

Women's Sunday, February 19th, was a great success with 21 women involved in the service.

Lenten plans, including meals, starting Ash Wednesday, March 5th, have been made.

The Evangelical Association Spring Regional will be here at Zion on Saturday, March 22nd. Our Sisters-in-Faith will be serving a breakfast and a lunch. We are expecting 50. I'm asking for our Council to be here as representatives of Zion, as well as Zion members to attend, in order to find out more about our Evangelical Association.

The Millstadt Community Good Friday Cross Walk is scheduled for April 18th at noon. It starts at: 1) Garden Place with myself, 2) Millstadt Senior Center with Deacon Bill Mueller from St. James, 3) Leesman Funeral Home with Mr. Jim Jarvis who works for the Leesman's, 4) Zion with me, 5) Hoffen Funeral Home with Mrs. Elle Heiligenstein, 6) St. James Catholic Church with Father Evaristus akobouze, and 7) Mt. Evergreen Cemetery with Pastor Matt Friz from St. Paul UCC in Floraville.

VBS Planning, for June 2-6, is continuing.

Barbara Sterma is planning on joining Zion. She moved to Millstadt late last year from Oak Brook, IL to be close to her sister. She grew up in an Evangelical & Reformed Church there.

SPECIAL SERVICES

Garden Place	Made 3 of 4 Bible Studies (Tuesdays at 1:00 pm) – <i>Marianne Baltz, Marilyn Beil, Diane Mehrmann (at Evergreen Pointe in Waterloo for rehab), Karen Quirrin</i>
Garden Place	Made the Worship / Communion Service (2 nd Thursday of the month at 2:00 pm)
Baptisms	none
Weddings	09/13/25 – Jvon Morris* & Hannah Seidlitz 11/29/25 – Adam Hubbs & Chandler Airaghil* 12/13/25 – Lucas Scheider* & Kimberly Kish*
Funeral	none

OTHER INVOLVEMENTS

OTHER ITEMS

1. With so many young Council members, I intend to start a Council Study, titled "Your Job as a Church Officer" in January. I also intend to ground our Council and the future Search Committee in our Evangelical and Reformed Heritage, Faith and Practices in order to keep Zion on track for the years to come.
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VACATIONS

1. April 25-27, Camping at Washington County State Park near Nashville, IL. *I'll be back for the service.*
2. May 18-21, Camping at Dam West at Carlyle Lake. *We will leave after Sunday's service and be back for the Wednesday service.*
3. June 19-23, Camping and Canoeing at Twin Rivers on the Black River near Lesterville, MO. *EA Licensed Pastor Gary Franke will lead Worship at the Church Park.*
4. June 29- July 7, Camping at Dam West at Carlyle Lake. *We will leave after Sunday's service (June 29) and be back for the Wednesday service. (July 2).*
5. August 1-3, Camping at Dam West at Carlyle Lake. We will leave after Sunday's service (July 27) and be back for the Wednesday service. (July 30). *EA Pastor, Rev. Rick Mortimer will lead Worship at the Church Park.*
6. August 14-17, Josh' White Coat Ceremony at the University of Iowa Medical School in Iowa City, IA.
7. August 28-September 1, Camping at Dam West at Carlyle Lake. *EA Licensed Pastor Gary Franke will lead Worship at the Church Park.*
8. October 17-19, Camping at Eldon Hazlet at Carlyle Lake. *Rev. Rick Mortimer will lead Worship*

1. Opening Prayer (7:00 pm) Pastor Darrell Weber
2. Treasurer's Report Office Administrator – Amanda Frierdich
3. Minutes Secretary – Sherry Wynn
4. BCE Report Pastor Darrell Weber
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6. Renewing Zion Church
- A.) Welcome Wagon
- B.) Wednesday Night Services
- C.)
7. Committee Reports
- Audit & Budget Betty Keller-Timmer
- Long Range Ministry Andrew Taake
- Mission & Outreach Gabby Holmes
- Staff / Parish Relations Darren Doerr
- Property Josh Seidlitz
- A.) Replastering Conference Room Wall
- B.) Basement Water Leakage
- C.) Riess Hall Entrances
- Volunteer Ministries Sherry Wynn
- Worship & Music Gabby Holmes
- Cemetery Board (as is needed) Kurt Tegtmeier
8. Old Business
- A.) Confirmation Reunion (190th Anniversary) in September
- B.) Alternative Pastoral Search – Call a Student Pastor in the Fall and transition to Senior Solo Pastor by the end of 2026
- C.) We Need a New Office Computer – the current one dates from 2013 and is very slow
- D.)
- E.)
9. New Business
- A.) New Church Pictorial Directory
- B.) Snow removal from steps and sidewalk for next year.
- C.)
10. Executive Committee Meeting (if needed)
11. List of Council Action Items and Who Will Do Them
12. Closing Prayer Pastor Darrell Weber
- President – Andrew Taake
- Vice Pres – Darren Doerr
- Secretary – Sherry Wynn
- Assistant Treasurer – Betty Keller-Timmer