

Zion Lutheran Church

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Maundy Thursday Worship 10:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Good Friday Tenebrae 7:30 p.m.

Easter Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.

The Seven Marks of Discipleship #Pray

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Disappointment

"But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel." Luke 24:21

One can just hear and feel the disappointment in the words of these two disciples as they walk back to their home in Emmaus after the crucifixion. Their dreams for the future of their country had rested upon Jesus. If anyone could lead a revolt to conquer the Roman occupiers, it was Jesus. Surely

they also thought that their closeness to him would put them in places of power, prestige and authority once the overthrow had occurred. Of course they would be filled with disappointment.

Ironically, these disciples were unaware that they were sharing their disappointment with the one who disappointed them. He had joined them on their journey to Emmaus, but they did not recognize him. His response to them is noteworthy. He declared that this loss, this lack of power over the forces of evil and death, this letting go was necessary for the Messiah, and the prophets had predicted it. Then he told the old, old stories and how all of these stories were pointing to this event.

Even on this side of the Resurrection, it is tempting to be disappointed with Jesus, that he doesn't knock a few heads together and clean up the messes in this world; that he isn't the leader filled with power and glory that we are hungry to hitch our wagon to; that his way, his habit, is to die before the powers of evil and death. He even calls us to do the same. That can be disappointing sometimes. And yet, we can embrace this pathway, because we know that it leads to new life. It leads to the redemption they were and we are so hungry for. It leads to Resurrection. Death and evil will never have the final word. Our disappointment will not last. We can count on God's promise that there will be new life.

Pastor Keith

Council Summary__

The Council met on March 10, 2015 at 6:30 pm. Pastor reported that the average attendance for February was 106. This is the same as 2014. Ash Wednesday attendance was down from last year at 75. It was 88 in 2014.

This is a Kiwanis Kapers year for Pastor Keith. There are rehearsal and worship service conflicts. Pastor George will cover needed Thursday worship and Karen Sylvester will help on Sundays for the Service of Reflection.

Here is a summary of the financial reports.

- General Fund balance decreased \$227 from \$8,102 to \$7,875. Year-to-date decrease is \$2,309. Capital Improvement Fund increased \$669 from \$49,546 to \$50,215.
- Fortune Lake Campers Fund balance increased from \$1,353 to \$1,368 due to interest.
- Community Children & DAR increased \$293 due to \$298 transfer from General Fund. \$2,092 is available for 2015 camper scholarships.
- A sabbatical fund is being funded at approximately \$167 per month.
- The Intern Fund Balance increased \$21 from \$495 to \$516.
- The Garden Grant Fund balance is \$211.
- The Helping Hand Fund balance is \$924.

The Northern Great Lakes Synod has a grant program entitled The Worship Witness Welcome Grant. Zion has filled out an application asking for the amount of \$1,634 to cover the cost of advertising Zion's Worship opportunities.

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We will be welcoming new and returning members to Zion on Sunday March 22nd. The new and returning members are Chris Weinrich, Marilyn Knopp, Mary Singer, Dick and Barb Francour & John and Sharon Powilaites. The Fellowship Committee will be hosting the coffee hour.

Zion is looking to contract with Experience Works for needed services. Experience Works works with adults 55 and older who are disabled, veterans, low income, etc... through a grant program with the State of Wisconsin. These services will be at no cost to Zion.

Pastor Keith submitted the first draft of his 2016 Sabbatical proposal.

The Synod Assembly will be held May 15-17th at Finlandia University in Houghton, MI. Zion is in need of two representatives to attend. If interested please contact Pastor Keith.

Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp will hold its Annual Meeting on March 22nd. Karen Sylvester, Zion's F.L.A.M.E., will be attending. We are in need of one more person to attend.

Emily (Despins) Stafslein has requested a transfer of membership to Zion Lutheran in Lewiston, Montana.

The meeting ended with the Benediction.

The next Council meeting will be held on Monday April 13, 2015 at 6:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

"Keeping Sabbath Wholly" by Marva J. Dawn Eerdmans Publishing Co. Copyright 1989

We are offering a 5 week study and discussion of this book. The classes will be held on Mondays beginning April 20, and will conclude on May 18. They we start at 6:30 and will go no longer than an hour and a half. It will be team-led by Pastor George Olson and Pastor Keith Kolstad. The classes will be held at Zion in Marinette, 2714 James St.

The first class will be an introduction to the book and will start the group thinking deeply about what we know regarding Sabbath and what we hope to learn. The next four weeks will follow the four main sections of the book. These sections are entitled: Ceasing, Resting, Embracing, and Feasting.

