

# Zion & Carpio Lutheran Newsletter January 2025



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Heather Feland  
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Zion Worship: 9am  
Fellowship/S.S.: 10am  
Carpio Worship: 11am

*Our Mission is to proclaim  
the good news of God to  
all people so that, they  
will become disciples  
of Jesus Christ*

***Happy New Year!!  
Heather Feland***

Let us start the Year with a prayer:

“Dear Heavenly Father, as we join together in this new year, 2025, we come before you with grateful hearts, acknowledging your presence in every moment we have and share together. We ask for your guidance and wisdom as we navigate the opportunities and challenges ahead. May we all be filled with your strength, your grace, and the courage to continue to lead our lives with integrity and compassion. Bless our endeavors and lead us to live lives that reflect your love and purpose. We are here to serve in your blessed name, Jesus Christ, Amen.

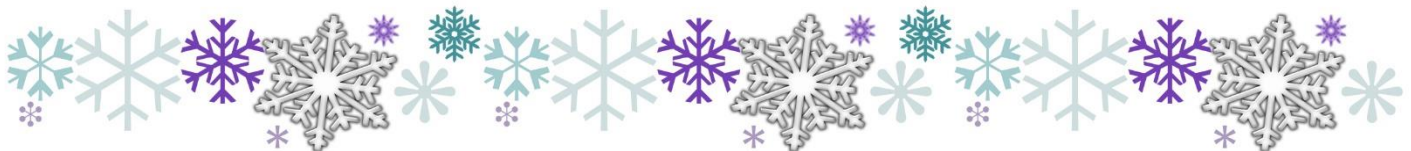
Hello! I thought I would take a moment to write this letter to introduce myself to you as your Synod Authorized Minister (SAM) and to identify my understanding of what that relationship means. My name is Heather Feland, I unfortunately didn't grow up in the area, but my family has been in this area for so many years. My husband, Greg, and I have 3 kids. Our oldest son, Tyrell (26) has been cooking with me for the last couple months for Carpio for Meals on Wheels and he will continue to do so. Our daughter, Hannah (23) lives in Minot and is a cook at Longhorn. Our youngest son, Archer (19) lives in Minot as well and works at Sonic. We are also blessed with 2 grandkids, Toby (6) and Melody (3). We were so happy to have them all together with us, over the Christmas season, where we were able

to create new memories. We are so looking forward to 2025 and all that it brings and the more memories we can make, may God journey with us all.

My first Sunday in the pulpit will be January 5th. Currently we reside in Carpio. My phone number is 701.721.4595 (cell). I am here on a full-time basis. I am thankful for the opportunity to be your pastor during this time and invite you to call or text me whenever you need to do so. I would love to be able to make visits and get to know you all with whatever opportunity you will allow me. I am available for you at any time, never feel that “you don't want to bother me”, you are my first priority. I will also be teaching the confirmation students as well. I had the great pleasure of having my first class with them in December and I am looking forward to more classes.

I am very excited about the time we will share together in this journey and your continued support of this opportunity I have been blessed with to learn and be guided through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Here is to Year 2025, may our journey be blessed.



## ZION SUNDAY SCHOOL

*Sunday School is every Sunday at 10am unless otherwise noted*



1/5	Old Testament – Creation
1/12	Old Testament – Adam & Eve
1/19	No Sunday School – MLK Day
1/26	Old Testament – Noah

## CARPIO SUNDAY SCHOOL

*Sunday School is every Sunday at 10am unless otherwise noted*

1/12	Regular classes resume
A more detailed schedule will be available soon	



## CONFIRMATION

*Class location alternates every week between Carpio & Zion  
All Class times are 6:30pm unless otherwise noted*

Date	Location	Lesson	Memory Work
1/1	No Class	New Year's Break	None
<b>1/8</b>	<b>Zion</b>	<b>Session 3: Law and Gospel</b>	<b>Matthew 22:37-39</b>
1/15	Zion	Session 4: Saint and Sinner	Romans 6:12-13
1/22	Carpio	Session 5: The Body of Christ, The Church	Acts 2:42
1/29	Zion	Session 6: Freedom of the Christian	Romans 6:17-18

Please note – on January 8<sup>th</sup>, Confirmation Class has been moved to Zion due to a scheduling conflict, schedule will resume per the schedule on January 15<sup>th</sup>.

