THE GUIDING LIGHT
DECEMBER 2026

Celebrating God as We Serve Others



Monthly Newsletter

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9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Every Sunday 10:00 am Worship
Third Sunday 10:00 am Blended Worship
Second Sunday 10:00 am Sunday School

All Sunday morning services are available on Cogeco TV on Sunday mornings as well as our YouTube page and after the service on the Facebook page. YouTube (live streamed), Zion Lutheran Pembroke Facebook, Zion Lutheran Church Pembroke, Cogeco: community channel and broadcasts of previous week's service.

From the Pastor's Desk



Peace of the Lord I wish for you all as we approach this Advent season. Before we become completely consumed with everything associated with the world's "Christmas Season", I wanted to first remind you of the glorious and special season that Advent can be for Christians around the world.

We, of the church, believe strongly that the God who once entered Bethlehem's manger will come to this world again to establish His Kingdom forever. This acknowledgment onto itself should give us all the joy and anticipation necessary for Christmas 2026.

We should all be living as if God is already here with us, because, indeed, God is already here, and He IS with us. Advent is a time where you and I prepare ourselves for this coming Messiah, who has already come in the past and continually comes to us in the here and now and will come again in the future. We embrace that truth and have that full confidence in His return.

From the Pastor's Desk (cont'd)

In Isaiah 2:1-5, we find preparation hints to help us. First, by preparing a straight path through the wilderness so we can see the future. Clearing our minds and hearts for these days ahead. Preparing for Jesus and just living into the Advent of this reality can be, for all of us, the most wonderful time of the year. Also, deciding to live with the hope of Christ instead of the hype of the "holiday season" can signify a life change where our values change, and that life "can" take on a different focus if you will allow this to happen to your heart. The old meaning of Advent and Christmas changes and is replaced with a whole new lifestyle and mindset of the season.

The God who came, who is coming again, comes to us every day. This is not "holiday hype", but the promise of hope through Jesus Christ. Let's each of us keep awake and alert. Living each day through this Advent season in hopeful expectation not just on this day, or these weeks, but every day. Let's pray throughout the month together that the day will come when all people everywhere will "beat their swords into iron plows and their spears into pruning tools" and that the peace of Jesus Christ will indeed dwell in their hearts. We pray all this in the name of the Prince of Peace. Amen.

Happy Advent and Merry Christmas!

Pastor Scott (and Pastor Sue)



Open House

You are invited Pastor Sue and Pastor Scott's home for our annual Pre-Christmas Open House. Please stop by on Friday December 11th between 6-9pm for some Christmas cheer and spend some time celebrating the season with our church family.

Candles and Carols

Help us sing out those familiar Christmas melodies on December 13th with our annual CANDLES AND CAROLS service. We will begin at 6pm with some rousing seasonal music and stories. The evening will end in candlelight. We are pleased to have a guest musician join us on piano and viola - Nikki Buechler. Please invite your friends and family to join us!



FROM YOUR TREASURER

Zion's Income and Expenses as of Nov.24, 2026.



May you all have a wonderful Christmas time. Enjoy gathering with family and friends. Blessings to all.



The weekly amount of $6,100.00 is needed to cover our budgeted costs. Of this weekly amount approx. $4,640.00 comes from e-transfers, PAR and regular offerings and $1,460.00 comes from hall rent, office admin. fees, interest, general reserve, house rentals, solar panels and other revenue.

Offerings	185,257.13
Missions and Outreach	1,029.00
Other Donations	1,660.00
Solar Income	11,997.47
Other Earned Income	23,136.97
Fundraised for general use	4,337.30
Total Income to Nov.24	227,417.87
Benevolence Expense	6,000.00
Directed Gifts Expense	524.00
Committees Expense	5409.58
Utilities Expense	14,646.12
Church Insurance	22,125.96
Property Maintenance	12,913.09
Other Operating Expense	40,732.54
Net Payroll	103,475.59
Benefits Expense	49,351.19
Expense Total to Nov.24	255,178.07
Net as of Nov.24,2026	**(-27,760.20)**

AS YOUR TREASURER I WOULD ASK THAT YOU SUPPORT THE GENERAL FUND.

All of us in this congregation are helping and working together in faith. We have been rewarded with the riches of a good life here. Your generosity helps us continue our call to serve as a Christian. We are a family here, helping each other and our community. Thank you, Pastor Scott and Pastor Sue, for leading us.

