

December 2023



**Zion Lutheran
Church**

Sunday, December 3

Second Sunday of Advent/Communion

Sunday, December 10

Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 17

Fourth Sunday of Advent/Communion

Sunday, December 24

Christmas Eve/Communion

Sunday, December 31

First Sunday after Christmas/Communion

Advent Services

Wednesday, December 6, 13, 20

Meal 5:30 pm, Worship Service 6:15 pm

Pastor's Corner



Several years ago, I attended a conference called "Change (Almost) Everything." Brian McClaren (The Great Spiritual Migration, We Make the Road by Walking) and Rozella White (Love Big) were the keynote speakers.

The subject was change. As people who love Jesus, we must decide if we are going to stay the way we are and continue to simply manage our decline - a decline being experienced by all Christian denominations in this country. Or, are we going to go out on a limb and trust God to give us a mission that might not line up with exactly how we do things right now.

Advent is a perfect time to be pondering questions about change and about God's mission.

Imagine having a pretty good thing going for yourself: you've got a good reputation, you're engaged to a stand up guy with an okay job, and you're getting married soon. One night, a heavenly being visits you and says, "Guess what? You're going to have a baby! In fact, you're pregnant right now!" In one moment, every plan you had, every piece of security you thought was in place, is gone; swept away by the Holy Spirit. You and I would most likely be really upset about God upsetting the apple cart like this. "Things are just fine the way they are; why are you doing this to me?" But the bible records Mary's response like this: *Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word. [Luke 1:38a]*

Can we respond in the same way as Mary to God's breaking in to our ordered, predictable, safe approach to being Christ's body? Are we ready to give up some of what is familiar and safe in order to embrace what God wants for us? Do we have the humility to admit that there are some things we are fond of that are just getting in God's way, and then let go of those? Can we summon up the courage to listen to new voices with new opinions about old things?

We have some big decisions to make in the coming year. Can we make decisions based on what's best for all people, or will we make those decisions based on what's best for only ourselves? Can we be courageous like Mary? What a challenge! What an opportunity! What a statement we can make!

The angel tells Mary: *"Don't be afraid."* [Luke 1:30] And Mary trusts those words and responds with faithfulness and trust, even though her life is being turned upside down.

And Jesus tells us: *"Don't be afraid."* [Mark 6:50b] Our response can only be to trust him.



**Live Nativity - December 2: 3 pm-6 pm.
Annual Meeting - January 28 after the 9 am
worship service.**



Advent, Christmas and Epiphany blessings to you from Bishop Laurie Skow-Anderson, Synod Ministers, Elizabeth Bartsch, Sara Villarreal Bishop, Diane House, Lidix Montoya, Randy Olson, Laura Ramlow

Mary the Brave: Mary the God Bearer

As a young pastor and working mom, I struggled with the challenges of balancing work and home life, often while carrying a child in my womb, arms, on my hip, in a front or back baby pack, or car seat. Now my children are adults, and I have the joy of watching them carry my grandchildren. They do it differently than I did, their car seats are much nicer than the ones we had, but like us, they carry their children with much love.

I am still carrying my adult children and grandchildren and will always carry them, in my heart with much love. This Advent and Christmas season I'm reflecting on Mary, the God bearer. (In Greek it's Theotokos².) Mary carried Jesus. Like all parents she carried

her child with love, but she is also the God bearer. It was a brave thing Mary did to bear God into the world. To love is a brave thing. It is a brave thing to become a parent. Mothers put their own lives at risk bearing a child in their womb and giving birth. It requires a measure of bravery for parents to bring a child into this world

filled with the bad news of climate disasters, gun violence, war, political upheaval, racism, food/water insecurity, and escalating health and higher education costs. History has painted Mary to be quiet, meek and mild, submissive to God's will, but a closer read shows us that Mary was brave. Mary was neither meek nor superhuman. She had grit. She was faithful, courageous, strong and brave. Most of all, she was human. Her encounter with the angel Gabriel, the messenger of God made her brave. She knew that her pregnancy was dangerous and she could die giving birth. She also knew that as an unmarried teen-aged mother it would