## LUTHER LEAGUE

Keep an eye on bulletins and the website for more information regarding Luther League events.

Luther League will be serving during Fellowship Hour during the month of January. Please check the schedule at the church or online to see which service group you're in.

1/5	Group 1
1/12	Group 2
1/19	Group 3
1/26	Group 4





## SERVING IN JANUARY AT CARPIO

<b>Usher:</b>	<b>Altar Guild:</b>
Austin Moen	Cathy Armstrong



## SERVING IN JANUARY AT ZION

<b>January 5<sup>th</sup>:</b>	
<b>Reader:</b> Helen Grant	<b>Usher(s):</b> Jerry Hennessy & Marvin Heller
<b>January 12<sup>th</sup>:</b>	
<b>Reader:</b> Wes Hagen	<b>Usher(s):</b> Jerry Hennessy & Marvin Heller
<b>January 19<sup>th</sup>:</b>	
<b>Reader:</b> Steve Helfrich	<b>Usher(s):</b> Jerry Hennessy & Marvin Heller
<b>January 26<sup>th</sup>:</b>	
<b>Reader:</b> Amy Neshem	<b>Usher(s):</b> Jerry Hennessy & Marvin Heller
<b>Altar Guild:</b> Jill Brown & Lorna Hansen	
<b>Organist:</b> Dawna Helfrich	



Zion Fellowship during the month of January will be served by the Luther League.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all who are ill.

CONTINUED PRAYERS for all nursing home residents and homebound members.

CONTINUED SAFETY for all military personnel who are stationed around the world.

PLEASE NOTE that due to privacy issues, we cannot mention names in prayers without consent.



## ZLCW



ZLCW - The Christmas program treats for the children were provided by the ZLCW and Thrivent.

Mary Martha circle will be held on Wednesday January 22 at the home of Julie Deaver.

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## BERTHOLD ZION FOOD PANTRY

The Berthold Food Pantry is open the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month

Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>  
10am-12pm and 5pm-7pm

If the above times do not work for you, you may make an appointment for an alternate day and time by calling:

Carol Rovig – 701-720-6028



If anyone is interested in assisting Carol in operating the Food Pantry, please call her with your interest. Thanks!

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## CARPIO LUTHERAN CHURCH IS LIVE STREAMING WORSHIP



Carpio Worship is on the Zion & Carpio Lutheran Churches FACEBOOK Page.

It will also be posted to be viewed at any time that you choose. For those who choose to use the ONLINE version of worship, your OFFERINGS may be mailed to the Financial Secretary of your congregation.

### **CARPIO FINANCIAL SECRETARY**

Erica Moen  
PO Box 129  
Carpio, ND 58725

### **ZION FINANCIAL SECRETARY**

Connie Hagen  
6101-310<sup>th</sup> St NW  
Berthold, ND 58718



# ZION CHURCH COUNCIL

December 11, 2024, 7:30pm Zion Church Council Meeting

Meeting called to order by Chad Schweitzer. Pastor George led a word of prayer.

Council Members present: Alechia Neubauer, Gary Gathman, Chad Schweitzer, Klint Hanson, Nicki Shelkey, Corine Christman, Curt Schumaier.

Absent: Drew Bryantt, Rachel Schieve

Read and reviewed the monthly council meeting minutes from the previous meeting on November 13. Motion by Gary Gathman to approve the minutes as written, Second by Nicki Shelkey. Motion carried.

## FINANCIAL REPORT:

Kylene Hornberger

### November

General Fund beginning Balance:	\$	53,855.55
November Income:	\$	27,569.34
November Expenses:	\$	8,052.15
General Fund ending Balance:	\$	73,372.74
Pastoral Account beginning Balance:	\$	599.32
Pastoral Account ending Balance:	\$	461.82

Discussion: Clarification on a few line items were discussed.