If you cannot attend, we have set up e-transfer to the church's office e-mail zionoffice@nrtco.net for online donations. You can still mail your cheque or arrange to drop off at the office. **Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR)** is another way to give weekly whether you're away or here. Contact the church office at 613-732-8792 for more information. Thank you for your prayers and continuing support. May God bless you and keep you safe,

Your treasurer, Gerry Vandersleen

ZION THRIFT

A great word of thanks to all those who continue to support the Zion Thrift Spot. We have dedicated volunteers who work hard at organizing and keeping our space clean and tidy. There are people who drop off donations regularly and sometimes anonymously. Your gifts do not go unnoticed! we love unpacking your gifts and discovering all the donated treasures. And we could never forget our committed shoppers who come to chat, shop, spend and repeat!

Since our soft opening last May we have brought in $2500.00. We are proud of the hard work that has gone into this project and are pleased to support our community partners in ministry. Thank you to Zion for making this all possible.

As a Christmas response to all this charity we will be having a 50% of EVERYTHING sale on Friday December 18th from 6-8pm. Please join us for some fun and fellowship as well as last minute shopping!





JAM JAR FUNDRAISER

Thank you, dear people of Zion, for your support of this year's annual fundraiser!

Together, we raised $1,480.00 through donations to the jam jars. The soup and sandwich luncheon raised an additional $520.00, bringing our grand total to $2,000.00.

We are pleased to be sending $1,000.00 to CNIB and $1,000.00 to Country Haven Retirement Home in Beachburg.

We are most grateful for your generosity in helping those living with vision loss and the residents of Country Haven. Debbie Sitkiewicz, who helps the residents of Country Haven, recommended to our Social Ministry Committee that we extend a helping hand to them as well.

Gratefully,
Your Social Ministry Team

Zion Lutheran Women

- ZLW -

Wednesday, December 2, 2026
at 2:30 pm

Advent Program and Pot Luck





Messy Church



Food • Crafts • Story
Games • Fun • Free!

Join us the first Monday every month.
We begin each night with a meal at 5:30 pm.



Our Next Messy Church is

Monday December 7th, 2026
Monday January 4th, 2027

Come for an evening of
so much fun and bring a friend!

Morning Social



Come for coffee, tea, goodies & conversation

Wednesday December 16th 2026
at 10:00 am
Wednesday January 13th 2027
at 10:00 am
Wednesday January 27th 2027
at 10:00 am

All are welcome!

No need to be a member of Zion!

