



Welcome Nick Johannes!

Thank you to Nick Johannes for presiding over today's service. Please give him a warm welcome!

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: Richard DeBenedetto; Vikki Guay; Allyson Knopik; Michael and Candace Minzlaff; Sarge and Joni Rudell; and Rosalie Setterson.



Flowers

The flowers for today are given by Carol Magnuson and are in honor of our Veterans.

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?

- Nov. 13:** 23rd Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Contemporary service. Honoring of Veterans and First Responders. Special music by Zion Choir. With guest pastor Nick Johannes.
- Nov. 20:** Christ the King, 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live.
- Nov. 27:** First Sunday of Advent, 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live.

Honoring our Veterans and First Responders

On Sunday we will be honoring our Veterans and First Responders.

We are honoring: Brian Gutknecht, Oliver Swenson, Mark Swenson, Robert Baxter, William Boerner, Roger DeGroot, Dick Francour, Godfrey Heitmeier, Don Limberg, Larry Nelson, Bruce Olson, Gerry Poquette, Dean Schoen, Bill Tipple, Dennis Mullen, Michael Harding, Joe Griffins, Robert Larson, Sarge Rudell, John Powilaites, Bill Magnuson and Mary Bodam.



Thank you for your service to our communities and our country.



Birthday Blessings to You

November 18: Kenny Sallee

November 19: Barbara Baumgarten

Thank you to our Worship Assistants!

Thank you to Steve Hoheneder for being our lector; to LeeAnn Limberg for being our communion assistant; to Ann Buscher for being our usher; and to Jane Landenberger for setting up communion on Sunday.

The volunteers for next week are Kathy Heimbuch as our lector and communion assistant; and Karen Sylvester will serve as our usher and will 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

November 14: Seth Kuhn

November 15: Chad Francour

November 16: Megan Buenning

November 18: Gary Grom

SPARK Bible Story

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 408; "God's Love is Forever" based on the reading from Luke 21:5-19.



Upcoming Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp Events

There will be a Winter Wonderland Retreat January 13-15 and is open for all ages! 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.

The Young Adult Winter Retreat will be February 3-5 and is for people ages 18-28. Come and connect with other young adults while recharging yourself at Fortune Lake.

Fortune Lake is proud to continue the tradition of Senior Days for the elders in our region. This year's dates have been selected. Mark your calendars and make plans to join us on November 14, January 9, March 13 and May 8.

To register or find more information about either of these events, people can visit their [website!](#)

Swedish Pancake Supper

Bethel will host its Swedish Pancake Supper and Fall Harvest Bake Sale on Saturday, November 12th, from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

This event is open to the entire community and will include a bake sale, kid's activity table, and a silent auction to win 1 of 3 quilts donated by the Forget Me Knot quilters.

The meal will consist of traditional Swedish pancakes with lingonberries, breakfast sausage, fruit and a beverage for a requested donation of \$10 per adult and \$5 per child between the ages of 5-12. Children under 5 eat free.

Proceeds will support community members in need via Bethel's Social Ministry fund.

An FYI about our new boiler system!

Our new heating system up and running. If you are having an event or gathering at the church and would like it to be warmed up, please call or email (715-735-7898 or zion@newbc.rr.com) the office to let us know so we can do that for you!

Tithes & Offerings November 2-8

General Fund: \$2,948.50

Bell Fund: \$4 Boiler Fund: \$10

Capital Improvement Fund: \$100



Thank you so very much for your continued giving and generosity. Every little bit helps.

You are making a difference!

Again, thank you!

November Eternal Light

The Eternal Light for the month of November is in honor of Joe and Efie Strohl and is sponsored by Deb Strohl.



A Note From The Financial Secretary For Vanco Members

If you have changed your donation for 2023 make sure you go to the VANCO website and change it there. You can make a new entry but make sure you have it start 1/1/23 and stop this years by entering 12/31/22.

If you have questions please feel free to call me at home, 715-735-7180, if I'm not there leave a message and I will call you back. This will alleviate any issues for next year.

Thank you for your help!

Karen Houdek
Financial Secretary

“Stepping in Faith” Initiative

I can't believe I started writing stewardship newsletter articles in 2012 because I felt called by God to do so. I have been and continue to be, encouraged by Pastor Keith and now Pastor Doug. By God's grace for ten years, I've managed to put something together almost every month but certainly not without God's inspiration.

This month's Mark of Discipleship, Encourage, has been particularly meaningful for me. I can't tell you the number of times while thinking about the newsletter article and this short announcement I have been inspired to thank and encourage someone. My hope is, that the newsletter article and this announcement do the same for you.

Please feel free to use the following prayer to begin this month's steps in your faith journey through Encourage.

Dear Lord, we go through life in a whirlwind of activity. Help us Lord to recognize when a word of encouragement or thanks might be truly meaningful and help us to act on that realization. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

Karen Sylvester for the Stewardship and Generosity Committee

John Radloff Bonnie Schoen Karen Sylvester

Volunteers needed!

We are in need for 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!

Notes of Thanks!

Deepest thanks to everyone who helped with this year's GWOH project. Throughout September we collected a lot of items at both Zion and Bethel, then on Sunday, October 9th we sorted, packed and passed them on to 12 different emergency response departments in Marinette, Menominee & Peshtigo! Special thanks go out to Zion's Social Ministry Committee for hosting coffee hour; everyone who stayed to help sort and pack; the volunteers who delivered the boxes and everyone who donated items over the past five weeks.



When you hear a siren say a prayer of thanksgiving for those willing to help. Ask God to guide them in their efforts and bless them, as well as the ones they are rushing to aid.

Thank you,
Social Ministry Committee



Tailgate for Fortune Lake in December

Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp was selected as the 2022 recipient of the CoVantage (Credit Union) Care Foundation, Inc. Giving Tuesday Campaign for the Crystal Falls branch. This is exciting news because CoVantage will match a portion of the funds raised from Giving Tuesday through the following two weeks (Tuesday, November 29 through Tuesday, December 13. The more we raise, the more potential for matching funds!

The money will be used to update FLLC's highest use buildings – duplexes, Emanuel Lodge, and the Dining Hall – making them more energy efficient and accessible and ensuring they'll be usable for many years into the future.

The Menominee Valley Conference is showing its support by hosting a Conference-Wide Tailgate for Fortune Lake Fundraiser on Sunday, December 11 from 10:00 a.m. – noon in the parking lot of Bethel Lutheran Church (1309 14th Ave, Menominee). There will be brats (\$3 each or 2/\$5) and hot beverages for sale with all proceeds supporting the matching fund challenge. A drive-thru option will be available and pre-orders for large orders are encouraged by emailing stefanie.a.ehle@gmail.com.

Donors are also invited and encouraged to bring monetary donations to the Tailgate for Fortune Lake Fundraiser or mail checks directly to the CoVantage Cares Foundation. Checks need to be made payable to "CoVantage Cares Foundation" with Fortune Lake in the memo and mailed to Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp, 138 Fortune Lake Camp Road, Crystal Falls, MI 49920 between November 29 and December 13 to qualify for the match.

Please help spread the word and invite people to pick up brats on their way home from church on December 11 to support Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Stefanie at stefanie.a.ehle@gmail.com or call 810-881-2669.

Free Children's Furniture

We are giving away a small plastic table, four little tykes yellow chairs that used to be in the fellowship hall in the children's library. We are also giving away the blue foam puzzle pieces that come together to make a small rug. If you are interested in these items please call the office at 715-735-7898.