It will be helpful for students to purchase the book on their own. It is available on Amazon. A Kindle version is also available. The price of a new book is \$14.41 plus shipping. Used books are selling for about \$2.50 plus shipping. If you are unable to purchase the book, please contact Pastor Keith at Zion as soon as possible so that he can secure a copy of the book for you.

Pastor George Olson Pastor Keith Kolstad Zion Lutheran Church 2714 James St. Marinette 715-735-7898

THE STEWARDSHIP CORNER

"God's work - Our hands" Sunday was, and is, an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America — one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

Last year on September 7, about twelve members of Zion participated in the "God's work - Our hands" Sunday event. I wish I could tell you everyone's name, but I cannot – my memory fails me.

We worked alongside members of Bethel Lutheran in Menominee to make a difference at the DAR Boys and Girls Club doing a large variety of yard work and also at Red Arrow Park picking up litter.

Many of the participants were provided a "God's work – Our hands" t-shirt and were encouraged to take on any number of projects. After the work was completed, members of Bethel Lutheran invited participants to a light lunch at Bethel.

Rich Crevier, Director of the DAR Boys and Girls Club in Menominee, had this to say about the "God's Work – Our Hands" program, "I know when I came back after that weekend I just kept finding more work that the group did. As I walked around the property I was like a kid at Christmas!! This took a huge burden off the organization. To get all that done in one weekend!! We have been trying for years to do all that work. We were so grateful and appreciative for what the group did. We take great pride in our building and grounds, but it takes many to keep it up. Thank you again for all your working hands."

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THE STEWARDSHIP CORNER

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It was a wonderfully rewarding event and hearing from Rich Crevier and knowing how thrilled everyone at DAR was, and is, makes it all the more rewarding. Thank you all so much for the difference you have made in our community.

The 2015 event will be held on Sunday, September 13th. It remains to be determined who the recipients will be. Please add this event to your calendar. Additional information will be provided in a future newsletter and bulletin insert.

"When one congregation or a group of congregations gather for service in their local communities, they are the church in that place, taking care of that part of God's vineyard. But this is all work that we do together. When one congregation works to feed people who are hungry, that is also the entire church coming together. 'God's work. Our hands.' Sunday reminds us that we are church together for the sake of the world," says ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton.

Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

Karen Sylvester



FORTUNE LAKE LUTHERAN CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

The clock is ticking. Spring is officially here and summer isn't far behind. The start of the Fortune Lake camping season begins June 21. If your child, or someone your child knows, is interested in attending Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp in 2015, please get them registered quickly. The early registration deadline, which provides up to \$185 worth of discounts, is April 1.

In addition to FLLC discounts, Zion offers two kinds of scholarships:

- 1) A Community Scholarship which is a fully paid scholarship available to children whose families are not members of Zion, and
- 2) Scholarships for children whose families belong to Zion. There are two levels of scholarships available, 25% for kids who have attended camp previously and 50% for those attending for the first time.

A camp brochure is available on the nametag table in the lobby. Camp provides a fantastic opportunity for your child to grow in faith with other people of his/her age. Kids attending in past years have said they had an awesome time.

Pastor will be attending camp as well during Week 8, July 19-24 if you'd like your child to attend while he is there.

For more information or to register your child, go online to Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp (fortunelakelutherancamp.org). If you have questions regarding the online application process, you can call the camp at 906.875.3697.

Karen Sylvester FLLC FLAME

Invitation to Learn About Fortune Lake's 85th Anniversary Celebration_____

Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp will commemorate 85 years of ministry with a festive celebration on June 7, 2015. The event will take place at FLLC starting at 1:00 p.m. and events will include camp tours, the Fortune 500 Parade, worship service with special music, and a picnic dinner. Everyone is invited to attend!

On Sunday, April 12, anyone who would like to hear more about the 85th Anniversary Celebration and learn about ways to get involved, are welcome to attend an informational meeting. The meeting will take place at 2:00 p.m. at Bethel Lutheran Church in Menominee (1309 14th Avenue). Congregational representatives from each of the churches in the Menominee Valley Conference are encouraged to attend.

For more information, please contact Stefanie Ehle at (906) 290-1974 or sehle@uwalumni.com.



Zion Spring Ladies Luncheon Group

We would like to extend an invitation to all the ladies of the church to have lunch on Wednesday, April 22nd at noon at Luigi's Pizza and Pasta in Peshtigo at 880 Frontage Road. They do have a large variety including sandwiches and luncheon specials. You can sign up by calling Ann Buscher at 715.735.3017 or emailing her at abuscher@new.rr.com. Let me know if you need a ride. Reservations must be made by Monday April 20th.