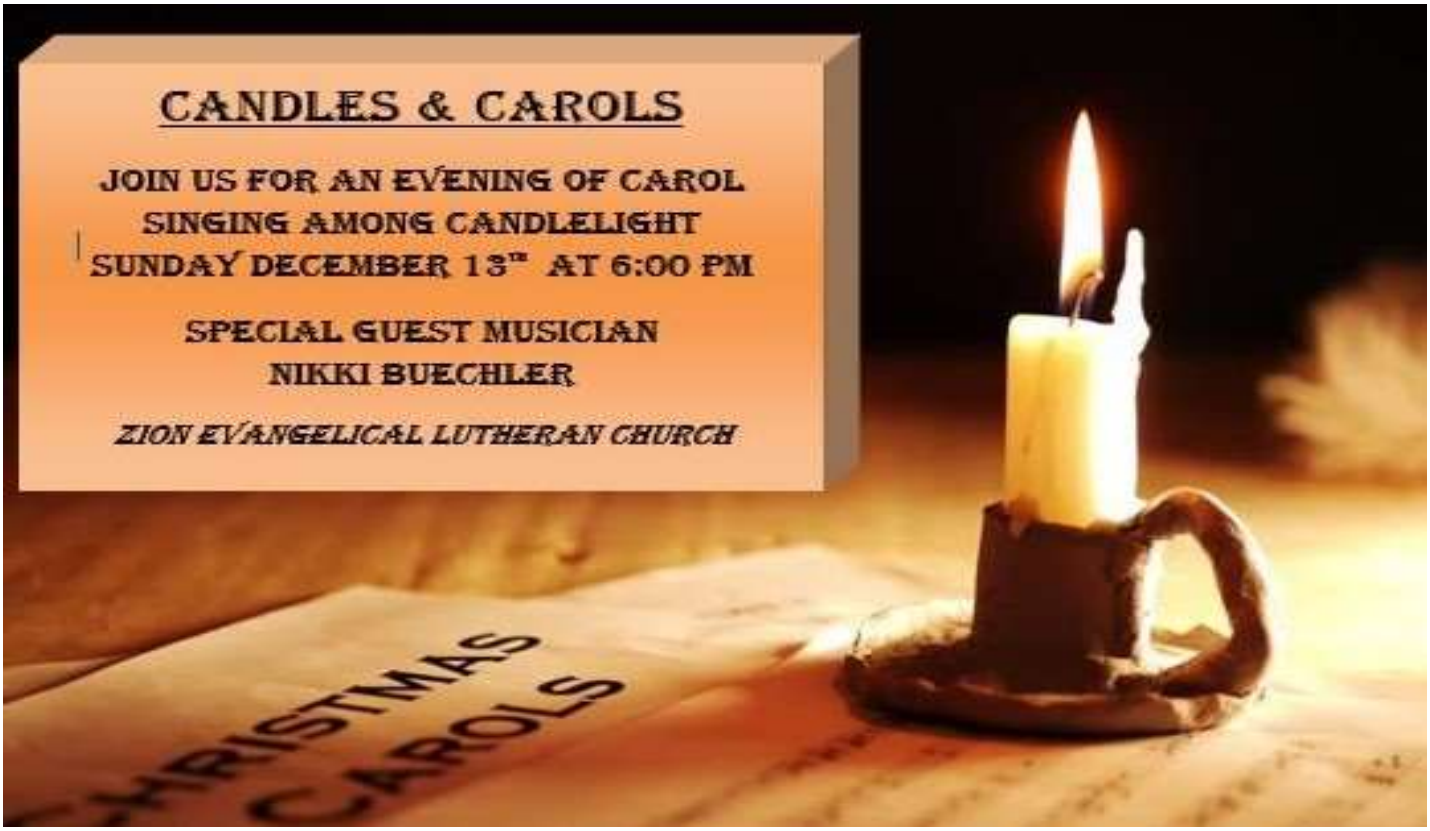
Senior Exercise Class



Christmas Pot Luck

Wednesday, December 16
at 11:30 am – Eat at 12

Classes will resume Monday, January 4, 2027 at 1 pm



A JOYOUS CELEBRATION

Community Christmas Dinner

SHARE IN THE JOY OF FAMILY, FRIENDS AND NEIGHBOURS THIS YEAR AT THE PEMBROKE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2026

12:00 NOON TO 2:00 PM

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

454 MILLER ST, PEMBROKE

REGISTER EARLY, SPACE IS LIMITED

CALL 1 613 717 3899 FOR RESERVATIONS

SPONSORED BY:

LOCAL BUSINESSES, COMMUNITY GROUPS AND SERVICE CLUBS

Intergenerational Christmas Program And Potluck



Sunday December 20, 2026
10:00 am Service

Come for worship and a fun retelling of the Christmas Story. The program involves an opportunity for interactive participation and everyone can help bring the story to life. Join us for a potluck following the service.





CAMP LUTHERLYN
Established 1965

Do you remember your week at Camp Lutherlyn?

A week at Camp Lutherlyn is something special. The main interest of campers who spend all day outside is food! Everyone gets hungry when they spend so much time outdoors. Aside from all of the activities throughout the day that keep the kids busy, everyone's favorite spot is Schmieder Hall and tuck!



Cabin Groups gather in Schmieder Hall to sit together for their meal. Relationships are built around the table. In Schmieder Hall cabin groups strengthen their friendships and their bodies with food and laughter and working together to clean up.

There are many other tables at camp that give the gift of laughter and shenanigans too. As you walk through the camp you will notice several picnic tables – especially around the cabins. Picnic tables and cabin decks and steps are sacred places at camp. Everlasting friendships are made there. They are places where campers hang out. Hair is braided and friendship bracelets are made. A deck of cards is always present. Games like "truth or dare" are played. Bible studies and stories of faith are shared. New friendships grow. Most importantly, counsellors make sure to create a safe space for campers. The cabin entrances and picnic tables at camp are a little hub of activity and no matter how you look at it they are an important part of the camp ministry program.



