHEN THE WATERS RUN DRY, SUSTAIN THIS EARTH. SEND WATER TO PLACES LANGUISHING WITH DROUGHT, AND BRING RELIEF TO PLACES DAMAGED BY FLOODS. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

WHEN QUARRELS ENSUE, SOFTEN OUR HEARTS. QUELL HOSTILITIES BETWEEN NATIONS AND PEOPLES, AND RECONCILE ALL HUMANS ACROSS THE LINES OF RACE, CLASS, NATIONALITY, MORAL CONVICTION, RELIGION, AND ALL ELSE THAT DIVIDES OR OPPRESSES. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

WHEN YOUR PEOPLE THIRST, SATISFY THEIR NEEDS. SEND WATER AND FOOD TO ALL WHO NEED NOURISHMENT. GRANT WELCOME TO ALL WHO ARE EXCLUDED. SHOW YOUR MERCY TO ANY IN NEED ESPECIALLY GARY, BETTY, WALTER, FORREST, STEVE, CHRISTINE, EDDIE, GEORGE, AND ALL OUR MEMBERS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

WHEN WE GATHER TO WORSHIP, SEND US YOUR SPIRIT. RENEW OUR HEARTS THROUGH THE JOYFUL NOISE WE MAKE AND BLESS THE WORK OF OUR CHURCH MUSICIANS AND MUSICAL ENSEMBLES. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

O GOD, WHEN DEATH DRAWS NEAR, WE REJOICE IN THE PROMISE OF LIFE WITH YOU. WE REMEMBER ALL WHO HAVE ENTERED ETERNAL REST, AND WE PRAY THAT YOU BRING US THE HOPE OF SHARING IN YOUR GLORY. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

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. HEAR US, O GOD,

Your mercy is great.

RECEIVE OUR PRAYERS, O GOD, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, OUR STRENGTH AND SALVATION.

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 “As the Grains of Wheat”** *(Now the Feast)*
(Refrain) **As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill
 were gathered into one to become our bread;
 so may all your people from all the
 ends of earth be gathered into one in you.**



**As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst,
 may we share the presence of your love. (Refrain)**

*Moved by the Holy Spirit,
 we share our gifts by
 scanning the QR code.*

* **The Offertory Prayer**

LET US PRAY: O GOD, MAKER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH, YOUR STEADFAST LOVE EMBRACES ALL CREATION. YOU SEND RAIN AND SUNSHINE TO NOURISH THE EARTH AND BRING FORTH ITS BOUNTY. THROUGH THESE GIFTS OF BREAD AND WINE, DRAW US INTO THE DEATH AND LIFE OF YOUR SON, WHO CALLS US TO BEAR WITNESS TO HIS SAVING WORK. WE ASK THIS IN JESUS' NAME.

Amen.

* **The Great Thanksgiving**

* **The Preface and Sanctus**

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 God thanks and praise.

IT IS OUR DUTY.....THEIR UNENDING HYMN: *(Now the Feast)*

(Sung) **Holy, holy, holy are you, God of power and might; Heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who comes in your name. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!**

* **The Eucharistic Prayer** *(Now the Feast)*

YOU ARE INDEED HOLY, ... WE PRAY FOR HIS COMING AGAIN EVEN AS WE CRY.

AMEN. COME, LORD JESUS. AMEN. COME, LORD JESUS.

(Sung) **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

SEND NOW, WE PRAY, YOUR HOLY SPIRIT, THAT ALL OF YOUR PROMISES MAY COME TO US AND YOUR CREATION.

AMEN. COME, HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN. COME, HOLY SPIRIT.

(Sung) **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit. Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

THIS WE PRAY THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, OUR SAVIOR AND OUR FRIEND.

(Sung) **Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, O God, now and forever. Amen.**

* **The Lord's Prayer**

MAKE US BOLD, O MERCIFUL GOD, TO ADDRESS YOU AS OUR ABBA AS WE 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**

COME TO THE TABLE. FEAST ON GOD'S GOODNESS AND MERCY.

*** The Agnus Dei "Lamb of God" (Now the Feast)**

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

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

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

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word; For mine eyes have seen thy salvation which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*** The Post Communion Prayer**

LET US PRAY, GOD OF OUR SALVATION, WE GIVE YOU THANKS FOR THIS MEAL THAT RESTORES OUR SOULS, RECONCILES US TO YOU, AND STRENGTHENS US FOR THE JOURNEY. THROUGH THE BODY AND BLOOD OF YOUR SON, MAY WE BECOME CHRIST'S BODY IN THE WORLD, BEARING WITNESS TO YOUR LOVE FOR ALL CREATION, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, OUR SAVIOR AND LORD.

Amen.

~The Sending~

*** The Benediction**

RECEIVE THE BLESSING OF THE HOLY TRINITY: GOD, WHO CALLS ALL THINGS INTO EXISTENCE, JESUS CHRIST, WHO REDEEMS US, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, WHOSE BREATH SUSTAINS CREATION, † BLESS YOU NOW AND ALWAYS.

(Spoken) Amen.

*** The Dismissal**

GO IN PEACE. BELIEVE THE GOOD NEWS.