cause upheaval in her family and community. She would give birth to Jesus during Roman occupation, a time of political unrest. Mary was brave. Her encounter with the living God made her brave. Her encounter with God gave her bravery and the faith to see that if God was calling her God would also protect her. It revealed to her that God chooses the people on the margins, those overlooked and underestimated. Bearing God in the world was to bring good news and hope to those oppressed. May Mary, the God Bearer, inspire us all to be brave! This Advent and Christmas season, I invite you to be Theotokos, God Bearers. I invite you to carry the good news of Christ's birth, life, death and resurrection to all those we meet on this journey of life and the love of Jesus in your hearts always.

Bishop Laurie Skow-Anderson

1 Robert Munsch, I'll Love You Forever, Firefly Book (September 1, 1995)

2 Since the 3rd century, Christians had referred to Mary as theotokos, "God-bearer." The first documented usage of the term is in the writings of Origen of Alexandria in AD 230.

[Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God | uCatholic](#)

[3 Mary the Brave: Neither Meek nor Superhuman - CBE International](#)

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To the Council, congregation, pastors and lay leaders of Zion Lutheran Church, Northwest Synod of Wisconsin (NWSWI) of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America is writing this letter to invite you to participate in the upcoming election of our synod Bishop at Synod Assembly 2024.

All congregations have three responsibilities:

1. Each congregation should send the appropriate number of lay representatives and rostered leader representatives if available to vote at the Chequamegon Conference Assembly on a date between February 1st- 14th. Specific details will follow from Conference Deans regarding the Conference Assembly in which candidates will be nominated and sent to the synod.

2. The wide distribution of information regarding the nominees, once all individuals have been contacted, and confirmed their interest or have recused themselves, is key. Discussion, town-hall style meetings, participation by all members is encouraged during the Q&A sessions and sharing of the biographic videos should be shown or taken to those who cannot watch it themselves. Healthy participation is key in any election, and non- voting observers are welcome at all gatherings.

3. Each congregation should send an appropriate number of lay representatives and rostered leader representatives if available to vote at the NWSWI Synod Assembly on June 7-8, 2024 in Eau Claire, WI to elect a Bishop from those individuals nominated and confirmed. Additional nominees can be made at Synod Assembly per open Ecclesiastical ballot guidelines.

The process for the nomination of a Bishop was changed at our last Synod Assembly and details will follow from your Conference Dean, Reverend Elizabeth Bier Details and a full timeline is available on the website: <https://nswwi.org/synod-assembly-2024>

We look forward to navigating this process together, guided by the Spirit, in the work of the Kingdom of Heaven. With deep gratefulness, we thank you for your prayerful participation.

Sincerely,

NWSWI Bishop's Election Committee

VP Al Arndt Rev. Erin Nelson Rev. Kurt Jacobsen

Karyn Hullinger Sue Zahrbock Elizabeth Bartsch

Rev. Sara Bishop Rev. Greg Kaufmann Rev. Mamy Ranaivoson

Madeline Leske-Oppedahl



Operation Christmas

Sweet Dreamz has been selected as our outreach recipient for Zion's Operation Christmas gift-giving this year. Sweet Dreamz is a non-profit organization located in Spencer Wisconsin that provides comfort items to children ages newborn to 17 years who come from a home of

substance abuse as they make their way into foster care – things these children cannot take with them during this very hard transition. When a child is removed from a home, they are not allowed to take anything with them because it is contaminated.

