

## 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: Kathleen Cramer; Michael and Pam Goes; Michelle Dudek and Seth Kuhn; Jo Ann McGee; Diane Slack; Johanna, Jonah, Henry and Daniel Zuehls.



### Flowers

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?

- Sept. 18: Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m., indoor worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Contemporary worship. With a Temple Talk preceding worship.
- Sept. 25: Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m., indoor worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Sending of Communion. Temple Talk by LeeAnn Limburg.
- Oct. 2: Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m., indoor worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live.

## October Newsletter

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



## SPARK Bible Story

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 374; "The Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin" based on the reading from Luke 15:1-10



## Tithes & Offerings August 30-September 14

General Fund: \$7,828  
NEWCAP: \$13    Helping Hand Fund: \$5  
Altar flowers: \$25    World Hunger: \$10  
AV equipment: \$25    Helping Hand Fund: \$100  
Capital Improvement Fund: \$340  
Memorial Fund for Shirley Lueskow: \$75

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



## **Birthday Blessings to You**

September 21: Donna Dietrich, Joe Griffiths

September 25: Mary Bodam

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

Thank you to Karen Sylvester being our lector and our communion assistant; to Barb Grom for setting up communion; and to Ann Buscher for being our usher on Sunday.

The volunteers for next week are Karen Dill as our lector and setting up communion; and Nora Plym will be our usher and communion assistant.

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. We are also looking for people to set up and take down communion and be communion assistants with Pastor Doug. Directions have been posted in the sacristy. Thank you for your consideration!



## **Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays this Week**

September 19: Dennis Mullen

September 22: Keaton Emler, Joe Griffiths

## **Conference-Wide Youth Group Kick-Off Event!**

The Northern Great Lakes Synod Youth Ministry Team is starting up some pilot programs in our synod to help connect youth on a more local level. We recognize that many congregations have only a handful of young people and it can be challenging to plan events. By working together, we can offer more opportunities for youth to get together for fellowship and faith-building activities within our conference.

The Menominee Valley Conference will be holding its youth group kick-off event on Sunday, September 25 from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. All youth between 7th – 12th grade, youth group leaders, and pastors are invited to Zion in Marinette for a campfire and ultimate s'mores. We will get to know each other, share a devotion, play some games, brainstorm future activities, and eat delicious s'mores! Friends are welcome, too!

If you have any questions about this event or youth ministry in the NGLS please contact Stefanie Ehle (youthministry@nglsynod.org).

YOUTH BETWEEN 7TH - 12TH GRADE ARE INVITED  
TO THE MENOMINEE VALLEY CONFERENCE  
YOUTH GROUP KICK-OFF EVENT

## **Campfire and Ultimate S'Mores**

Bring a friend!



Join us for  
fellowship, games,  
devotions,  
brainstorming, and  
s'mores!

**Sunday, September 25**

**6:00 - 7:30 p.m.**

**Zion Lutheran Church**

2714 James St. Marinette, WI

Contact youthcoordinator@nglsynod.org  
with questions.





### **Coffee Hour**

Coffee Time is back! If you would like to sponsor coffee hour, contact our office at [zion@newbc.rr.com](mailto:zion@newbc.rr.com) or by calling 715-735-7898 to see if there is a date available. There will only be a coffee hour if there is a sponsor.

### **This Year's God's Work. Our Hands. Project**

This year our congregation and Bethel's will hold a collection all month long of items that we will sort and pack at **Zion on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>**. The items we collect will be given as a gift of thanks to our local Police, Fire and Rescue Squad — the people in our community who are first to come to our aid in an emergency. A collection box has been set up in the narthex where you can bring your donated items. Take a shopping list home with you today. They are near the collection box for your convenience. While you're there, sign your name (and a short note if you like) to the letter. We will be including a copy of it with a thank you card in each box we deliver in October.

Please help us say thank you to our local First Responders by participating in this year's project.

### **Ruth's Circle to Meet**

Ruth's Circle is going to start meeting again! Please join us September 15 at 3 p.m.

### **Confirmation**

Our confirmation program for young people in grades 6-8 will take place on Wednesdays at 6:30-7:30 p.m. beginning September 14. Two major changes will take place this school year. First, we will return to meeting in person to provide our students with a more stimulating learning experience as they interact with one another. Second, we will combine forces with Bethel Lutheran Church in Menominee. Pastor Scott Ehle of Bethel and Pastor Doug Schoen will alternate teaching the classes at Zion.

Confirmation is a major stepping-stone in our young people's faith formation as they learn about the basic teachings of the Christian faith, informed by the Bible and our Lutheran heritage, with Luther's *Small Catechism* as a guide. If you have questions about our confirmation program, please contact Pastor Doug by calling the church office,



## **Confirmation** **C L A S S E S**

### **Offering Statements Ready!**

Your financial statements are ready! They are located in a wicker box on our table of resources in the Narthex. Please make sure to look over them carefully.

## **September “Stepping in Faith” Initiative**

September is a month for new beginnings – the Green Bay Packers’ new season is underway, many children will be attending freshly renovated schools with new school supplies in hand, and organizations are planning fall events that they hope will be interesting, informative, and fun.