The next Camp Lutherlyn goal is to raise funds to purchase 10 new picnic tables and replace 6 cabin steps for summer 2027. Each table costs approximately $500[1]. Cabin steps and decks will cost approximately $750 each. If you would like to support the purchase of these tables or cabin steps you can make a donation. You do not have to buy a whole table or set of steps. Any amount will assist the camp in meeting this goal. Donations can be made by:

1. **Cheque mailed to P.O. Box 531, Pembroke ON K8A 6X7**
2. **Or E-transfer to Lutherlyn.fin@gmail.com**

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[1] Our picnic tables are hand-made by Men's Shed not-for profit group for the cost of materials plus 25%.

DECEMBER SCHEDULE

MIRAMICHI WORSHIP SERVICE will be on **Tuesday December 1st at 10:30 am.**

ZLW Zion Lutheran Women will be meeting for an Advent program and pot luck on **Wednesday December 2 at 2:30 pm.**

CONFIRMATION CLASS Confirmation Class will be **Wednesday December 2, 9, 16,** and **Wednesday January 6, 13, 20, 27** at **6:15 pm.**

MARIANHILL WORSHIP SERVICE will be on **Thursday December 3rd at 10:30 am.**

ADVENT SENIOR MEAL Friday December 4th 2026

MESSY CHURCH Messy Church will be on **Monday December 7 at 5:30 pm** and **Monday January 4 at 5:30 pm.** Join us for a meal, games, crafts and a story. Come for the evening and bring a friend!

PASTORAL CARE Pastoral Care meetings will be held on **Monday January 18th at 10:00 am.**

COUNCIL MEETING Council meeting will be **Tuesday December 8th at 7:00 pm.**

"CANDLES AND CAROLS" Help us sing out those familiar Christmas melodies on Sunday **December 13th** with our annual CANDLES AND CAROLS service. We will begin at **6 pm** with some rousing seasonal music and stories. The evening will end in candlelight. We are pleased to have a guest musician join us on piano and viola - Nikki Buechler. Please invite your friends and family to join us!

SENIORS EXERCISE CLASS Our last class for 2026 will be **Wednesday December 16th** with a Christmas pot luck! Please arrive at **11:30 am to eat at 12 noon**. Classes will resume on **Monday January 4 at 1:00pm.**

WORSHIP & MUSIC Worship and Music will meet on **Monday January 11th at 7:00 pm.**

MORNING SOCIAL Join us for our Morning Social on **Wednesday December 16th and Wednesday January 13th & 27th at 10:00 am** in the Parish Hall. Come on out for fun and fellowship.

SOCIAL MINISTRY MEETING The next Social Ministry meeting will be **Tuesday January 19th at 1:00 pm.**

PASTOR'S PRE-CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE You are invited Pastor Sue and Pastor Scott's home for our annual Pre-Christmas Open House. Please stop by on **Friday December 11th between 6-9pm** for some Christmas cheer and spend some time celebrating the season with our church family.

INTERGENERATIONAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM & POTLUCK on **Sunday December 21st at 10:00 am**. Potluck to follow program.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES with Communion will be on **Thursday December 24th at 3:00 pm and 7:00 pm**

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER Zion Lutheran Church 454 Miller Street, Pembroke will be hosting a Community Christmas Dinner on **Friday December 25th, 12 noon to 2:00 pm**. Share in the joy of family, friends and neighbours this year at the Pembroke Community Christmas Dinner. Register early as space is limited. Call 1 613 717-3899 for reservations. Sponsored by local businesses, community groups, and service clubs.

ZION THRIFT Join us **Wednesdays & Thursdays: 1:00–3:00** pm and **the third Friday of each month: 6:00–8:00 pm.** Everyone is welcome! Amazing deals and beautiful items available for all ages.

DECEMBER HAPPENINGS

Zion Thrift



Hours are: **Wednesdays & Thursdays: 1:00–3:00 pm** and the **third Friday of each month: 6:00–8:00 pm.** The last day for the Thrift Shop will be **Friday December 18th 6-8 pm** and will re-open on **Wednesday January 6th 2026 from 1-3 pm.**



Choir Practices

Choir practices, barring any changes, will be: Men's choir practice on **Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm**, and Mixed choir practice on **Wednesdays at 7:00 pm**.

Morning Social



Join us for our Morning Social in the Parish Hall! Come on out for fun and fellowship. Pull up a chair, grab a coffee (or tea) and a snack, and enjoy the company! Bring a friend!



