

ZION EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL NEWS

JANUARY 2014

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Jesus is...Savior

Psalm 79:9

*Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your name;
deliver us and forgive our sins for your name's sake.*

Help! It's a simple word, and yet very difficult to say. It's an admission of vulnerability, isn't it? And nobody wants to be considered vulnerable. Help! It's admitting that you just can't get yourself out of whatever predicament, trouble or situation you're in. You need someone to come and save you. So you have to swallow your pride, display some humility and admit that you can't do it. You need help.

The man who wrote Psalm 79 was named Asaph. He lived almost 3000 years ago. He needed help, and so did everyone around him. Foreign nations had invaded his homeland of Israel and were trashing God's reputation. God's believers in that country needed help. So they went to God.

They knew they hadn't done anything to earn God's help. In fact, part of the reason they needed help was because of their disobedience against God and his will. But they still turned to God because of his reputation: he is the God of salvation. They knew that God is in the business of helping. In fact, not only does he give help freely but he specializes in it. Only God could help them out of their difficulties in life. Only God could save them from their greatest difficulty—their sin. And they weren't disappointed. God did save them from their enemies, but more importantly, he forgave their sin. That's his reputation. He is the Savior.

God has the same reputation today. He is our Savior. Not too long ago we celebrated Christmas, the day when God sent us his Son, Jesus. We needed God's help desperately. We were separated from God. We had sinned. And we couldn't help ourselves to get rid of our guilt. But God sent us a Savior. He forgives all our sin. What an astounding gift our Savior Jesus Christ is! God is in the business of helping. That's his reputation.

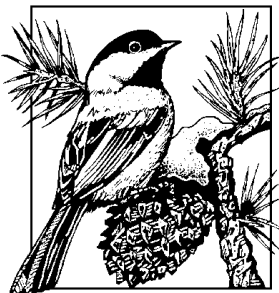
God is your Savior. You can call on him for help and deliverance. He promises his forgiveness and love. He will help you out of trouble. Call on your Savior for strength to carry your burdens. Look to your Lord Jesus for help. He, and he alone, can save you and help you. He, and only he, is your Savior.

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SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

1st Service 8:00 a.m.
2nd Service 10:30 a.m.
9:00 Coffee Hour
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
9:25 a.m. Youth & Adult Bible
Classes



EUCHRE TOURNAMENTS

The Adult Discipleship Board has planned two Euchre Tournaments for fellowship and fun for the members of Zion. Those tournaments are scheduled for the Fellowship Hall in the church basement on Saturday, January 25, and Saturday, February 22, 2014. Please mark your calendars and watch upcoming bulletins for more information.



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Chesaning, Michigan
SUMMARY OF COORDINATING COUNCIL MINUTES
Tuesday, December 10, 2013 at 8:00 p.m.

The meeting was opened with devotion with Pastor Thomford.

Pastor's Report: Nothing to report.

Reports of Officers and Boards:

- Our Financial Secretary, Joe Donovan, reported that he has received so far in the current fiscal year \$117,883.98 from July 1 through November 30, 2013. This comes to an average to \$5,033 per Sunday for the first 21st Sundays of our fiscal year. Our budget requires that we need \$5,360 to meet our budget. . We have fallen each week \$327. He reports that we are currently \$6,867 under budget for the first 21st Sundays of this year.
- School Board Chairman Dennis Schoch reported that they are looking into some guidance into setting up financial aid for parents needing help with tuition at Zion Lutheran School.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Quackenbush Heating & Cooling:** We are still waiting for a bid for from Quackenbush Heating & Cooling for the entire church and education wing.
- **Bear Creek Drain:** The church received a letter from Saginaw County Public Works Commissioner stating there would be a meeting regarding the Bear Creek Drain. Joe Donovan plans on attending this meeting.
- **Secretary's Vacation:** Pastor Thomford reported on the Secretary's Vacation Policy and amending the current policy.
- **Pensions Payment Plans:** The Council will be putting a letter in the January Newsletter concerning that the congregation will be charged interest starting January of 2014 for outstanding Pension balances which amount to approximately \$14,000.
- **Elections:** Pastor Thomford reported that Jeff Barancik was currently serving on the Adult Discipleship Board and could not be elected into another term for the same Board. The Council decided the other candidate Don Gregory would be appointed to serve on the Adult Discipleship Board for a one year term.
- **Memorials:** The Council agreed to go along with the wishes of the families of Gail Hamilton and Oscar Neumeyer for new speakers for the sound system in the church. Memorial money will be used for this project.