Motion to approve the financial report by Klint Hanson. Second by Corine Christman. Motion Carried.

## TEAM REPORTS:

### Worship & Music:

Curt Schumaier & Klint Hanson

Will get together to plan music.

### Evangelism:

Nicki Shelkey

Nothing to report.

### Stewardship & Finance:

Alechia Neubauer

Nothing to report.

### Board of Ed.:

Rachel Schieve & Drew Bryantt

Nothing to report.

### Luther League:

Corine Christman

LL annual bake sale on Nov 24, during fellowship. Charity Shopping right after church that day. A SS/LL party was held Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>.

### Maintenance & Property:

Gary Gathman & Klint Hanson

Boards lose in ceiling. WiFi thermostats, checking on what may be needed to install and if there are any insurance discounts for monitoring other items within the church. Motion was made to purchase system by Curt Schumaier and seconded by Alechia Neubauer. Motion carried. Speaker system to be put back on to be able to hear church in kitchen.

## PASTOR'S REPORT:

1. Report given verbally.
2. The following youth participated in the First Communion Class on Nov. 23, 2024 and then received their First Holy Communion Nov. 24, 2024: Kylin Bryantt, Will Deaver, Amzee Idland, Olivia Michel, and Finley Schieve. In future all names for special events will be listed in the bulletin.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Information: 2025 Zion Church Calendar Bookings**-Make priority after vote.  
Jan 19<sup>th</sup> 5pm Ecumenical Soup & Prayer Services at Zion.  
Jun 14<sup>th</sup> Shirley Ann Morrison Memorial/Burial at Wildrose Cemetery, back-up at Zion.  
(Sheri Meier cell phone, (605) 381-7419  
Sep 20<sup>th</sup> Clay Hornberger & Madison Bartsch wedding at Zion. (Madison 701-509-3284)  
Oct 18<sup>th</sup> Ally Bauer & Trever Hanlan wedding at Zion. (Ally 701-509-7821)
2. Zion's Facebook and Instagram pages are currently up and running.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Jenna (Peterson) Deaver wishes to Transfer into Zion from Carpio. Motion by Klint Hanson. Seconded by Gary Gathman. Motion carried.
2. Walker Gene Neshem was baptized on Nov. 29, 2024 in Zion, may we receive him as a Baptized Member of Zion? Motion by Nicki Shelkey. Seconded by Corine Christman. Motion carried.
3. Office copier. The office needs a new printer. Gaffaney's has provided a quote for a color printer. They will take the two printers in on trade for a new machine. The machine is very old and causes many frustrations through paper jams and pulling in the paper incorrectly. Discussion took place on the best option. Motion made by Klint Hanson to purchase a refurbished machine. Seconded by Corine Christman. Motion carried. Motion by Gary Gathman and seconded by Corine Christman to have all costs paid outright and with permission given to Kylene to pull funds from appropriate account. Motion carried.
4. Custodial duties discussion. Starting 2025 Carson Schumaier will be a 1099 employee for the custodian position with a written letter of approval from his parents allowing him to work.
5. Joint Council meeting was held December 4. Discussion. After the first of the year, a meeting will take place and at that time the minutes of the last meeting will be read and revised as Zion is not approving the minutes as written. Motion made by Klint Hanson. Seconded by Curt Schumaier. Motion carried.
6. Pastor to stay in the house. Pastor has asked to stay in the house in January. A motion by Klint Hanson. Seconded by Gary Gathman and carried is to allow pastor to stay until January 31, with a rent price of \$1500 and he would be responsible for all utilities.
7. Pastor/SAMS, etc job description and discussion. A call must be placed for a Pastor and then schooling for SAM's would start in the fall. The mentor is matched by the synod.
8. Budget. Annual Meeting. Discussion on upcoming year. Motion by Curt Schumaier and seconded by Gary Gathman to approve upcoming budget. Motion carried
9. Farewell potluck. A Farewell/Thank you potluck is planned for January 29 after the 11am service at Zion. All are welcome.
10. Annual meeting January 26, 2025 during service.

