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: Melanie Bennett; Megan, Jacob, Brycen, Easton, and Allie Buenning; Jacob Cording; Bradley Nelson; Joan Nowakowski.



Flowers

The flowers for Sunday are sponsored by Sally Broetzman and Larry Nelson and are in loving memory of John Buscher.

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

What's Around the Corner?

Sept. 10: SPARK, 5:30 p.m.; Choir, 6:30 p.m.

Sept. 14: 14th Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion

and via YouTube. Praise Band Sunday.

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

Sept. 18: Ruth Circle, 3 p.m.

<u>Sept. 21:</u> 15th Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion

and via YouTube..

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



Birthday Blessings to You!

September 16: Vicki Guay September 20: Amanda Ross

September 21: Donna Dietrich, Joe Griffiths

Thank You to Our Worship Leaders!

Thank you to Dave Johnson for serving as our lector and usher; to Karen Sylvester as our communion assistant; to Carol Johnson for setting and cleaning up communion; to Troy Cording and Gage Schutt for handling AV; and to Alexis Rosenfeldt as our acolyte on Sunday!



Our servers for next Sunday are Karen Dill as our lector, communion assistant, and she will be setting and cleaning up communion; Dean Schoen and Gina Boucher as our ushers; Cheryl Maxwell and Sharon Powilaites 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

September 16: Jo Rudell

September 17: Rick DeBenedetto, Alex Gressel, Sandy Gressel

September 18: Bill Magnuson September 19: Dennis Mullen

Tithes & Offerings for Sept. 1-8

General Fund: \$ 5,468.50 Capital Improvement Fund: \$1550 Social Ministry: \$10 AV Equipment: \$50

Helping Hand Fund: \$100 150th Anniversary: \$10

Memorial Fund for Pastor Robert and Ruth Johannson: \$100



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!



Zion to Host Blood Drive

Zion is hosting a blood drive Friday, Sept. 26 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the social hall. To make an appointment, people may call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or schedule an appointment online.

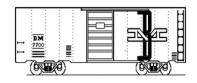
SPARK

This fall, SPARK, our elementary-aged, (3yrs – 5th Grade), education program resumes! Classes will begin tonight at 5:30 p.m. All children in our congregation, as well as friends or family of the members, are welcome to attend. Simply contact our church office, 715-735-7898, to let us know so that we can prepare the materials for the classes. SPARK classes last one hour and contain a connection with one of the Bible lessons for the upcoming Sunday. There's time for stories, prayer, crafts and music. We pray that all of it helps our young people grow in faith.

Confirmation

Confirmation classes for 6th, 7th and 8th graders will be held on Wednesdays at 6:30-7:30 p.m. beginning September 24 with orientation for students and parents/guardians at Zion's church building. Confirmation classes will continue to be a shared ministry between Bethel and Zion congregations with classes held at Zion.

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Boxcar Loading for Lutheran World Relief

The annual Boxcar loading for the Lutheran World Relief will be on Saturday, October 11. We will be loading quilts, school supplies, and baby kits onto the boxcar for Lutheran World Relief between 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Volunteers are encouraged to bring a water bottle. The boxcar will be stationed at 906 State Street, just south of Walgreens. Extra assistance is usually needed between 10:30-11:30 a.m. as that's when the trucks from Gladstone and Iron Mountain come full of materials that need to be transferred to the boxcar. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Brenda Greenwald at 720-989-8218 or at pastor@gsslutheran.org.

Fall Fest

Fortune Lake's annual Fall Fest will be Oct. 4. This event features a live auction of handmade quilts, a continental breakfast, handcrafted items for sale, and a drawing-raffle. 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 24. The virtual auction will be at www.auctria.events/fortunelake. 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.



Join the Youth D&D Club

The NGLS has an online Dungeons & Dragons Club for young people between 6th-12th grade. Upcoming gaming dates are: **Sunday, September 28**: 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 26: 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Please email Stefanie Ehle at <u>youthcoordinator@nglsynod.org</u> for the Zoom link or if you would like to be part of this new club!

Choir to Start Practicing Again!

Zion Senior Choir will begin tonight at 6:30 p.m. Rehearsals are only an hour. We would love to have you join us! If interested please contact Ann Buscher at 715-735-3017.



Ruth Circle Group

The Ruth Group will meet Thursday, September 18th, in the family room at Zion at 3 p.m. for our monthly Bible study. All are welcome to attend!



September Eternal Light

The Eternal Light for September is sponsored by Carol Magnuson and is in honor of Pastor George during his birthday month.

Faith Formation Classes Registration is Open!

Registration is open for the fall classes offered by the Northern Great Lakes Synod. The Lifelong Faith Formation program provides a variety of classes for shared listening and learning via Zoom. With a special thanks to our fall teachers, here are the classes they will teach this fall:

- Caring for Creation A discussion study of the theological, societal, and scientific reasoning of the ELCA Social Statement with Chuck Thomas, NGLSynod Vice President
- Feeding your Soul practicing spiritual practices with Pastors Terry Cathcart, Terry Frankenstein, Lee Goodwin, Grant Van Lishout, and Deacons D'Etta Broam, and Noreen Stevens
- In the Beginning: The first 11 Chapters of Genesis with Pastor Tommy Wimsae
- Introduction to Biblical Hebrew with Pastor Nicole Hanson-Lynn
- Recognizing, Responding, and Re-Visioning Discipleship in an age of Christian Nationalism with Pastor David Van Kley

Courses are free but may require the purchase of books or other materials. **Please register by September 15!** For more detailed information and to register, visit the synod website *Resources* page: https://nglsynod.org/lifelong-faith-formation/ Contact Sister Noreen Stevens with your questions: -651-815.1145 or nstevens@nglsynod.org

Note of Thanks!

Dear Pastor Amanda and Zion Leadership,

Thank you so much for the wonderful gathering and anniversary celebration this past Sunday, Aug. 24. All of the planning and preparation for this day (including the historical archive displays and beautiful history books) will be treasured by many for years to come.

As you look back, may you all be inspired to carry on this rich legacy — Serving where Jesus leads!

With gratitude and appreciation, Former intern, Dan Ankerfelt, 1992-93

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