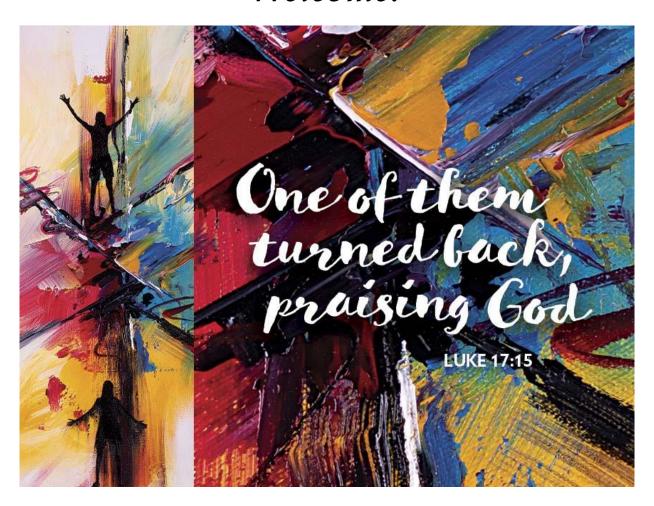
Welcome!



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

101 N. Greenwood Street, Tamaqua, PA 18252 (570) 668-2180 - Email: zionlcof@verizon.net

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

The 18th Sunday after Pentecost/ Harvest Home

October 12, 2025 ~ 9:00 am

The Liturgy of Word and Sacrament

It's a miracle! Multiple miracles! The waters of holy baptism have healed us. The body and blood of Jesus in holy communion have made us clean. We have died with Christ and been raised with him. For all this we have returned to offer thanks. From this place we are sent on our way rejoicing to share the good news.

*Congregation please stand

The Pre-service Music

~ The Gathering ~

* The Confession and Forgiveness

BLESSED BE THE HOLY TRINITY, + ONE GOD, OUR MAKER, OUR HELPER, AND OUR KEEPER. **Amen**.

TRUSTING IN GOD'S MERCY, LET US CONFESS OUR SIN IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD AND OF ONE ANOTHER.

Please kneel if able.

MERCIFUL AND LOVING GOD,

we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.

EVEN WHEN WE ARE FAITHLESS, GOD REMAINS FAITHFUL. JESUS CHRIST CAME INTO THE WORLD TO SAVE SINNERS. YOU WHO WERE LOST HAVE BEEN FOUND. IN THE NAME OF + JESUS, YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN!

Amen.

* The Gathering Hymn

"Come, You Thankful People, Come"

No. 407

* The Greeting

SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN CHRIST, BELOVED CHILDREN OF GOD: GRACE, MERCY, AND PEACE 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:

Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

~The Word~

The First Lesson 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that he also needs healing for his pride. This foreign general then acknowledges the sovereignty of the God of Israel.

(After the reading)

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 111 Tune "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" No. 543

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, The King of creation!

HALLELUJAH! I WILL GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD WITH MY WHOLE HEART, IN THE ASSEMBLY OF THE UPRIGHT, IN THE CONGREGATION.

O my soul, praise him, for he is Your health and salvation.

GREAT ARE THE DEEDS OF THE LORD! THEY ARE STUDIED BY ALL WHO DELIGHT IN THEM. Let all who hear Now to his temple draw near.

HIS WORK IS FULL OF MAJESTY AND SPLENDOR, AND HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS ENDURES FOREVER.

Joining in glad adoration.

HE MAKES HIS MARVELOUS WORKS TO BE REMEMBERED; THE LORD IS GRACIOUS AND FULL OF COMPASSION.

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper Your work and defend you.

HE PROVIDES FOR THOSE WHO FEAR HIM; HE IS EVER MINDFUL OF HIS COVENANT.

Surely his goodness and mercy Shall daily attend you.

HE HAS SHOWN HIS PEOPLE THE POWER OF HIS WORKS, IN GIVING THEM THE HERITAGE OF THE NATIONS.

