

WELCOMING ALL, GROWING & SHARING GOD'S LOVE

THIS WEEK AT ZION

FRI., APRIL 24

Library Committee | 9:30 AM

SAT., APRIL 25

Spring Cleanup | 8 AM

Worship Service | 5 PM **Wee Care Cookie Sale**



SUN., APRIL 26

Worship Service | 8 AM **Wee Care Cookie Sale**

Choir Rehearsal & Kids of the Kingdom

(Mural Painting Day) | 9:15 AM

Worship Service | 10:30 AM

Family Game Night | 4:30 PM

MON., APRIL 27

Strong Bodies | 8:30 AM

Staff Meeting | 10 AM

Girl Scout Troop 4723 | 4:30 PM



TUES., APRIL 28

Strong Bodies | 7:30 AM

Men's Breakfast | 8 AM

LWR Mission Quilting | 9 AM

By-Laws Meeting | 10 AM

Community Garden | 5 PM



WED., APRIL 29

Strong Bodies | 8:30 AM

GriefShare Class | 4:30 PM

Confirmation Class | 6 PM

THURS., APRIL 30

Strong Bodies | 7:30 AM

Girl Scout Troop 4139 | 5:30 PM

SAT., MAY 2

Worship Service | 5 PM



SUN., MAY 3

Worship Service | 8 AM

Choir Rehearsal/Sunday School | 9:15 AM

Worship Service & Choir Sings | 10:30 AM

Education Committee | 11:30 AM

WELCOME

We're so glad you're here! We celebrate **Holy Communion** at every weekend service at ZION, and we invite all baptized and communing Christians to partake. **Children** are always welcome in worship and are invited to come forward for a blessing during communion! Our services have children's messages, and if your little one needs a break, **Noah's Ark Nursery** is behind the Sanctuary. We provide **Kids in Church** activity bags in the Narthex.

RESTROOMS

Restrooms are near the Union Street entrance, in the lower level, and inside Noah's Ark Nursery.

WELCOME PADS

Whether you're a long-time member or visiting for the first time, please sign the **Welcome Pad** in your pew.

CARE TO JOIN

If you're new or would like to make ZION your church home, fill out a **Welcome Card** and place it in the offering plate. We'd be honored to have you in our faith family! Please scan the QR Code for ZION's **Membership Application** or contact the office. We can't wait to get to know you and walk alongside you in our faith!



INTERGENERATIONAL EVENTS

Kids of the Kingdom is hosting monthly intergenerational events during the education hour between services, and everyone at ZION is invited! Our first gathering will take place on **Sun., April 26 at 9 AM** in Fellowship Hall, where we will come together to help paint the "Drawn to the Word" Community Mural. Then on **Sun., May 17**, we will walk the Grace Trail at Alpine Shores Park, meeting in the Narthex following the **8 AM** service. Come serve, create, and grow together as one church family. We hope you'll join us!



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NIGHT AT JDOGGS

On **Sat., May 9**, the **High School Youth Group** will gather at **JDoggs** at **6 PM** for fun, food, and fellowship. Simulators are reserved, so come ready to enjoy! Please RSVP in **SportsYou** so we can plan accordingly.

THANKS HS YOUTH VOLUNTEERS ~ SAM25

On **Wed., April 15**, several members of the **High School Youth Group** served dinner to guests at **SAM25**. With the warmer weather, attendance was lower than usual, but those who came were truly grateful for the spaghetti meal. Thank you to **Curt Preston** and **Sara Boucher** for helping transport and serve the food. We look forward to serving another meal this fall.

HOLIDAY MARKETPLACE PLANNING BEGINS

Planning for the **Holiday Marketplace** craft and vendor show will be on **Tues., May 19 at 4:30 PM**. We are looking for additional volunteers to help plan this event together. Come share your ideas and be part of the team!

CROSSWAYS CAMP

Give your child a summer experience at Crossways Camps in a Christ-centered environment, campers will grow in their faith, make life-long friends, and partake in events like hiking, swimming, and campfires. Register at: crosswayscamps.org/youth



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Pastor **Scott Ludford**, Sr. Pastor | **Jill Sousek**, Organist & Music Director | **Kay Kristof**, Adm. Asst. | **Kristin WhiteHorse**, Family & Youth Director | **Nancy Schultz**, Health & Wellness Coordinator | **Randy Steffen**, Worship Coordinator | **Ann Johnson**, Custodian | **John Phalen**, Maintenance | **Kendra Kristof**, Groundskeeper | **Chris Dalke & Nancy Schultz**, Live Recordings

ZION SUPPORTS LOCAL DISASTER RELIEF

In response to the **recent tornado and flooding** in our area, ZION Lutheran Church will be making financial gifts to support recovery efforts. **Donations** from the **LK Mission Fund of \$2,500** will be given to the **Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin** (<https://cfoncw.org/>) for tornado relief, and an **additional \$2,500** will be directed to **Black Creek Fire & Rescue** (facebook.com/profile.php?id=100070229743858) to assist flood victims, both. Please keep all those locally affected by these recent weather related disasters in your prayers.



