



December 9, 2018 Council Minutes – Meeting was brought to order by President Jerry Liesener at 10:07 am. Devotions were led by Doreen Schultz. Devotions for the next month's meeting will be led by Christine Siedschlag.

A motion was made by Christine, seconded by Franklin Wolter, to approve the October secretary's report as printed, motion carried.

Carrie Wendorf reviewed the Treasurer's report. Doreen motioned to accept the treasurer's report as presented subject to audit, seconded by Jeanine Heinrich. All in favor, motion carried.

Zion Ministry Reports –

Parish Ed – Children's Christmas Program will be on Sunday, December 16th at 8:45 am.

Worship – Services for Christmas Eve at 4:00 pm and Christmas Day at 8:45 am are planned.

Evangelism – The mini refrigerator has arrived. We will undecorate the church on January 12th.

Ephiphany events are being planned for January 6th. Doreen will be holding card making sessions after church in the upcoming months.

Missions – Gift from the giving tree will be delivered to Shorehaven this week, between Zion and Holy name about 100 gifts were donated. Zion Council will be serving a Christmas meal at the Ashippun apartments today after the council meeting.

Building & Grounds – a replacement projector was installed by John. Continuing to work on lights throughout the church.

Old Business – The cabinet in the narthex was built and donated by a member of Holy Name, Dean Loppnow owner of D&D Millwork. Electrical and a refrigerator will complete the installation.

New Business – The call process was discussed. A letter will be mailed to the congregation members with information on the meet and greet with Pastor Doug Andersen on Sunday, December 16th and the congregational meeting on January 6th. Zion Council will be meeting with Cross Council in the next few weeks. A new refurbished copier will be installed this week to replace the existing copier that we've had for 15 years.

Next Council meeting will be on January 6th. Chris motioned, seconded by Jeanine to adjourn the meeting at 11:22 am. The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Heidi Tunak

Evangelism News...

January 2019 Newsletter

Epiphany Celebration

Following the worship service on January 6, we will celebrate Epiphany with refreshments and a King's cake. You are invited to bring food or beverage to share.

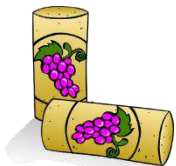
Christmas Decorating

Thank you for your time in decorating our church this season. We were done in less than two hours. Know that you are indeed APPRECIATED! Our worship spaces are beautiful!

Un-decorating Church

Then comes the "easy" part – undoing all the festive decorations! We will be packing away everything on Saturday, January 12, starting about 8:45-ish. The door will be unlocked...just come on inside and start packing! This does not take long when we have all hands on deck. We could use at least one LADDER person again to get down the garland and to put the boxes up on the storage shelf downstairs. Any volunteers?

Wine Corks



We collected so many wine corks last year, that we will have another crafting project this year to make gifts for the Ashippun Apartment residence. Stay tuned for details.

Coffee Hour

Looking for one or two people to help with the setup and take down for coffee hour. If you are interested, please see Doreen.

Workshop

A card and small gift is given to the residents at the Ashippun Senior Apartments bi-monthly. A workshop will be held after service in the lower level on January 20 to decorate cards (*cards will have a per-determined design to follow*) and stuff bags; along with preparation for future crafty gifts.

What is your New Year's Resolution?

Here are a few volunteer opportunities to put on your list as we begin the New Year. Your volunteer contributions WILL make a difference...plus, we appreciate your willingness to work together!



- ❖ January 6-Provide the King's Cake for Epiphany **
- ❖ January 12-Help remove Christmas decorations.
- ❖ Prepare cards and goodie bags for Zion shut ins and Ashippun Apartment residents **
- ❖ Bring treats for coffee hours
- ❖ Help with set up/take down for coffee hour
- ❖ Donate books to the Little Free library
- ❖ Organize a ladies night **

