

## **Welcome Rev. Lee Goodwin!**

On Sunday, we welcome Rev. Lee Goodwin who is filling in for Pastor Keith while he is on vacation.



## **Special Prayers**

Pray for the family of Wendy Williams Schultz who passed away Friday, Nov. 5



## **In Our Prayers This Week**

It is so important that we remember one another in prayer. During this week, please focus your prayers on the following members who were picked randomly: Michael and Debra Harding, Donald and Judith Limberg, William Magnuson, Rachel Rosenfeldt, Troy Schutt, Julie and Justin Williams

## **Flowers**

The flowers on the altar are given by Karen and Lanse Dill to the glory and honor of God for our Zion family.

Please call Zion's office (715-735-7898) or send an email [Zion@newbc.rr.com](mailto:Zion@newbc.rr.com) if you would like to sponsor the flowers for a specific Sunday. The cost is \$15.



## **What's Around the Corner?**

- Nov. 14:** The 25th Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m. indoor worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Guest Pastor Rev. Lee Goodwin.
- Nov. 21:** Christ the King Sunday, 9:30 a.m. indoor worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live.
- Nov. 25:** Thanksgiving Day.
- Nov. 28:** First Sunday of Advent, 9:30 a.m. indoor worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live.
- Dec. 5:** Second Sunday of Advent, 9:30 a.m. indoor worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live.

## **Holy Communion Offered During Indoor Worship**

Presently we are distributing Holy Communion as a part of our in-person indoor Sunday worship. The distribution takes place at the end of the worship service outside when the weather allows. For those who do not want to worship indoors, you are still welcome to join us for Holy Communion following the service, but please call the church office at 715-735-7898 to inform us of your intent so that we will wait for you if necessary. (When the weather doesn't allow, we are planning to distribute communion in the social hall with fans on and plenty of fresh air passing through, and with people exiting out the north door.)

## **Questions of the Day for Sunday, November 21, John 18:33-37**

*The Question of the Day helps prepare you for next Sunday's focus text. These questions are posted on Zion's website each day offering an opportunity for discussion. (Just click in the title of the post and you will be taken to the discussion window.) Try it out for a week and see how Jesus will use your time of pondering upon God's word to deepen your faith and enrich your worship experience.*

**Monday:** Was Jesus King of the Jews?

**Tuesday:** How was Pilate feeling during this interchange?

**Wednesday:** Jesus was fully in our world. What kingdom was he king of?

**Thursday:** Why was no one defending Jesus or fighting for him?

**Friday:** In what way was Pilate calling Jesus a king?

**Saturday:** Since we belong to the truth, what does the voice of Jesus sound like?



## **Birthday Blessings to You**

November 18: Kenny Sallee

November 19: Barbara Baumgarten

November 21: Jane Landenberger, Shirly Nord

## **Thank you to our Worship Assistants**

Thank you to Johanna Zuehls for being our lector this Sunday and to Karen Sylvester for serving as our usher.

If you'd like to volunteer to serve as lector or usher please contact Ann Buscher at 715-735-3017. Or sign up on Signup Genius by clicking [here](#).

## **Office To Be Closed**

A reminder that Zion's Office will be closed Thursday, Nov. 25 and Friday, Nov. 26 for Thanksgiving.

## **Electronic Piano in Our Worship Area**

Our Kurzweil electronic piano has been a part of our worship experience since the fall of 2000. The computer that it contained was quite a few years older. This summer it finally died. With the approval of Zion's Congregation Council, a new Yamaha electronic piano has been purchased for a total cost of \$4,772. Due to the challenges that COVID has brought to the world of commerce, it may be a few months before the piano arrives. We will be using some designated and undesignated Memorial money to help pay for the piano, and we welcome any and all additional gifts towards this purchase. Please be sure to clearly designate that your gift is for the new piano and thank you so very much! Thank you to those who have already contributed.