Sweet Dreamz serves 45 counties throughout WI including Marathon and Wood. Sweet Dreamz provides these things to give them hope for a brighter future. Each child receives a homemade pillowcase filled with a blanket, a stuffed animal, pajamas, and a book – all specific to their age and size. Currently, the greatest need is for age and size 2T to 10/12. Pillowcases must be homemade. Sweet Dreamz currently has volunteers making pillowcases but will accept any homemade pillowcases and blankets or quilts. We will learn more about Sweet Dreamz on Sunday, December 3rd. Complete bundles and separate items from the bundle will be placed on the Operation Christmas tree. Choose a tag(s), purchase the item(s), and bring your donations along with the tag to Zion. Thank you and Merry Christmas! Envelopes will also be available if you prefer to donate cash and

we will purchase the items needed to complete a bundle. The deadline to return donations to Zion is Wednesday, December 20th .

Thank you for your generosity and continued support of Zion's Operation Christmas!

December's Faith Journey

Worship and Activity Cancellation Policy

It's that time of year! You know how it goes... snow, ice, wind, subzero temps. (AKA—Pastor Amy's favorite time of year.)

If we feel we must cancel a worship service or activity due to weather conditions, we will let you know.

Be sure to check our Facebook page, and/or keep up with cancellations on WAOW-TV Channel 9 and WSAW-TV Channel 7.

Reminder: If Stratford schools are closed, there will be no after-school activities at Zion. As always, if the weather is "iffy," check our Facebook page for the most up-to-date information.

Tuesday morning Bible Study

Bible study will be each Tuesday morning. We invite anyone interested in exploring the scriptures and a time of fellowship to join us on Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study Schedule 2023-2024 (10 am)

Date	Topic & Scripture Notes
<i>December 5, 2023</i>	<i>No Bible Study Pastor Amy attending a conference.</i>
<i>December 12, 2023</i>	<i>Fiery Furnace Daniel 3</i>
<i>November 19, 2023</i>	<i>Jonah Jonah 1-4</i>
<i>December 26, 2023</i>	<i>No Bible Study Christmas week</i>



Worship Schedule

Advent Worship Services

Meal at 5:30 pm

Service at 6:15 pm

December 6, 13, 20.

Christmas Eve Day Services

Worship Service/Communion

9:00 am

Christmas Eve Services

5:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Communion by intinction.

Guest Preacher, Dec. 3

Pastor Diane House will be preaching on **Sunday, December 3rd**, and will be educating about Stewardship following the worship service. Coffee will be served in the Narthex. Please join us and welcome Pastor House.

Healing Service

The Worship Committee is bringing back healing services on the fifth Sunday of any given month. During worship that day, we will have prayer stations available during Communion distribution where you may ask for prayer, a personal blessing, or anointing. There will be another healing service during worship on **December 31**.

The Chosen

The Chosen Begins Again January 14!

If you're interested in binge-watching a few episodes of The Chosen, be sure to join us at 5:30 pm on

Sunday, January 14. Bring a bible if you like, some snacks to share, a snuggly blanket, and something to drink.

We're at the beginning of season 2, but we'll be happy to help you catch up. You can also google "The Chosen" to watch season 1 for free.

Christian Youth Education Programs.



Continue to pray for all the children and leaders as they begin a new year of their faith journey.

Little Lutherans/J-Team

December 6, 2023

Christmas Program Practice

December 13, 2023

Christmas Program Practice

Little Lutherans and J-Team (K-6th grade) will be focusing on the Bible this year with games, crafts, and Bible stories. These faith formation classes will be held every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from **3:15-5:15 p.m.**

Children may arrive anytime between 3:15 and 3:50 pm, for those coming from a non-Stratford school district. Information and calendar can be found at: <https://zionstratford.org/faith-formation/k-6th-grade/>

Confirmation

Advent Services

Serving schedule for Advent meal served at 5:30 pm

December 6

Parent Coordinator: Kathy Ballerstein

*Students: Hudson Ballerstein, Olivia Ballerstein,
Anika Weber*

December 13

Parent Coordinator: Amii Kreft

*Students: Sierra Kreft, Connor Kreft,
Willie Casperson, Garrett Smazal*

December 20

Parent Coordinator: Cory Wiesman & Stacey Spindler

*Students: Reese Spindler, Cooper Wiesman,
Emmercyn Schiller, Jaden Weis*

Disciples For Christ

Sunday, December 17 at 5:30 p.m.

