

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: Mary, Kaya and Macy Bodam; Shirley Enderby; Steve Hoehender; Travis Lund; Gerald and Sue Poquette; Phillip and Debra Strohl.



Flowers

The flowers for Sunday are given by Sharon and John Powilaites and are in honor of their 57th wedding anniversary, which is on Sunday!

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?

- 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 Limberg.
- Oct. 2: Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m., indoor worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live.
- Oct. 9: Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m., indoor worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. With guest pastor Gene Wickman. Temple Talk by Karen Dill. Coffee Hour to follow worship.

Cards for Jake Kolstad

Recently, Pastor Keith's son, Jake Kolstad, suffered from two strokes. For those who would like to send a card to Jake and his wife Amie, their address is: 4849 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis, MN 55419.

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 9th**. 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.



Birthday Blessings to You

September 26: Dorothy Bretl, Addalynn Brown, Robert Hamer, Godfrey Heitmeier, Daniel Johnson, Kaya Lebick

Thank you to our Worship Assistants!

Thank you to Karen Dill for being our lector and for setting up communion; and to Nora Plym for being our usher and communion assistant on Sunday.

The volunteers for next week are Carole Boerner as our lector and communion assistant; we are still in need of an usher and for someone to set up communion!

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. Thank you for your consideration!



Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays this Week

September 27: Jared Johnson

September 28: Lori Despins, Larry Nelson, Linda Walker

September 29: Ronald Klein

October 1: Godfrey Heitmeier, Kimberly Swenson

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 MEMOINIEE 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 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.

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

M&M Area Community Foundation Future Fund

September is College Savings Month and the M&M Area Community Foundation is emphasizing its Future Fund.

The Future Fund Program is designed to encourage hope, build savings, assist with career training and/or post-secondary education expenses, and increase financial literacy. The program was established by the M&M Area Community Foundation. Each kindergarten student attending a public, private or charter school in Marinette and Menominee counties has the opportunity to have a Future Fund account opened on their behalf by the Community Foundation. Families don't have to sign any papers, it's automatically done and it's free. Homeschool students are also eligible and should contact the Community Foundation for enrollment information.

Each child's Future Fund account will be opened with a \$50 deposit from the M&M Area Community Foundation. Over time the balance of the account grows through additional yearly incentives from the Community Foundation. The Foundation needs additional community support and philanthropy to continue the growth and expansion of our Future Fund program.

For more information on how to become a Future Fund financial partner, people may contact the Foundation at 906-864-3599 or mmacf.org.

“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 Sept. 26th, LeeAnn (Martin) Limberg 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



SPARK Bible Story

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 386;
“The Parable of the Rich Man ” based on the reading from Luke 16:19-31.



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.

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-affle. 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 September 21. More information about the virtual auction can be found at

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!](#)



FORTUNE LAKE
A place of grace in Crystal Falls, MI



Volunteers needed!

We are in need of volunteers to help our AV team. The hope is with enough people, volunteers would only have to be available once a month. If people have any questions, they can reach out to

Troy Cording or Jonah Zuehls.

Thank you for your consideration!

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.](#)



Lutheran Disaster Response

Dear Friend,

Over the weekend, several disasters made the news. Here are some of the biggest ones:

- **In Puerto Rico and the Caribbean**, Hurricane Fiona brought torrential rainfall and devastating flooding to the islands. Almost exactly five years after Hurricane Maria, Puerto Rico is again experiencing an island-wide blackout and damaged buildings and infrastructure. Lutheran Disaster Response is working with the Caribbean Synod to develop an immediate response in impacted communities.
- **In Alaska**, the remnants of Typhoon Merbok have caused widespread flooding along the state's western coast. This was one of the worst storms in recent decades in Alaska, with strong waves and heavy rainfall damaging homes, seawalls, roads and other infrastructure. Officials are planning a quick relief period before the water freezes. Lutheran Disaster Response is working with the Alaska Synod to address the needs of those impacted by the storm.
- **In Pakistan**, the summer monsoon flooding is causing a widespread humanitarian crisis. The flooding has killed 1,500 people and up to 7 million people may be displaced. Lutheran Disaster Response is contributing to an ACT Alliance appeal that addresses the needs of flooded communities. Through the appeal, local partners will provide food, temporary shelter and bedding, rebuilding materials and psychosocial support.

These are just the disasters that made the biggest headlines. There are countless smaller disasters that don't make the news. With your gifts to the [Lutheran Disaster Response general fund](#), we can respond to as many as possible – whenever and wherever they strike.

Again and again, you show up for our neighbors impacted by disasters in the United States and around the world. Thank you. Please join me in prayer and partnership to support all those impacted.

In Christ's service,
The Rev. Daniel Rift
Director, ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response Fund
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