

# *Zion Lutheran Church*



*February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018*  
*Transfiguration of our Lord*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by Carolyn Wible in Memory of Dorothy Smelko and The Klemash Family in Memory of Loved Ones.

**ETERNAL LIGHT** is given by the Lemonovich Family in Memory of their grandmother, Dorothy Smelko.

**THIS WEEK'S FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE...**is from **KRISTEN NEILL**. 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 NIV  
Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trust, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away.

**LESSON ONE TAKEAWAYS** from Women's Bible Study on Forgiveness: 1. God promises to forget our sins, and He alone is able to do that. The lie of forgive and forget makes people believe that they have the power to erase their own memories. 2. We are not the righteous judge of sin...that authority belongs to Christ alone. **GOD ALONE IS OUR AVENGER.**

**LAST CALL...**donations for Bags of Love for our troops can be dropped off in the narthex through THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15<sup>th</sup>! THANKS SO MUCH FOR YOUR HELP!

**SOFTBALL SIGN UPS** are underway! If you would like to join the Zion Lions Softball team please sign up in the narthex. Contact Levi Bauer at [baer.levi@gmail.com](mailto:baer.levi@gmail.com) with any questions! This is a great way to fellowship and have some fun!

**WELCOME CENTER!** Are you a guest or visitor looking for information about Zion? Hello and welcome to Zion! Stop by the table in the foyer after the service and we'll try to help.

**CHURCH NURSERY:** Is available for kids age 0-2 during the 10:30 Service! The Nursery ("Little Lions") is in the lower level of the building. (If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an Usher or Greeter for assistance.)

**NEED PRAYER?** Stephen Ministers and Elders will be available to pray with or for you following the Service in the Chancel area.

**TODAY'S GOSPEL READING AND SERMON** will be posted to the ZLCB.org website later today. For an archive of older sermons, visit [www.zlcb.org/sermons](http://www.zlcb.org/sermons)

**P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

### Service of the Word

#### Introit

**P** Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy | mountain;\*  
for the LORD our God is | holy!

**C The LORD reigns; let the peoples | tremble!\***

**He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the | earth quake!**

**The LORD is great in | Zion;\***

**he is exalted over all the | peoples.**

**Let them praise your great and | awesome name!\***

**Ho- | ly is he!**

**The King in his might loves | justice.\***

**You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in | Jacob.**

**Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his | footstool!\***

**Ho- | ly is he!**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

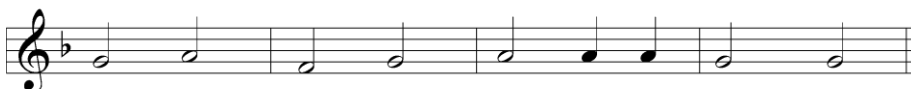
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

**[P]** Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy | mountain;\*  
for the LORD our God is | holy!

### **Kyrie**



**[C]** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

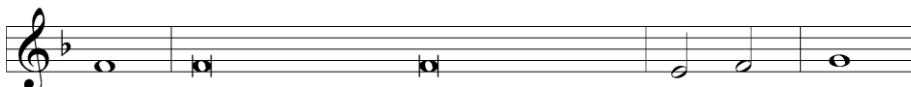


on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### **Gloria in Excelsis**



**[P]** Glory be to God on high: **[C]** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.  
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.  
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-  
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And with thy spirit.**

**P** Let us pray.

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace.

Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## **Old Testament Reading – Exodus 34:29-35**

When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them. Afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he commanded them all that the LORD had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face.

Whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would remove the veil, until he came out. And when he came out and told the people of Israel what he was commanded, the people of Israel would see the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face was shining. And Moses would put the veil over his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

## **Epistle - 2 Corinthians 3:12–18; 4:1–6**

Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end. But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away. Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of

darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### Alleluia



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

**C** **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.

And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

### Nicene Creed

**C** **I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

**Sermon Hymn – My Soul, Now Praise Thy Name**

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**Sermon**

**Offertory**



**☐ Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -**





new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

**Offertory – 8:00 am – Grace Ringers – Holy God We Praise Thy Name**

**10:30 am – Faith Ringers – Abide with Me**

**Offering**

*If you are visiting with us this morning, know that your presence here means far more to us than any gift of money you could make; please do not hesitate to let the plate pass you by. Please stop by the welcome desk on your way out of church this morning.*

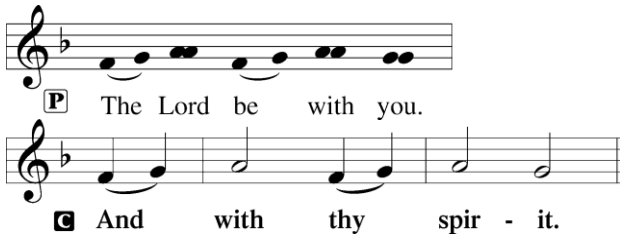
**Prayer of the Church**

**P** ...Lord in your mercy.

**C** ...Hear our prayer.

**Service of the Sacrament**

**Preface**



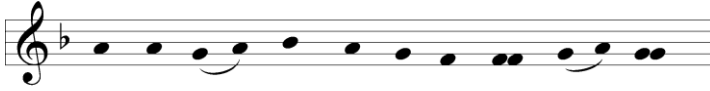
**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**G** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



**G** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus



**G** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

### Lord's Prayer

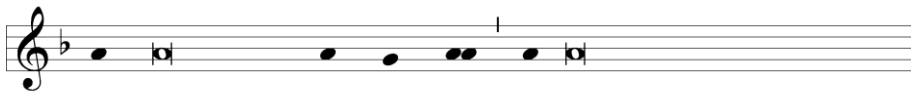
**C** Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

### The Words of Our Lord



**P** Our Lord Je-sus Christ, on the night when He was be-trayed, took bread,



and when He had giv - en thanks, He broke it and gave it to the

dis-ci-ples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ̄ bod-y, which is giv-en for you.  
 This do in re-mem-brance of Me." In the same way al - so  
 He took the cup after sup-per, and when He had giv-en thanks, He gave it  
 to them, say-ing: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in  
 My ̄ blood, which is shed for you for the for-give-ness of sins.  
 This do, as often as you drink it, in re-mem-brance of Me."

**Pax Domini**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.

**G** A - men.

**Agnus Dei**

**G** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the

world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that  
 tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.  
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the  
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

## Sharing of Peace

### Distribution

*We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God, can examine themselves spiritually and believe they receive the true body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and as a profession of their faith. If you hold a profession of faith that differs from that of our congregation, please speak to the Pastor before the start of the service before communing.*

*We believe the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine.*

*We believe Christ offers the forgiveness of sins in the Lord's Supper, but that the Lord's Supper is not necessary for salvation.*

*We believe the Lord's Supper remembers the death of Christ and proclaims his death until he returns.*

*We believe the Lord's Supper is a statement of unity in the body of Christ; we do not believe it creates that unity.*

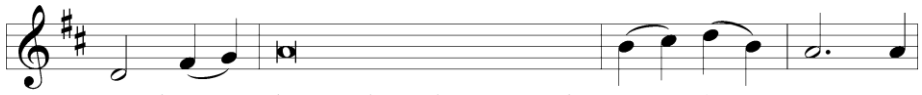
*During the distribution, you are encouraged to sing the Distribution Hymns, pray, or meditate on the words "this is my body... this is my blood, given for you."*

*The cups at the center of the Individual Communion tray contain diluted wine for those with alcohol sensitivities.*

### Distribution Hymns

<b>Come unto Me, Ye Weary</b>	<b>#684</b>
<b>On Eagles' Wings</b>	<b>#727</b>
<b>O Lord, We Praise Thee</b>	<b>#617</b>