Keeping Christ in Christmas

The schedule and more information can be found at:

<https://zionstratford.org/faith-formation10th-12th-grade/>.



Children's Christmas Pageant

This special pageant given by the children of Zion will be on December 17, during the worship service at 9 am.

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP DECORATIONS

Poinsettias will be used to brighten our sanctuary for the Christmas season. They may be given in honor, or memory, of family and friends.

Poinsettia plants may be taken home following worship on Christmas Eve. The Poinsettia plants this year are \$15. Please fill out the form and return it to the church office or Sunday morning offering. You may also call the church office or email office@zionstratford.org to sign up (687-4110).



Supporting Ministries



Simply Giving

Your congregation works hard to support your faith journey, respond to your pastoral needs, and plan for educational and worship opportunities all year long.

Make it easy for yourself (and for us) by signing up for Simply Giving. Through Simply Giving, you can “set it and forget it” when it comes to donating to Zion’s ministry. Your donation will automatically come out of your account in whatever amount and on whatever schedule is best for you.

Forms are available just outside the worship space and can be completed and returned to the office. Or just give Kathy a quick call in the office and she will be happy to help you out.

Treasurer's Report

To keep everyone informed of the financial status of Zion Lutheran, we include a monthly Treasurer's Report in the newsletter. The overall purpose is to be transparent about how Zion is building a culture of generosity and being good stewards (managers) of God's gracious provision to fuel Jesus' ministry.

January 1, 2023 through October 31, 2023:

- General Offering Received \$136,407.20
- Ministry Expenses (salaries, utilities, supplies, etc.) \$179,458.21
- **Giving vs. Expense Deficit \$ 43,051.01**
- Undesignated Cash Balance (10/31/23) \$ -\$6,221.33

The undesignated cash balance is in the negative since our actual income has not been matching our expenses. We are currently operating in the red).

Note: Our ministry teams are well below their budgeted expenses through this part of the year.

Benevolence Goals through October 31, 2023: (These are additional goals, not included in annual budget.)

Crossways Camping Ministries	\$ 100.00	3.6% of goal
Lutheran Social Services	\$ 800.00	44.4% of goal
Missionary	\$ 1,636.00	46.7% of goal
ELCA World Hunger Appeal	\$ 2,948.00	90.7% of goal

Thank you to everyone who continues to support Zion's ministry in Jesus' name with financial gifts. It takes all of us together to fuel our ministry plan.

Building Update 2023

Total monthly principal payments	\$ 8,581.08
Total monthly interest payments	<u>\$ 718.92</u>
Balance of loan as of 10/20/2023	\$ 74,505.01

Partners Bank

Building checking acct balance as of **11/06/2023** \$ 6,138.06

Payment Bi-Weekly	Start Balance	Payment Amount	Interest Paid	Principal Paid	Ending Balance
08/11 & 08/25	\$83,086.09	\$3,100.00	\$248.25	\$2,851.75	\$80,234.34
09/08 & 09/22	\$80,234.34	\$3,100.00	\$239.65	\$2,860.35	\$77,373.99
10/06 & 10/20	\$77,373.99	\$3,100.00	\$231.02	\$2,868.98	\$74,505.01

Thank you to all who continue to give generously toward the Debt Reduction (Building) Fund.

Year End Statement

Zion sends out at the beginning of each year an end statement from your generous giving from 2023. If you wish to have your gifts reflected in the 2023 year-end statement those gifts need to be given to the church by 10:00 am on Sunday, December 31st, 2023. Any donations after that time will be posted to 2024 giving.



Positions Open on Church Council

If you've ever had a suggestion, a complaint, or an idea about how our congregation should or could run, now is the time to throw your hat in the ring for church council!

