

Zion Lutheran Church

January 18, 2026

Town Hall Dates

Saturday, January 24, at 6:00 p.m.
 Sunday, January 25, at 10:00 a.m.

Combined Worship Service

Sunday, February 1, 2026, 10 a.m.

Annual Meeting and Reports

Sunday, February 1, following the
 Combined Worship service.

Snow date: February 8

The Annual Report of the Congregation
 will be available in print by
 Saturday, January 17.

Zion's Weekly Schedule

Saturday - 1/17 Noisy Offering

8:30 a.m. One God One Voice
 9:00 a.m. Clothes Closet Sorting
 9:30 a.m. AA Group
 9:30 a.m. Altar Guild Meeting
 5:00 p.m. AA Group
 5:00 p.m. Casual Worship

Sunday - 1/18 Noisy Offering

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship
 10:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School-Flight to Egypt
 10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
 1:00 p.m. 4-H Monthly Business Meeting
 6:00 p.m. Prayer Team—Zoom
 7:00 p.m. AA Group

Monday - 1/19

9:00 a.m. DayOff Program
 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

Tuesday - 1/20

8:00 a.m. Zion Quilters
 6:00 p.m. Girl Scout Leaders Meeting
 6:00 p.m. Finance Audit
 7:00 p.m. Zion Knitters
 7:00 p.m. CoDA Meeting

Wednesday- 1/21

8:00 a.m. Zion Quilters
 12:00 p.m. JOY Luncheon
 6:30 p.m. Safety and Security Mtg.—Zoom

Thursday - 1/22

8:00 a.m. Zion Quilters
 11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
 5:30 p.m. Lions Potluck Dinner & Games

Friday - 1/23

6:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday - 1/24

8:30 a.m. One God One Voice
 9:00 a.m. Clothes Closet Sorting
 9:30 a.m. AA Group
 5:00 p.m. AA Group
 5:00 p.m. Casual Worship
 6:00 p.m. Town Hall Meeting

Sunday - 1/25

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship
 10:00 a.m. Town Hall Meeting
 10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
 1:00 p.m. Girl Scout Bread Making
 6:00 p.m. Prayer Team—Zoom
 7:00 p.m. AA Group

Cradle Roll class begins! With the joy of little ones around, we have enough interest to have a Sunday School class for birth through 3 year olds. We'll sing and learn together and support one another as we help our littlest ones grow in faith. The Cradle Roll class will meet in Marc's Room at 10:00am following the Children's Sunday School schedule.

JOY +50 (Just Older Youth) Luncheon Join us for our next JOY Luncheon on the third Wednesday of the month, at 12 noon. Everyone in the Middletown Valley is welcome! The cost is \$10 per person. Call Alexa for reservations at 301-514-4479 by the Monday before the luncheon.

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Remember that
you are dust,
and to dust
you shall return.

**Ash Wednesday
Worship**
February 18 at 7 p.m.



**Noisy Offering:
January 18
to benefit SHIP**



Children's Choir Let's sing together! **On the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month** at the end of Sunday School, we will have Children's Choir practice. Kids will sing and dance and have fun as they learn about their faith through song.



Church Directories are Here!

You can pick up a directory at the Church Office. Suggested donation is \$10.



Coffee & Donuts

Spaces are available, you can now sign up for and sponsor **Sunday Donuts** in honor of or in memory of a loved one or someone special.

The cost is \$72. The sign up sheet is located outside of the Living Library next to the Flower Chart.



Hope to Faith

If you have experienced a loss recently or at any time in your life, please know that you are welcome to attend for a time of fellowship and food! **Hope to Faith meets the last Monday of the month. Contact Dixie Eichelberger at 301-667-7586 for more information.**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR

Generosity

HERE AT ZION

Do you need a gift for a special person in your life who doesn't need anything? We have some ways that you can share your generosity that would make a major impact and difference here at Zion. Just like the ELCA Good Gifts, we have a special card that you can take to let your loved one know you gave a gift that made a difference here at Zion.

Day Off Program

Vacation Bible School

Camp Scholarships to Mar-Lu-Ridge A Radiator

As the church's heating system is getting older we are looking at new options to heat the Sanctuary, but that will be a major expense. Your gift of \$100 helps us make sure our holy space is warm and comfortable this winter and for many winters to come.

Sponsor a New Chapel Chair— \$100 donation



Apple Butter

We still have apple butter available, it is \$6.00 a pint. Stop by the church office!



Worship Services

Saturday: 5 p.m. Informal Worship

Sunday Services: 9 a.m. Contemporary Worship & 11 a.m. Traditional Worship

Christian Education: Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

Zion Worship Service Viewing Options:

To view our weekly recorded worship service any time during the week, you can just click on the webpage link at www.zionmiddletown.org and it will take you directly to the video. The link for the livestream of one service each week is on the website; click the link and it will take you directly to the video.



Mar-Lu-Ridge
Camp & Retreat Center
Get ready for Summer 2026!

*We can't wait to see
you this summer!*

www.mar-lu-ridge.org/summer-camp

Registration opens January 1, 2026. Early bird
discount ends February 16, 2026.

Weekend Food Program meets the needs of
students on the weekends when they do not re-
ceive food at school. Critical Needs: **January—
boxed mac and cheese.**

"Be the Light"
Collection
Series 1/4



Stained Glass Windows
Donation Project
Middletown, Maryland
New Photography

Zion's Treasured Windows

Keepsake box
includes 12 blank
note cards (2 of
each window). Photographed by a
local artist, Reanna Muse. \$25.00
per box. You can purchase the Cards
in the Church office. **All proceeds go
to "With Open Arms" Mar-Lu-Ridge
Renovation Project and
Zion's Tanzania Support Project.**

☀️ **Curious about our faith community? We'd love to connect with you! Scan
the QR code to share your contact information, and we'll keep you updated on
our events and activities. Join us in exploring a journey of faith, fellowship,
and friendship. We look forward to welcoming you with open arms! ✨**



Budget/Income Information-YTD as of December 31, 2025

YTD Proposed Budget income \$644,120.

vs YTD Actual Income \$526,635.

YTD Proposed Budget Expense \$644,120. vs

YTD Actual Expenses \$587,581.

Actual YTD Income is less expenses in December 2025 by \$60,946.

December Noisy Offering to Beyond Shelter—\$264.82

