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February 22 & 23, 2025 SATURDAY EVENING SCHEDULE

5:30 - Gathering, Come As You Are

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

8:00 a.m. - Traditional: Words, Hymns, Liturgy

9:00 a.m. – Faith Formation

10:00 a.m. – Community Service with Communion

Epiphany

Attendance for last week's services				
Weekend Worship	164			
Faith Formation	39			

Zion Financial Report: Jan 2025			
* council approved			
	Monthly Operations	YTD Opera- tions	YTD Budget
Receipts			
(Giving)	\$49,587.79	\$49,587.79	\$45,765.17
Expenses	\$50,119.50	\$50,119.50	\$48,286.88
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Deficit	-\$531.71	-\$531.71	-\$2,521.71
*NOTE - Church Only			

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SUNDAY FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES Sundays ~ 9:00AM

Adult Bible Study Devotion & Dialogue

Each week, we will read and discuss the Gospel from the week's lectionary. Join us as we delve into the scriptures!

Youth Faith Formation

Youth ages 3 years to 12th grade join us for a full year of fun and learning with your friends.

Adult Study Life with Jesus

The 'Life with Jesus' adult Faith Formation is discussing the book of Colossians which explains the supremacy of Christ, the fullness of life found in Him, and provides practical wisdom for living the Christian life. Come to learn, and to share your journey. (Find us in the choir room - down the hall past the restrooms, on the left.)

Nursery Available Sundays ~ 10AM

Story time is also available in the nursery following the children's sermon.

WEEKDAY OPPORTUNITIES

Lunch Bunch February 19 ~ noon

Join Pastor Kevin at Friendly's located at 423 Loucks Rd, to connect with like-minded individuals, share your thoughts, and deepen your understanding in a welcoming and supportive environment.

Gather & Grow March 24 6:00 PM

Women, join us at Zion for an in-depth study of the upcoming gospel passage, Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]. Bring your Bible, as we will explore different translations to gain deeper insight.

Men's Huddle March 20 ~ 7:00 PM

Men, join us at Zion for a time of fellowship and faith as iron sharpens iron. Bring a sandwich and beverage to enjoy.

Pastor Kevin will be leading us in a bible study.

Questions contact Matt Engleman or Walt Marriott.

We are... Wednesdays

1st Wednesday of the Month — Prayer Group
3rd Wednesday of the Month — Discipleship
4th Wednesday of the Month — Book Club

Book Club February 26 ~ 6:30 PM

For the month of February we will be reading Born a Crime: Stories From a South African Childhood by Trevor Noah. The memoir of one man's coming-of-age, set during the twilight of apartheid and the tumultuous days of freedom that followed. Trevor Noah's unlikely path from apartheid South Africa to the desk of The Daily Show began with a criminal act: his birth.

Zion Missions Trip—Avery County, N.C.

Hurricane Helene caused devastating damage to multiple areas of the country. The devastation was so bad there aren't homes left to repair, the focus is on new construction. Avery County, NC, has a Habitat affiliate with whom Zion has previously worked. Want to help? *Details:*

- When? Sun., July 6th-Sat. July 12th. (You are welcome to come for a partial week as well.) (*Must be at least 16 yrs. old.*)
- Where? The Gilmer Retreat Center, 151 Friendship Lane, Elk Park, NC 28622 (In Mildford Meadows, a Habitat community)
- **Cost?** \$30/night/person in the retreat center; \$15/night/person in your own RV. (sites have water, electric, sewer)
- **Travel?** It is about 7.5 hrs driving time, mostly following route 81 south. We will carpool for those who would like.
- What to bring? Bedding for single bunks, towel, toiletries, old clothes, closed toed-shoes. Money or packed lunch for travel days, possibly eating out one evening to support the local economy.
 Optional: hand tools labeled with your name or initials.
- Food? We are looking for at least 2 or 3 volunteers to cook breakfast and dinner.
- Questions? Contact Barry Anderson, barryaic@live.com or 717-586-4005

Zion Has Heart

Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee; in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

The Service Ministry Team is collecting donations throughout February for *Zion Has Heart*, an initiative to assist those in immediate need. This Valentine's Day, show your love to a stranger by making a meaningful donation and helping us reach our *goal of \$6,000*.

You can donate in one of the following ways:

- Online: Visit <u>www.zionyork.org</u> and click the "Give Online" button. Select the *Zion Has Heart* fund and include "Zion Has Heart" in the notes.
- 2. **In Person**: Select a heart from the Narthex, attach it to your donation, and place it in a marked *Zion Has Heart Love Envelope*.

Thank you for your generosity and for having a heart of compassion. Together, let's share Christ's love and make Him known!



Storytime Help Needed

Please consider helping with supervising Storytime during the 10am Sunday morning service. After the children's sermon, the younger members are taken into the nursery room for about 15-20 min. Here, a story is read to them, they enjoy a snack and then play. Someone will notify the group when it is time to come back to the sanctuary (allowing for clean-up time) and returning during the passing of the peace. Interested but have more questions? Contact Katie Strittmatter: knace15@gmail.com, 717-814-2980.

