

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: Steve and Fay Bromund; Steve Hoheneder; Donald and Judith Limberg; Harold and Sally Peterson; Julie, Justin and Niklas Williams.



Flowers

The flowers for Sunday are given by Mike and Pam Goes and are in memory of Pam's mom, Patricia Kotecki who is celebrating her first heavenly birthday.

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?

- 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.
- Feb. 5: Fifth Sunday after Epiphany 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live.
- Feb. 12: Sixth Sunday after Epiphany 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. With special music by Matt Hellerman and with guest pastor Nick Johannes. Coffee hour to follow!

Information on the Annual Report and Annual Meeting!

The Annual Report is done! You can view it on our [website](#) or you can stop by the office to pick up a copy.

Our Annual Meeting will be held January 29th following the service. All confirmed members should plan on attending. See you then!



Souper Bowl Collection

Help tackle hunger in our community by donating easy to prepare non-perishable foods to our Souper Bowl Food Drive. Bring your items to Zion between now and Sunday, February 19. Place them up front on either side of the green altar. Zion's Social Ministry committee will bring the food to Salvation Army and St. Vincent de Paul to stock their pantries. (Bags and boxes are helpful too.) Thank you!

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.

Funeral Committee in Jeopardy

To date no one has stepped up to lead one of the funeral teams placing this ministry in jeopardy. Right now, Zion have only one team comprised of Michelle Larson and Karen Sylvester. We do have a second team comprised of Ann Buscher and Carol Johnson however, Ann may be having surgery and Carol is in warmer climates for the winter, so they are in hiatus.



If we are to continue to provide funeral luncheons into the future, we need to have three teams. For that reason, Michelle and I have decided to split our current team into two. I will be the lead on one team, and Michell Larson will be the lead on the other team. This will work only if we can find two individuals who are willing to share part of the load to help us. We have printed funeral procedures in place and other data to make the job easier. All we need is help.

If you are organized and able-bodied, you are needed. Please consider this invitation to join the Funeral Committee. For more information, contact Karen Sylvester at 715-587-4206.



Birthday Blessings to You

January 30: Shirley Kaufman

February 1: Wendy Ihler

February 2: Randall Schroeder

February 3: Michelle LaFond

Thank you to our Worship Assistants!

Thank you to Karen Sylvester for serving as our lector; Karen Dill as our communion assistant; Dean Schoen as our usher; and Jane Landenberger for setting and cleaning up communion for Sunday.

The volunteers for next week are Matt Hellerman as our lector; Karen Sylvester as our communion assistant; Troy Cording as our usher; and Maryellen Radloff will 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 30: Carissa Kempka

February 1: Debra Harding, Sarah Marzahl and Johanna Zuehls

SPARK Bible Story

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 264; "The Beatitudes" based on the reading from Matthew 5:1-12.





Tithes & Offerings for January 18-24

General Fund: \$1,402

NEWCAP: \$5 Bell Fund: \$35 Boiler Fund: \$5

AV Equipment Fund: \$10,000

Memorial Fund for Shirley Swenson: \$2,565

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

Again, thank you!

Coffee Hour

Coffee Time is back! If you would like to sponsor coffee hour, contact our office to see if there is a date available. Our next coffee hour will be February 12! There will only be a coffee hour if there is a sponsor.



Winter Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp Events

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
A place of grace in Crystal Falls, MI

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!](#)

Menominee Valley Conference Youth Lock-In

Youth between 7th-12th grades are invited to Zion Lutheran Church in Marinette on Friday, February 10 for a Lock-In! Registration will start at 6 p.m. and there will be plenty of games, crafts, a service project, food, worship, friends, and a Swap & Donate party. To participate in the Swap & Donate Party, bring items such as clothes, games, or electronics that you no longer want or need for the chance to exchange them for

something new to you! Pick-up will be at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday morning. For more information or to RSVP, please email Stefanie Ehle at youthcoordinator@nglsynod.org.



Youth Lock-In

“Stepping in Faith” Initiative

January’s focus is inviting. I prayed to God to help me as inviting is not easy for me. He certainly answered that prayer in spades. I have found myself busy inviting people to join various committees at Zion. Many have graciously accepted that invitation. I have also had occasion to write a thank you to visitors worshiping with us and I invited them to come visit us again. At times through this inviting process, I’ve become discouraged, but I was blessed to have people to encourage me as I hope to encourage you. I offer this prayer and Bible verse.

Dear Lord God, as we go through this month, we pray that you will bless us with the desire to reach out to a stranger or someone we know and invite them to come and see what Zion is about. Give us a yearning to share your love and this caring congregation with others. All this we pray in our Lord and Saviors name. Amen.

Revelation 22:17 — *The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.” And let the one who hears say, “Come.” And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who wishes take the water of life without cost.*

Karen Sylvester

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

If you have any questions on what was already dropped off or what you can donate, please give our office a call at 715-735-7898.

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.



FORTUNE LAKE LUTHERAN CAMP

WEEK	DATES	CAMP PROGRAM & AGE/GRADE COMPLETED	COST
Week 1	June 11-16	Victory Camp (Adult 18+ with disabilities)	\$625
Week 2	June 18-23	Intergenerational Week (all ages)	See website
	June 19-22	On-Site Day Camp (Grades K-5)	\$110
Week 3	June 25-30	High School Week (Grades 9-12) LIT Training Week (Grades 10-12)	\$425
	July 9-12	Mini Camp (Grades 2-3)	\$305
Week 4	July 9-14	Villager (Grades 3-4) Vagabond (Grades 5-6) Venturer (Grades 7-8) LIT #1 Option	\$425 No charge
	July 16-21	Villager (Grades 3-4) Vagabond (Grades 5-6) Camp ACTS (Grades 3-12) LIT #2 Option	\$425 \$455 No charge
Week 6	July 23-28	LEGO® Camp (Grades 3-8) Jr High Night Owl (Grades 6-8) Art Camp (Grades 3-8) LIT #3 Option	\$425 \$455 No charge
	July 30-Aug 4	Intergenerational Week (all ages)	See website
Week 7	Aug 1-4	Intergenerational Half Week (all ages)	See website
	Aug 6-8	Mighty Ones (Grades 1-2)	\$205
	Aug 6-9	Mini Camp (Grades 2-3)	\$305
		MashUp (Grades 4-8) LIT #4 Option	\$305 No charge

*LIT program requires an application process. Week #1 has a fee; subsequent weeks do not.

More info at FortuneLake.org

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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