PULSE MINISTRY

Messy Church

Messy Church is a program that runs the first Monday of every month 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm. We gather for a meal at 5:30 pm and conclude at 7:30 pm., just in time to hop into bed when you get home! There will be delicious food, snacks, games, and so much more. This year try bring a friend, everyone is welcome. Messy Church will be on **Monday December 7th at 5:30 pm**.





Sunday School

Sunday School will be held the second Sunday of every month during regular worship at **10:00 am**. The next dates for Sunday School is **Sunday December 13th**. All children are welcome!

Blended / Living Stones Worship Service



The Living Stones Worship service is a service that is interactive and led by members of the congregation who play guitar and sing. It happens in the gym on the **3rd Sunday of the month at 10:00 am**. Invite a friend to join you.

HOME COMMUNIONS and HOME VISITS

Do you or do you know someone who may be interested in receiving Holy Communion or a visit from the Pastor? Some people may not be on our pastoral care list but cannot get to church.
Please contact the church office at 613-732-8792 or email the Pastor at sschellenberger@hotmail.com.

Council Meeting Minutes 11/10/2026

The Meeting was called to order.

Present: Patti Wegner, Kathy Godin, Susan Dupuis, Hunter Denney, Jamie McKinnon, Brent Wolfgram, Pastor Sue, Pastor Scott, Tyler Smith, Gerry Vandersleen

Absent: None

Opening Devotion: Susan led with a prayer.

1. Agenda approved. Motion – Moved - Brent, Second – Jamie, CARRIED.

2. Approval of minutes of last meeting – Moved – Patti, Second – Tyler, CARRIED

3. Business arising from minutes - NONE

4. Correspondence - NONE

5. Reports

A: **Pastor Report**

Pastor's Report November 2026

Statistics
Funerals – Betty Kuehl and Naomi Nieman

Baptisms – Bodhi Herwig, Hayes Herwig Nov 8 Sophia Renaud – Nov 22

Statistics since July 2021 (my start date)

Funerals – 96 Baptisms – 30 Confirmations – 30 New Members – 28

Worship
There is some controversy over the Living Stones Worship Service splitting the congregation. When I evaluate the situation, the Living Stones Service does not split the congregation. Yes, it reduces the number of people worshipping in the main sanctuary one Sunday every two or three months. Those "absent" people are worshipping in the fellowship hall. This does not "split" the congregation. Both groups come together for coffee hour and return to worship together in the main sanctuary the following week. The Blended Services have been a bit of an attempt to join the services together. Even then there have been people complaining to me about these services. There have been much more controversial issues that have divided this congregation at different times in its history. If there is a concern about the sanctuary being emptier the never-ending argument can be made that if people sat towards the front, it would not feel so empty. I know there is a concern regarding the recording off the service. It may look like we are not full and it might leave an impression on the recording that we are not an active congregation. There are ways of changing camera angles to avoid those views. Worship without a doubt is important and I am not negating feelings about either service. I believe we simply need to be careful when we suggest that the Living Stones Service is splitting the congregation. Remember we have also lost 96 people in the last five years and many young families have chosen not to attend church. The congregation is still one. The worship experience is just different. I would appreciate if someone from council would sit on the worship and music committee. Advent planning is well underway.

Pastoral Care
The Pembroke-Petawawa clergy are down to four including four people. We cover services for all of the homes. Some months there are homes that do not get services. We have decided that we will not only do our regular service in

December but fill in the two homes that do not have services scheduled. Home communion visits are being scheduled for all shut-ins.

Confirmation

We are meeting twice a month on Saturday mornings.

Respectfully Submitted, Pastor Scott

Pastor Sue

- Candles and Carols service will be held December 6th with a possible start time of 6:00pm
- The Jam Jar Fundraiser raised roughly $1000 for each charity involved (CNIB and Country Haven Retirement Home Beachburg)

B. **Treasurer's report**

- Request from Blaine to use $500 from the Dorothy Music Ministry fund for some new books. All in favour.

6. Committee Reports

A: Property - NONE

B: Worship and Music - A significant discussion was held about Regular Services, Blended Services and Living Stone Services, considering all of the feedback council is aware of.

