

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: Kurt and Martha Aschim, Roger and Beverly Degroot, James Jagielski, Colleen Madden, Brittany and Kensley Renne, Bill Tipple.



Flowers



The flowers on the alter on Sunday are given by Elsa and Sophie Limberg and are in honor of their grandparents Don and Judy Limberg.

Please call Zion's office (715-735-7898) or send an email (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?

March 20: Third Sunday in Lent, 9:30 a.m. indoor worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Contemporary worship.

March 27: Fourth Sunday in Lent, 9:30 a.m. indoor worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Special music recorded by the Zion Choir.

April 3: Fifth Sunday in Lent, 9:30 a.m. indoor worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Special guest: Rev. James Duehring, Assistant to the Bishop.

Tithes & Offerings March 7-14

General Fund: \$4,087.50 Altar Flowers: \$30
World Hunger: \$830 NEWCAP: \$10
Easter: \$3 Easter Flowers: \$216
Lent: \$29 Ash Wednesday: \$30

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



2022 Kiwanis Kapers

Tickets for this year's Kiwanis Kapers, "The Wonderful Wizard of ODD: We Sure Could Use A Good Wizard" are available. You can purchase tickets at Ironworks on Main Street in Marinette or you can purchase some from Pastor Keith! Tickets are \$20. The shows are April 1st and 2nd at 7 p.m. and April 3rd at 3 p.m. in the W.J. Jones Auditorium in the Marinette High School. Contact Pastor Keith to arrange when to pick them up or call Zion's office at 715-735-7898 to place an order to pick up on an upcoming Sunday!

Questions of the Day for Sunday, March 27, Luke 5:1-3, 11b-32

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: Why are the Pharisees and scribes grumbling about Jesus welcoming sinners and eating with them?

Tuesday: In this story that Jesus tells about the two brothers, which character might be the Pharisees and the scribes?

Wednesday: Why would the younger son in this story want to distance himself from this father?

Thursday: How does the father show his love for the sons?

Friday: In what ways does the father in this story act like a slave-driver?

Saturday: Why would you be drawn to the father in this story?



Birthday Blessings to You

March 22: Elsa Elmer

March 26: Nathan Klein and Kurt Oleson

Thank you to our Worship Assistants!

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

If you'd like to volunteer to serve as lector or usher please contact Ann Buscher at 715-735-3017. 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. We are also looking for people to set up and take down communion and be communion assistants with Pastor. Karen Kolstad will be glad to train you in these positions. Directions have been posted in the sacristy. Thank you for your consideration!

April Newsletter

A friendly reminder that articles and information for publication in the April Newsletter are due to Zion's office by Monday, March 21st.

Thank you for your assistance!



Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp Events

Senior Days

With the increased vaccination rate among the senior population in our area, we hope to safely gather for fellowship, learning, and a meal.

All are welcome! Come and join us for a day of wonderful conversation, delicious food, and great fun!

Senior Day is a wonderful way to reconnect with old friends and make a few new ones along the way. Gather in the Dining Hall from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and enjoy a delightful day at FLLC, including a devotion, program, lunch, and fellowship.

Dates: March 14 and May 9. \$10 donation per participant per session is requested.

People are asked to RSVP by the Friday before to (906) 214-2267.

Disconnect to Reconnect

Technology is everywhere these days, there's just no way around it. Fortune Lake invites youth currently in grades 7-12 to take a break from screens and join us at camp for an unplugged retreat.

This one-night retreat will be held April 22-23 and will feature Bible Studies, games, and camp-style activities designed to encourage attendees to disconnect from their electronics and reconnect with the people around them.

Adult chaperones are encouraged to attend. People may contact the office to begin the registration process and select lodging options at 906-214-2267. For more information or to register online, people may visit Fortune Lake's [website](#).

The deadline to register is April 15 by 5 p.m.



Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays this Week

March 22: Emily Limberg

March 27: Jared Harding

Marinette County Elderly Services Chain Reaction

Volunteers are needed for the Marinette County Elderly Services Chain Reaction project. The project will be between May 14th and May 22nd. People can choose a date that works for them! Commitments are appreciated as soon as possible. If you are interested, you can contact Lindsey Ryswyk at 715-854-7453 or lindseyr@mces.net.

