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Welcome Rev. Nick Johannes

Thank you to Rev. Nick Johannes 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: Pete Cramer and Naomi Dumke; Eileen, James, Michael, and Sarah Jagielski; James Martin; Jacki Renne.





Flowers

The flowers for Sunday are honor of our Stewardship and Generosity Committee and all the work they do year-round! Thank you for all that you do!

Please call Zion's office (715-735-7898) or send an email <u>Zion@newbc.rr.com</u>) if you would like to sponsor the flowers for a specific Sunday. The cost is \$15.

What's Around the Corner?

<u>April 30:</u> SPARK, 5:30 p.m.; Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.; Choir, 6:30 p.m.

<u>May 4:</u> Third Sunday of Easter 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via YouTube. With guest pastor Rev. Nick Johannes.

- <u>May 7:</u> SPARK, 5:30 p.m.; Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.; Choir, 6:30 p.m.
- <u>May 11:</u> Fourth Sunday of Easter 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via YouTube. Mother's Day.
- <u>May 13:</u> Sew for Missions, 9 a.m.; Council meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- May 14: SPARK, 5:30 p.m.; Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.; Choir, 6:30 p.m.



Information on graduates needed!

Do you know a person who is a member of Zion and is graduating either from high school or college? If you do, let us know! Please contact the office at 715-735-7898 or at zion@newbc.rr.com; or you can contact Ann Buscher at 715-735-3017.

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.

Birthday Blessings to You

May 5: Debra Strohl May 6: Jacob Buenning and Spencer Martin May 11: Lisa Knopik and Dennis Mullen

Thank You to Our Worship Assistants!

Thank you to Matt Hellerman for serving as our lector; to Carole Boerner for serving as our communion assistant; to Karen Sylvester for serving as our usher; to Barb Grom for setting and cleaning up communion; to Troy Cording and Debbie Mylener for handling AV; and to Elsa Emler as our acolyte on Sunday.

Our servers for next Sunday are Kathy Heimbuch as our lector; Steve Hoheneder as our communion assistant; Debbie Mylener as our usher; Jane Landenberger will be setting and cleaning up communion; Cheryl Maxwell and Sharon Powilaites will be handling AV; and Presley Schroeder 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

May 6: Cassandra Bauer May 7: Oliver Swenson May 8: Diane Race

Last Call for 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, \$20 was donated! Thank you so much for Going Where Jesus Leads.





Ruth Circle Group

The Ruth Group will meet Thursday, May 15th, at Zion at 3 p.m. for bible study. All are welcome!

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.





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.

Prayer Chain **<u>P.R.A.Y.er Chain</u>**

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 514; "Saul to Paul" based on the reading from Acts 9:1-6.



General Fund: \$2,472 World Hunger: \$20 Choir: \$25 Easter: \$70 Social Ministry, ERS: \$100 Boiler Fund: \$5 Memorial Fund for Don Schutt: \$3,085 Memorial Fund for Pat Rondeau: \$70

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!

May 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 the month of May, we will be taking up a collection for Emergency Rescue Squad, Inc. This month's collection will be different than usual. We will have a board with squares numbered 1-100. Each square will have one or more envelopes equaling the number of the square. For example, square #37 might have three envelopes: \$20, \$10 & \$7. You are invited to take an envelope and give that amount. Fill it with the amount indicated, include your name and/or envelope number and put it in the offering plate or mail it to Zion. You are most certainly welcome to take as many envelopes as you would like. If we fill all of the envelopes on the board we will be able to give a gift of \$5,050 to Emergency Rescue Squad next month.









Baptismal Affirmation

In remembrance of all that our baptism means, a quarterly baptismal affirmation will be held on the first Sunday of the last month of each calendar quarter. The first affirmation will be held during the regular worship service on June 1st. For this first affirmation, those who have had a baptismal "birthday" in April, May, or June will be invited to approach the altar for a brief ceremony. The ceremony, led by Pastor Amanda

and includes prayer, scripture reading, baptismal candle lighting. and laying on of hands. Coffee-hour fellowship will be held after the service

Light the Fire for Fortune Lake

You are invited to Light the Fire for Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp on Sunday, June 1 at 6:00 p.m. at Zion. Join us for songs, stories, skits, and s'mores around a campfire. Bring your own blanket or lawn chair to sit on. There is no cost to participate, but donations for FLLC are welcome. Contact Stefanie Ehle at youthcoordinator@nglsynod.org with any questions.



May Eternal Light

The Eternal Light for the month of May is in celebration of the upcoming summer!

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 <u>Fortunelake.org</u> for more information or registration!



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