Ponder anew What the Almighty can do If with his love he befriend you.

THE WORKS OF HIS HANDS ARE FAITHFULNESS AND JUSTICE; ALL HIS COMMANDMENTS ARE SURE.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things Is wondrously reigning,

HIS COMMANDMENTS STAND FAST FOREVER AND EVER, BECAUSE THEY ARE DONE IN TRUTH AND EQUITY.

And, as on wings of an eagle, Uplifting, sustaining.

HE SENT REDEMPTION TO HIS PEOPLE; HE COMMANDED HIS COVENANT FOREVER; HOLY AND AWESOME IS HIS NAME.

Have you not seen?

THE FEAR OF THE LORD IS THE BEGINNING OF WISDOM; THOSE WHO ACT ACCORDINGLY HAVE A GOOD UNDERSTANDING.

All that is needful has been Sent by his gracious ordaining.

HIS PRAISE ENDURES FOREVER.

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that Is in me adore him!

All that has life and breath, come now With praises before him!

Let the amen Sound from his people again. Gladly forever adore him!

The Second Lesson 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Though Paul is chained as a prisoner, the word of God is never shackled or confined. Timothy is encouraged to proclaim that word of freedom in an honest and upright life as well as in his teaching and preaching.

(After the reading)

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Thanks be to God.

*The Gospel Acclamation (ELW p. 172)

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah. Halle, Halle, Hallelujah. Halle, Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

* The Holy Gospel St. Luke 17:11-19

Jesus' mission includes making people clean again. Unexpectedly, a Samaritan healed of leprosy becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God's mercy.

(Before the Gospel)

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE THE 17TH 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

"We Plow the Fields and Scatter"

No. 362

* 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

RENEWED IN GOD'S EVERLASTING GRACE, LET US PRAY FOR THE CHURCH, THE WORLD, AND ALL CREATION.

A brief silence.

GRACIOUS GOD, YOU LEAD YOUR PEOPLE TO FAITH. REMIND THE CHURCH THAT YOUR WORD FLOWS INTO THE WORLD. BY YOUR SPIRIT, TEACH THE CHURCH TO SHARE THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE SAKE OF THE WORLD. GOD OF GRACE,

receive our praver.

CREATING GOD, YOU PROVIDED CLEANSING AND HEALING WATERS FOR NAAMAN. WATER THE EARTH'S LANDS IN PARCHED PLACES. RESTORE CLEAN WATER TO ALL COMMUNITIES, AND GUIDE THE WORK OF ALL WHO ADVOCATE FOR SAFE AND ABUNDANT WATER SUPPLIES. GOD OF GRACE,

receive our prayer.

GOD, OUR CREATOR, YOU HAVE ORDERED SEEDTIME AND HARVEST, SUNSHINE AND RAIN. GIVE TO ALL WHO WORK THE LAND FAIR COMPENSATION FOR THE WORK OF THEIR HANDS. GRANT THAT THE PEOPLE OF THIS AND EVERY NATION MAY GIVE THANKS TO YOU FOR FOOD, DRINK, AND ALL THAT SUSTAINS LIFE; MAY USE WITH CARE THE LAND AND WATER FROM WHICH THESE GOOD THINGS COME; AND MAY HONOR THE LABORERS WHO PRODUCE THEM. GOD OF GRACE,

receive our prayer.

MERCIFUL GOD, YOU KNOW THE NEEDS OF YOUR PEOPLE. SHOW MERCY TO THOSE SUFFERING IN THE WORLD. COMFORT THOSE IN NEED OF YOUR HEALING ESPECIALLY BETTY, WALTER, FORREST, STEVE, CHRISTINE, EDDIE, GEORGE, JAN, AND ALL OUR MEMBERS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND. GOD OF GRACE,

receive our prayer.

LIFE-GIVING GOD, YOU FREE US BY YOUR WORD. HELP US, BY YOUR SPIRIT, TO BE TRANSFORMED TO LIVE YOUR WORD OF FREEDOM HONESTLY AND UPRIGHTLY IN OUR TEACHING, PREACHING, AND SERVING. GOD OF GRACE,

receive our prayer.