## Nunc Dimittis



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

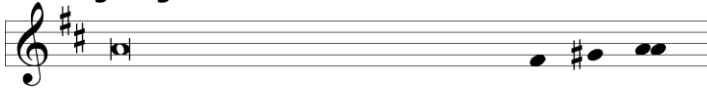


to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

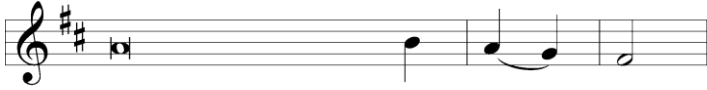


is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving



**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Salutation



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

## Benedicamus

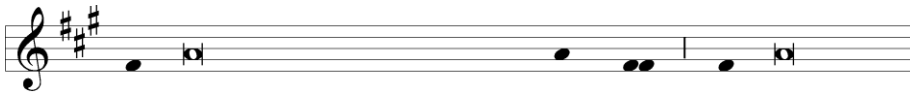


**A** Bless we the Lord.

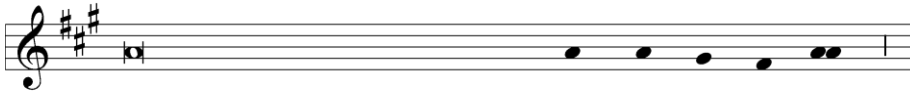


**C** Thanks be to God.

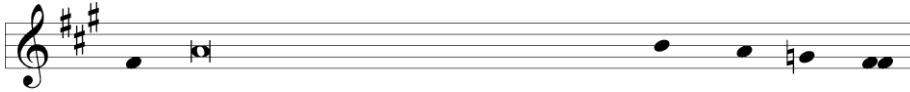
## Benediction



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

## Closing Hymn – Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

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## Prayer Request for Family & Friends

### **The Church:**

-**For our homebound members:** Tom Bicusky, Ruth Miller, George and Florence Boehme, Lois & Henry Dittmer, Norm and Helen Erbrecht, Irene Bourg, and Don Jones.

-**Healing for:** Janet Hickey, Jack Oelschlager, Florence Boehme, Gloria Godfrey, Marian Siek, Sarah & Michael Erbrecht, Gladys Cimarolli, Joyce Wood, Roxanne Burgh, Cletus Kroeger, Ruth Miller, Nancy Spotti, Bob Rondinelli, Aly Mance, Deana Thielet, Bill Koester, Nancy Koester, Dave Hutula, Ron Lyons, Vince Miller, Ryan McCaffrey, Bonnie Lewis and Mary Lou Neill.

-For our missionaries, especially Pastor Wokoma.

-For all who care for loved ones with illnesses.

-For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Preschool.

### **The World:**

-For an end to abortion and human trafficking.

-For the youth in our community.

### **Our Nation:**

-For our leaders and government officials.

-For those in foster care and those looking to adopt.

-For the disabled, unborn and aged.

-For those whose work it is to protect us.

-For those affected by the recent hurricanes.

- For godly care of the earth.

† *Service Participants* †

Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandy Quinlan
The Elders:	John Gielarowski & Mike Sterba
The Acolyte:	Alex Yellig (8:00) Jack Bishop (10:30)
The Greeters:	Bernice DeBoe (8:00) Lee & Megan Glasser (10:30)
The Ushers:	Melanie & Bill Becker Dale Miller & Brian Pasquini (8:00) Dan Harris, Sam Dragan Ed Malachosky & Mike Wallace (10:30)
Altar Guild:	Sarah Ali, Janet & Marian Oelschlager
Nursery:	Darla & Carley Rockovich

**Last Week in Worship**

Sunday Worship Attendance (2/4) – 142

Sunday Offering (2/4) - \$46,807.57

~Online giving is now available by going to the Zion web site: [www.zlcb.org](http://www.zlcb.org)~