LAY MINISTRY

5 PM Service-MAY	
Greeter	Debra Larson
Ushers	Bob Hass
Lay Reader	Steve Dalke
Communion Assistants	Steve Dalke Joy Dalke Diane Rugalski
Slide Operator	Randy Steffen
8 AM Service-MAY	
Greeters	Lisa Onesti Dawn Brock
Ushers	Randy Steffen Kraig Rosenow Bart DeFere Debbie DeFere
Lay Reader	Judy Laude
Communion Assistants	Judy Laude Tom Laude Dawn Brock
Slide Operator	Julie Effenberger
10:30 AM Service*-May	
Greeters	Noreen Christianson Rhonda Hoerke
Ushers	Noreen Christianson Katie Otto Jason Otto Curt Preston (5/3) Bob Bartelt (5/10)
Lay Reader	Sara Boucher
Communion Assistants	Sara Boucher Tammy Huebner Paul Huebner
Slide Operators	Jenny Tonn (5/3 & 5/17) Randy Steffen (5/10)



ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

April 26	8 AM	Addie Bernath
	10:30 AM	Leah Hanson Morgan Boucher
May 3	8 AM	Levi Effenberger Bella Krone
	10:30	Klye Huebner Jonah Glysch
May 10	8 AM	Lane Laude Bailey WhiteHorse
	10:30 AM	Olivia Phalen Audrey Moeller
May 17	8 AM	Lee Wolff Addie Bernath
	10:30 AM	Morgan Boucher Leah Hanson



*Youth will cover the 5/17; No service the 5/24 and 5/31 (Lake services start)

ATTENDANCE

Saturday 5 PM ~ 30 Sunday 8 AM ~ 75 10:30 AM ~ 82

In-Person ~ 187 YouTube ~ 148

OFFERINGS General = \$8,824 Building = \$550 Restricted = \$810

PRAYER LIST Richard Bahr, Alan Barnick, Gerald Bartline, Patricia Beck, Dale Bergsbaken, Leslie Buckbee, Bob Burdick, Marilyn Dahl, Terry Fusek, Nancy Goode, Larry Gueths, Pete Hintz, Audrey Hoppe, Joanne Horn, Bob Janicki, Wendy Nead, Eugene "Hugs" Strebel, Anita Stubenvoll, Judy Wendt, Russ Wise and in the military: Drake Herm, Ashton Pitts, & Mitchell Vanderpoel.

QUILTERS THANK YOU & ONGOING NEEDS

Zion's Mission Quilters thank everyone who donated items for Personal Care Kits to be shipped to **Lutheran World Relief** this fall. Your generosity makes a meaningful difference. **We are still in need of towels and nail clippers** and would greatly appreciate your continued support. If you have questions, please contact **Dorothy Eidahl** at 715.584.5283 or **Karen Childs** at 715.526.2445.

WEE CARE COOKIE SALE THIS WEEKEND!

The sweet smell of homemade goodness is back at ZION this weekend as Wee Care proudly offers their delicious **Oatmeal Peanut Butter Chippers!** Wee baked **ninety-two dozen cookies** for you to enjoy. These crowd favorites are available for just **\$7 per dozen** — a perfect treat to share with family, friends, or simply to enjoy with a cup of coffee. Every purchase supports Wee Care's mission of feeding children in need. *Reminder:* Our annual fundraiser at **Charlie's Red Barn** is **Sept. 21-23**, and we need your help to make it a continued success. Sign-up sheets are available on the Information Desk.

Please attend our annual meeting!

Dreams of Green garden contracts will be available to sign.

Tuesday, April 28, 2026 • 5:00 P.M.

Zion Lutheran Church
Dreams of Green
Community Garden

Ready to start gardening?
Save the date for an important meeting!

If you have questions, please email health@shawanozion.org



Baby Shower Drive
TO HELP FAMILIES IN NEED!
MAY 1 - 31, 2026

Shawano Area Early Childhood Partnership uses these donations to support families in our community.

ITEMS NEEDED
Small Infant Bottles / Sleep Sacks
Outlet Covers / Crib Mattresses
Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Detectors
Crib & Pack-n-Play Sheets / Laundry Soap
Dish Soap / Safety Gates
Cupboard Locks & Latches
Potty Seats / Baby Monitors
High Chairs / Safety Covers

SAECP kindly requests that all donated items are new

Zion Health Ministry
1254 S Union Street
Shawano WI 54166



GAME NIGHTS
GO MONTHLY!