Ann Buscher



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Thank everyone who helped with soup suppers this year. It takes many hands and many hours to prepare food for 120 people.

Thank you to Judy Limberg, Sandy Eckert, Katy Bauer, the confirmation parents and students, the people who baked the cookies and bars or donated food, the ladies that buttered bread for 4 hours, our dishwashers, our cleaning lady Carla our SPARK kids and teachers, Pastor Kolstad, Pastor George Olson, Pastor Rick DeBenedetto, Darrel Diers, Gary Grom, volunteer kitchen help and Paula Vieth. I hope I did not miss anyone. See you next year!

ZION'S 2015 RELAY FOR LIFE

Change is in the air... this year's Relay for Life will not run from 6:00 p.m. on Friday night until 6:00 a.m. Saturday morning. No more trying to stay awake all night or walking around the track at 2:00 a.m. It's much more manageable now - 6:00 p.m. on Friday night, June 26th, until 12:00 midnight. Pretty cool I have to say!

Karen Houdek has graciously chaired Zion's team for years. Thank you Karen for all the work you put into the event over the years. You truly have made a difference not only for Zion but the American Cancer Society as well.

This year Kathy Heimbuch and I are co-chairs. We anticipate big changes being made to Zion's logistics, food and scheduled hours for walking, but one thing that will not change is our need for participants. If you can walk a quarter of a mile at a time please consider joining our team. We need walkers and if you cannot walk or choose not to walk, consider donating a couple of bucks to a walker. Together we can make a difference to those facing cancer.

The walk will be held on Friday night, June 26th. Please mark your calendar and watch for additional information on the walk and who will be walking from Zion in future newsletters.

Thank you so much.

Kathy Heimbuch and Karen Sylvester

TIME & TALENT BOOKLETS/WORKSHEETS_

The Time and Talent Booklets (which list and explain all of Zion's activities/committees) and Talent worksheets from 2013 have been updated and we need information from you!

If you did not receive a worksheet at worship on Sunday, March 22, please pick one up and follow the directions to note any skills you have and any activities/interests you'd like to do, or are doing now. The Sanctuary Arts Committee is a new item, and many of our committees and activities are in need of additional people. We would like you to search your hearts and see where God may be leading you to help do His work, both in our congregation and community.

There are copies of the worksheets available in the lobby on the table with the nametags. You can either return the worksheet to Zion's office or place it in the offering plate at worship. The information will be entered into the Shepherd Staff computer program. This helps us know who to call for assistance and who committee/activity members are.

Since each family received a Booklet in 2013, we have only printed enough copies to be used as references. They are by the worksheets, and if you'd like to take one home to look at, please return it when you're finished.

All of the activities are rewarding and well worth the time!

The Stewardship Committee,

Roxanne Bowdin, Pastor Keith, Karen Sylvester

NEWCAP Donations

Happy Easter! Our NEWCAP collection theme during the month of APRIL is "All Things Easter." We are collecting items used for an Easter meal that are non-perishable. Your donations will be given to the NEWCAP local food pantry.

A VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY JUST FOR YOU

Are you open to donating an hour of your time every month to brighten someone else's life? Do you enjoy getting to know new people? If this is you, I've a volunteer job that may be ideal for you. There are several women and men in our congregation who would love to be visited each month. Right now there simply are not enough visitors on the Caring Ministry Team to see everyone who has a desire to be seen. You can dictate when you will visit and with whom. Please prayerfully consider this ministry and give me a call at 715.732.4206. You will make a remarkable difference in someone's life.

Thank you and God bless.

Karen Sylvester, Chairman Zion's Caring Ministry Team

VOLUNTEERS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2015

Easter Sunday, April 5

Acolyte: Tyler Lund

Lector: Karen Sylvester

Greeter: George Krenos

Head Usher: Mike Harding

Communion Assisstants: Kathy Heimbach (Pouring), Jacki Renne & Barb Grom (Distributing the Host)

AV Team: Troy Cording and Gage Schutt

Sunday, April 12

Acolyte: Jacob Cording

Lector: Karen Dill

Greeters: Joel & Rosalie Settersten

Head Usher: Karen Sylvester

Communion Assistant: Roxanne Bowdin AV Team: Cheryl Maxwell & Jonah Zuehls

Sunday, April 19

Acolyte: Olivia Kuhn

Lector: Colleen Madden

Greeter: Colleen Madden

Head Usher: Nancy Benchley

Communion Assistants: Pat Rondeau (Pouring), Karen Dill & Sue Baxter (Distributing the Host)