HOLY GOD, THANK YOU FOR THE WITNESS OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED IN FAITH. GUIDE US TO TRUST IN THE BAPTISMAL PROMISE OF RESURRECTION IN CHRIST. GOD OF GRACE,

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. GOD OF GRACE.

receive our praver.

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS, O GOD, TRUSTING IN YOUR EVERLASTING GRACE AND MERCY, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD.

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 Tune: "Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring" WOV No. 759

Accept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place upon your table.

We do not worship as we ought but only as we're able.

The vines were planted, seeds were sown. They grew in your good pleasure.

What once was common, daily food becomes a holy treasure.

* The Offertory Prayer

LET US PRAY: LORD OF THE HARVEST, WE RETURN TO YOU A PORTION OF WHAT YOU HAVE GIVEN TO US. TURN US TO SET OUR HOPE NOT ON THE UNCERTAINTY OF RICHES, BUT ON YOU, WHO RICHLY PROVIDES FOR US. MULTIPLY WHAT WE HAVE GATHERED TO BLESS ALL WHO ARE SUFFERING AND IN NEED, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD.

Amen.

* The Great Thanksgiving

* 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, MIGHTY, AND MERCIFUL LORD, HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR GLORY.....POUR OUT UPON US THE SPIRIT OF YOUR LOVE, O LORD, AND UNITE THE WILLS OF ALL WHO SHARE THIS HEAVENLY FOOD, THE BODY AND BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST, OUR LORD; TO WHOM, WITH YOU AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, BE ALL HONOR AND GLORY, 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

JESUS WELCOMES SINNERS AND EATS WITH THEM. COME TO THIS MEAL OF MERCY.

* The Agnus Dei "Lamb of God" (ELW No. 195)

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.

* The Post Communion Prayer

LET US PRAY: O GOD, THROUGH THIS MEAL YOU HAVE STRENGTHENED US AND APPOINTED US TO BE YOUR SERVANTS. SEND US TO DO GOOD AND TO SHARE OUR POSSESSIONS WITH ALL IN NEED. WE ASK THIS IN JESUS' NAME.

Amen.

The Senior Choir Anthem "Give Thanks to the Lord" - Pethel

~The Sending~

* The Blessing

THE GOD OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, WHO GIVES JUSTICE TO THE OPPRESSED, WHO GIVES FOOD TO THE HUNGRY, WHO SETS THE PRISONERS FREE, & BLESS YOU NOW AND FOREVER. (Sung) Amen. Amen.

* The Dismissal

GO IN PEACE, DO NOT LOSE HEART.

Thanks be to God.

* The Sending Hymn

"Sing to the Lord of Harvest"

No. 412

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First Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c – Not Printed

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

⁸Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

¹²if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

¹³if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

for he cannot deny himself.

¹⁴Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. ¹⁵Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? ¹⁸Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

October 19, 2025 readings are: Genesis 32:22-31 Psalm 121 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 Luke 18:1-8

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

October 11-12, 2025

*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 CANDLES are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of family and friends by Gerry Zeigler

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and

In honor of the 58th wedding anniversary of Dave & Louise Schock by Lauren, Jesse, Nicholas & Kallia *THE BULLETINS* are given to the Glory of God and

Blessings on Zion as the fruits of the harvest are shared with our community in need.

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

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 <u>zionlcof@verizon.net</u>

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 2024 Church Council officers: Michael Haspe, President, Brian Lawfer, Vice-President, Amanda Hascin, Secretary, Dave Gensure, Treasurer, and Ann Marie Hadesty, Financial Secretary. Other members of Council include Arlene Derr, Glenn Fritzinger, Thomas Graham, Carol Hartung, Brittany Scalfani Mary Ruth Taylor, Michelle Valentine; and Shelly Woodring; 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, October 12, 2025, Harvest Home