The meeting was ended with Luther's Evening Prayer. Submitted by Ralph Borucki

Dear Members of Zion:

The members of the church Coordinating Council would like to inform the congregation of Zion about the situation with the **WELS Pension Plan**. The pension plan was established by the Synod to supplement our called workers retirement income. All congregations in the WELS Synod are required to contribute to this plan for their called workers.

In recent years we have fallen behind in our payments to the pension fund. The amount we have fallen behind is close to **\$14,000**. Beginning January 1, 2014 all congregations in the WELS who are behind in their contributions to this fund will be charged interest on the amount they are behind.

This is a situation that must be dealt with to bring our payments up to date. These payments are a line item in our budget. We need to come up with a plan to deal with the interest payments and to retire our pension debt.

If anyone in the congregation has anything to offer about this problem, feel free to discuss it with any of your church officers.

Respectfully yours,

The Zion Church Coordinating Council

President: Dave Mose, 989-666-1944

Secretary: Ralph Borucki, 989-277-4825

Financial Secretary: Joe Donovan, 989-865-6246

Treasurer: Robert Wille, 989-845-2028

Property Board Chairman: Ray Klipper, 989-323-9421

Elders Board Chairman: Denny Peters, 989-770-4388

School Board Chairman: Bill Hedrich, 989-277-8431

Evangelism Board Chairman: Dave Huggard, 989-293-5927

Family Ministry Board Chairman: Clayton Barancik, 989-529-9001

Adult Discipleship Board Chairman: Tom Hoover, 989-865-6002

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT—JANUARY 2014

The Christmas season has passed and it is time to pack up the decorations for another ten months. Take a deep breath, you made it. It can be a stressful time of year with much to accomplish during the few weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas. We are well aware of the distractions which pull our attention from the humble birth of our Savior.

In my classroom in early December, my students and I had a candid conversation about the joys of Christmas. We discussed how we are very blessed in material and spiritual ways, but the lore of Christmas has a way of making a child want to be a little more blessed.

The students in my classroom left the conversation knowing that they can be happy and content in January even if the tree would have been bare this year. They know they are blessed for their family, friends, and faith, but do we?

Adults may view Christmas with less awe than a young child waiting for presents, but I admit that I rarely turn down a gift. We also want to prosper and would appreciate congratulations for our hard work and faithfulness. It is no wonder that many churches have modified their doctrine to include promises of success. Prosperity Preachers, such as Joel Osteen, tell Christians that God's greatest wish is to make us prosper. The message of a prosperity preacher often forgets to mention Christ or his saving work on Calvary and replaces it with guarantees of riches. God can and does bless us, true. This teaching can be harmful, however, when we see God as our formula for earthly wealth, or worse, if we see prosperity as our source for earthly happiness. We have the promise of life in heaven, for what more could we ask!

Children and adults alike love presents, and we have received a wonderful gift. Your greatest gift this Christmas was not under the tree, but instead was found in a lowly manger. Our God made himself a child and lived shoulder to shoulder with sinful humans so that he could later die on a tree and save us from our sins.

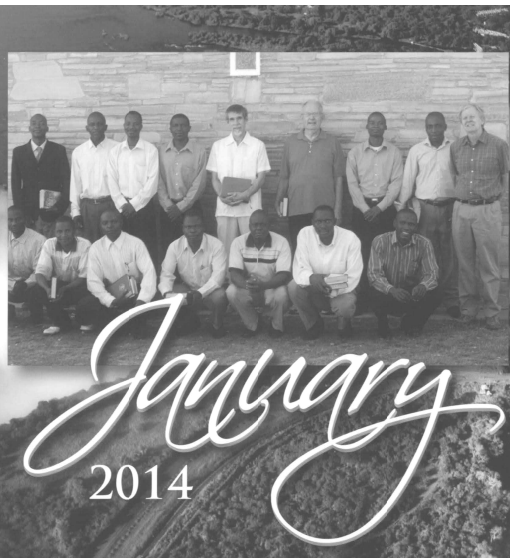
God's blessings on your month, and please remember Zion in your continual prayers.

