

## 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: Ann Buscher; Wendy and George Ihler; Shawn, Emily, Elsa and Sophie Limberg; Diane Race; Margaret Williams.



## Flowers



The flowers on the altar are given by Carol Magnuson and are in honor of Oliver Swenson and his family and in loving memory of Shirley Swenson.

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?

- Jan. 15: Second Sunday after Epiphany 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Contemporary worship.
- Jan. 22: Third Sunday after Epiphany 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. With special music by Johanna Zuehls on the harp.
- Jan. 29: Fourth Sunday after Epiphany 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Hymn Sing service. Annual Meeting to follow.



## Update on the Annual Report and Annual Meeting!

If you are responsible for a yearly write-up for the annual report, please email it or drop it off at Zion's office by January 16th!

Our Annual Meeting will be held January 29th following the service.

## Recycle Your Sheets!

Did you receive new bed sheets for Christmas? You may bring your old ones to Zion to be recycled into beautiful new patchwork quilts by the Sew for Missions ladies. All material is welcome and put to good use. Thank you!

## Ushers Needed



## Zion is in need of ushers!

We are desperately looking for people to be ushers at church. We will be glad to train any volunteer. Due to our snowbirds we will be losing many people who usually sign up on the volunteer sheet. If you are willing to be a communion assistant, usher, reader or learn to set up and take down communion please contact Ann Buscher at 715-735-3017.



## **Birthday Blessings to You**

January 17: Maryellen Radloff

January 18: Gina Boucher

January 20: Kathy Heimbuch

January 21: Sharon Powilaites and Drake Schutt

January 22: Shawn Limberg

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

Thank you to Kathy Heimbuch for serving as our lector and communion assistant; to Ann Buscher for serving as our usher; and to Barb Grom who set up communion for Sunday.

The volunteers for next week are Ed Rowe as our lector; Johanna Zuehls as our communion assistant; and Rachel Rosenfeldt as our usher. We are still in need of someone to set up and clean 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**

January 17: Addalynn Brown

January 18: Spencer Martin

January 20: Karen Dill



## **SPARK Bible Story**

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 246; "The Lamb of God" based on the reading from John 1:29-42.

## **Funeral Committee Seeks New Members**

The Funeral Committee is looking for someone who is willing to participate as a co-leader on one of the Funeral Committee teams. We previously had three teams. The first team is Karen Sylvester and Michelle Larson. Team 2 is Ann Buscher and Carol Johnson; however, Carol is enjoying the sunny skies of Florida, therefore we could certainly use someone to fill Carol's place until she returns. Team 3 was Roxy Bowdin and Michelle LaFond. Roxy has moved to central Wisconsin and Michelle is now married and resides in Kingsford. We would like to replace the third team if at all possible. For more information please contact Karen Sylvester at 715-587-4206.



*Join a  
Committee*

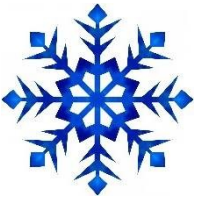
## Volunteers Needed for Synod Assembly



Zion's Nominating Committee is seeking a married couple or individuals to attend the in-person Synod Assembly May 18-20, 2023, in Marquette, Michigan. These are elected positions that will be voted on at the Annual Meeting in January. There will be an election for bishop taking place. Zion will cover your expenses for our voting members' travel, registration, lodging, and meals.

Marissa, Zion's Administrative Assistant, will take care of delegate registration and motel reservations. Materials and information will be available to you beginning in March.

If interested, please contact Karen Sylvester at 715-587-4206 or via email at [sylvesterkaren27@gmail.com](mailto:sylvesterkaren27@gmail.com). Thank you.



## Menominee Valley Conference Youth Sledding Party

Youth between 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to go sledding at Water Tower Park in Menominee on Saturday, January 21 from 1 to 3 p.m. Bring your own sleds and winter gear. Snacks and drinks will be provided. For questions or to RSVP, please contact Stefanie at [youthcoordinator@nglsynod.org](mailto:youthcoordinator@nglsynod.org).

## 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 March 13 and May 8.

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



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

## Donations needed

We are seeking to help a family with four children, ages 8-13, who recently moved to Marinette to begin job training and new employment. They have acquired housing, but due to limited finances, need help with furnishings. If you have any of the items listed below in usable condition, you may bring them to Zion, or we can arrange to have them picked up.



- 1 Bunk Bed w/Mattresses; 2 Twin Beds w/Frames & Box springs; 1 Queen Bed w/Frame & Box Spring.
- Kitchen Cooking Utensils: Silverware, Pots, Pans.
- Rugs, Area Rugs
- Lamps; Coffee Tables; End Tables; 6 Seater Kitchen Table w/Chairs; Blinds; Television and Television Stand; Living Room Furniture; Kitchen Garbage Canister; Linens & Comforters; Wash Cloths; Towels

Thank you for your consideration and generosity!

## Fortune Lake Lutheran Summer Camp Registration is Open!

Online registration for FLLC's Summer Camp is open!

- **Leaders-in-Training (LIT):** Grades 10-12, Week 1: June 25-30, Week 2: July 9-14, July 16-21, July 23-28, or August 6-9
- **High School Week:** Grades 9-12, June 25-30
- **Youth Week:** Grades 3-8, July 9-14 or July 16-21 (Villager, Vagabond, Venturer)
- **Mini Week:** Grades 1-8, July 9-12 or August 6-9
- **Mighty Ones:** Grades 1-2, August 6-8
- **Specialty Camps:** Grades 3-8, July 23-28 (Art Camp, LEGO Camp)
- **Jr. High Night Owls:** Grades 6-8, July 23-28
- **On-site Day Camp:** Grades K-5, June 19-22
- **Intergenerational Week:** All ages, Full Week: June 18-23 or July 30-August 4 or Half Week, August 1-4
- **Victory Camp:** 18+ with disabilities, June 11-16
- **Camp ACTS (Acting, Choreography, Theatre, and Song):** Grades 3-12, July 16-21

To register or for more information, people may visit Fortune Lake's website, [fortunelake.org](http://fortunelake.org).

## 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!

# CONTACT information



## **Envelope Information From Your Financial Secretary**

I received the following letter from our Envelope Company. Please take a few minutes to read it so you know why you have not received your envelopes:

“Greetings from The Church-Budget Envelope and Mailing Company, Some of you may be aware of delays in the offering envelope mailings over the past couple of months. Due to supply chain and the inability to add employees at the rate necessary has created a slow draw on production and shipping. Recently, both of those issues have been resolved. However, the “catchup” would jeopardize long term delivery.

To get back to expected levels of timely deliveries, we are forced to suspend the production of the remaining supply of your January envelopes. The offering envelopes will resume and be delivered by the first Sunday in March. Quarterly supply will restart in April.

Never in our company's history have we had to skip scheduled mailings and we are doing all we can to make sure this never happens again. We deeply apologize for this necessary course of action and the inconvenience this has caused you and your church family.”

So, I am hoping that you can help! For now, I would appreciate it if you could put your offering in an envelope from home, even if you have old envelopes you've held onto, a plain white envelope, greeting card envelopes, etc. **IF YOU GIVE CASH MAKE SURE YOUR NAME IS ON THE ENVELOPE!!!** I would appreciate your name and (account number if you know it) on any envelope. If you are giving to more than one fund, please write the fund and dollar amount on the front left side.

If you have any questions, please call me at home 715-735-7180, you can leave a message, if need be, and I will get back to you the same day.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation,  
Karen Houdek, Financial Secretary



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