Please keep in your prayers: Ray R, Jon S, Sue K, Marcy M, Crystal B, Patricia S, Steve H, Wendy J, Lori M, Karla C, Zayne F, Jim M, Kay R, Lavonne C, Sheryl T, Lindy M, Gary P, Kay E, Bill N, Sue L, Laurie G, Robert C and Sara N.

Thank you to Darwin M for the temple talk today!

Thank you to Pastor John S for presiding at our worship today while Pastor Kim and Diane are celebrating 50 years of ministry @ Peace Lutheran in Pella!

Scarlett Eleanor T, daughter of Dillon and Mickee T, will be welcomed into the Lord's family on Saturday, November 21 @ 1 pm through Holy Baptism. She will be sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. Her sponsors are Kacee G and Morgan B.

The ZSJ Church Council is still searching for the right person(s) to serve as our next Director of Youth and Family Ministries and parish secretary. The job descriptions are on the narthex table.

The Change for Change (formerly Pennies for Poverty) jar in the narthex is not full yet! Anyone can donate to help fill this jar with any loose change you might have. Every coin can help to support a local charity for this Christmas!

Women of ZSJ, please turn in your Thank-offerings this month! They can be dropped off in the office or mailed to ZSJ Lutheran Church, PO Box 269, Sheffield, 50475, ATTN: Kari.

A Poinsettia garden is being planned for our sanctuary during the Advent and Christmas seasons. If you would like to donate a poinsettia to the garden, you may purchase one through the church office or directly from *Forever Yours* in Sheffield for $26. **Please place your orders by Sunday, November 22. Make your check payable to Forever Yours.**

Next Sunday, November 22 is Consecration Sunday. Our program this year is on Time, Talent, and Treasures, how all can be involved in the day to day work of the church. We are asking all confirmed members of the church to return a time and talent sheet along with your pledge cards for 2027 next Sunday or as soon as possible. Everyone should have received the T & T sheets by email or snail mail. If you did not, please pick one up on the narthex table.

The Holiday Food Fair will be Sunday December 13, during fellowship hour and after the Christmas program! We will have the same format, cinnamon rolls, coffee, and juice with a freewill offering plus sales of cookies, candies, mixes, dips, snack items, cards, Rada cutlery and Fair Trade items. Those donating cookies please leave them in containers with a label on them. Other items will be individually priced. Please label those items also. All these items need to be at church by 9:00 am on Dec 13. All helpers would be greatly appreciated. The proceeds will be divided between the church projects and Wings of Refuge. Contact Carla N, 892-4985, with questions.

YOUTH AND FAMILY

- **NO 7-8th Confirmation class this week. Next class will be Wed, Dec 2 @ 5:15 pm.**
- **SS classes are every Sunday @ 10:15 am.**

The SS offering project this semester will be Northern Lights Shelters in Mason City. Along with a goal of $700, we are also collecting gently used and new clothing, especially socks and hygiene items. There is a box in the narthex to place any donated items! All are welcome to help us reach our goal! Our current total is $140.

The Christmas Program rehearsals have begun! All readers will meet with Doreen 10-10:15 each Sunday. All others rehearse during the SS hour. We will also sing for worship on **Dec 13.** Plan to meet @ 8:45 am.

Nov. 8 & 15 10:15-10:35
Nov. 22 & 29 10:15-10:45
Dec. 6 10:15-11:00
Dec. 13, 10:15-11:15, Program @ 4pm,
Light Family Supper will follow!

BEC PIE and SOUP sale items are available for pick up on NOV 16th, 4-7 pm. Please pay for your items when picked up.

The annual Confirmation Class Food Scavenger Hunt will Wednesday, November 19. 7-8 students will meet at the church at 5:15 pm for supper and then begin the hunt around Sheffield @ 6 pm. If you would like someone to stop at your house, please let Doreen know. All food collected will be donated to the West Fork Food Pantry.

We are looking for families that would like to help with the Advent wreath lightings for these Sundays in Advent: Dec 6, 13, & 20, 9 am worship. If you, are interested, please contact Pastor Kim or signup on the narthex bulletin board.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE THIS WEEK AT ZSJ:

Today (11-15)	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Christmas Program Readers
	10:15 am	Fellowship/ Sunday School
Monday (11-16)		**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**
	1:00 pm	Cardian Angels
	4:00 pm	BEC Fundraiser Pickup
Wednesday (11-18)	8:30 am	ZSJ Piecemakers
	5:15 pm	7-8th Scavenger Hunt
	6:15 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:15 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday (11-19)	2:00 pm	West Fork Food Pantry
Saturday (11-21)	1:00 pm	Thein Baptism
Next Sunday (11-22)	9:00 am	Consecration Worship with Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Christmas Program Readers
	10:15 am	Fellowship/ Sunday School

Welcome to worship at ZSJ!

- ❖ 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.