**Next Zion Council Meeting** will be held on January 8, at 7:30pm

Meeting was adjourned & closed with The Lords Prayer.



# CARPIO LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

The Council meeting was held on December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 3:00 pm. The meeting was called to order by President, Jeff Moen. Pastor George opened the meeting with a prayer.

The Secretary's report was given by Tammi Moen. Cathy Armstrong motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Crystal Eide seconded, motion carries.

The Treasurer's report was given by Heather Feland. Jeff Moen motioned to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Cathy Armstrong seconded, motion carries.

The current account balances as of December 8<sup>th</sup>:

Checking Account	\$ 47,357.16
Currect Special Fund	\$ 1,975.00
Thrivent Endowment Fund	\$ 5,606.60
Thivent Contingency Fund	\$ 4,127.75

The CLCW Report was given by Heather Feland. The CLCW will keep the fellowship gatherings separate from the business meetings. A meeting was held on December 8<sup>th</sup> at 10 to make decisions on distributing funds. \$6000 was distributed and the Twice Blessed program will be used to double the donations to participating charities. The fellowship gathering will be on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> to address and write in Christmas cards. A new president for the CLCW is needed with Heather taking the call to participate in the SAM and TEEM programs.

Pastor's Report: The pastor has been doing routine business. He is reviewing records for year end. He will be compiling the statistical data for the annual report. He is working on cleaning out his office. He will be officiating two baptisms on December 22<sup>nd</sup>.

New Business: Rhett Bloms and Bentley Leier have completed their First Communion class and have received Holy Communion for the first time on November 24<sup>th</sup>. Tammi Moen motioned for Jenna (Peterson) Deaver to transfer membership to Zion. Jeff Moen seconded, motion carries. Heather Feland has been called to serve Carpio and Zion as a Synod Authorized Minister (SAM) beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 during the Joint Council meeting held on December 4<sup>th</sup>. With Heather accepting the SAM position, Carpio is looking for new Treasurer. Tammi Moen has accepted the position as the Carpio Church Treasurer as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Crystal Eide motioned to accept Tammi Moen as the treasurer. Tammi Moen will need to be added as an authorized signer for the Bremer bank accounts. Cathy Armstrong seconded, motion carries. Crystal Eide and Marianne Vangsness will audit the financials for Carpio before the annual meeting. Tammi Moen motioned for Crystal and Marianne to audit the financials. Cathy Armstrong seconded, motion carries. Crystal motioned for the Annual Meeting to be held on January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025 after the abbreviated worship service at 11:00 am. Jeff Moen seconded, motion carries. The annual congregational reports will be made available to the congregation on Sunday, January 19, 2025. The budget and elections will be on the agenda for the annual meeting. The council worked on the 2025 Carpio congregational budget. Cathy Armstrong motioned to accept the 2025 budget as prepared. Jeff Moen seconded, motion carries.

Nominating Committee: Stan Vangsness and Gary Knudtson will fill expiring terms for various positions.

Church Council Secretary: Tammi Moen has served 2 terms and will leave the Council. Crystal Eide is nominated.

Church Council Member: This is a 3-year term.

Board of Education: This is a 3-year term. Sarah Babinchak has served 1 term and is eligible for another term. Sarah Babinchak is nominated.

Nominating Committee: This is a 1-year term.

WND Synod Assembly Representatives: This is a 1-year term. Any 2 confirmed members, no term limits.

Metigoshe Ministries Bible Camp: This is a 1-year term. Any confirmed member, no term limits.

The next Council meeting will be on January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at noon. The meeting was closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Meeting Adjourned

Tammi Moen

Recording Secretary

## CARPIO/ZION JOINT COUNCIL MEETING

The joint council meeting was held on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 7:30pm. Eight members from the Zion council were present and 4 members from Carpio were present. The meeting was called to order by Vice President, Curt Schumaier.

Rachel Schieve motioned to put a call out and to accept Heather Feland into the SAMS program as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. In February, the request will be submitted to the Synod for Heather Feland to be accepted into the TEEMS program. Alechia Neubauer seconded, motion carries.