## February 11<sup>th</sup> – February 18<sup>th</sup>

<p><b>SUNDAY</b> 2/11 <b>FOOD BANK COLLECTION</b></p>	<p>8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Sunday School &amp; Adult Bible' Study 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion 11:45 AM – Youth Group Meeting</p>
<p><b>MONDAY</b> 2/12</p>	<p>6:00 PM – First Year Confirmation 7:00 PM – Second Year Confirmation</p>
<p><b>TUESDAY</b> 2/13</p>	<p>6:15 PM – Grace Bell Choir 7:15 PM – Adult Choir 7:15 PM – Women's Bible Study 8:00 PM – Faith Bell Choir</p>
<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> 2/14</p>	<p>6:00 PM – New Member Class 6:00 PM – Lenten Dinner 7:00 PM – Ash Wednesday Service</p>
<p><b>THURSDAY</b> 2/15</p>	<p>10:00 AM – Bible Study</p>
<p><b>FRIDAY</b> 2/16</p>	
<p><b>SATURDAY</b> 2/17</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Men's Bible Breakfast</p>
<p><b>SUNDAY</b> 2/18</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Sunday School &amp; Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion</p>



# HUMAN COALITION

Rescuing Children, Serving Families.

## HUMAN COALITION - PITTSBURGH

101 Drake Road, Suite A • Pittsburgh, PA 15241

***We will be collecting change for the baby bottle drive! Baby bottles are in the back of the church. Take one and fill it with change and return no later than Sunday February 25<sup>th</sup>!***

*Did you know that at 21 days a baby's heart begins to beat? At 1 month, the baby's organs and body parts are developing, and at 8 weeks the baby's brain and nerve endings are formed. The typical client is coming into our clinics around 7-8 weeks pregnant and is considering an abortion. We can show her the life God created through an ultrasound image. This ultrasound image changes her heart from contemplating abortion to choosing life 90% of the time. When you fill a bottle with your checks, dollars, or loose change, you are helping rescue children and serve families! Grab your bottle from the lobby and support Human Coalition, which operates the Pittsburgh Women's Clinic, formerly known as the Pregnancy Resource Center of the South Hills, in the work of saving lives! (Please make checks payable to "Human Coalition.") All proceeds support the **local** activity in Pittsburgh.)*



## Operation: Bags of Love



Help support our troops!

Last year, we sent **510** bags of love to American troops in Afghanistan, Korea and Greenland.

### Help make our 6<sup>th</sup> year the BEST EVER!

Your mission? Bring the following items and place in one of the Operation Stars and Stripes collection boxes:

- Kind Bars or Healthy Grains Cluster Bars
- Drink Mix Singles (Coffee is a favorite!)
- Snack sized packages of Jerky or Slim Jims
- Snack sized packages of Oreos
- Chewing Gum
- Travel-sized Toothpaste
- Toothbrush (Individually wrapped)
- Gallon-sized ZipLok Bags

Other ways you can help!

- Monetary donations to help with shipping costs (*make checks payable to Zion Lutheran church and label "OSS"*)
- Write a **THANK YOU** note to a soldier. Must be written on provided letterhead.
- Draw a Picture on our Operation! Bags of Love drawing page.
- **Pray for our troops.**
- Help Sunday school kids assemble items on February 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:15am.

(Thank You Notes and drawing pages are available in the Narthex, school lobby and on the Sunday school webpage at [www.zlcb.org](http://www.zlcb.org).)

### Collections are underway! Donate today!

Thank you for your donations!  
~Zion Lutheran Sunday school

For more information about Operation! Stars and Stripes, Inc., please visit their website at [www.operationstarsandstripes.org](http://www.operationstarsandstripes.org).



## **Send Your Love to a Person with a Disability**

Would you consider sending a Valentine's Day card to someone at Bethesda?  
During the month of February, we hope to send all the people with disabilities  
at Bethesda tons of cards!

But, we need your help...

When you make a \$5 donation to Bethesda, we will send a Valentine to a  
person during the month of February.

Wouldn't it be amazing to see the bedrooms, doors, and homes of the folks at  
Bethesda filled with Valentines?!?

We think so, and are praying you will too.

**Visit <https://sharethelove.funraise.org> to send a  
Valentine's Day card!**

Thank you for your love and support for people with disabilities!

Thank you from Bethesda.



# Bethesda