## **Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays this Week**

November 15: Chad Francour

November 16: Megan Buenning

November 18: Gary Grom

November 21: Rachel Breuer



## **Volunteer Worship Opportunities!**



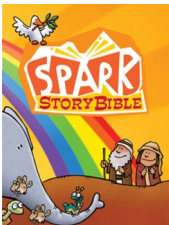
If you or someone you know would like to volunteer as a lector or as an usher please follow the link [2021 Worship Assistant Opportunities](#) & fill in the necessary information. The readings for the particular Sunday will be shared with you days in advance and a copy will be printed for you to use that particular Sunday. Pastor Keith will update you of the ushering duties prior to worship. Thank you for your consideration!

## **Stay Up to Date with Zion**

Are you on Zion's email list? If not, would you like to be? To be included on our email list, please send an email to: [zion@newbc.rr.com](mailto:zion@newbc.rr.com) requesting to be added to our emailing list. The emails consist of weekly announcements, important reminders, volunteer opportunities and the monthly newsletter (just to name a few)!

## **December Newsletter**

A friendly reminder that articles and information for publication in the December Newsletter are due to Zion's office by Sunday, November 21st. Thank you for your assistance!



## **SPARK Bible Story**

The SPARK Bible Story for Sunday, November 14, is found on page 346; "Be Ready" based on the reading from Mark 13:1-8



## **Tithes & Offerings Oct. 31 — Nov. 7**

General Fund—\$8,405.50 Capital Improvement Fund: \$50

Helping Hand Fund: \$10 Piano Fund: \$2,270

Sew For Missions: \$10 Advent: \$2

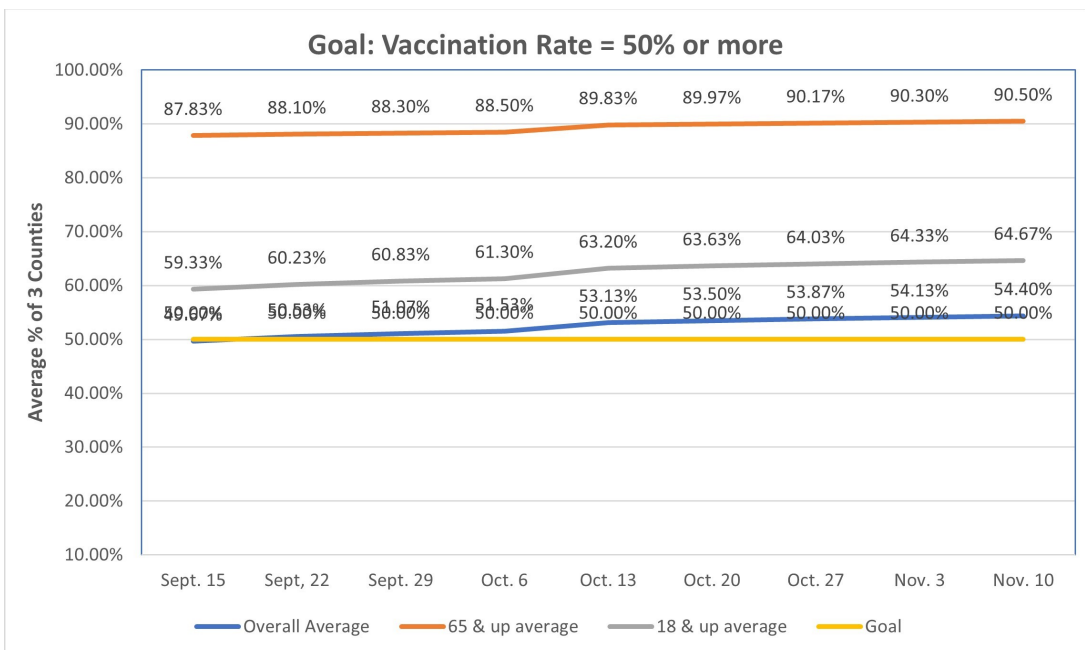
*Thank you so very much for your continued giving and generosity. Every little bit helps. You are making a difference! Again, thank you!*