Alechia Neubauer motioned for Heather Feland to receive a full-time salary of \$36,000 with the option to amend this salary when the TEEMS process starts. Crystal Eide seconded, motion carries.

Alechia Neubauer motioned for Pastor George to rent and pay utilities for the parsonage during the month of January. The rent amount will be decided on December 11<sup>th</sup>. Rachel Schieve seconded. Motion carries.

Klint Hanson motioned for Heather to teach Confirmation on December 11<sup>th</sup> and December 18<sup>th</sup>. She will be paid \$140 + mileage for the 2 days in December. Drew Bryantt seconded, motion carries.

Klint Hanson motioned to adjourn the joint meeting. Crystal Edie seconded. Motion carries.

The meeting was adjourned and closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Tammi Moen  
Recording Secretary

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### SIMPLY GIVING® PROGRAM



Would you find it helpful to have your offerings taken from your bank account as you do other monthly drafts? At no cost to the congregation? Thrivent Financial for Lutherans sponsors a program called Simply Giving®, which offers this service for people who wish to have offerings transferred electronically to their church's account. For those who travel, this is particularly helpful in keeping up with their intended offerings, and it will keep you from having to make up the difference later. The Council has approved this program for those who choose to participate in it. Contact the church office for more details.

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### PARISH BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will resume in Carpio on Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 10am.

This will continue through the month of January, however schedule may change.

An updated scheduled will be available soon.





## ZION FINANCIALS - NOVEMBER 2024

Chad Schweitzer – President	Gary Gathman	Alechia Neubauer
Curt Schumaier – Vice President	Klint Hanson	Nicki Shelkey
Corine Christman – Secretary	Rachel Schieve	Drew Bryantt

<b>General Account Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 53,855.55</b>
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<b>INCOME:</b>			
	Offerings:		
	11/03/2024	\$ 1,740.00	
\$7,969.00	11/10/2024	\$ 805.00	
Offering Total	11/17/2024	\$ 614.00	
	11/24/2024	\$ 4,810.00	

	Donations	\$ 9,200.00	
	Harvest Fest Sunday	\$ 10,050.00	
	Simply Giving - Vanco	\$ 345.50	
	State Bank and Trust – Interest	\$ 4.84	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$ 27,569.34</b>	

<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
Western ND Synod		\$ 796.90	
Church Mutual – Insurance		\$ 687.50	
MDU (Church - \$71.38; Parsonage - \$45.01)		\$ 116.39	
Xcel Energy (Church - \$195.44; Parsonage -\$70.94)		\$ 266.38	
SRT (Church - \$95.82; Parsonage - \$114.58)		\$ 210.40	
City of Berthold (Church - \$45.25; Parsonage - \$73.55)		\$ 118.80	
Visa (USPS \$11.11; CCLI \$280; OfficeMax \$9.66; OperationCC \$53.80; SS Walmart \$0.75)		\$ 331.76	
Farmers Union Oil		\$ 9.08	
Dawna Helfrich – piano		\$ 75.00	
Julie Deaver – piano		\$ 225.00	
Curt Schumaier (Custodian)		\$ 350.00	
Kylene Hornberger (Treasurer & stamps)		\$ 723.00	
Kershawn Michel (Secretary)		\$ 500.00	
1517Media (Insert & Today Reading 12/01-2/23/25)		\$ 81.94	
Kids Academy (Community Birthday Calendar Ad)		\$ 60.00	
Finley Schieve - Metigoshe Summer Camp		\$ 225.00	
Heather Feland – Oct 17 & Nov 17 worship		\$ 175.00	
Transfer to Pastor Account		\$ 3,100.00	
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$ 8,052.15</b>	

<b>General Account Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 73,372.74</b>
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## PASTOR PAYROLL ACCOUNT (JOINT WITH CARPIO) NOVEMBER 2024

