

### **In Our Prayers This Week**

It's so important that we remember one another in prayer. During this week, please focus your prayers on the following members who were picked randomly: Heidi Beland; Joe and Georgeann Griffiths; Shirley Kaufman; Cheryl Maxwell; Randall II, Mariah, and Randall III Schroeder.



### **Flowers**

The flowers for Sunday are sponsored by Carol Magnuson and are in loving memory of Rosalie Settersten.

Please call Zion's office (715-735-7898) or email [zion@newbc.rr.com](mailto:zion@newbc.rr.com) if you would like to sponsor the flowers for a specific Sunday; they cost \$15

### **What's Around the Corner?**

- Aug. 3: 8th Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via YouTube.
- Aug. 4-7: Vacation Bible School, 5-7 p.m. at Bethel Lutheran in Menominee.
- Aug. 6: Praise Band practice, 7 p.m.
- Aug. 10: 9th Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via YouTube. Praise Band Sunday.
- Aug. 13: Choir, 6:30 p.m.

### **150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

The letters to reserve a spot for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dinner and booklet were recently mailed. If you did not receive one, please contact the office to reserve your spot or you can pick up an extra copy of the letter in the narthex.

Reservations are due by August 15<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

### **Choir Rehearsals**

Zion's choir will be practicing on August 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> in preparation for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. If you have any questions, please contact Ann Buscher at 715-735-3017.



### **Birthday Blessings to You!**

- August 6: Jackie Hamer  
August 7: Dakota Lueskow, Kathleen Lueskow  
August 9: Jacob Cording, Laura Peanosky  
August 10: Gage Schutt

### **Thank You to Our Worship Leaders!**

Thank you to Matt Hellerman for serving as our lector; to Karen Sylvester as our communion assistant; to Bonnie Schoen for setting and cleaning up communion; to Dean Schoen as our usher; to Henry Zuehls and Gage Schutt for handling AV; and to Jacob Marzahl as our acolyte on Sunday!

Our servers for next Sunday are Sue Baxter as our lector; Karen Dill as our communion assistant; Barb Grom will be setting and cleaning up communion; Mark Swenson as our usher; Cheryl Maxwell and Deb Mylener will be handling AV; and Anthony Sims 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**

August 7: Mary Bodam, Dale Lueskow and Greg Peanosky

### **Free Concert at Badger Park August 12**

The River Cities Big Band (formerly known as the Community Jazz Ensemble) will hold their local summer concert at **Badger Park on Tuesday, Aug, 12 at 6 p.m.** The 19 piece big band (that includes members from Bethel, Emmanuel, and Zion Lutheran!) will play tunes from Louis Armstrong and Duke Ellington, to the Eagles and Stevie Wonder. Concessions will be available. Please bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on. The Peshtigo Parks and Rec Department is sponsoring this free community concert! Follow River Cities Big Band on Facebook or email [rivercitiesbigband@gmail.com](mailto:rivercitiesbigband@gmail.com) with questions.

### **P.R.A.Y.er Chain**

Do you have a petition or concern? Are you thankful for something? You are invited to write one or more prayers on the colored slips of paper in the pews. Then place them into the labeled basket by the play room window or in the offering plate. Let's P.R.A.Y. (Praise, Repent, Ask, Yield)!



### **Changes to Zion's Funeral Luncheon Policy**

Zion's Funeral Committee will no longer be offering hot dishes at the funeral luncheons. We will continue to ask congregation members to provide salads and desserts which will augment the turkey or ham, and any additional items such as cheese tray, and/or veggie and/or fruit tray requested by the bereaved family. In addition, whenever possible paper plates and glassware will be used to cut down on the amount of cleanup needed. Thank you for your understanding.

## **Communion**

*"Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people."* (Acts 2:46-47a) On Mar 9, we started using gluten free bread for communion. This is one loving way to extend care and hospitality to our neighbors with dietary needs. Some for whom cross-contamination could be lethal. For instance, dipping regular and gluten free into the same wine/grape juice. It eliminates the need for assistants to take extra steps when setting up the Lord's Supper. Lastly, using bread is a meaningful way that one or more siblings in Christ can share their God-given gifts and serve the church. It has come to our attention recently that a few folks have concerns about swallowing issues, so there will now also be gluten free wafers available.

## **Living in Harmony Vacation Bible School**

Zion is teaming up with Bethel Lutheran, Peace United, First Presbyterian, and Pioneer Presbyterian churches to plan Vacation Bible School for kids and helpers of all ages. VBS will take place Aug. 4-7 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Bethel (1309 14th Ave. Menominee). Campers are invited to join us each



evening for a free family supper, games, songs, crafts, and Bible stories that will teach us to Live in Harmony with the world and with each other. Registration is encouraged to help us secure enough supplies and forms are available in the narthex and our website. We hope you can join us! Contact Stefanie Ehle (sehle@uwalumni.com) or Johanna Zuehls (johannazuehls@gmail.com) with questions or to learn how you can volunteer!

## **Lutheran World Relief Response to Texas Floods**

The needs of our neighbors in Texas are growing as floods destroy homes, communities and families. Our partners at Lutheran World Relief are already responding. Thankfully, LWR Quilts & Kits were already prepositioned in Texas. Within 12 hours of the flash flooding, they were in the hands of those that needed them most.

But so much additional help is needed. Families in the flood zone — and beyond — need food, water, shelter and essential supplies. Together we can help ensure no one goes without the care and support they need.

Ways you can you can give:

- Directly through Lutheran World Relief at [lwr.org/HelpTexas](http://lwr.org/HelpTexas)
- By scanning the QR code at the right
- By mailing a check to Lutheran World Relief, PO Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297-1061. Please write TEXAS in the memo.
- Gifts can also be made through our congregation. Designate "LWR TEXAS" when making your gift and we will rush a gift from the church to Lutheran World Relief.



Thank you for sharing God's love with our neighbors when and where they need it most.

## **God's Work, Our Hands**

Zion is partnering with Bethel again for God's Work, Our Hands. This year we will be putting together sensory bags to be distributed to local first responders. Sensory bags are a tool kit to assist first responders when helping or interacting with people who are autistic (neurodiverse) or have disabilities or special needs. We will get together after service at Zion on September 7<sup>th</sup> to assemble the bags and then enjoy a light lunch together. Some items that we will be collecting are:

- 5 lb. weighted blankets
- Noise cancelling headphones for children
- Sunglasses for children
- Sensory toys
  - Rubik's cubes
  - Fidget toys (spinners, cubes, push and pop toys, etc.,)
  - Squishy toys
  - Small stuffed animals

All of these items can be purchased on our [amazon registry list](#), or they can be purchased wherever is convenient for you. You may also donate cash or purchase amazon gift cards and we can do the shopping for you. Thank you for helping us and for your generosity!



## **School Food Pantry Collection**

We're collecting food items to stock the school pantries as they start a new year. The kind of items that can be sent home with even the youngest kids to prepare for themselves. Your Social Ministry Committee will split the food between the Marinette and Menominee School Districts at the beginning of September. Please donate items that can be eaten as is or can be prepared using only water. Microwavable meals are good. Place your donations in the narthex by the collection baskets until August 24th.

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