C: Social Ministry - None

D: Pulse Ministry – NONE

E: Learning – NONE

F: Pastoral Care – See Pastors Report

G: Mutual Ministry – NONE

H: Cemetery Board - Thanks to Don Boldt for preparing a 2026 cemetery tracking sheet for Cremations, Burials, Niches, Plots Sold, and Monument Bases

I: Personnel - NONE

7. Old Business

- Finalized details on who will be running the PAR (Pre Authorized Remittance) table at the November 15th church service. Hoping to encourage more people to give their offerings in a convenient way since cash is easy to forget and services can't always be attended.
- Planned giving was discussed and a workshop is being planned to share more details on how members can donate to the church when passing.

8. New Business

- In-Camera Discussion Began/Ended.

Next meeting date: December 8th, 2026

Motion to Adjourn. Moved - Kathy Second Brent. CARRIED.

W & M Meeting Minutes - Monday, November 16, 2026

Celebrating God As We Serve Others

Present: Pastor Scott, Blaine Sack, Gayle Seegmiller, Diane Hammel, Lorraine MacKenzie, Koit Rull, Cheryl Sack, Sandra Graham, Ellen Vandersleen

Regrets: Joan Lehman

Welcome and Opening Devotions: Gayle welcomed everyone, including Kathy Godin, who had requested to attend the meeting. Pastor Scott opened the meeting with a prayer.

Approval of Agenda: Addition of 1) Endowment 2) Living Stones Services 3) Potluck on December 20th.

Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes: Approved online

Committee Reports:

Pastor Scott:

● The services for the first 3 weeks of Advent and Christmas Eve have been planned with Blaine.

● Sophia Renaud will be baptized on Sunday, November 22nd.

Blaine Sack: Church Musician

INSTRUMENTS:

● The Yamaha grand piano in the sanctuary was tuned on Friday, November 6th, 2026.

● The piano tuner, Louis Guertin, recommended that the Baldwin grand piano in the Parish Hall be tuned. It hasn't been tuned since it was gifted/donated to Zion as it held its tuning very well over the years.

● The tuner and organ technicians at Casavant have been emailed and an organ tuning will be scheduled before Christmas. The organ was last tuned on December 5th, 2025.

WORSHIP SERVICES:

● (1) Liturgy/Service Music:

○ The liturgy will remain as Setting 1 for the rest of November and into the season of Advent,

○ Traditional liturgy will be sung on Christmas Eve and possibly the Sundays of Christmas.

○ Setting 12 from ACS might be used for the season of Epiphany.

○ New offertory music will be sung on Christ the King Sunday (November 22) and will possibly change again for the season of Advent.

○ Special music, as a congregational song/hymn, will be sung during the lighting of the Advent candles. This music might come from a different resource, depending on copyright and our licenses.

○ Hymn/song planning has begun for the season of Advent.

○ There may possibly be a preservice 'Carol Sing' on Sunday, December 27th. (to be confirmed)

CHOIRS/GUEST MUSICIANS:

● The choirs are practicing on their scheduled dates and the singing schedule has been completed.

● During Advent, special music may be shared by guest instrumentalists and/or vocalists, or by myself on organ or piano, when the choirs aren't singing. This might also be scheduled on Christmas Eve and/or on the Sundays after Christmas.

Kathy Godin: Church Council

● Kathy Godin was present at the meeting in two roles: As a council member she questioned if we had any concerns for her to take back to council, to which the answer was "no". On a personal note, she was wondering if our committee has had feedback on the Living Stones services. The only feedback that we could give her is that people have expressed concerns about the congregation being divided in worshipping space. A lengthy discussion followed regarding the Living Stones and Blended services. In the end it was decided that Kathy would take a recommendation back to council to organize a round table discussion in the parish hall for the congregation in January where we can actually get people's specific feedback instead of everyone voicing "concerns. " Kathy agreed to do this.

Altar Care:

● Sandra Graham is stepping down as conveyor of Altar Care at the end of December. She has approached several people to replace her but has not received confirmation from anyone. Gayle will put a notice in the bulletin

regarding this. Also, more people are required for Altar care. If anyone is interested, please contact Sandra Graham at 613-732-3260 as she can tell you what this position entails. If Sandra is not available, you can call Gayle Seegmiller at 613-732-3521. Sandra is willing to work with anyone who might be interested in her position or anyone who just wants to be part of the group.

Christmas Services :

USHERS:

● There will be 4 ushers at both Christmas Eve Services. Cheryl will arrange to have the collection plates passed at both services.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:

● Wayne Kirk will be the Worship Assistant at the 3:00 pm service and Pastor Sue at the 7:00 pm service.

