

Welcome Rev. Rick DeBenedetto!

Thank you to Rev. Rick DeBenedetto for serving as our worship leader and preacher on Sunday. 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: Katy, Carly, and Cassie Bauer; Michelle Larson; Dennis Mullen: Dean and Bonnie Schoen.





Flowers

The flowers for Sunday are sponsored by Carol Magnuson and are in celebration of Ruth Olson's birthday, which was on April 21st.

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 23: Choir, 6:30 p.m.

Second Sunday of Easter, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and April 27:

via YouTube. With guest pastor Rev. Rick DeBenedetto.

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

May 4: Third Sunday of Easter 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via

YouTube. With guest pastor Rev. Nick Johannes.

SPARK, 5:30 p.m.; Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.; Choir, 6:30 p.m. May 7:

May 11: Fourth Sunday of Easter 9:30 a.m. worship with

Holy Communion and via YouTube. Mother's Day.

Welcome Cards

You may notice that we are no longer using the little white welcome and prayer sheets in the bulletin. In place of those, you are encouraged to lift up names aloud or in your heart during the same time in worship. If you would like to be added to the church's public prayer list, please let the pastor know. We have also placed green "Welcome" cards in the pews for visitors and guests or that you can use to update your contact information.



April 28: Adam Thill

April 29: Lori Despins, Bonnie Schoen and Judy Stehle

Pastor On Vacation

Pastor Amanda will be taking time off April 21-May 6. Please contact Rev Linda Forray at 906-374-0159 for pastoral emergencies.



Thank You to Our Worship Assistants!

Thank you to Karen Sylvester for serving as our lector; to Karen Dill for serving as our communion assistant; to Dave Johnson for serving as our usher; to Jane Landenberger for setting and cleaning up communion; to Henry Zuehls and Troy Cording for handling AV; and to Anthony Sims as our acolyte on Sunday.



Our servers for next Sunday are Matt Hellerman as our lector; Carole Boerner as our communion assistant; Matt Hellerman as our usher; Barb Grom will be setting and cleaning up communion; Troy Cording and Deb Mylener will be handling AV; and Elsa Emler as our acolyte!

If you'd like to volunteer to serve as a worship leader, please contact Ann Buscher at 715-735-3017. Thank you for your consideration!



Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays this Week

April 30: Troy Cording

May 1: Carol Johnson, David Johnson and Michelle Larson

May 3: Shirley Kaufman

World Hunger Drive

Here at Zion we will be "casting our bread" during the season of Lent to raise money once again for ELCA World Hunger. Here's all you need to do: Give what you can, as often as you'd like. Use any envelope. Be sure to include your name so we can record the gift on your statement. Drop it in the offering plate any until May 4th. Last week, \$60 was donated! Thank you so much for Going Where Jesus Leads.





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 <u>website</u>. Please take one and share it with another one of your favorite organizations. Applications need to be received at Zion by June 1.

April Collection

Zion is Called to Go Where Jesus Leads and our Social Ministry Committee is committed to showing our congregation ways to live out that calling in our community. During April we will be collecting items for Dorothy's Haven of Hope Homeless Shelter. A list is available in the newsletter and in the collection spot of the welcome area. You are also invited to view their website to learn more about the shelter: dorothyshoh.com/about/. Or find them on Facebook where they often post emergency needs and list needed fresh food items for special meals for residents such as Easter.

Extra Tupperware?

If you have any extra leftover dishes or empty cottage cheese, ice cream, sour cream, tub butter, yogurt containers, etc., we could certainly use them! Thank you.



P.R.A.Y.er Chain

Beginning this month, you are invited to write down one or more prayers on colored slips of paper, which are in the pews. Please place it in the labeled basket by the Cry Room window, or in the offering plate. They will then be hung up as a growing

chain in the Welcome Area. Let us steward our communal and individual spiritual health and P.R.A.Y. (Praise, Repent, Ask, Yield).

SPARK Bible Story

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 492; "Doubting Thomas" based on the reading from John 20:19-31.





Tithes & Offerings for April 14-21

General Fund: \$3,041 Altar flowers: \$50 Lent: \$80 Maundy Thursday: \$195 World Hunger: \$60 Easter: \$597 Good Friday: \$35

Palms: \$10 Initial: \$25

Memorial Fund for Annette Anderson: \$25

Our mission and ministries are possible thanks to the Lord's labor through our faithful living and giving. The Spirit invites us into Jesus' way of generosity as we worship God by sharing our offerings. Thank you so very much for your continued contributions. Every little bit helps. You are making a difference! Again, thank you!

Sew for Missions Update

Our Sew for Missions group has made 20 quilts since the start of the year! They make quilts for Lutheran World Relief which distributes them to states and countries in need. The group is always in need of monetary donations for the cost of material or donation of material like flat sheets. Thank you for your generosity!



Fortune Lake Summer Camp Schedule

It's time to start planning for Summer 2025, and Fortune Lake has a program for you and your family! Visit Fortunelake.org for more information or registration!

FORTUNE LAKE LUTHERAN CA **CAMP PROGRAM & AGE/GRADE COMPLETED** Week 1 June 8-13 Victory Camp (Adult 18+ with disabilities) \$645 Intergenerational Week (all ages) See website Week 2 June 15-20 Treehouse Adventures (Grades 7-12) \$490 \$490 Week 3 June 22-27 High School Week (Grades 9-12) | LIT Training Week (Grades 10-12) Week 4 June 29-July 2 All Staff Reunion 3-night Event (with Special 1-day Event June 29!) See website Villager (Grades 3-4) | Vagabond (Grades 5-6) | Venturer (Grades 7-8) \$460 Week 5 July 6-11 LIT #1 Option (*No charge) July 13-15 Mighty Ones (Grades 1-2) \$230 Week 6 July 13-16 Mini Camp (Grades 2-3) | MashUp (Grades 4-8) \$320 Villager (Grades 3-4) | Vagabond (Grades 5-6) | LIT #2 Option (*No charge) July 13-18 \$460 LEGO® Camp (Grades 3-9) | Jr High Night Owl (Grades 6-8) \$460 Art Camp (Grades 3-9) | Dungeons & Dragons Camp (Grades 6-9) \$490 July 20-25 Week 7 LIT #3 Option (*No charge) July 21-24 Onsite Day Camp (Grades K-5) \$135 Intergenerational Week (all ages) See website July 27-Aug 1 Vagabond (Grades 5-6) | LIT #4 Option (*No charge) \$460 Week 8 July 28-31 Onsite Day Camp (Grades K-5) \$135 camp regardless f ability to pay! July 29-Aug 1 Intergenerational Half Week (all ages) See website Week 9 August 4-7 Evergreen Camp (ages 55+) See website *LIT program requires an application process. Week #1 has a fee; subsequent weeks do not.