Thank You Coats of Friendship



THANK YOU for helping with my confirmation project by donating coats, hats, gloves, and scarves to Coats of Friendship. I feel blessed to help the community in such a profound way. The President and Vice President of Coats of Friendship, as well their mother, Tracee, were shocked and extremely grateful to see how much the members of Zion donated. Many thanks to all of you who helped make this happen. God Bless you all! ~ Dominic Saullo

Charles E. Stout Benefit Concert Saturday, March 8th 7:00 PM

On Saturday, March 8th at 7:00 pm Zion Lutheran Church is having a benefit concert for the Charles E. Stout Harmony Fund. This fund makes grants that support children and youth in performing arts throughout the world. Charles truly brought harmony by caring and serving others throughout his short life. We are glad to have the following musical groups: Sons of Thunder (Mt. Zion Church Lewisberry) and Leap of Faith (Zion). Join us for an evening of music!

Joyful Noise Preschool Registration Now Open 25/26 School Year

Registration for the 2025-2026 school year is now open! We are excited to offer classes for children ages 2 1/2 to 4 years old. Forms are available at the information desk. Don't miss out—register today!

Ash Wednesday Services March 5 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Join us as we begin the season of Lent with our Ash Wednesday services. We will gather for reflection, repentance, and the imposition of ashes at both services. All are welcome as we mark the start of this holy season with prayer, worship, and the invitation to walk with Christ through these 40 days. Come and begin this meaningful journey with us. We look forward to seeing you there!

Lenten Soup & Bible Study Announcement "Entering the Passion of Jesus"

This Lent, join us for a special Soup & Bible Study series on *Entering the Passion of Jesus* by Amy-Jill Levine. We'll dive deep into the events of Jesus' final days, exploring their historical and theological significance.

Dates: Wednesdays, March 12 – April 16 **Time:** 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM (6;30 PM if not eating)

Each evening will begin with a warm soup meal, followed by the Bible study session. One copy of the book will be available at each table for use during the study, and you can purchase your own copy for approximately \$10 at Amazon and other various outlets.

Come grow in faith and community as we journey through Lent together. We look forward to seeing you there!

Lenten Volunteers Needed

Do you have a knack for cooking? Do you have a favorite soup you'd love to share? If so, we have the perfect job for you! We are looking for volunteer soup makers for our Wednesday Lenten Series. Each week we need 2 soups, bread and dessert. Pick a week to help and sign up in the narthex. Don't cook? No problem! Sign up to help serve. Stay for a delicious meal and insightful book study.

Lenten Prayer Guide

Join us on a Lenten prayer journey! Each day during Lent, we will focus on different groups to lift up in prayer. The York County Lenten Prayer Guide 2025 is being shared throughout the county, uniting Christians in prayer. Consider adding prayer to your Lenten spiritual practice. Copies of the guide are available in the Narthex—feel free to take one or two!

Easter Flowers Orders Due March 23

Order forms are available to purchase flowers for adorn Zion's sanctuary for Easter. Lilies are \$13 and Tulips are \$11.50. Place order forms and monies due in the labeled white box in the Narthex.

Refugee Support Needed Afghan Refugee Families in York

Current Needs:

 Male & Female drivers to take refugees to English as a Second Language (ESL) classes at Union Church, 408 West Market St. Classes are Mondays and Wednesdays, March 3rd to April 9th, 12:30-2:30 PM. Able to assist with need? Contact Pastor Kevin at kstout@zionyork.org.

Thank you for your support and willingness to make a difference!

Spring Women's Retreat "For Such a Time as This"

There are so many needs in our world. Do you feel a kind of restlessness, that there is something else you should be doing? What is our purpose? Does God have a special calling for which He created you? How do we figure it all out? These are all questions we will investigate during the Women's Retreat "For Such a Time as This." Details:

When? April 3-6, you can choose how many days (Main event Sat., April 5th)

Where? Zinn-Tozer Lodge, Camp Nawakwa, Arendtsville, PA How much? 3 nights-\$150; 2 nights - \$105; 1 night - \$60; one day- \$20 Questions? email Deb Anderson at dba456@live.com, call or text 717-891-8433

Sign-up: in narthex

Coffee Social—Sunday Warm Up Sunday | March 9

Please bring a hot breakfast item to help make the event warm and welcoming. Whether it's pancakes, quiches, or casseroles, your contributions are appreciated. Sign up in the narthex to let us know what you'll bring. Drop off donations by 9 am that Sunday.



Thank You

Your generosity Made a difference

Tortilla Weekend was a great success! Thank you to all who helped us raise \$1827.00 to feed our 5 sponsored children in Guatemala. Many thanks to the Fellowship Team members who graciously came out to help. Thank you to our Service Team members for your generosity and help. Our thanks also go to everyone who came out to enjoy the tortillas and generously donate to give 5 orphans the nutritious food they need to grow up healthy and happy, knowing that a congregation of people many miles away cared enough to help make their lives better. Most of all, thank you to our Loving God who has placed in our hearts the desire and will to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Making Jesus Known in Our Community!