AV Team: Sarge Rudell & Kathy Heimbuch

Sunday, April 26

Acolyte: Carly Bauer

Lector: Chad Francour

Greeters: Belinda Dufek & Dan Lemire

Head Usher: Michelle Larson

Communion Assistant: Sharon Powlaities

AV Team: Troy Cording and Justin Williams

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN APRIL 2015

April 1	April 9	April 21
Kathleen Cramer	Elsa Limberg	Michelle Larson
Cheryl Maxwell	Jo Ann McGee	Ruth Olson
Jodi Minzlaff	Sue Peterson	Jusin Williams
Alice Oleson	Jerzee Trusty	
10		April 22
April 2	April 10	David Johnson
Joyce Cosson	Sandra Gressel	Diane Lynch
Ben Hubbard		Katelyn Sylvester
Sue Poquette	April 11	Richelle Vincent
Jacob Swenson	Curt Clarke	
	Judy Limberg	April 23
April 3		Clark Kehoe
Jacob Bowdin	April 12	
Carol Johnson	Steve Bromund	April 24
		Karen Houdek
April 5	April 13	
Bernice Forslund	Jacob Lebick	April 25
		Roger DeGroot
April 6	<u>April 17</u>	
Rachel Breuer	Theresa Kloida	April 27
Elmer Magnuson	Hannah Oleson	Sophie Limberg
Aiden Minzlaff	Georgieana Veriha	Kim Swenson
ts		Sandra Tessmer
April 7	April 19	
Tayler Lemieux	Jakob Oleson	April 28
Donald Limberg	Krystle Tipple	Richard Peterson
April 8	April 20	April 29
Brittany Kehoe	Easton Buenning	Lori Despins
Cassie McClain	Karen Kolstad	Bonnie Schoen
Rebekah Retza	Tyler Lund	Judy Stehle



Good Friday Community Service

Sponsored by the Twin County Ministerial Association April 3, 2015 Noon to 3:00 p.m. First United Methodist Church 813 Owena St., Marinette, Wisconsin

The theme will be <u>The Compassionate Christ</u>. The life of Jesus was a life lived for others. Even when he was dying on a cross, Jesus was compassionately thinking of others. He forgave those who put him on a cross. He offered salvation to the thief next to him. He provided for his mother's care. We will hear again the words spoken by Christ on the cross as expressions of his concern for others. Sermons on this theme will be delivered by the following ministers:

12:00-12:30 p.m. – Rev. Bruce Nowacek, United Methodist, Menominee;

12:30-1:00 p.m. - Rev. Scott Ehle, Bethel Lutheran, Menominee;

1:00- 1:30 p.m. - Rev. Mark Johnson, Ev. Covenant (retired)

1:30- 2:00 p.m. - Rev. Ken Michaelis,

Emmanuel Lutheran, Menominee (interim)

2:00-2:30 p.m. - Rev. Doug Schoen, Lutheran (retired)

2:30-3:00 p.m. - Rev. Wm. Clyma, Peace UCC, Marinette

Rev. Kevin Dembinski will be the host pastor. Music by choirs, soloists and instrumentalists will be offered in each half hour segment. Worshipers may attend all or any number of the segments. There will be a brief interlude between segments. Free will offerings will be used to support local food pantries.



April 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 7 pm Choir Rehearsal April Fool's Day	2 10 am Maundy Thursday Worship 6:30 pm Maundy Thursday Worship No service at Northland	3 Noon-3pm Good Friday Worship at 1 st United Methodist 7:30 pm Tenebrae Worship at Zion	4
5 7:30pm-8:30pm Easter Breakfast at St. James Lutheran 9:30 am Easter Morning Worship	6 12pm Kiwanis Club 6:30-8 pm Ecumenical Bible Study	7	8 6 pm SPARK, Confirmation 7:10 pm Choir Rehearsal	9 6 pm Worship at Northland Village	10	11
12 9:30am Worship 2pm Fortune Lake neeting at Bethel 5 pm Service of Reflect. 5pm Cub Scout Parents	13 12pm Kiwanis Club 10:30 am Evangelism 6:30pm Council meeting.	14 9-11:30 am Sew-for- Missions	15 6 pm SPARK, Confirmation 7:10 pm Choir Rehearsal	16 6 pm Worship at Northland Village	17	18
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26 9:30 am Worship 3pm Kiwanis Kapers 5 pm Service of Reflection	27 12pm Kiwanis Club 6:30 pm Keeping Sabbath Wholly 6pm Cub Scout Pack 7pm Sarah Group	28 9-11:30 am Sew-for- Missions	29 6 pm SPARK, Confirmation 7:10 pm Choir Rehearsal	30 6 pm Worship at Northland Village May Newsletter published		