** Contact Doreen Schultz if you are interested in getting involved.

Doreen Schultz
Evangelism Committee

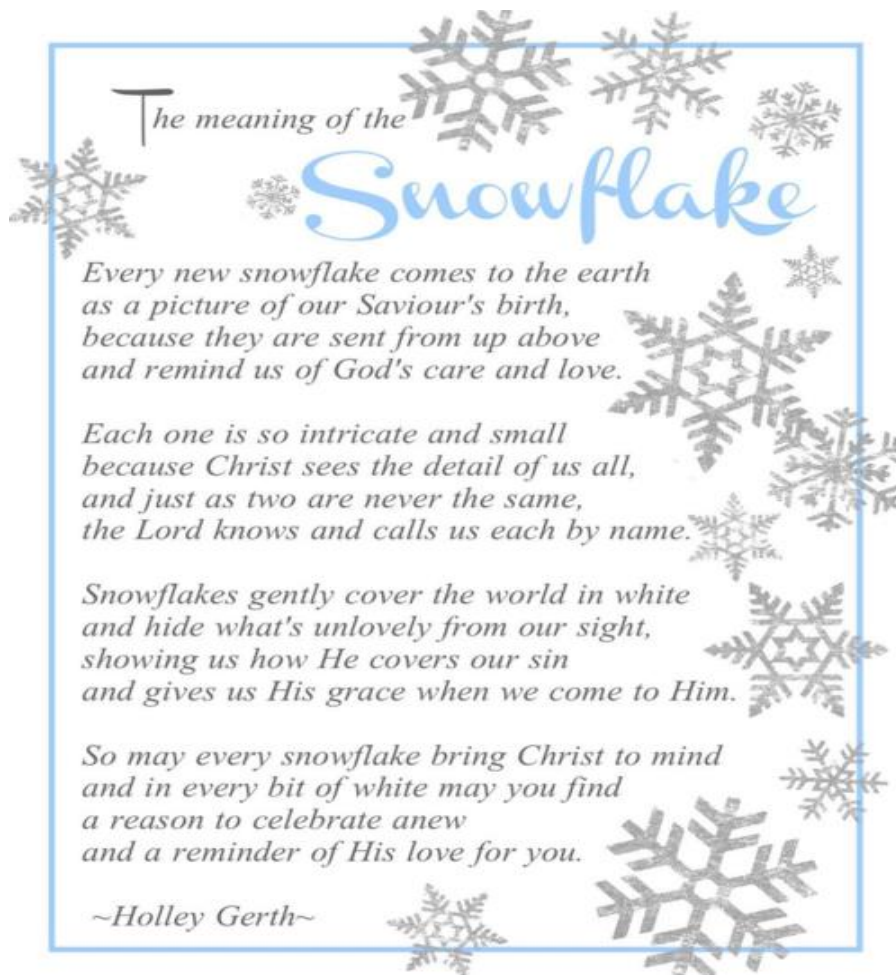


**Special
Congregational
Meeting**

A special congregational meeting was called to order by President Jerry Liesener on Sunday, November 18, 2018 at 9:40 am. Jerry has received bids from J&M Carpeting in Fort Atkinson for \$38,780 and Y's Way in Watertown for \$44,800. Both bids include moving of pews, office furniture, organ, piano, etc. dumpster, removing old carpeting, dumpster, floor prep and carpeting. Jerry showed proposed carpet tile samples for the sanctuary area, narthex and offices. Altar area and steps will be carpeted using similar carpeting to what is in now. The balance of each account was reviewed. \$1,000 per month is available from the Endowment fund.

Motion by Lester Schuett, seconded by Franklin Wolter, to accept the proposal from J&M Carpeting for \$38,780 with payment made by using \$12,000 from the Endowment Fund and the balance from the various building, memorial, fundraising and general accounts.

All in favor, motion carried. Debbie Guenther motioned, seconded by Wendy Egholm to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 am.



The meaning of the
Snowflake

Every new snowflake comes to the earth as a picture of our Saviour's birth, because they are sent from up above and remind us of God's care and love.

Each one is so intricate and small because Christ sees the detail of us all, and just as two are never the same, the Lord knows and calls us each by name.

Snowflakes gently cover the world in white and hide what's unlovely from our sight, showing us how He covers our sin and gives us His grace when we come to Him.

So may every snowflake bring Christ to mind and in every bit of white may you find a reason to celebrate anew and a reminder of His love for you.

~Holley Gerth~

Thank you to the Artisan Committee, to everyone who attended the Artisan Fair and all the members of Zion for their donation for clean water for the people of Haiti. The water filters and buckets are a reasonable price this year so nearly 100 buckets were purchased with our generous donation. That means 100 families will have clean water for a lifetime giving every person a healthier life. Thank you!

Photo captions: Assembling the water buckets with the filters.

Delivery of the buckets to the remote mountainous areas.