We have three council openings coming up for 2024, and we need you!

Meetings are held the third Monday of (almost) each month, and generally last 1 to 1 ½ hours. There is prayer and scripture study, receiving of reports, discussion of any congregational issues, and a whole lot of laughter. Please prayerfully consider whether the Holy Spirit is calling you to fill one of these openings in the coming year.

If you have questions or want to find out more (with no obligation other than to pray about it), talk to any current council member or Pastor Amy.

Communion Stewards

The Communion stewardship team is looking for 2 volunteers for communion set up and clean up. The obligation would be 8 times a year. Set up and clean up take approximately 30 minutes. If you would be interested in joining this committee, please contact Rhonda Thompson or the church office at office@zionstratford.org or at 715-687-4110.

Calling All Yarnies

Do you like to knit or crochet? Maybe you enjoy sorting and distributing? Or making tassles? Maybe you have unwanted yarn sitting around your house?

Then have we got a project for you!

We are calling for hats, mittens, scarves, lap blankets (3'x 4' max), headbands/ear warmers in all sizes to distribute during the Christmas in the Park event. These items will be free for whomever needs them.

We also need that yarn you don't know what to do with, or that you were planning to throw out.

Drop off bins for completed items and for yarn donations will be located in the entrance near the offices. Please note if an item is made of wool or a wool blend, and please wash all items before dropping them off.

If you have questions, or want to help in some way, please contact Marsha Sipple, Pastor Amy, or the church office.

Evangelism

The Evangelism team would like to send cards to individuals or families that are hospitalized or have experienced a loss in their family. If you have someone that you wish for the church to reach out to you can contact the church office at 715-687-4110 or at office@zionstratford.org.

Fellowship

Join us each Sunday following worship for coffee, tea and hot cocoa fellowship. It is a wonderful time to catch up with friends, family and other members of your congregation. Often, there are tasty treats to enjoy as well. Consider hosting fellowship for your



Fellowship

fellow members, it is as easy as signing up.

If you have never hosted a fellowship, no worries!

There are several people willing to help you out with making coffee and setting up. Let the office know and those arrangements will be made.



Homebound Visits

There are several members of Zion that are homebound. This makes it difficult for them to come to church and receive communion. Pastor Amy makes frequent visits to these members and encourages other members of Zion to visit their fellow members and serve communion. Pastor

Amy will walk you through how to serve home communion. Consider taking a few hours a month to visit with a fellow member and brighten their day.

Choir Rehearsal 8:00 a.m.

In the Balcony - December 3, 10

In the Basement Fellowship Hall -
December 17

In the Balcony - January 7, 14

No rehearsal January 21

In the Balcony January 28



Anyone wishing to offer special music, vocal or instrumental, for the Advent Sunday or Wednesday services or the Christmas Eve services please contact Mary Wussow or the church office.

Christ in Our Home

The devotional *Christ in Our Home* for January, February, and March is now available in the Narthex or the information table in the church lobby.

Worship Duty Signup via Signup Genius

Please take a moment to sign up to participate in our worship service as usher, reader, acolyte, media, communion assistant (server), or assisting minister. The fall signups are now available. Sign up by December 17 for January 2024. I really appreciate and can't thank you enough for signing up!

Here is the link for January:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0844A5A92B0-46263829-january>

Serving in Worship Substitutions

On vacation? At a sporting event? Family wedding? If you are scheduled to serve in worship as an assisting minister, acolyte, communion server, reader, usher, etc. and are unable to serve on that date, please look at the calendar and contact another person to switch with you. If you need a list of people to contact, please contact the church office 715-687-4110 or office@zionstratford.org.