Zion Lutheran School news and previous events are below:

- **ZEL meeting** - Our parents group, ZEL, held a Christmas party and meeting in mid-December. Students practiced their Christmas program, ate lunch, and played games. The next meeting will be February 9th at the Owosso Bowling alley.
- **Basketball** - The boy's basketball season will begin in early January and boys in grades 4-8 are encouraged to participate. Practices will be held at Big Rock and Christ Lutheran in Shields.
- **Future of Education with Christ LES** – On January 8 selected members from Zion and Christ will meet at our grade school to discuss the possible ways that our schools can interact to improve our Lutheran Elementary schools. The goal of the group is to possibly create a proposal to the church voters of a merged school. Many details are yet to be discussed and no date has been chosen for offering the proposal.\

Submitted by: Matthew Augustine, Principal

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY NEWS (FROM MISSIONARY CALENDAR)



The Lutheran Church of Central Africa (LCCA) operates a training system to educate its future pastors. These pastors will be witnesses in the public ministry of the wonderful gospel message to the people of Zambia, Malawi, and Zimbabwe. Pictured with four faculty members is the 2013 seminary class in its second of three years. The seminary is located in Lusaka, Zambia. Six men are from Malawi, five from Zambia, and one from Zimbabwe. Prior to entering the seminary, the men completed a three-year program at the Lutheran Bible Institute (LBI) in Lilongwe, Malawi. Before this, each man spent one or two years working with his local pastor in the theological training program run by the seminary and LBI. After graduation from the seminary, these men will be called as vicars for one more year of on-the-job training in a local congregation under a supervising pastor. Upon completion of their vicar year, and having spent eight or nine years in training, they graduate as Candidates for the Reverend Ministry. They will be eligible for a call into an LCCA congregation and placed immediately by their respective assignment committees. The need for local pastors is great, and we praise God for these future called workers!

2014 Church Staff & Officers' Directory

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church & School

Chesaning, MI 48616—Church Office 989-845-3006

PASTOR & TEACHERS

Pastor Joel W. Thomford	989-297-1382
Principal Matthew Augustine – 5 th - 8 th Grade Teacher	920-327-9613
Karen Thomford – 1 st - 4 th Grade Teacher	989-445-0068
Kelly Mose – Preschool-Kindergarten Teacher	989-845-2344

SECRETARY

Church & School: Lisa Borucki	989-277-2527
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COORDINATING COUNCIL OFFICERS:

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Secretary: Ralph Borucki	(2015)	989-277-4825
Financial Secretary: Joe Donovan	(2014)	989-865-6246
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Family Ministry Board Chairman: Clayton Barancik	(2014)	989-529-9001
Adult Discipleship Board Chairman: Tom Hoover	(2015)	989-865-6002

ELDERS BOARD

Chairman: Denny Peters	(2014)	989-770-4388
Steve Lane	(2015)	989-860-4888
Harold Blaine	(2015)	989-284-0498
Dennis Schoch	(2016)	989-737-7289
Neil Schulz	(2016)	989-560-4271

SCHOOL BOARD

Chairman: Bill Hedrich	(2014)	989-277-8431
Carl Mose	(2015)	989-845-4596
Eric Blaine	(2015)	989-284-8105
Jim Emmendorfer	(2016)	989-860-5218
Richard Birchmeier	(2016)	989-413-2352

PROPERTY BOARD

Chairman: Ray Klipper	(2015)	989-323-9421
Kirk Walker	(2015)	810-691-4849
Tom Sevech	(2014)	989-845-2515
Drew Archibald	(2016)	989-413-0132

EVANGELISM BOARD

Chairman: Dave Huggard	(2016)	989-293-5927
Clayton Kaufmann	(2015)	989-838-4037
Bill Kaufmann	(2016)	989-330-3260

FAMILY MINISTRY BOARD

Chairman: Clayton Barancik	(2014)	989-529-9001
Tim Bleisner	(2015)	989-845-2974
Brian Rohac	(2016)	989-277-0005

ADULT DISCIPLESHP BOARD

Chairman: Tom Hoover	(2015)	989-865-6002
Don Gregory	(2014)	989-845-6968
Dale Donovan	(2016)	989-865-9501

BIRTHDAYS

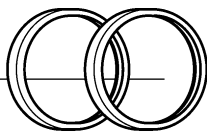


Dorothy Miller	1/3
Corey Hedrich	1/4
Harper Turnwald	1/4
Sonia Frank	1/8
Kathryn Diener	1/9
William Kaufmann	1/10
Dale Schoch	1/10
Lindsay Brown	1/11
Paul Bleisner	1/12
Marti Hook	1/13
Alyssa Willson	1/14
Alexander Birchmeier	1/15
Joslyn Flowers	1/18
Janice Dones	1/19
James Emmendorfer	1/19
Ella Bovee	1/20
James Goodrich Jr.	1/20
Angela Rupnow	1/20
Anna Blaine	1/21
David Donaldson	1/21
Beverly Holubik	1/21
Lillian Agnew	1/22
Ashleigh Kaufmann	1/22
Terry Pattillo	1/22
Linda Evans	1/24
Rhiannon McKinnon	1/24
Jason Turnwald	1/26
Daniel Brown Jr.	1/29
Ava Emmendorfer	1/29
Jennifer Searle	1/29
Joseph Wille	1/30