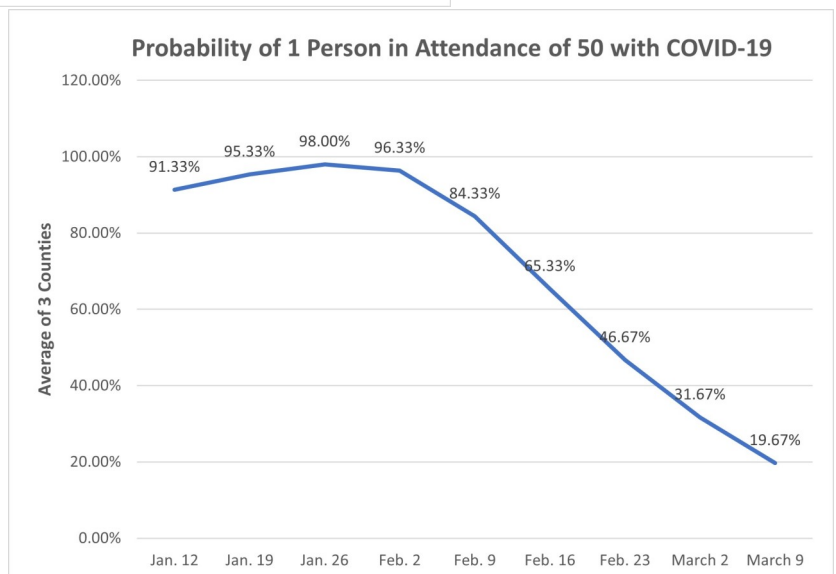
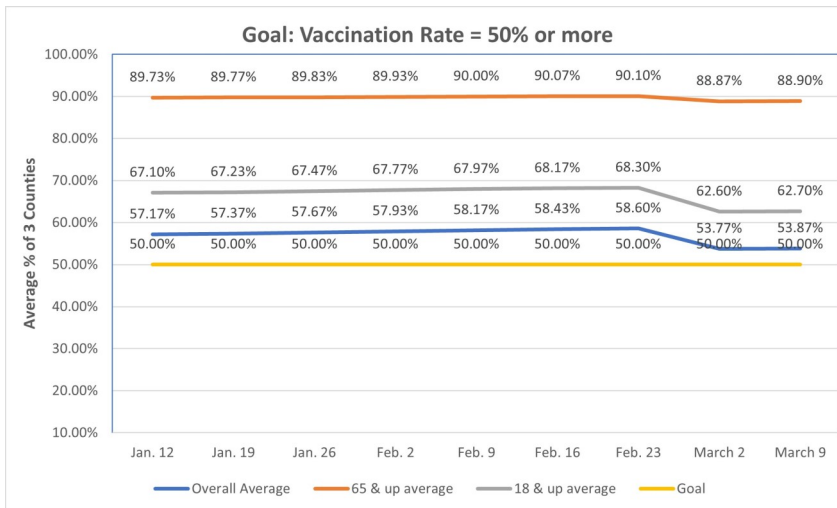


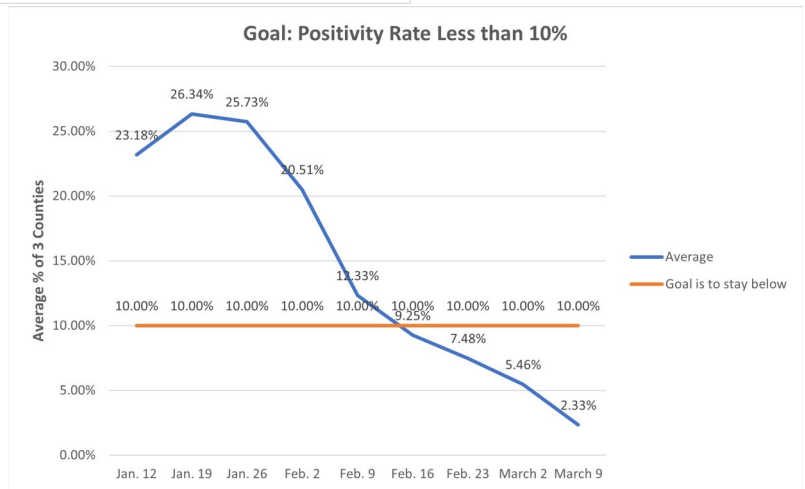
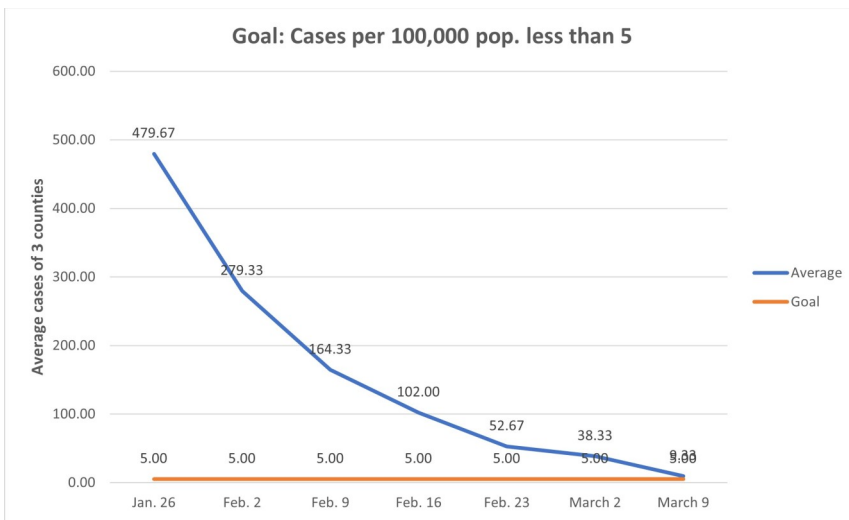
SPARK Bible Story