Zion, too, is busy planning. Beginning September 11th through October 23rd we will continue our yearlong stewardship initiative by focusing on GIVE, one of the Seven Marks of Discipleship. September 11th will be our Kick-Off Sunday. On that Sunday, we will hand out the Steps in Faith through GIVE suggestion list which we ask you to affix to your refrigerator with the Stepping in Faith magnet, and faithfully consider in the weeks ahead.

- On September 18, Michelle Larson will present the first of three Temple Talks on the themes of Time, Talents, and Treasures. We have invited her to speak on Time as she donates a huge number of hours to Zion, and in most cases, without being asked.
- On Sept. 26th, LeeAnn (Martin) Limburg will deliver a Temple Talk focused on giving of her Talent. LeeAnn teaches math at Marinette High School and will tell us how she utilizes her Talent to help Zion.
- Then on Oct. 9th, Karen Dill will be presenting another Temple Talk on giving of her Treasures.

We have asked these faithful members to share with us the joy, meaning and satisfaction they derive from their giving.

During the first week of October, every household will be receiving a letter from the Stewardship and Generosity Committee which will include a response card for indicating your giving goal for 2023. Please carefully consider the contents of that letter regarding your faithful giving to the church.

The culmination of the GIVE initiative will be held at the Sunday, October 23rd, worship service with the Faithful Blessings Celebration and Pledge response.

*Luke 12:34 “For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”*

We offer the following prayer to begin this month’s step in your faith journey through GIVE.

Lord God, Heavenly Father, you know in my heart I want to do everything to please you, and yet I am human and many times what I want to do is not what I end up doing. Help me, dear Lord, to trust you more fully. You have faithfully blessed me with so much – my Time, Talents, and Treasures. Show me, Lord, how you would have me use these blessings to do your kingdom work for the benefit of others. All this I pray in my loving Lord and Savior’s name. Amen.

The Stewardship and Generosity Committee: John Radloff, Bonnie Schoen and Karen Sylvester



### **Sanctuary Arts Committee Seeks New Members**

The Sanctuary Arts Committee is looking for new members who would enjoy decorating the church for special occasions. It is a fun group and the committee can certainly use new ideas to make the church beautiful. If you would like to join the committee, please contact Zion's office.

### **Spark**

This fall, SPARK, our elementary-aged, (3yrs – 5th Grade), education program will take place in person for the first time in two years! Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 14th starting at 5:30 p.m. All children in our congregation, as well as friends or family of the members, are welcome to attend. Simply contact our church office, 715-735-7898, to let us know so that we can prepare the materials for the classes. SPARK classes last one hour and contain a connection with one of the Bible lessons for the upcoming Sunday. There's time for stories, prayer, crafts and music. We pray that all of it helps our young people grow in faith.

### **Lutheran World Relief Boxcar Loading**

The 2022 LWR boxcar loading will be October 22 at 9 a.m. The boxcar will be located at the Escanaba/Lake Superior Railroad — large parking lot located at 335 4th Ave., Menominee.



**LUTHERAN  
WORLD RELIEF**

People who are packing boxes are reminded to label each box with the church name and address along with the contents of the box and to keep the boxes under forty pounds.

Volunteers are needed to welcome people and help them park in convenient locations, as well as assist donors in transferring boxes from their vehicle to the boxcar. Coffee and donuts will be provided. Extra assistance is needed between 10:30 and 11:30 a.m., as that is when the semi-trucks from Gladstone and Iron Mountain arrive full of materials that need to be put onto the boxcar.

If people have any questions they may call or email Rev. Brenda Greenwald at 720-989-8218 or [pastor@gsslutheran.org](mailto:pastor@gsslutheran.org)

### **Zion to Host Blood Drive**

Zion is hosting a blood drive September 30 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the social hall. To make an appointment, people may call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or [schedule an appointment online.](#)



### **Fall Chain Reaction Project**

Volunteers are needed for the Marinette County Elderly Services Fall 2022 Chain Reaction Project. For over 25 years, groups and individuals have lent a hand to help older adults in their community with basic outdoor chores like raking and window washing. The event will take place over the week of October 13-23. People can choose a date that works best for them.

If you are interested, people may contact Lindsey Rysewyk, chain coordinator, at 715-854-7453 or [lindseyr@mces.net](mailto:lindseyr@mces.net). Forms will need to be filled out and returned by September 16. Applications can be found on the MCES [website](#).

### **Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp Fall Events**

The annual Fall Fest will be Oct. 1. This event features a live auction of 90 beautifully made quilts, a continental breakfast, a country store with handcrafted items, a bake sale, and a drawing-raffle. The event starts at 9:30 a.m. with breakfast and the auction will begin at 11. You can also join in online for the virtual auction, which will open



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

September 21. More information about the virtual auction can be found at [www.fortunelake.org](http://www.fortunelake.org)

The Fall Youth Retreat for kids in grades 3-6, will be held October 14 and 15. Participants will enjoy outdoor activities, camp songs, bible studies, and crafts! Registration is open and is \$70 per person. To register or find more information, you can visit their [website!](#)

# CONTACT information



### **Accurate contact information?**

Have you or a family member recently had a change of mailing address, phone number or email address? Not sure if Zion has accurate information on file? Zion is striving to have current information on file. Please call or email Zion's office to verify what is on file (715-735-7898 or [zion@newbc.rr.com](mailto:zion@newbc.rr.com) ). Thank you for your assistance!

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