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Celebrating

An Anniversary This Month



Jim & Pamela Bates	1/3
Bernard & MaryAnn Schoch Sr.	1/25
Michael & Cynthia Cicalo I	1/31

**If your birthday or anniversary was not listed in the January issue of the Newsletter, it means we don't have that information in our computer. If we missed anyone, we apologize. Please contact the church office with the appropriate information and we will gladly update our records.*

FINANCIAL NEWS

November 27, 2013	\$ 1,722.15
(Thanksgiving Worship)	
December 1, 2013	\$ 5,185.12
December 4, 2013	\$ 940.25
(Advent)	
December 8, 2013	\$ 7,366.81
December 11, 2013	\$ 648.00
(Advent)	
December 15, 2013	\$ 6,609.19
December 18, 2013	\$ 495.00
(Advent)	
December 19, 2013	\$ 170.00
December 22, 2013	\$ 3,358.45
December 22, 2013	\$ 354.00
(Children's Christmas Service)	
December 24, 2013	\$12,859.72
(Christmas Eve)	
December 25, 2013	\$ 1,166.00
(Christmas Day)	
December 29	\$ 4,470.00

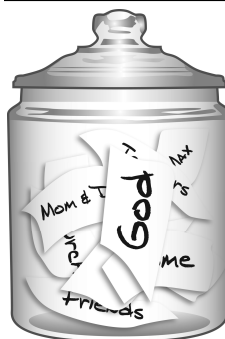
Parking Lot Fund: \$2,254

These funds are held by the church treasurer in the Memorial Account. This fund was started by the congregation to save money for paving the school parking lot and then repaving the church parking lot. Contributions to this fund may be made by placing an envelope in the Sunday offering plate marked "Parking Lot Fund."

Building Fund: \$11,395.57

These funds are held by the church treasurer in the Memorial Account. It was originally started by the Zion Education League (Zion School's parent-teacher organization) to save money for building gymnasium/cafeteria facilities at Zion Lutheran School. Contributions to this fund may be made by placing an envelope in the Sunday offering plate marked "Building Fund."

FILL A JAR



Need a new tradition to begin the new year? One way to reflect on your blessings as the days and months pass is to fill a Blessing Jar. Simply find a container (ideally with a lid) and place it in a prominent place in your home. Next to it, set slips of paper and writing utensils.

Encourage every family member to jot down one thing they're grateful for every day. If you have a large family, you may need one jar for each person. You can also use different-colored paper slips for each family member.

Every week, sit down together and review the many ways that God is present in your lives.

SEMI-ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING MINUTES
ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, CHESANING, MICHIGAN
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2013

- A Voters' Meeting was held on Sunday afternoon, December 8, 2013. Twenty-six men attended the meeting.
- Financial Secretary, Joe Donovan, reported that November was a good month, but we are down \$7,000 so far.
- Treasurer, Robert Wille, was unable to attend the meeting but reported we are behind approximately 35,000 to 40,000 in the paying all bills.
- School Board Chairman, Dennis Schoch, is still looking at joint uniforms for Zion and Christ Lutheran schools.
- Property Board Chairman, Ray Klipper, thanked everyone for the roof repairs at the parsonage and installing the projector at the church. The Property Board will be installing the ceiling fans at church this winter. There are still estimates being done on heat pumps as an alternative to the boiler replacement.
- Elections were held and the following individuals were elected for a three year term:

ELDERS' BOARD: Dennis Schoch, Neil Schulz

SCHOOL BOARD: Jim Emmendorfer, Richard Birchmeier

EVANGELISM BOARD: Bill Kaufmann

FAMILY MINISTRY BOARD: Brian Rohac

PROPERTY BOARD: Drew Archibald

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP BOARD: Dale Donovan, Don Gregory

EVANGELISM BOARD CHAIRMAN: Dave Huggard

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP BOARD CHAIRMAN: Tom Hoover

CONGREGATIONAL CHAIRMAN: Dave Mose

ELDERS' BOARD CHAIRMAN: Denny Peters

SCHOOL BOARD CHAIRMAN: Bill Hedrich

- Joe Donovan reported on a letter he had written that the Council would like distributed to the congregation concerning the Called-worker pension. Beginning January 1, 2014 we will be responsible for interest of 2% per quarter or 8% annually if the debt remains. The Council voted to solicit advice as to what we need to do as a congregation. The letter will be put in the Newsletter and the bulletin.