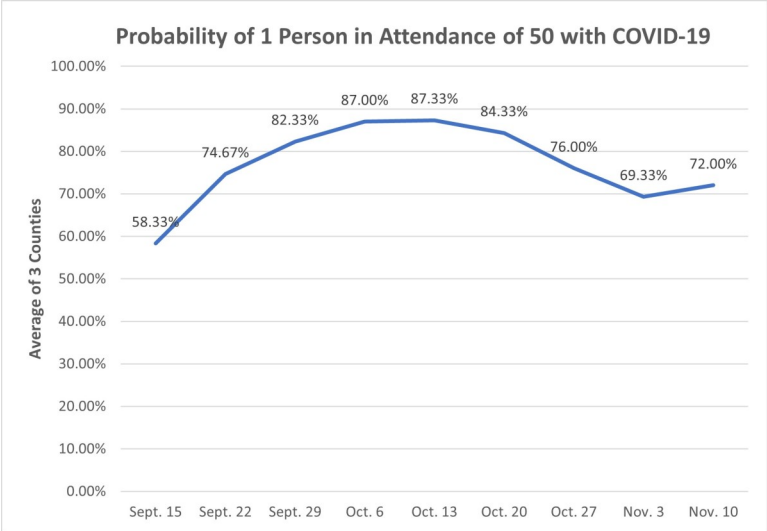
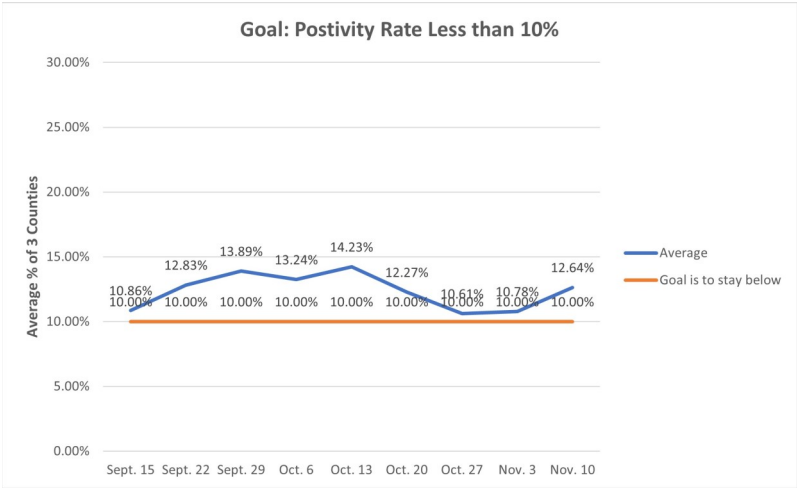
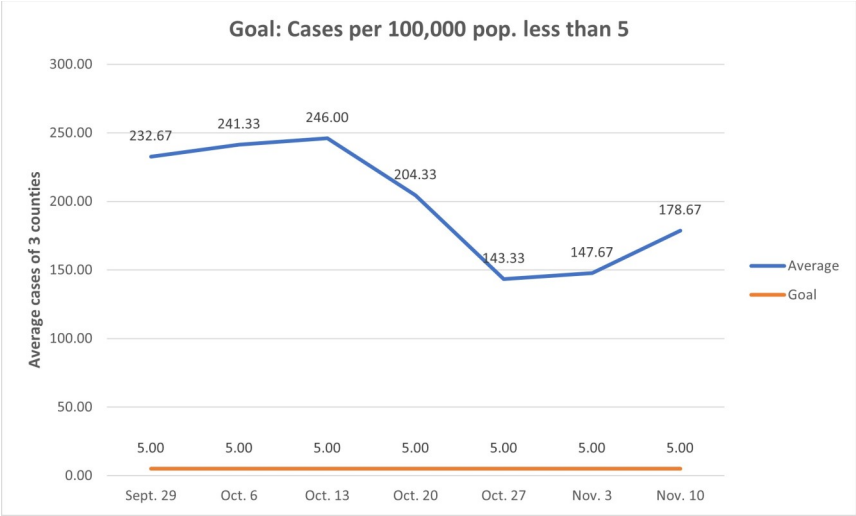
## Indoor in-person worship: November 14, 2021

Indoor services will be held every other Sunday. Outdoor services will alternate with these indoor services. (If an outdoor service is cancelled because of weather, indoor worship will be available, first come, first served.) *At this time, Zion is no longer requiring you to reserve a pew for the in-person indoor worship. However, it is subject to change* and is dependent upon the positive test rate, cases per 100,000 and the probability rate. Social distancing practices will continue to be used (no passing of the peace or offering plate, limited & soft singing).

