



Welcome Rev. Rick DeBenedetto!

Thank you to Rev. Rick DeBenedetto for serving as our worship leader and preacher today. 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: Mary Belisle; Michael and Pam Goes; Peter Jensen; Tim, Sarah, Anna, and Jacob Marzahl; Rosalie Setterson.



Flowers

The flowers for Sunday are sponsored by sponsored by Carol Magnuson and are in honor of Ruth Olson's 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?

April 17: SPARK, 5:30 p.m.; Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.; Choir, 6:30 p.m.

April 18: Ruth Circle, 3 p.m.

April 21: Fourth Sunday in Easter, 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. With guest pastor Rev. Rick DeBenedetto. With special music by the Zion Choir.

April 23: Sew for Missions, 9 a.m.

April 24: SPARK, 5:30 p.m.; Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.; Choir, 6:30 p.m.

April 28: Fifth Sunday of Easter, 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Contemporary service.

Grant Application from Zion's Mission Endowment Fund

The application and Endowment Fund Brochure are available on the table in the front hall and on Zion's [website](#). Please take one and share it with another one of your favorite organizations.

Applications need to be received at Zion by June 1.



Tithes & Offerings for April 8-15

General Fund: \$3,174.50

Altar Flowers: \$25 World Hunger: \$170

NEWCAP: \$5 Memorial Fund: \$30

Boiler Fund: \$5 Bell Fund: \$5

Capital Improvement Fund: \$15

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





Birthday Blessings to You

- April 22: David Johnson, Diane Lynch, Katelyn Sylvester and Richelle Vincent
April 23: Clark Kehoe
April 24: Shirley Enderby and Calista Thill
April 25: Roger DeGroot
April 27: Sophie Limberg, Kimberly Swenson and Sandra Tessmer
April 28: Adam Thill

Thank you to our Worship Assistants!

Thank you to Kathy Heimbuch for serving as our lector and communion assistant; to Carol Johnson for setting and cleaning up communion; to Dave Johnson for serving as our usher; and to Alexis Rosenfeldt for serving as our acolyte on Sunday.



The volunteers for next week are Matthew Hellerman as our lector; Karen Dill as our communion assistant and she will be setting and cleaning up communion; Karen Sylvester as our usher; and Anthony Sims as our acolyte.

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!

SPARK Bible Story

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 436; "The Good Shepherd" based on the reading from John 10:11-18.



Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays this Week

- April 22: Denise Despins
April 24: Brycen Buenning
April 25: Judith Limberg

Ruth Circle Group

The Ruth Circle Group will meet April 18th at 3 p.m. in Zion's family room. All are welcome to attend.

The Lutheran Hour

The Lutheran Hour will continue each week after worship. No preparation is necessary. Please come join in the discussion and discovery about the Sunday sermon and Gospel reading.



Synod-Wide Spring Hike May 19



The Northern Great Lakes Synod and U.P. Wild Church invite you to participate in a Synod-Wide Hike this spring. There will be multiple hikes taking place throughout the synod between May 11 and May 19 to coincide with this year's hybrid Synod Assembly activities. Each hike will showcase the beauty of God's creation and include an outdoor prayer service.

The Menominee Valley Conference Hike will start at 3:00 p.m. on May 19 at the Wickman Family Farm located at W4410 Panske Rd., Porterfield, WI. This family-friendly event is free, and all ages and abilities are welcome (you do not need to be attending Synod Assembly to participate in a hike). Trail snacks will be provided and participants are asked to bring their own water bottle. Questions can be directed to Karen Anne Hanson (hansk@northlandlutheran.org).

A full list of hike locations and times are on the synod website at <https://nglsynod.org/synod-assembly/synod-hike/>. You can also learn more about U.P. Wild at <https://upwild.org/>.

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.



ELCA World Hunger Turns 50!



Zion's Social Ministry committee is challenging you to give 50/50 for 50. Here's how it works: Give money, non-perishable food OR both to ELCA World Hunger between now and April 28th.

Just stack your gifts of food at the front of the sanctuary. Your Social Ministry committee is counting and keeping track of it. All monetary gifts may be given using any envelope clearly marked for World Hunger.

So far, we have raised \$4,660! Thank you so much for your generosity!

In May, the food will be divided between shelters in Marinette & Menominee and the money will be given to ELCA World Hunger at the Northern Great Lakes Synod Assembly.

Join us and write the story of our next 50 years together as, boldly and hopefully, we pursue God's promise of a just world where all are fed.

Upcoming Events at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp

- Senior Days

Fortune Lake has announced their 2024 Senior Day schedule. There will be a Senior Day on May 13th! Each Senior Day begins at 10 a.m. and wraps up by 2 p.m. 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

- Growing in Grace Retreat: Nurturing our LGBTQIA+ Youth

Fortune Lake invites you to join us for our second annual Growing in Grace Retreat: Nurturing our LGBTQIA+ Youth. This year's retreat will focus on the care and support of young people who identify as LGBTQIA+ and the joys and challenges that come with that journey. The weekend will feature Bible Studies, time to discuss and share, a fireside chat with Jamie Bruesehoff, and more. This retreat is a continuation of our Total Inclusion efforts. To learn more about our Total Inclusion Task Force, people may go to: <https://fortunelake.org/about/growing-in-grace/#toggle-id-1-closed> and to learn more about Jamie and her work, people may go to www.jamiebruesehoff.com. Register by April 19. For more information or to register for the retreat, people may go to fortunelake.org.

FLLC Summer Camp Registration is Open!

Registration for Summer Camp 2024 is now open! There are so many exciting program options for people of all ages. Register early for the best prices and best selection.

Visit Fortunelake.org for more information or registration!



FORTUNE LAKE LUTHERAN CAMP

WEEK	DATES	CAMP PROGRAM & AGE/GRADE COMPLETED	COST
Week 1	June 9-14	Victory Camp (Adult 18+ with disabilities)	\$625
Week 2	June 16-21	Intergenerational Week (all ages) New! Treehouse Adventures (Grades 7-12)	See website \$475
Week 3	June 23-28	High School Week (Grades 9-12) LIT Training Week (Grades 10-12)	\$475
	June 30-July 2	Mighty Ones (Grades 1-2)	\$225
Week 4	June 30-July 3	Mini Camp (Grades 2-3) MashUp (Grades 4-8) LIT #1 Option (*No charge)	\$305 No charge
Week 5	July 7-10	*Mini Camp (Grades 2-3)	\$305
+Outdoor Week!	July 7-12	*Villager (Grades 3-4) *Vagabond (Grades 5-6) *Venturer (Grades 7-8) Camp ACTS (Grades 3-12) LIT #2 Option (*No charge)	\$445 \$475
Week 6	July 14-17	New! Evergreen Camp (Adults 55+)	\$260/\$305/\$405
	July 21-26	LEGO® Camp (Grades 3-9) Jr High Night Owl (Grades 6-8)	\$445
Week 7	July 22-25	Art Camp (Grades 3-9) LIT #3 Option (*No charge)	\$475
	July 22-25	Onsite Day Camp (Grades K-5)	\$130
Week 8	July 28-Aug 2	Intergenerational Week (all ages) Vagabond (Grades 5-6) LIT #4 Option (*No charge)	See website \$445
	July 30-Aug 2	Intergenerational Half Week (all ages)	See website
Week 9 +Water Week!	August 4-7	^Mini Camp (Grades 2-3) ^Villager (Grades 3-4) ^Vagabond (Grades 5-6) ^Venturer (Grades 7-8)	\$305

Scholarships Available

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

More info at FortuneLake.org

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