FUND SUMMARY ANALYSIS NOVEMBER 2013

\$	22,283.19	November 2013 offerings
\$	750.00	minus memorials and other non-budget offerings
\$	21,533.19	offerings to pay 2013-14 budget
\$	5,383.00	offerings/week 4 sundays
\$	5,360.00	offerings/week needed to pay budget
\$	23.00	Over needed/week in November 2013

Year To Date Offerings

\$	117,883.98	July 1, 2013 Through November 30, 2013
\$	(12,185.00)	minus memorials and other non-budget offerings
\$	105,698.98	offerings to pay 2013-14 budget
\$	5,033.00	offerings/week 21 Sundays
\$	(5,360.00)	minus needed to meet budget
\$	(327.00)	under budget/week
\$	(6,867.00)	under budget for 21 Sundays

BIBLE QUIZ

The book of Revelation is addressed to seven churches. Which city in the United States shares the name of one of those churches?

- A. St. Paul
- B. Philadelphia
- C. Oconomowoc
- D. Orlando



Answer: B (See Revelation 3:7-13.)

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WISH LIST

Here is a wish list of items which could be used for the mission and ministry of our Savior here at Zion Church and School but are not a part of our church's budget. If you would be interested in donating these items or the money to purchase such items as a memorial, please contact the church office or the school office. Thank you.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Approximate Cost</u>
Scholarship Fund	Continuous
New carpet for the church.	\$6,500
<i>(Women Serving Christ will donate \$1,500)</i>	
Classroom Projector	\$1,000
Colored Copy Paper for Church Office	\$3.34/ream
Red Mulch for school in Spring	\$10 ea. (approximately)
Money to Paint School Bathrooms & Hallway.	\$200 ea.
I-Pad for classroom	\$350
Zero Turn Lawnmower for School.	Varies
Paper Folder for Church Office	Varies
Vicar Program	\$36,000 a year

NEW AWNING FOR HANDICAPPED/ELEVATOR ENTRANCE. \$5,000 (APPROXIMATELY)

Ever since the elevator was installed in 1995 there has been a problem with ice build-up on the ground outside the handicapped/elevator entrance in the alley beside the church. This proposal would allow for the building of an awning and gutters so that entrance would be entirely covered and any water would be channeled across the driveway to the north and on to the grass.

BOILER FOR CHURCH. \$34,000 OR \$41,000

Our current gas-fired boiler at church was installed in 1968 and is now 44 years old. It was rated to last 30 years. The Coordinating Council is currently exploring other bids and hopes to have three separate bids soon.

AIR CONDITIONING FOR THE SANCTUARY AT CHURCH. \$29,000

We currently have one bid of \$29,000 from Goyette to air condition the sanctuary at church. This would not air condition the Education Wing nor basement. It would air condition the sanctuary and the entryways. The Coordinating Council is seeking other bids.

REPAVING THE PARKING LOT AT CHURCH. \$49,000

We have one bid from Yeager Asphalt for \$49,000. The Council is currently trying to obtain at least two other bids. Yeager explained that the entire parking lot must be removed and re-graded before new asphalt can be installed. Currently there is not enough fall to channel the water toward the existing drains. Simply resurfacing would cause the water to pool and quickly ruin the new asphalt. The council is exploring bids from other companies and trying to obtain more information.

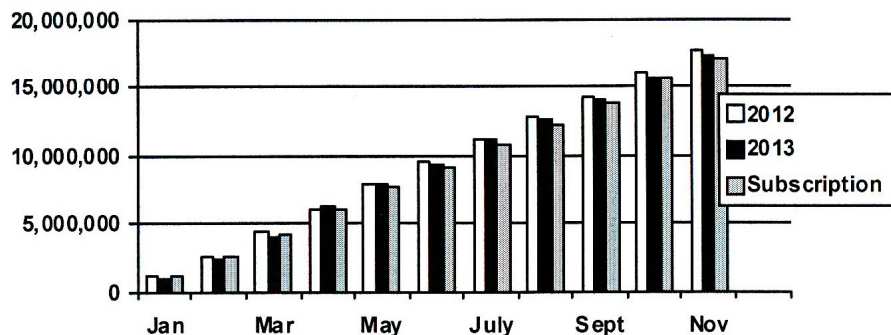
LOOP SOUND SYSTEM FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED. \$3,500-\$5,500

(This would be an addition to our current sound system. A "Loop" system allows the sound system to transmit the sound directly to the hearing aid of any one in church. This technology is being employed more and more by movie theaters, shopping malls etc. With this system a person wearing hearing aid would hear the pastor's voice directly through their own hearing aid.)



