The ZSJ Piecemakers need your help! Please keep an eye out for the following: bed sheets or blankets; baby sleepers without feet, sz 6-24 months or baby gowns; hooded jackets of sweatshirts, sz 9-24 months; t-shirts, sz 6-24 months; new light-weight dark colored bath or hand towels; new bars of gentle soap in original wrapping. They are also accepting cash donations for 126 school kits that need filling. See Maxine Heuberger to donate!

Please consider submitting a memory or devotional for the 150th anniversary in 2025. Information is on the narthex table. If you need help, please see Diane in the office.

YOUTH AND FAMILY

Thank you to all who donated, helped, cooked, cleaned and prayed for our VBS 2024! Special thank you to Doreen D for coordinating the week! We had nearly 40 campers and 20 helpers. Our special offering was used to purchase animals for ELCA Good Gifts as part of our theme "Cultivate Life!"

Blessing of the Backpacks will be on Sunday, August 25 @ 9 am worship. All are invited to bring backpacks, or other items necessary for school related jobs to worship to receive a special blessing.

Confirmation student/ parent meetings will be on Wednesday, August 28. 7-8th grade will meet @ 6 pm, followed by 9th grade @ 7 pm. These meetings will include scheduling of meals, acolyte and class schedules and updates on memory work and projects. Please make arrangements now to attend!



Opportunities to Serve This Week at ZSJ:

Today (7-28)	9:00 am 10:15 am	Worship with Holy Communion Fellowship WELCA Board Meeting
Thursday (8-1)	2:00 pm	West Fork Food Pantry
Saturday (8-3)	10:00 am	West Fork Food Pantry
Next Sunday (8-4)	9:00 am 10:15 am	Worship with Holy Communion Fellowship

Welcome to worship at ZSJ this morning!

- Please sign the attendance sheets in your pews.
- ♦ Spark leaflets and activity bags for children are available from the ushers. When returning your bags, please put them in the designated spot for cleaning.
- Our bulletins and inserts can now be downloaded from our website onto your personal portable device: www.zionstjohn.org
- ♦ Hearing devices are available from the ushers.
- Our teddy bears in our midst worship with us and are meant to be loved and cuddled. When it is time, they will be sent to another place to share our love of Jesus with others in need!
- ♦ Free devotional materials are available on the usher's table & the display in the Narthex.
- Electronic giving is available on the church website, use the "donation" tab on the homepage or download the "Vanco Mobile" app on your phone.

Please keep in your prayers: Cindy R, Sarah P, Ray R, Christy M, Louise K, Carolyn R, Pat H, Jon S, Steve & Sue K, Patty B, Keely S, Marcy M, Steve H, Maddie P, Doris M, Crystal B, Carol L, Drew H, Doug D, Dusty M, Cheryl R, and Sawyer A.

As a result of last week's congregational meeting, we have started a fundraiser for the bell tower project. Our current goal is to raise \$10,000 to cover the cost of bell removal and replacement, tuckpointing and any minor repairs that may need to be done to the bell. Currently we have raised \$3,000 for this project. If you would like to donate, please indicate on the memo line of your check "bell tower repair."