Scrip Shopping Supports Ministry

Looking to buy your college student supper? Got a special birthday coming up? Already thinking about Christmas? Zion Scrip is the answer for quick, easy gift card giving! We have many retail card options on hand but can also special order from thousands of retailers. Each purchase supports Faith Formation Youth Programs such as Camp Scholarships, National Gatherings and more.



shopwithscrip

It's easy! Simply download the RaiseRight app and shop right from your couch or contact Janet Schoenherr at 715-650-0097 or Wendy Spaeth at 715-

615-2500 and they will help you get started.

You will need a one-time enrollment code for Zion; for security reasons, please contact Janet, Wendy, or the church office for the code. If you are curious as to what Scrip has to offer, visit www.raiseright.com.

Janet or Wendy will be in the Narthex selling Scrip before and after church service on the following dates:

December 3

December 10 Christmas Order Deadline

Scrip Holiday Bonus!!

For every \$50.00 of Scrip purchased between October 1st and December 10th, you will be entered into a BONUS drawing for a free \$25.00 Scrip card of your choice!

Christmas in the Barn

You are invited to attend an interactive family Christmas experience at Memory Lane Farm, Marshfield WI on Friday, December 1 from 6-8 PM and Saturday, December 2 from 12:30 PM - 7:00 PM. The event is free for all ages, however donations for needy children and families of diapers, paper goods and new socks and underwear for children and women are encouraged. Experience the sights and sounds of the streets of Bethlehem and live Nativity. Enjoy kids crafts, petting zoo, outdoor activities, photo booths and shop the Mercantile with items from local artisans. For more information and to sign up to volunteer, visit www.memorylanefarm.org/events or call 715-897-7187.



Stratford Food Pantry Drive

Stratford Food Pantry would like to extend a thank you to individuals that have generously given to the Food Pantry during the summer months. There continues to be a need in the Stratford community for support from the Food Pantry. Please prayerfully consider donating supplies to the Food Pantry. You can drop off donations in the lobby of the church or in the Narthex here at Zion.

The Stratford Area Food Pantry provides food to individuals and families within the Stratford School District. If you are in need of food, we are here for you! Hours are Tuesday mornings from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. and Wednesday evenings from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. or by appointment. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Dan Wieland at wieland.dandeb@gmail.com or at 715-506-0020 and he will help you get connected.

List of needs:

Soups

Toilet paper

Beans

Peas

Pancake mix & syrup

Noodles

Rice

Technology Ministry

Council Minutes

Council minutes are available on the church website at zionstratford.org/publications. You can also get a copy of the minutes by contacting Kathy in the church office or on the Information table by the church office.

Prayer Requests

Did you know that you can submit your prayer requests on the ZionStratford.org website? You can also let people know that people are praying for them too. Check it out at <https://zionstratford.org/prayer>



Sermons by Phone or Podcast App

Audio recordings of Sunday sermons are now available by calling **848.204.2721**. You can also find it on the podcast apps *PodBean* and *Bullhorn* under the podcast name "Open Doors Open Hearts Open Hands." You can also find a recording and a copy of the bulletin at <https://zionstratford.org/publications/>.

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Return Service Requested

December 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 3pm Christmas in the Park
3 9am Worship/ Communion Pastor Diane House	4 6pm Worship Team Meeting	5 Pastor Amy attending a Conference No Bible Study	6 3:15 pm JTeam/Little Lutherans 5:30 Advent meal 6:15 pm Worship	7 Pastor Amy on vacation	8 Pastor Amy on vacation	9 Pastor Amy on vacation
10 9am Worship Pastor Amy on vacation	11 6pm Executive Team Meeting	12 10am Bible Study 7 pm Faith Formation Team Meeting	13 3:15 pm JTeam/Little Lutherans 5:30 Advent meal 6:15 pm Worship	14	15	16 Family Center Reserved
17 9 am Worship/ Communion Children Christmas Program 5:30 pm Disciples for Christ	18 6pm Council Meeting	19 10am Bible Study 6 pm Evangelism Team Meeting	20 5:30 Advent meal 6:15 pm Worship	21	22	23
24 9am Worship/ Communion Christmas Eve Service 5pm & 7 pm Communion	25 Merry Christmas 	26 No Bible Study	27	28	29	30
31 9am Worship/ Communion Healing Service						