Thanks be to God.

*** The Sending Hymn**

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

No. 327

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First Reading: Exodus 17:1-7 - ¹ From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ² The people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?” ³ But the people thirsted there for water, and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” ⁴ So Moses cried out to the LORD, “What shall I do for this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” ⁵ The LORD said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile and go. ⁶ I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷ He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-11 - ¹ Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸ But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹ Much more surely, therefore, since we have now been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ¹¹ But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Gospel: John 4:5-42 – Not Printed

March 15, 2026 readings are: 1 Samuel 16:1-13
Ephesians 5:8-14

Psalm 23
John 9:1-41

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

March 7-8, 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 BULLETINS are given to the Glory of God and

For the prosperity of our church in our hometown and community by Stacei Faust and Emily Stahler

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

**March 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 Voepel; 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

SUNDAY, March 8, 2026

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

MONDAY

7:00 Finance Meeting

WEDNESDAY

7:00 Mid-Week Lenten Service/ St. John's

THURSDAY

Kitchen Reserved Prep

FRIDAY

4:00 Lenten Fish Dinner

SATURDAY

6:00 Saturday Evening Worship

SUNDAY, March 15, 2026

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

Supporting Zion's Ministries

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

Received 3/1/26 in support of Zion Ministries:

From our gifts	\$5,519.45
From Thrift Store	\$0.00
From Endowment (other)	\$0.00
From Culinary	\$0.00

Received for Endowment: \$335.00

Received for Capital Campaign: \$2,941.00

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

From offering/gifts/memorials:	\$23,507.89
From Thrift Store:	\$0.33*
From Endowment:	\$20,812.00
From Culinary:	\$2,556.15

Year-to-date total for Zion's mission/ministries: \$46,876.37

* 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

ENDOWMENT FUND DONATIONS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of family & friends by Bill & Lori Krell

In loving memory of John Leipold by Marilyn Leipold

In loving memory of Janet McRoberts by Kathy Turner

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND DONATIONS are given to the Glory of God and

In honor of Julia & Samuel Sneddon by Nana & Pop Pop

Upcoming Events

March 13 & 27 – Lenten Fish Dinners

April 10 – Blessings Thrift Sales

April 16 – Hoagie Sale

*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!*

ALTAR FLOWER POLICY approved by Church Council: November 9, 2010 - We shall only place flowers on the altar when someone is sponsoring. If there are no sponsors, there will be no flowers placed on the altar. Zion ELC will not pay for flowers that are not sponsored.

Zion's Blessings Thrift Shop sale is on Friday, April 10th from 9 am to 5 pm. The sale features gently used clothing for all ages, toys, books, and general household items. Come take a look! Limited Take-Out Menu. **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE DONATIONS OUTSIDE BY THE HANDICAP ENTRANCE.** Thank you all for your continued support!

Zion Lenten Fish Dinner, March 13 and 27 from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM or sell-out. Adult \$14.00 – Children up to age 10 \$7.00. Take-Outs Available. Menu includes Baked Haddock, Crab Cakes or Chicken Fingers, Mac & Cheese, Stewed Tomatoes, Cole Slaw and Dessert. Combinations and ala carte are not available. Dinners may be pre-ordered on the website (www.ziontamaqua.com) or by calling 570-668-4451. Deadline to order dinners is **March 8 & 22**. Walk-ins welcome. Hope to see you there



Please continue to use your Boyer's key tag every time you shop in any Boyer's Markets. If you do not have a Boyer's tag, they are located in the Gathering room. Please use the swipe card, the receipt does not need to be turned in. Thank you for your participation in this program. **We just received a check for \$311.33. Keep using those cards!**

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES 2026 - St. John's and Zion will once again hold combined Mid-Week Lenten Services at 7:00 pm. The service will follow the Holden Evening prayer from the ELW. You don't want to miss it. Lent is such a sacred time in the church year. Let's walk these weeks together in faith. Schedule is as follows: **All services will be held at St. John's.** If Tamaqua school district has early dismissal or cancels school, the mid-week Lenten service - is cancelled.

Hoagie Sale - The Culinary Team is holding a hoagie sale; Regular Hoagies are \$8 each. Pick up is on Thursday, April 16th from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm. Order by April 12th, at <https://www.ziontamaqua.com> or by calling 570-668-4451. Thank you for your support!!

Easter Gifts

Easter is generally a time when gifts and memorials are presented. While we would welcome and appreciate a special gift to any of our funds most Easter gifts usually arrive as Endowment Fund, Capital Campaign Fund or Easter lilies. Please fill out the form below and return it to the Church office. **This Form must accompany your contributions so that the office knows if your memorial is to be placed in the Easter Sunday handout.**

Easter lily/ Endowment Fund/ Capital Campaign (Circle one)

In Memory of _____

By: _____

Number of Lilies: _____ Amount: _____



Easter Lilies

Cost is \$13.00 per Lily. Endowment Gifts and other gifts can be any amount. Please return this form to the office no later than Monday, March 16, 2026. This is a firm deadline please have your orders in by the due date so that the lily order can be placed.