Please visit Zion's website to read the [Protocols for In-Person Indoor Worship](#) - all adults in attendance are required to wear a mask that covers the nose and mouth (the exception being Pastor who is leading worship). As always, if you have questions, please call Zion's office at: 715-735-7898 or send an email to: [Zion@newbc.rr.com](mailto:Zion@newbc.rr.com).

At this time, we acknowledge that there is some risk involved. Even though our local total population is 54.40% vaccinated which surpasses our safer goal of 50%; our 65+ age group is over our safe goal at 90.50%. The 18 & up vaccinated average is currently at 64.67%. We are also watching the test positivity rate. Our area's positivity rate is 12.64%, which is over our goal and persists above it. Cases per 100,000, has been dropping but remains high. Another measurement is a percentage of probability where, in a gathering of 50 people, how likely is it that someone with COVID-19 would be present. Right now, there is a 72% chance of this happening. We feel that everyone's knowledge of the risk is important. We are publishing graphs in the weekly announcements that represent the average numbers of the following Counties: Oconto, Marinette and Menominee, MI. We are watching the trend of each graph with what are considered to be safer and safe goals in mind. The data used in the graphs is collected from the [CDC website](#) and from a [website tool](#) provided to us from our Northern Great Lakes Synod. Please make the time to familiarize yourself with the graphs/information. Should you have concerns, questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact Zion's office.





## **Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp Winter Getaway**

### **Winter Wonderland Retreat**

FLLC is holding a Winter Wonderland Retreat January 14-16, 2022 (with an optional extension through Monday, January 17 for an additional fee). This event is open to everyone: families, youth groups and individuals!



**FORTUNE LAKE**  
*A place of grace in Crystal Falls, MI*

Come and enjoy a hot sauna, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, and all sorts of winter fun. The weekend will include opportunities to hear Scripture and reflect, enjoy quality time with family and friends, and play about in the winter wonderland of Fortune Lake.

People may visit their [website for more information and to register](#). January 7 at 5 p.m. is the deadline to register.

### **Sew For Missions Group**

A shout-out to Zion's Sew For Missions Group! The comfy, colorful quilts you see displayed on the pews today have been completed since the Lutheran World Relief box car loading on October 9. They will be boxed up by Jack Heimbuch soon, but we thought you might like to see them first. Some of you may recognize your donated sheets or other materials in these quilts.

Maybe you would like to join us on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month from 9-11 a.m. (year-round) to assemble these quilts with hems and yarn ties? You do not need to be able to sew. Perhaps some of you might know of a need for these quilts in our community?

If you have contributed money for the batting for these quilts, we THANK YOU!

Gratefully, Sew For Missions Group



### **Community Thanksgiving Meal**

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1600 University Drive, is doing free community takeout Thanksgiving meals Thursday, Nov. 25. Drive-through pick up times are from 10 to 11 a.m. and drivers are asked to please use the Pierce Ave. driveway. Reservations are due by Nov. 21 and people may call the church at 715-735-3101 or email them at [saviorsparish@gmail.com](mailto:saviorsparish@gmail.com). People who register are asked to leave their name and number of meals requested. Because of food safety concerns, the food will be served cold in takeout containers and will need to be reheated.



## **Bell Ringers Needed**

The Salvation Army is searching for bell ringers! Please know that bell ringing starts Friday November 12th. They ask for two hour shifts (which you can split with others if need be) and they ring from 10 a.m.to 7 p.m., Monday through Saturday. You may go to [registertoring.com](http://registertoring.com) to sign up and ring the bell this holiday season. Before Thanksgiving. The Salvation Army will be at all the Jack's Fresh Market locations as well as Piggly Wiggly in Crivitz and Coleman and Lee's in Peshtigo. Closer to Thanksgiving, there will be ringing at Walmart (outside only) and Walgreens. Total funds raised are usually available within 48 hours, so if you would like to know how much you raised you can ask The Salvation Army.



For questions and more information, you may call Captain Joshua Stansbury at his office, 715-735-7448, his cell phone, 906-290-4393, or email him at [Joshua.Stansbury@usc.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Joshua.Stansbury@usc.salvationarmy.org).



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