

Welcome!

Nicodemus came
to

Jesus
BY NIGHT

JOHN 3:2



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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

The Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2026 ~ 9:00 am

The Liturgy of Word and Sacrament

During Lent we journey with all those around the world who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. In today's gospel Jesus tells Nicodemus that he must be born of water and Spirit. At the font we are given a new birth as children of God. As God made a covenant with Abraham, in baptism God promises to raise us up with Christ to new life. From worship we are sent forth to proclaim God's love for all the world.

**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

"What Wondrous Love is This"

No. 385

* 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:

O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, 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 Genesis 12:1-4a

God's call of Abram and Sarai has a clear purpose—that through them all the families of the earth would gain a blessing. As they set out on their journey, they are accompanied by promises of land, nation, and a great reputation.

(After the reading)

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 121 Tune “*Now Thank We All Our God*” No. 534

I LIFT UP MY EYES TO THE HILLS; FROM WHERE IS MY HELP TO COME?

My help comes from the Lord, Who made the earth and heaven.

HE WILL NOT LET YOUR FOOT BE MOVED AND HE WHO WATCHES OVER YOU WILL NOT FALL ASLEEP.

He watches day and night; His promise sure is given:

THE LORD WILL GUARD YOU; HE IS BY YOUR SIDE TO PROTECT YOU.

No pow'r of night or day; Can vex your spirit sore.

THE LORD WILL PRESERVE YOU FROM ALL EVIL; HE WILL KEEP YOU SAFE.

The Lord will guide your ways; Both now and evermore.

The Second Lesson Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

In the person and example of Abraham we discover that a right relationship with God does not involve earning a reward from God but entails trusting God's promises. Abraham is the forebear and model for both Jews and Gentiles, because we too trust that ours is a God who gives life to the dead.

(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 3:1-7

A curious Pharisee visits Jesus by night to learn from the teacher his friends reject. Jesus speaks to him about life in the Spirit and the kingdom of God.

(Before the Gospel)

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT JOHN 3RD 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

“Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”

ELW No. 335

Jesus, keep me near the cross, there's a precious fountain;
free to all, a healing stream flows from Calv'ry's mountain.

(Refrain) In the cross, in the cross be my glory ever;
till my ransomed soul shall find rest beyond the river.

Near the cross, a trembling soul, love and mercy found me;
there the bright and morning star sheds its beams around me. *(Refrain)*

Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes before me;
help me walk from day to day with its shadow o'er me. *(Refrain)*

Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hoping, trusting ever,
till I reach the golden strand just beyond the river. *(Refrain)*

* 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.

FAITHFUL ONE, YOU RENEW US BY GRACE. AS YOU HAVE INSPIRED FAITH THROUGH THE WORK OF CHURCH ARTISTS AND HYMNWRITERS THROUGHOUT THE AGES, GIVE YOUR CHURCH THE MEANS TO PRAISE YOUR BEAUTY TODAY. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

LIVING ONE, YOU DELIGHT IN THIS WORLD. THE SUN AND MOON, THE WIND AND THE WATER DECLARE YOUR GOODNESS. PRESERVE THIS EARTH, AND PROTECT CONSERVATIONISTS, SCIENTISTS, AND ALL WHO LABOR IN SERVICE TO CREATION. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

RULING ONE, YOU BLESS US TO BE A BLESSING. OPEN THE HEARTS OF ALL LEADERS TO SEEK THE FLOURISHING OF EVERY PERSON AND LEND YOUR HELP TO ALL WHO WAIT FOR JUSTICE, DELIVERANCE, AND PEACE. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

COMPASSIONATE ONE, YOU SEND YOUR SON TO SAVE. DECLARE YOUR WORD OF ACCEPTANCE TO ANY WHO FEEL CONDEMNED AND LIFT UP ANY BROUGHT LOW BY HATRED AND EXCLUSION. TEND TO ALL WHO ARE STRUGGLING WITH ILLNESS OR LOSS ESPECIALLY GARY, BETTY, WALTER, FORREST, STEVE, CHRISTINE, EDDIE, GEORGE, AND ALL OUR MEMBERS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

GUIDING ONE, YOU WATCH OVER OUR GOING OUT AND COMING IN. BLESS NEWCOMERS AND NEW MEMBERS IN THIS ASSEMBLY AND ACCOMPANY THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY LEFT THIS COMMUNITY TO JOURNEY ELSEWHERE. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

ETERNAL ONE, YOU NEITHER SLUMBER NOR SLEEP. BE OUR KEEPER IN LIFE AND IN DEATH. THANK YOU FOR OUR BELOVED WHO HAVE DIED, AND FOR YOUR PROMISE WHICH SAVES THIS WHOLE WORLD BY YOUR LOVE. 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** *“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”* Additional Hymnal No. 7

**When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss And pour contempt on all my pride.**

**Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast; Save in the death of Christ, my God,
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.**

**See, from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

**Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.**

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First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

¹ The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ² I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

^{4a} So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him.

Second Reading: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 - ¹ What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? ² For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³ For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ⁴ Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. ⁵ But to one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

¹³ For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

¹⁶ For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Gospel: John 3:1-17 - ¹ Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ² He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person.” ³ Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵ Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶ What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ ⁸ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” ⁹ Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰ Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹ “Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen, yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹² If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴ And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶ “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷ “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

March 8, 2026 readings are:

Exodus 17:1-7
Romans 5:1-11

Psalms 95
John 4:5-42

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

February 28-March 1, 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 Stacey 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 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

SUNDAY, March 1, 2026

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

WEDNESDAY

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

FRIDAY

9:00 Blessings Thrift Store

SATURDAY

6:00 Saturday Evening Worship

SUNDAY, March 8, 2026

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

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

Supporting Zion's Ministries

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

Received 2/22/26 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:	\$16,297.89
From Thrift Store:	\$0.00*
From Endowment:	\$20,812.00
From Culinary:	\$700.00

Year-to-date total for Zion's mission/ministries: \$37,809.89

* 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.

Upcoming Events

March 6 – Blessings Thrift Store

March 13 & 27 – Lenten Fish Dinners

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, March 6th 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.



This year Daylight Savings Time will begin on Sunday, March 8th. Don't forget to set your clocks one hour ahead before you go to bed on March 7th.

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!