9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament

10:15 Christian Education11:00 Confirmation Class

MONDAY

7:00 Finance

FRIDAY

5:30 Diaper Depot Prep

SATURDAY

9:00 Diaper Depot Distribution

6:00 Saturday Evening Worship

SUNDAY, October 19, 2025

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 10/5/25 in support of Zion Ministries:

From our gifts \$0.00

From Thrift Store \$0.00

From Endowment (other) \$0.00 From Culinary \$0.00

Received for Endowment: \$0.00

Received for Capital Campaign: \$0.00

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

From offering/gifts/memorials: \$102,037.43 From Thrift Store: \$5,374.15* From Endowment: \$22,905.00 From Culinary: \$13,450.00

Year-to-date total for Zion's mission/ministries: \$144,524.58

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.

Altar Flower and bulletin sponsors are the month of November. Please sign up on the church bulletin board.

^{*} Thrift Store donates half of income to Outreach total income - \$10,748.30

Upcoming Events

October 11 & 12 – Harvest Home

October 20 – Newsletter Deadline

October 23 – Halupki Sale Pick-up

November 2 – All Saints Sunday

November 7 – Blessings Thrift Store

November 2, 9, & 16 – First Holy Communion Classes

November 23 – Christ the King Sunday/ Frist Holy Communion

November 30 – 1st Sunday in Advent/ Advent Breakfast

Zion's Blessings Thrift Shop is on Friday, November 7th 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. Thank you all for your continued support!

Zion Construction Update: The work is almost complete! Louvers have been installed in the tower and the roof work is underway. Also, the masonry work is nearly complete. The scaffold will be coming down soon!

Attention parents: The ELCA Youth Gathering will take place in Minneapolis, MN, June 28-July 2, 2027! The Gathering is open to all students who are entering grades 9-12 at the time of the Gathering. If your student is interested in attending, please text Brian Lawfer at (570)952-5966 before October 30. We need to know how many are interested in attending, so we can begin to plan. We do not need a firm commitment yet, just an idea of who may be interested.

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. We Just received a check for \$156.54! Thank you and keep saving!



Halupki Sale - \$4 each, order by Sunday, October 19th at www.ziontamaqua.com or by calling 570-668-4451. Pick-up Thursday, October 23rd from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm.

FIRST COMMUNION - Classes are held on three Sunday mornings: Sunday, November 2, 9, & 16, from 11:00 am -12:30 pm. Children who are in 5th grade or older and who have been baptized (or who would like to be baptized) are eligible for First Holy Communion. A parent or relative who is a member of Zion Lutheran Church is required to accompany them to classes and worship. First Communion is scheduled for Sunday, November 23, 2025, during the 9:00 am worship service. Parents, please register your child (ren) now by calling 570-668-2180.

2025 Tamaqua Hunger Campaign - The 14th annual Tamaqua Area Campaign Against Hunger takes place during the entire month of October. The Annual Hunger Campaign Community Soup Sale - pick up is Saturday, October 25th from 9:00 am to 11:00 am at St. John XIII, 307 Pine Street, Tamaqua. Soup is \$10 per quart and the final day to order is October 20th. Order online at <u>Tamaqua Hunger Campaign Soup Sale 2025</u> The Tamaqua Community Hunger Walk is on Sunday, November 2nd. Those planning to participate in the hunger walk or needing more information about the walk and securing sponsorships can contact Glenn Fritzinger at 484-560-8211.

The October Joyful Noise collected on the weekend of October 18th and 19th supports the Zion team in the Tamaqua Hunger Walk on November 2nd. We encourage Zion members to participate in the walk. Sign-up sheets are available in the Gathering Room and downstairs in the worship area.

Harvest Home - Your gifts of non-perishable items will help stock Zion's Pantry serving our neighbors on Dutch Hill. Thank you for your generosity.

DEADLINE: All information for the **November 2025 issue of the "Herald"** is due at the church office no later than **Monday, October 20, 2025.** You may e-mail your information to <u>zionlcof@verizon.net</u> or stop in during regular office hours. Thank you for your co-operation!