

First English & Zion Lutheran Report to Councils

Report for February Council meetings, 2026.

Pastor Cheryl Rondeau

January activities:

Worship Services (Sunday morning):	7	At First (one storm day- worked from home)	9
Zion canceled one week due to weather		At Zion (home early one day due to weather)	4
Home Visit/Hospital/Care/Nursing Home	0	Confirmation classes (no school one day)	6
Phones calls (others referred to Pr Dave)	2	Youth Group	3
(No FWV communion service – Storm day)		(Storm day one week)	1
Baptisms:	0	Baskets/Auction Fund raiser	1
Funeral/Internment/Prayers service:	0	Meetings:	
Weddings	0	Council Meetings (Zion – FELC)	2
Bible Study Classes (Judy is doing at Zion)	0	Joint Committee	0
Newsletter article	1	Evangelism Meeting (First)	1
Newsletter and upload (Zion)	1	Staff Meetings (First)	3
Website/Facebook (For Zion)	1	Meetings with Tonya	3
Bulletin Order of Service Drafts	8	Worship & Outreach (Zion)	1
PowerPoints	4	Education meeting (Zion)	1
Tech Day for installation	1	Required Workshop: Boundaries Training	1
Tech Troubleshooting time	1	Tech Training night at First	1
Office (days)		Sr Youth Mission trip meeting (registration)	1

Planned February Activities:

- Weekly:
 - 9 am Sunday Worship service at First English
 - 10:30 am Sunday Worship service at Zion
 - 2nd Wed of month at 1 pm Communion Service at FWV
 - Monday's 11 am – Staff meeting at FELC
 - Wednesday Confirmation: 7th & 8th 3:30 pm; 9th 4:30 pm;
 - early out days 1:45 & 2:45 pm respectively (February 4)
 - From Ash Wednesday through Lent students are required to be at worship/helping w/ service
 - Wednesday Youth Group: 5:30 pm meal; 6 to 7 pm activities (early out day activity on February 4: 4 pm Broom Ball – meal 5:30 – followed by a movie)
 - Youth Group will not meet on Wednesdays during Lent but may have an activity during the month
- February 1 – Installation of new council at Zion during worship (delayed due to weather)
- February 2 – 3:30 pm Evangelism Committee meets
- February 4 – 5:30 pm Zion Outreach potluck meal
 - Youth group meets at 4 pm due to early out
 - Youth group meal at 5:30 pm
 - Youth group movie following meal
- February 10 – Zion Worship & Outreach meet
- February 11 – 1 pm FWV Communion service
 - 5 – 6:30 pm Just for the Love of it Meal at First
 - 5:15 pm FELC Council Boards meet
 - 6 pm FELC Council meeting
- February 12 - Pastor Cheryl Eye Dr appointment in Sioux Falls – out for the day
- February 13 – No School
- February 15 – No Sunday school
- February 16 – President's Day – No School
- January 17 – 5:30 pm Zion Education committee meets
 - 6:30 pm Zion Council meets
- February 18 – Ash Wednesday
 - FWV Service – 1 pm
 - FELC Service – 5:30 pm
 - Zion Service – 6:30 pm
- February 22 – Joint Family Fun Day at Unity Square 1 – 3 pm
- February 25 – 1st Lenten service starts with rotation beginning at FELC
 - FWV Lenten service at 1 pm

- Lenten meal 5 – 5:45 pm at FELC
- Lenten Service at FELC at 6 pm

PROJECTS I'M WORKING ON:

- Ash Wednesday service
- Lenten services/skits for youth
- Easter Worship
- First Confirmation classes (3 signed up so far)

NOTES OF IMPORTANCE:

➤ **Youth:**

- ✓ Seven members of the Sr Youth returned registration. Mission Trip tentatively planned from June 24 – July 3
- ✓ Considering a One Day Mission Trip for the youth group to either/or Church on the Street in Sioux Falls or Churches United in Fargo.

➤ **OTHER:**

Joint Committee meets March 3 at 5:30 pm at First
 First Communion will be held on March 29th – Palm Sunday (both churches I believe.)

Upcoming events:

February 18 – Ash Wednesday
 Lenten service rotate beginning with FELC on February 25th and Zion March 4 etc.

VACATION DATES: I don't have any particular vacation dates planned at this time but I'm working on it.

OFFICE HOURS: (All times are flexible due to funerals, and other activities that come up.)

Monday & Thursday Office at First – 10 am to 4 pm ~ Tuesday Office at Zion – 10 am to 4 pm
 Wednesday Office at First English 10 am to 3:30 pm (Confirmation 3:30 to 5:30 pm & Youth 5:30 to 7 pm)
 Friday & Saturday I'm at home doing sermon prep and writing. (Usually half days)
 Sunday at church 7:45 am to 11:45 am or so. (*People can also call and make appointments.*)

2025 Vacation: (5 weeks)	DAYS USED:	Sundays off (6):	USED:
<i>Total</i>		<i>Total</i>	
Education 2 weeks	USED	SICK Days	USED
	0		0
Total	#	Total	

Remember to communicate with pastor to coordinate between the congregations.
 Committees are encouraged to include/meet with pastor.

OF NOTE: An updated Planning schedule will be available with this report – please look it over and let me know of any annual planning dates to add to the schedule. The school calendar for next year will be out in February so additional fall dates will be added following that.

Remember to keep the pastor informed of upcoming activities as far in advance as possible.