<b>Pastor Acct Beginning Balance</b>		<b>\$ 599.32</b>	
Zion Deposits	\$ 3,100.00		
Carpio Deposits	\$ 3,100.00		
<b>Total Deposits</b>		<b>\$ 6,200.00</b>	
<b>Expenses:</b>			
Portico (Pastor's Benefits)	\$ 1,762.37		
Pastor George Payroll – October	\$ 4,575.13		
<b>Total Expenses:</b>		<b>\$ 6,337.50</b>	
<b>Pastor Acct Ending Balance</b>			<b>\$ 461.82</b>

### MEALS ON WHEELS - CARPIO

The Meals on Wheels is every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 11am-12:30pm at the Carpio Senior Citizen's Center. You can call Tyrell Jung at [701-389-2627](tel:701-389-2627) to either reserve or cancel a meal. The cost to prepare a meal is \$11.80 – a donation of \$6.00 is suggested and appreciated. To Go meals are available on request. Menus include 8 oz. milk, margarine and 2 slices of whole wheat bread unless otherwise indicated.

MONDAY		WEDNESDAY		FRIDAY	
<b>MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE</b>				3	Chicken Supreme Potatoes & Onions Broccoli Cranberry & Pear Whole Grain Dinner Roll
6	Salisbury Steak Scalloped Potato Broccoli Pears Bread	8	BBQ Pork Ribs Baked Potato Italian Veggie Peaches Bread	10	Crispy Baked Chicken Company Potatoes Carrot Pineapple Tidbits Bread
13	Spaghetti & Meat Green Beans Cauliflower Apple Garlic Toast	15	Swedish Meatballs Noodles Broccoli Fruit Salad Bread	17	Lemon Pepper Cod Seasoned Potatoes Carrots Banana Bread
20	MCA Closed	22	Chicken Parmesan Noodles Marinara Sauce Peas Pears Bread	24	Beef Potato Hash Green Beans Fruit Salad Roll
27	Italian Rotini Veggie Blend Beets Grapes Garlic Toast	29	Baked Chicken Breast & Gravy Baked Potato Carrots Pineapple Tidbits Bread	31	Beef Tips & Mushroom Gravy Red Potatoes Peas Pears Bread

# CARPIO FINANCIALS FOR NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2024

	November		December
<b>General Account Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$40,866.03</b>		<b>\$46,439.34</b>
<b>Current Special Fund Balance</b>	\$1,975.00		\$100.00
<b>Thrivent Endowment Fund</b>	\$5,606.60		\$5,606.60
<b>Thrivent Contingency Fund</b>	\$4,127.78		\$4,127.78
<b>INCOME</b>			
<b>Offerings</b>			
11.3.24	\$1,066.50	12.1.24	\$1,326.00
11.7.24	\$218.00	12.8.24	\$3,977.00
11.10.24	\$1,725.00	12.15.24	\$1,314.00
11.17.24	\$455.00	12.22.24	\$373.00
11.24.24	\$7,249.00	12.24.24	\$3,919.65
<b>Total Offering:</b>	<b>\$10,713.50</b>		
Interest	<b>\$3.80</b>		
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$10,713.50</b>		<b>\$10,909.65</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
Electric (MDU)	\$89.60		\$81.72
Internet/Phone (SRT)	\$95.86		\$94.45
Water (NPRWD)	\$73.93		\$84.48
Propane (Farmers Union)	-0-		\$731.48
1517 Media	\$63.04		\$56.25
Cathy Armstrong (Secretary)	\$400.00		\$400.00
Heather Feland (Treasurer)	\$400.00		\$400.00
Greg Feland (Custodian)	\$400.00		\$400.00
Pay to Zion Church for Pastors Account	\$3,100.00		\$3,100.00
Dakota Fire Extinguisher	\$34.79		-0-
Western ELCA Synod	\$500.00		\$500.00
Metigoshe Ministries	\$200.00		\$200.00
<b>Total Bills for the Month</b>	<b>\$5,357.22</b>		<b>\$5,688.38</b>

Out of Special Fund Account, we were able to write a check to World Hunger for \$2,375.00 which was sent in and will be doubled by the World Hunger Association.