April's Game Night
SUN., APRIL 26
4:30 - 6 PM

BINGO BOARD GAMES TABLE GAMES

A great time for family & fellowship!

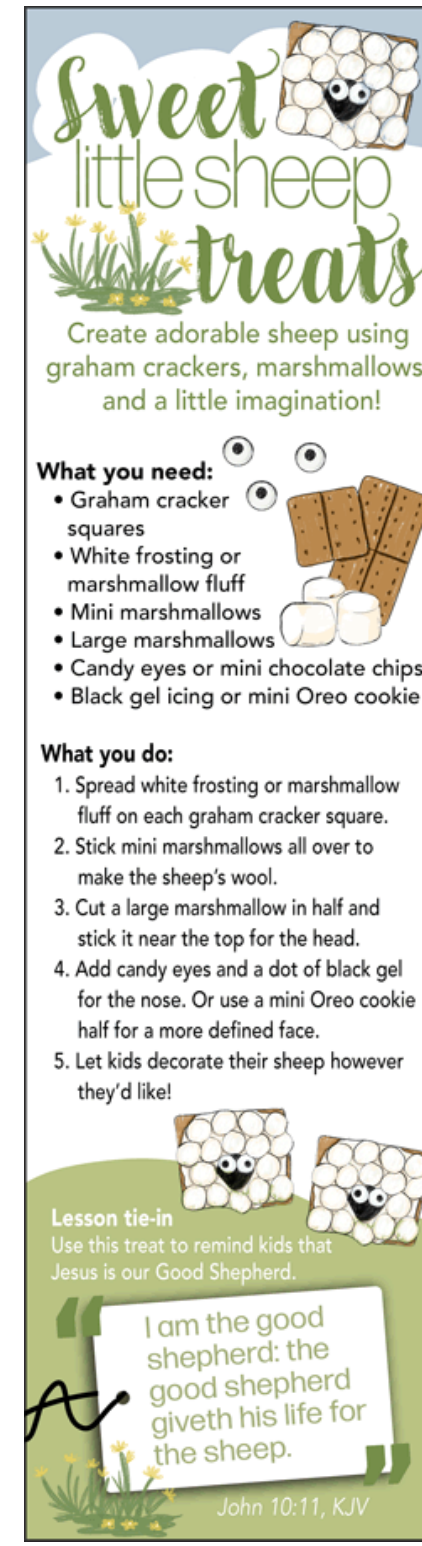
SUPPORT VBS WITH DONATIONS

See the VBS Donation Station to choose an item to purchase (most are available on Amazon), then drop it off or have it shipped directly to ZION by **June 1**. This is a simple and meaningful way for the congregation to support VBS, which is open to all kids ages 3K-5th grade.



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Do you know someone going through a difficult time?
Do you have a friend, neighbor, co-worker, or relative who has been struggling with the loss of a loved one, loneliness, cancer, a layoff, relocation, divorce, a spiritual crisis, recuperation, single parenthood, or any of countless other life challenges? Our **Stephen Ministers** can provide them with the focused care, encouragement, and support they need to make it through the crisis. If you know of someone who is hurting, talk with one of our **Stephen Leaders: Judy Laude, Nancy Schultz, or Kristin WhiteHorse**. They can talk with you about how we can connect the person you know with one of our Stephen Ministers. It's a great way for you to show how much you care!



Sweet little sheep treats

Create adorable sheep using graham crackers, marshmallows, and a little imagination!

What you need:

- Graham cracker squares
- White frosting or marshmallow fluff
- Mini marshmallows
- Large marshmallows
- Candy eyes or mini chocolate chips
- Black gel icing or mini Oreo cookie

What you do:

1. Spread white frosting or marshmallow fluff on each graham cracker square.
2. Stick mini marshmallows all over to make the sheep's wool.
3. Cut a large marshmallow in half and stick it near the top for the head.
4. Add candy eyes and a dot of black gel for the nose. Or use a mini Oreo cookie half for a more defined face.
5. Let kids decorate their sheep however they'd like!

Lesson tie-in
Use this treat to remind kids that Jesus is our Good Shepherd.

I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.
John 10:11, KJV



SPRING CLEANUP

Helping with:
Landscape
Lawn
Mulch

Please come help at ZION
SAT., APRIL 25
8:00 AM

ZION Lutheran Church Parking Lot



VBS - SAVE THE DATE!

RAINFOREST FALLS
Exploring the Nature of God

Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School
Aug. 3-6 • 9 AM - Noon!
Join us for Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God