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday, March 20, is found on page 372; "Parable of the Fig Tree" based on the reading from Luke 13:1-9.

Masking is Optional

The number of COVID-19 active infections and the positivity rate have declined to safe levels. This, along with a high vaccination rate among those who typically join us for worship, guided the Congregation Council at its March 8th meeting to decide that masking will be optional for all activities within Zion's building, including worship. The Council also decided that our worship service will go back to our pre-pandemic practices, which will include holy communion by intinction around our altar and collecting the offering, (ushers will hold the plates). We will practice a "touchless" sharing of the Peace with waves, head nods, and lots of smiling. As soon as there is someone to sponsor coffee time following worship, that too will be available. Of course, we will continue to monitor the infection rate in our community and will take appropriate actions if they become necessary.





World Hunger Buzz

“Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them. So shall your descendants be.” — Genesis 15:5

Depending on the season, weather, and availability of nectar- and pollen-bearing blossoms, the size of a honey bee colony varies from 10,000 to 100,000 bees.

As descendants of Abraham we are one body in the Lord. Blessed to be a blessing.

Thank you for your gifts to ELCA World Hunger last Sunday, the Second Sunday in Lent. We’ve added more bees to the honeycomb because you gave \$830 last week. A special thanks goes out to our anonymous donor who challenged our congregation to double our original goal by putting us over \$3,000 in our first week.





Help Needed

Michelle Larson will be out of town April 5-12. We are asking for volunteers to help maintain the cleanliness of the church while she is away. Duties would include light vacuuming, making sure garbage cans aren't full, checking bathrooms, etc. If you can spare a half hour or so, please contact Michelle at 920-615-0098. Thank you for your consideration!

Situation in Ukraine

Conflict in Ukraine has put millions of people in danger. As Ukrainians shelter from bomb blasts or flee their homes, many need medical attention, food, water, and basic sanitation. Civilians have been injured or killed in eastern Ukraine, the capital Kyiv, and other areas. People are sheltering underground to escape shelling from heavy artillery, rockets and airstrikes. In the combat zones, thousands of families have been cut off from water, food, electricity and fuel for days. Health facilities have sustained damage and many Ukrainians are in need of medical attention. The United Nations Refugee Agency (UNHCR) estimates that more than 1 million people have fled to neighboring countries like Hungary, Poland and Moldova, while more than 160,000 have been displaced within Ukraine in winter temperatures. The flood of refugees will put pressure on food and other supplies in host communities.

There are major humanitarian concerns for both internally displaced people and refugees. Many of these Ukrainians fleeing their homes need shelter and such basic necessities as food, water and toiletries. Care for people also includes pastoral and psychological support to address the trauma they've endured.

Lutheran Disaster Response is accompanying our companions in Ukraine, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia, as well as such ecumenical partners as Lutheran World Federation and Church World Service, in their humanitarian responses to the crisis. These partners provide refugees with immediate support and supplies such as food, blankets, water and hygiene kits.

We are collecting monetary donations for Ukraine. [People may also donate online through the Lutheran World Relief.](#)





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Dear Partners in Ministry,

Your congregation is a partner with Northland in delivering care and services to seniors in our area. Together, we have been maintaining this ministry for 104 years! We are reaching out to you now because we have a need to fill some Board Member seats. We have immediate needs on the

Northland Village Board	1 member
Northland Home Health Board	2 members
Luther Home and Luther Manor Board	1 member
Northland Lutheran Retirement Community, Inc.	1 member
Interfaith Manor/New Hope Heights Board	2 members
Northland Foundation Board	1 member

The commitment is for 5 meetings per year. Each meeting is about 1- 1.5 hours in length. We can offer attendance Via gotomeeting.com or in-person.

Please consider being a member of one of these boards. Your participation will help ensure that Northland will be able to deliver good care and services to our valuable seniors. Contact me at 715-732-5656 (direct line) or via email at lancd@northlandlutheran.org.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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