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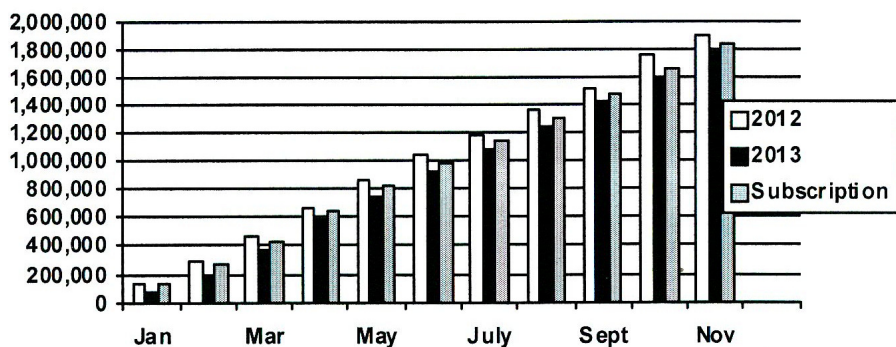
Congregational Mission Offering November 2013 Comparison with 2012



The synod has received \$17,320,636 to date (\$17,665,845 in 2012; \$17,087,538 subscribed in 2013).

MICHIGAN DISTRICT

Congregational Mission Offering November 2013 Comparison with 2012



The Michigan District has remitted \$1,773,003 to date (\$1,894,211 in 2012; \$1,827,782 subscribed in 2013).

THE ULTIMATE RESOLUTION

Resolutions are easy to make but oh so hard to keep. In fact, many people refuse to make them for that very reason. After all, by February, most people have broken them, and by March they don't even remember what they were. It's just too hard to change, so why try?

Yet Scripture exhorts us to be more like Christ, to forgive our enemies, to tithe and to be thankful in all situations. Shouldn't we resolve to put some of these into practice, even if ever so imperfectly?

Peter admonishes us to be holy as God is holy (1 Peter 1:15-16). That's the ultimate New Year's resolution — all but certain to be broken repeatedly before the sun sets on the first day. Yet though we fail, are we not better for trying?

DIARY OF A BIBLE

January: A busy time for me. Most of the family decided to read me through this year. They kept me busy for the first two weeks, but they have forgotten me now.

February: Clean-up time. I was dusted yesterday and put in my place. My owner did use me for a few minutes last week. He had been in an argument and was looking up some references to prove he was right.

March: I had a busy day the first of the month. My owner was elected president of the P.T.A., and he used me to prepare a speech.

April: Grandpa visited us this month. He kept me on his lap for an hour reading 1 Corinthians 13. He seems to think more of me than do some people in my own household.

May: I have a few green stains on my pages. Some spring flowers were pressed in my pages.

June: I look like a scrapbook. They have stuffed me full of newspaper clippings—one of the girls was married.

July: They put me in a suitcase today, I guess we are off on vacation. I wish I could stay home; I know I'll be closed up in this thing for at least two weeks.

August: Still in the suitcase.

September: Back home at last and in my old familiar place. I have a lot of company. Two women's magazines and four comic books are stacked on top of me. I wish I could be read as much as they are.

October: They read me a little bit today. One of them is very sick. Right now I am sitting in the center of the coffee table. I think the pastor is coming by for a visit.

November: Back in my old place. Some body asked today if I were a scrapbook.

December: The family is busy getting ready for the holidays. I guess I'll be covered up under wrapping paper and package again—just as I am every Christmas.

Creation KALEIDOSCOPE

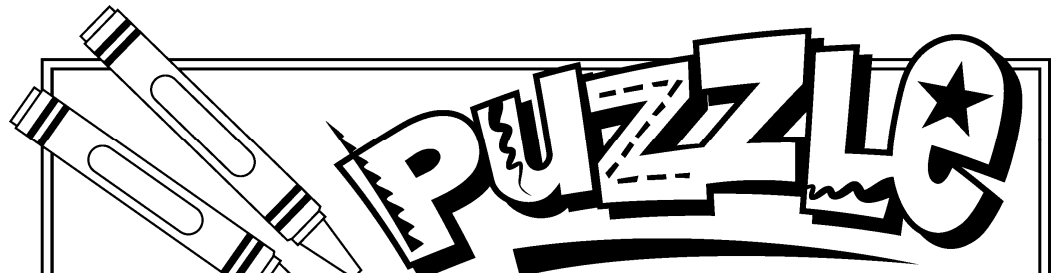
Make this fun craft to remember what our heavenly Creator made.

