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On Sunday, Zion will be welcoming Debbie Mylener and Scott Williams as our newest members! May God bless and guide them as they journey with us.

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: Troy Cording; Jack and Kathy Heimbuch; Sydney Lund; Sarge and Joni Rudell; Sandra Tessmer.



Flowers

The flowers for Sunday are loving memory of Pam Goes' mother and father.

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. 24: 17th Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Special music by the Zion Choir. Reception of new members. Blessing of quilts.
- Oct. 1: 18th Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Special music by Zion's choir.
- Oct. 8: 19th Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. With guest pastor Nick Johannes. Special music by Zion's choir.



Tithes & Offerings for September 11-18

General Fund: \$2,896.50
Boiler Fund: \$5 Bell Fund: \$5
Altar Flowers: \$40 AV Equipment: \$8,000

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

Why Do We Fill Out Worship Attendance Cards?

Zion does this because we need to report attendance and communion records to the synod on a yearly basis. It's also important to use them when wanting to request prayers, a change of address or a pastoral visit, and it helps to keep track of who does/doesn't attend for membership purposes. So please, take the time to fill them out. Thank you!



Birthday Blessings to You

September 25: Mary Bodam

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

September 29: Kathi Gutknecht

Thank you to our Worship Assistants!

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



The volunteers for next week are Matthew Hellerman as our lector; Lee Ann Limberg as our communion assistant; Barb Grom will be setting and cleaning up communion; and Dean Schoen will be our 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

September 27: Jared Johnson

September 28: Lori Despins, Larry Nelson, Linda Walker

October 1: Godfrey Heitmeier, Kimberly Swenson

Church Doors Are Locked After Service Begins

A reminder that the church doors will be locked once the worship service begins out of concern for everyone's safety and security. If you need to step outside or go to your car and intend to reenter the church building, please tell the usher or have someone stand at the door to let you in. If you know of someone who is expected to arrive late, please inform the usher. Thank you for understanding.

Fall Stewardship Initiative

Stewardship is a word that means so much to so many people. It's about caring for your home, family members, pets, the ground we walk on, the water we drink, and the air we breathe. It's about caring and sharing all that God has entrusted to us as long as we live. It's about helping and caring for others. Have you felt the need to do something to help someone recently, to make them feel valued and cared for? Perhaps you feel God nudging you to do something, say something, or anonymously help someone. If you have, I hope you act on it. Not only will it make you feel great, but it might mean the word to someone else.

Dear Lord - As I go through this week, guide me in what you would have me do. Help me to recognize you in others. Open my heart and my mind to say something reaffirming to someone of your choosing. Guide me Lord and help me to be a better Christian. Amen.

SPARK Bible Story

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 298; “The Vineyard Workers” based on the reading from Matthew 20:1-16.



FORTUNE LAKE
A place of grace in Crystal Falls, MI

Upcoming Events at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp

- Fall Fest

Fortune Lake’s annual Fall Fest will be Oct. 7. This event features a live auction of handmade quilts, a continental breakfast, handcrafted items for sale, 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 26. For more information can be found by calling the camp office at 906-214-2267 or emailing officemanager@fortunelake.org. People may also visit the camp’s website at www.fortunelake.org.

- Senior Days

Fortune Lake has announced their 2023-2024 Senior Day schedule. There will be a Senior Day on November 13, January 15th, March 11th, and May 13th! Each Senior Day begins at 10 a.m. and wraps up by 2 p.m. The program varies but generally includes the following:

10:00 a.m. – Arrival and check-in, coffee and fellowship time

10:15 a.m. – Devotion & announcements

10:30 a.m. – Presentation morning session

12:00 p.m. – Lunch

1:00 p.m. – Presentation afternoon session

A \$10 donation per participant is requested and attendees are asked to RSVP by the Friday before the event to (906) 214-2267 or hospitality@fortunelake.org

- Solid as a Rock: Fall Retreat for Grades 3-6

Fortune Lake is excited to invite all current 3-6 graders to our youth retreat this fall! This year’s theme of “Solid as a Rock” invites us to explore God’s strength and the possibilities that open up to us when we rely on them fully. Campers will enjoy camp favorites like games, songs, campfire, Bible Study, outdoor play, camp-style worship, and more! This retreat is a great opportunity for long-time campers to return to Fortune Lake and for those who have never been to camp before to get a taste of what it’s like without committing to a whole week of overnight camp. We will spend the week learning, growing, and having fun together in hopes that everyone comes away with a better understanding of our relationship with Creator God.

To register or find or more information, people may visit Fortune Lake’s website, fortunelake.org. Registration deadline is October 13th.

Lutheran World Relief Boxcar Loading

The 2023 LWR boxcar loading will be October 14 at 9 a.m. The boxcar will be located at 906 State Street, Marinette.



**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



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