



## **Church Office To Be Closed**

The office will be closed on Thursday, November 24th due to the holiday. Please plan your visits to our office accordingly. Thank you for understanding!

## **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: Katy, Casandra and Carly Bauer; Susan Fischer; Victoria Johnson; Amanda Litts; Al and Sally Peterson; Karen and Gerald Sylvester.



## **Flowers**

The flowers on the altar are given by Carol Magnuson and are in memory of all those we have lost during the holiday season.

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. 27:** First Sunday of Advent, 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Ferdon Baptism.
- Dec. 4:** Second Sunday of Advent, 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live.
- Dec. 11:** Third Sunday of Advent, 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live.

## **Sew For Missions in Need of Donations**

Sew for Missions is in need of material and monetary donations. Materials such as clean, flat sheets or left over fabric would be greatly appreciated! Thank you for your generosity.

## **Caroling, Caroling, Now We Go!**

We will go caroling to members of Zion on Sunday, December 18th. We will meet at the church at 2:00 p.m. Don't worry about missing the Packer game, which is on Monday night! We have 8-10 homes and it should take around 2 hours unless we have enough to divide into two groups. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the back of the church. Thank you!

## **SPARK Bible Story**

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 164; "God Will Bring Peace" based on the reading from Isaiah 2:1-5.





## **Birthday Blessings to You**

November 28: Lanse Dill, Alex Gressel

November 29: Carissa Kempka, Sydney Lund, Travis Lund

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

Thank you to Karen Dill for serving as our lector and communion assistant; to Mark Swenson for serving as our usher; to Barb Grom for setting up communion; and to Henry Zuehls for serving as our acolyte on Sunday.

The volunteers for next week is Barb Grom will set up communion; and Alexis Rosenfeldt will be our acolyte. We still need a lector, communion assistant and usher!

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 29: Kaitlyn Francour, Sharon Schmidt, Joanne Schutt

December 1: Timothy Marzahl, Karen Sylvester

December 2: Henry Zuehls

December 4: Sandra Zylkowski



## **Hanging of the Greens!**

We are decorating the church for Christmas on December 7th at 9 a.m. and need your help! A sign up sheet will be on the corkboard that is set up by the door of the worship area. After decorating, we will have chili for lunch. Please bring an item to share! Thank you for your consideration!

## **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



### **Salvation Army Angel Tree**

The Salvation Army has some angels who are hoping for a Merry Christmas. Will you please help? We've set up a tree with tags and a sign-up sheet. Take as many tags as you like and hit the stores. We have to have everything back to Zion by Sunday, December 4th so that gives us three weeks. Please remember to record your angels and check them off when you return the items, unwrapped. Merry Christmas!

~Zion's Social Ministry Team

### **Free Children's Furniture**

We are giving away a small plastic table and four little tykes yellow chairs that used to be in the fellowship hall in the children's library. If you are interested in these items please call the office at 715-735-7898.



### **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!

### **"Stepping in Faith" Initiative**

For the next three weeks the Stewardship and Generosity Committee is asking you to concentrate on the Mark of Encourage. I received this short story in an email from Don Schutt on May, 3rd of this year. I loved it and thought immediately that I would keep it in a file for just this purpose. It's perfect in that it shows all of us what a little bit of encouragement can do for a person. I hope you enjoy it as much as I did.



*"Whenever I'm disappointed with my spot in life, I stop and think about little Jamie Scott. Jamie was trying out for a part in the school play. His mother told me that he'd set his heart on being in it, though she feared he would not be chosen.*

*On the day the parts were awarded, I went with her to collect him after school. Jamie rushed up to her, eyes shining with pride and excitement. 'Guess what, Mum,' he shouted, and then said those words that will remain a lesson to me.... 'I've been chosen to clap and cheer.'"*

A little bit of encouragement can go a long way toward changing someone's disposition and opinion of themselves. Try it out yourself and you'll feel better as well.

Karen Sylvester



## **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 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. 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](mailto: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. 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](mailto:stefanie.a.ehle@gmail.com) or call 810-881-2669.

## **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!](#)



Poinsettias serve as beautiful Christmas decorations. If you make a donation of at least **\$13.00** you may take one of the plants home following the 8:00 p.m. service on **Saturday, December 24, 2022**. You may also designate it as a gift in memory or honor of someone.

If you are willing to purchase one or more Poinsettia please fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate.

**The order forms and payment must be received in Zion's office by Wednesday, November 30.**

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**PLEASE ENCLOSE THIS FORM WITH YOUR MONEY AND DROP OFF AT ZION, MAIL TO ZION OR EMAIL ZION'S OFFICE @ ZION@NEWBC.RR.COM SO WE CAN SUBMIT OUR ORDER.**



## **NORTHLAND LUTHERAN**

RETIREMENT COMMUNITY, INC

***Our Mission*** ...*Motivated by Christ's love for all people, we are led to serve the spiritual, emotional, physical and housing needs of the Elderly and Disabled...*

Northland is a ministry of your congregation and appreciates the support you provide through prayer and volunteer efforts. Listed below are the operations of Northland and the needs for Board Members. We hope you will consider supporting our mission by volunteering to serve on one of the boards.

**Northland Lutheran Retirement Community Inc.** board represents the owners and is the sole member of all entities. We have a need for two (2) members at-large. This board meets the last Monday of each month except for July and December.

**Luther Home/Luther Manor** – skilled nursing, rehab and assisted living. One (1) Board vacancy

**Northland Terrace Estates and Homes** – independent living. One (1) Board vacancy.

**Interfaith Manor and New Hope Heights** – subsidized apartment living for seniors in Menominee. One (1) Board vacancy.

**Northland Village** –subsidized apartment living for seniors in Marinette. Two (2) Board vacancies.

**Northland Lutheran Home Health Agency** – delivers skilled care and PT/OT therapy to homebound folks in Marinette and Menominee counties. One (1) Board vacancy.

The above Boards meet 5 times each year in February, April, June, August and November. Meetings usually take 1 to 1.5 hours. If interested in serving on one of the seven Northland boards contact Darrell Lancour, CEO at 715-732-0155 Ext. 256 or [lanecd@northlandlutheran.org](mailto:lanecd@northlandlutheran.org). **We offer a virtual option to in person attendance through Go-To- Meeting.**

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