What you need:

- Adult help
- Tall chip can with lid
- Hammer and nail
- Acrylic paint; paintbrush
- Water, glitter, white glue
- Colored tissue paper
- Stronger craft glue (not hot glue)
- Star stickers or sequins
- Two 4" x 5" pieces of clear Con-Tact paper
- Scissors; pencil; permanent marker

What you do:

1. In bottom center of can, hammer a hole with a nail. Paint outside of can. Let dry.
2. Add glitter and a little water to white glue. With a clean paintbrush, glue tissue paper to bottom outside of lid.
3. Add stars to sticky side of Con-Tact paper. Place a matching piece on top, sticky sides together.
4. Put craft glue along edge of can opening. Glue Con-Tact paper square over opening. Let dry.
5. Place lid on can, over Con-Tact paper. Turn lid to get kaleidoscope effect.
6. With marker, write "In the beginning ..." on can.

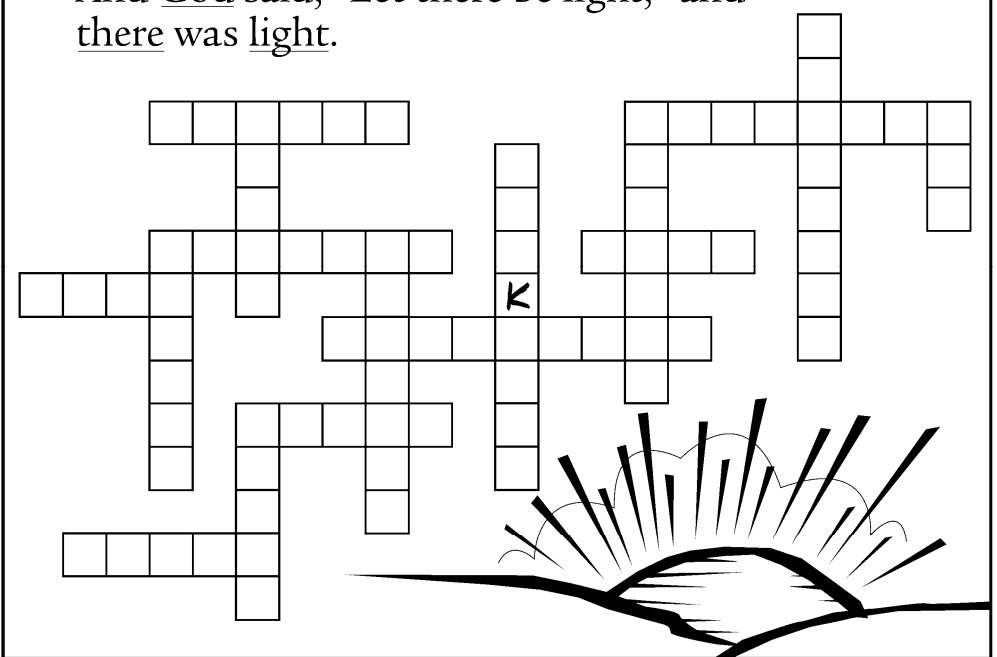


The Beginning

The start of a new calendar year is a great time to praise God for his amazing creation.

Directions: Read Genesis 1:1-3 (NIV), below. Place the underlined words into the crossword. One letter has been provided to help you start.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.