Date	12/03/2023 First Sunday of Advent 9:00 AM	12/06/2023 1st Wed of Advent 6:15 PM	12/10/2023 2nd Sun of Advent 9:00 AM	12/13/2023 2nd Wed of Advent 6:15 PM	12/17/2023 3rd Sun of Advent 9:00 AM	12/20/2023 3rd Wed of Advent 6:15 PM	12/24/2023 4th Sun of Advent 9:00 AM	12/24/2023 Christmas Eve 5:00 PM	12/24/2023 Christmas Eve 7:00 PM	12/31/2023 1st Sun of Christmas 9:00 AM	01/07/2024 Baptism of our Lord or Epiphany 9:00 AM
Assisting Minister	Brenda Huther	.....	Casey Dasler	.....	Darla Leick	.....	Dan Thompson	Dan Wieland	Riley Spindler	Marge Kollmansberger	Darla Leick
Reader	Brenda Huther	Avery White	Brenda Huther	Janet Schoenherr	Patti Casperson	Dan Wieland	Dan Thompson	Dan Wieland	Riley Spindler	Marge Kollmansberger	Darla Leick
Acolytes	Ella Schultz Ryleigh Schiller	.....	Cooper & Brynn Wiesman	.....	Hudson Ballerstein Anika Weber	.....	Eleanor Smazal Sierra Kreft	Emmercyn & Ryleigh Schiller	Reese & Reid Spindler	Charlotte & Nolan Peirce	Ryleigh & Emmercyn Schiller
Ushers	Phil & Kerri Schultz	Finley & Dayton White	Mark & Sandy Andersen	Tadd & Janet Schoenherr	Brian Leick Brenda Castellano	Dan & Deb Wieland	Jim & Cory Wiesman Family	Tom & Nancy Schoenherr Tadd & Janet Schoenherr	Mark & Sandy Andersen	Ray & Lindsay White	Ryan & Amy Cournoyer
communion assistants	Angela Guraski Brenda Huther Brenda Garrigan	.....	.....	.....	Nancy Schoenherr Amy Cournoyer Darla Leick	.....	Dan & Rhonda Thompson June Krueger	Dan & Deb Wieland Carmella Moon	Lois Miller Riley Spindler Wendy Spaeth	kneeling Marge Kollmansberger	Darla & Brian Leick Tadd Schoenherr
communion steward	Deb Wieland	.....	.....	.....	Sandy Andersen	.....	Deb Wieland Rhonda Thompson	Deb Wieland Rhonda Thompson	Deb Wieland Rhonda Thompson	Amy Grell	Patti Casperson
Basket Holders	Natalie Messerschmidt Harvey Waddell	.....	.....	.....	Jordy Spindler Natalie Messerschmidt	.....	.....	.....	.....	Griffin Peirce	Ellie & Turner Southwick
Fellowship	Curtis family		Volunteer	Children Program			Huther family			Cookie Potluck	Volunteer
Host	Treasurer Marge Redetzke	.....	Evangelism Brandon Aschenbrenner	.....	Property Robin Curtis	.....	Stewardship Amy Cournoyer	.....	.....	Worship Brian Stroetz	Faith Formation Ray White
Bell Ringer	Phil Schultz	.....	Mark Andersen	.....	Brian Leick	.....	Jim Wiesman	Tadd Schoenherr	Mark Andersen	Ray White	Ryan Cournoyer
Media	Rod Huther	Rod Huther	Ted Dasler	Rod Huther	Rod Huther	Rod Huther	Marge Kollmansberger	Rod Huther	Kevin Miller	Ted Dasler	Kevin Miller
										Healing	
Thank you all who have volunteered to serve Zion Lutheran Church in 2023											
Merry Christmas						Happy New Year					