SEXTONS:

● Koit Rull and Tyler Smith will look after the sexton duties.

FLOWERS AND CANDLES:

● Sandra will order 2 large poinsettias. She had previously ordered candles for the Advent wreath and for the services.

NATIVITY SCENE:

● The nativity scene will be put up the same week as the Christmas trees. Pastor Scott would like the trees to be up for the December 13th service. Gayle will speak to Wilmer Verch about this.

DONATIONS:

● A notice will be put in the December bulletins for those interested in making a Christmas donation.

Miscellaneous:

Endowment:

INSIDE NEEDS:

● Property, to be used where needed.

OUTSIDE NEEDS:

● Camp Lutherlyn, St. Vincent de Paul

Living Stones Services:

● Pastor Scott felt that the previous discussion had covered this adequately for now.

Potluck on December 20th:

● It was recommended to have a potluck after the Christmas pageant service on December 20th. A notice will be put in the bulletin. We will also be looking for volunteers for setup and cleanup.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Next Meeting:

● Monday, January 11, 2027 @ 7:00 p.m.

DECEMBER VOLUNTEERS

Worship Assistants
Dec 6: Paul Merredew
Dec 13: Lorraine MacKenzie
Dec 20: Elizabeth Graham
Dec 24: **3 pm** -Wayne Kirk & **7pm**: Pastor Sue
Dec 27: Susan Dupuis

Sexton
Dec 6: Diane Hammell
Dec 13: Koit Rull
Dec 20: Koit Rull
Dec 24:
Dec 27: Tyler Smith

Counters
Dec 6: Gayle & Larry Seegmiller, Kara Buelow-Fleck
Dec 13: Gayle & Larry Seegmiller, Kara Buelow-Fleck
Dec 20: Lisa Campitelli, Karen Gauthier, David Lehman
Dec 24:
Dec 27: Lisa Campitelli, Karen Gauthier, David Lehman

Ushers
Dec 6: Peter & Patti Wegner
Dec 13: Kevin Rutz, Ryan Parcher
Dec 20: Doug & Pauline Malliff
Dec 24:
Dec 27: Pamela Duplessis, Cindy Thrasher

Coffee Hour
Dec 6: Kathy Hoffman, Susan Dupuis
Dec 13: Denise & Barry Schizkoske
Dec 20: Donetta Mau & Leslie Fraser Dobson
Dec 27: Doug & Pauline Malliff

Altar Care
Dec 6: Jean Rutz
Dec 13: Diane Rull
Dec 20: Sandra Graham
Dec 24:Cheryl Sack
Dec 27: Don Boldt

Projector Operators
Dec 6: Gerry Vandersleen
Dec 13: Ellen Vandersleen
Dec 20: Sherri Phannenhour
Dec 24: **3 pm** –Rick Gerundin & **7 pm**- Diane Hammell
Dec 27: Ellen Vandersleen

Video Recorders
Dec 6: Ellen Vandersleen
Dec 13: Ryan Schmidt
Dec 20: Zac Phannenhour
Dec 24:
Dec 27: Korbin Smith

Sound Operators
Dec 6: Gerry Vandersleen
Dec 13: Noah Schmidt
Dec 20: Todd Phannenhour
Dec 24:
Dec 27: Brian Smith