CHURCH CALENDAR — JANUARY 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 7:00 p.m. Bible In-formation Class	3	4
The Epiphany of Our Lord 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship 9:00 a.m. coffee Hour 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:25 a.m. Adult Bible Class 11:30 a.m. Take down Christmas decorations	5 9:00 a.m. Odd Job Club 6:00-8:00 p.m. Public School Catechism No Boy or Girl Pioneers	7 7:00 p.m. Family Ministry Board Meeting	8 7:00 p.m. "Future of Christian Education Committee at Zion"	9 7:00 p.m. Bible In-formation Class	10	11
12 First Sunday After Epiphany/ The Baptism of Our Lord 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion 9:00 a.m. coffee Hour 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:25 a.m. Adult Bible Class	13 6:00-8:00 p.m. Public School Catechism 6:30 p.m. Boy & Girl Pioneers	14 6:30 p.m. School, Property, Elders' Board Meetings 8:00 p.m. Coordinating Council Meeting	15	16 7:00 p.m. Bible In-formation Class	17	18
19 Mission Festival Second Sunday After Epiphany 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship 9:00 a.m. coffee Hour 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:25 a.m. Adult Bible Class 11:30 a.m. Mission Festival Dinner	20 6:00-8:00 p.m. Public School Catechism 6:30 p.m. Boy & Girl Pioneers	21 7:00 p.m. Women Serving Christ 7:30 p.m. Sunday School Teachers Meeting	22	23 7:00 p.m. Bible In-formation Class	24	25 5:00 p.m. Euchre Tournament at Zion Girl/Boy Pioneers Winter Camp
26 Third Sunday After Epiphany 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion 9:00 a.m. coffee Hour 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:25 a.m. Adult Bible Class	27 6:00-8:00 p.m. Public School Catechism	28	29	30 7:00 p.m. Bible In-formation Class	31	

January — 1st Service Deacons: Marti Hook, Larry Thiel, Brian Rohac **1st Service Ushers:** Curtis Hook **2nd Service Deacons:** Drew Archibald, Ron Peterson, Richard Birchmeier **Counters:** 5 T & R Blesner, 12 Archibald/Kaufmann, 19 Mose/Schoch, 26 MacNeill/D. Mose **Altar Guild:** Ruth MacNeill & Paula Huggard **Office Help:** Mona Jean Allen & Thelma Parshall **Trash Removal:** Ray Klipper **Flower Committee:** Judy Mahoney 989-845-3860 **Coffee Hour:** 2 Ron & Jean Devereaux, 12 don & Jean Gregory, 19 Greg & Angie Baker, 26 Doug Schoch

SCHOOL CALENDAR — JANUARY 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6 School Resumes 3:00 p.m. Faculty Meeting 4:00–5:30 p.m. Boys' Basketball Practice @ Big Rock	7	8 Hot Lunch Menu: Nuggets, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Pudding Hot Lunch Servers: Claire Andres, Judy Mihalik, Jeanne Fox, Jean Gregory	9 4:00–5:30 p.m. Boys' Basketball Practice @ Christ Lutheran in Shields	10	11
12	13 4:00–5:30 p.m. Boys' Basketball Practice @ Big Rock 6:30 p.m. Boy/Girl Pioneers	14	15 Hot Lunch Menu: Soup, Grilled Cheese, Peaches, Krispie Treats Hot Lunch Servers: Claire Andres, Judy Mihalik, Jeanne Fox, Jean Gregory Hot Lunch Desserts: Krispie Treats — Katie Augustine	16 4:00–5:30 p.m. Boys' Basketball Practice @ Christ Lutheran in Shields	17 5:00 p.m. Boys' Basketball Game Christ, Zion, St. John's @ Good Shepherd	18
19	20 4:00–5:30 p.m. Boys' Basketball Practice @ Big Rock 6:30 p.m. Boy/Girl Pioneers	21	22 Hot Lunch Menu: Breakfast Sandwiches, Pancakes, Apple-sauce, Sundae Hot Lunch Servers: Claire Andres, Judy Mihalik, Jeanne Fox, Jean Gregory	23 4:00–5:30 p.m. Boys' Basketball Practice @ Christ Lutheran in Shields	24 5:00 p.m. Boys' Basketball Game Emanuel vs. Christ, Zion, St. John's @ Salem in Owosso	25
26 8:00 a.m. K-8 Sings	27 4:00–5:30 p.m. Boys' Basketball Practice @ Big Rock 6:30 p.m. Boy/Girl Pioneers	28 5:00 p.m. Boys' Basketball Game Salem vs. Christ, Zion, St. John's @ Christ Lutheran in Shields	29 Hot Lunch Menu: Tacos, Nachos, Celery/PB, Floats Hot Lunch Servers: Claire Andres, Judy Mihalik, Jeanne Fox, Jean Gregory	30 4:00–5:30 p.m. Boys' Basketball Practice @ Christ Lutheran in Shields	31 5:00 p.m. Boys' Basketball Game Salem vs. Christ, Zion, St. John's at Salem in Owosso	

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1st Service 8:00 a.m.
2nd Service 10:30 a.m.
9:00 Coffee Hour
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
9:25 a.m. Youth & Adult Bible
Classes

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Exodus 15:2, NIV