## ANNUAL MEETINGS SCHEDULED

The Carpio and Zion Church Councils have scheduled the Congregational Annual Meetings for Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> during their regular Worship times. Reports will be available for pick up on Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup> for review and should be brought back for Annual Meeting the following Sunday.

All reports are due to their respective Church Office by Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>.

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## ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE

The Ecumenical Prayer Service will take place at Zion on Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. Offering is a non-perishable food item that will be donated to the Berthold Food Pantry.

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## OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering Envelopes for 2025 are in your church mailboxes and your offering annual statements for 2024 will be in your church mailboxes later (in January). If you didn't receive envelopes and wish to have some, let me know. If you know of someone who is unable to get theirs, it would be appreciated if you would deliver it to them. Thanks! Any questions? Talk to Connie Hagen, Zion Financial Secretary

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**Kylene Hornberger**

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LUTHER LEAGUE CHRISTMAS PARTY



PARISH SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



*Happy New Year!  
May 2025 bring you  
many Blessings!*

# January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> <b>New Year's Day</b> No Confirmation Class No Meals on Wheels in Carpio	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> <b>11am-12:30pm</b> Meals on Wheels in Carpio	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> <b>9am</b> Worship at Zion with Holy Communion <b>10am</b> Fellowship/Sunday School <b>11am</b> Worship at Carpio with Holy Communion <b>12pm</b> Carpio Church Council Meeting	<b>6</b> <b>11am-12:30pm</b> Meals on Wheels in Carpio <b>1pm</b> Ecumenical Quilting at Zion	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>11am-12:30pm</b> Meals on Wheels in Carpio <b>6:30pm</b> Confirmation Class at Zion <b>7:30pm</b> Zion Church Council	<b>9</b> <b>10am</b> Parish Bible Study in Carpio	<b>10</b> <b>11am-12:30pm</b> Meals on Wheels in Carpio	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> Annual Report Information due to Church Offices <b>Soup Pot Sunday in Carpio</b> <b>9am</b> Worship at Zion with Holy Communion <b>10am</b> Fellowship/Sunday School <b>11am</b> Worship at Carpio with Holy Communion	<b>13</b> <b>11am-12:30pm</b> Meals on Wheels in Carpio <b>1pm</b> Ecumenical Quilting at Zion	<b>14</b> <b>10am-12pm</b> Food Pantry Open <b>5pm-7pm</b> Food Pantry Open	<b>15</b> <b>11am-12:30pm</b> Meals on Wheels in Carpio <b>6:30pm</b> Confirmation Class at Zion	<b>16</b> <b>10am</b> Parish Bible Study in Carpio	<b>17</b> <b>11am-12:30pm</b> Meals on Wheels in Carpio	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> Annual Reports Available <b>9am</b> Worship at Zion <b>10am</b> Fellowship/No Sunday School <b>11am</b> Worship at Carpio <b>5pm</b> Ecumenical Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service at Zion	<b>20</b> No Meals on Wheels in Carpio <b>1pm</b> Ecumenical Quilting at Zion	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> <b>11am-12:30pm</b> Meals on Wheels in Carpio <b>6:30pm</b> Confirmation Class in Carpio <b>7pm</b> Mary/Martha Circle	<b>23</b> <b>10am</b> Parish Bible Study in Carpio	<b>24</b> <b>11am-12:30pm</b> Meals on Wheels in Carpio	<b>25</b> <b>10am</b> 4H Meets in Carpio
<b>26</b> <b>9am</b> Worship at Zion/Annual Meeting <b>10am</b> Fellowship/Sunday School <b>11am</b> Worship at Carpio/Annual Meeting	<b>27</b> <b>11am-12:30pm</b> Meals on Wheels in Carpio <b>1pm</b> Ecumenical Quilting at Zion	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> <b>11am-12:30pm</b> Meals on Wheels in Carpio <b>6:30pm</b> Confirmation Class at Zion	<b>30</b> <b>10am</b> Parish Bible Study in Carpio	<b>31</b> <b>11am-12:30pm</b> Meals on Wheels in Carpio	