DECEMBER 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 **9:30 & 6:30** Tai Chi **10:30 am** Miramichi Worship Service **1 pm** Christian Meditation **7:15 pm** Men's Choir	**2** **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **2:30 pm** ZLW w/ Potluck **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **6:15 pm** Confirmation Class **6:30 pm** Tai Chi **7 pm** Mixed Choir	**3** **10:30 am** Marianhill Worship Service **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**4** **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **9:30 am** Home School Group *Advent Senior Meal	**5** **Pet Palooza**
6 **10 am** Advent 2 Worship Service & Holy Communion	**7** **8 am & 6 pm** Pickle Ball **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **5:30 pm** Messy Church **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**8** **9:30 & 6:30** Tai Chi **1 pm** Christian Meditation **7 pm** Men's Choir **7:15 pm** Council Mtg	**9** **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **6:15 pm** Confirmation Class **6:30 pm** Tai Chi **7 pm** Mixed Choir	**10** **9:30 am** Tai Chi **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**11** **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **9:30 am** Home School **6-9 pm** Pastors Open House	**12**
13 **10 am** Advent 3 Worship Service with Holy Communion, **6 pm** Candles & Carols Sunday School	1**4** 8 am & 6 pm Pickle Ball 1 pm Senior Exercise Class 7 pm Music Healing Vets	**15** **9:30 & 6:30** Tai Chi **1 pm** Christian Meditation **7:15 pm** Men's Choir	**16** **10 am** Morning Social **11:30 am** Senior Exercise Class Pot Luck **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **6:15 pm** Confirmation Class **6:30 pm** Tai Chi **7 pm** Mixed Choir	**17** **9:30 am** Tai Chi **10 am** Pinewood Worship Service **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**18** **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **9:30 am** Home School Group **6-8 pm** Zion Thrift	**19**
20 **10 am** Advent 4 Christmas Program with Holy Communion & Pot Luck	**21** **8 am & 6 pm** Pickle Ball **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**22** **9:30 & 6:30** Tai Chi **1 pm** Christian Meditation **7:15 pm** Men's Choir	**23** **6:30 pm** Tai Chi **7 pm** Mixed Choir	**24** **3 pm & 7 pm** Candle Light Services with Holy Communion	**25** **12-2 pm Community Christmas Dinner** **CHRISTMAS DAY**	**26**
27 **10 am** First Sunday of Christmas Worship Service	**28** **9:30 am & 6 pm** Pickle Ball **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**29** **9:30 & 6:30** Tai Chi **1 pm** Christian Meditation **7:15 pm** Men's Choir	**30** **6:30 pm** Tai Chi **7 pm** Mixed Choir	**31** **9:30 am** Tai Chi **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**1** **NEW YEARS DAY 2027**	**2**

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED DECEMBER 25, JANUARY 1

JANUARY 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 **10 am** Worship Service & Holy Communion	**4** **8 am & 6 pm** Pickle Ball **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **5:30 pm** Messy Church **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**5** **9:30 am & 6:30 pm** Tai Chi **1 pm** Christian Meditation Group **7:15 pm** Men's Choir	**6** **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **6:15 pm** Confirmation Class **6:30 pm** Tai Chi **7 pm** Mixed Choir	**7** **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**8** **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **9:30 am** Home School Group	**9**
10 **10 am** Worship Service & Holy Communion	**11** **8 am & 6 pm** Pickle Ball **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **7 pm** Music Healing Vets **7 pm** W&M Mtg	**12** **9:30 am & 6:30 pm** Tai Chi **1 pm** Christian Meditation **7 pm** Men's Choir	**13** **10 am** Morning Social **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **6:15 pm** Confirmation Class **6:30 pm** Tai Chi **7 pm** Mixed Choir	**14** **9:30 am** Tai Chi **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**15** **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **9:30 am** Home School Group	**16**
17 **10 am** Worship Service with Holy Communion & Sunday School	18 **8 am & 6 pm** Pickle Ball **10 am** Pastoral Care **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**19** **9:30 am & 6:30 pm** Tai Chi **1 pm** Social Ministry **1 pm** Christian Meditation **7:15 pm** Men's Choir	**20** **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **6:15 pm** Confirmation Class **6:30 pm** Tai Chi **7 pm** Mixed Choir	**21** **9:30 am** Tai Chi **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**22** **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **9:30 am** Home School Group **6-8 pm** Zion Thrift	**23**
24 **10 am** Worship Service & Holy Communion	**25** **8 am & 6 pm** Pickle Ball **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**26** **9:30 am & 6:30 pm** Tai Chi **1 pm** Christian Meditation **7:15 pm** Men's Choir	**27** **10 am** Morning Social **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **6:15 pm** Confirmation Class **6:30 pm** Tai Chi **7 pm** Mixed Choir	**28** **9:30 am** Tai Chi **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**29** **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **9:30 am** Home School Group	**30**
31 **10 am** Worship Service & Holy Communion	**February 1** **9:30 am & 6 pm** Pickle Ball **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**2** **9:30 am & 6:30 pm** Tai Chi **1 pm** Christian Meditation **7:15 pm** Men's Choir	**3** **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **6:15 pm** Confirmation Class **6:30 pm** Tai Chi **7 pm** Mixed Choir	**4** **9:30 am** Tai Chi **1-3 pm** Zion Thrift **7 pm** Music Healing Vets	**5** **1 pm** Senior Exercise Class **9:30am** Home School Group	**6**