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: Ellen Basak; Jared Johnson; Rachel Kuhn; Dakota Lueskow; Greg and Amanda Peanosky; Brooke Rose; Kenny Sallee.



Flowers

The flowers for Sunday are in honor of Sharon (Brix) and John Powilaites' 60th wedding anniversary on September 25.

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

What's Around the Corner?

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

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

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

and via YouTube.

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

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

Sept. 26: Blood Drive, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sept. 28: 16th Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion

and via YouTube.



Birthday Blessings to You!

September 25: Mary Bodam

September 26: Dorothy Bretl, Addalynn Brown, Godfrey Heitmeier, Daniel

Johnson, Kaya Lebick

Thank You to Our Worship Leaders!

Thank you to Karen Dill for serving as our lector, communion assistant, and for setting and cleaning up communion and usher; to Dean Schoen and Gina Boucher as our ushers; to Cheryl Maxwell and Sharon Powilaites for handling AV; and to Elsa Emler on Sunday!



Our servers for next Sunday are Sue Baxter as our lector; Kathy Heimbuch as our communion assistant; Barb Grom will be setting and cleaning up communion; Debbie Mylener as our usher; Troy Cording and Henry Zuels 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

September 22: Keaton Emler, Joe Griffiths

September 27: Jared Johnson

September 28: Lori Despins, Larry Nelson, Linda Walker

Tithes & Offerings for Sept. 9-15

General Fund: \$3,645.50 Capital Improvement Fund: \$200 Altar Flowers: \$35

Boiler Fund: \$156



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.

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. New 6th graders who would like to be in confirmation should please contact the church office at 715-735-7898. A registration form will be sent to you, or you may pick one up at the church office.



SPARK Bible Story

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 384; "Two Master's" based on the reading from Luke 16:1-13.

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 to 11:30 a.m. 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.

Council Update on Projects

Thank you to everyone who has generously donated to various projects we've been working on for the past few years. Just a quick update on the status of those projects:

- 1.) Audio Visual (AV) project is complete and has been paid for in full through generous donations and the capital improvement fund.
- 2.) The 150th Anniversary Celebration was a success and has been fully funded through your contributions and the budget provided.
- 3.) We are still working to pay off the boiler loan and the bell maintenance.

A huge thank you to all the amazing members who have given toward those projects and continue to give. The next project we are looking to undertake is the floor in the social hall and possibly the office hallway. It is overdue for replacement but we are putting it on the improvement plans for 2026 — more information about this topic will be shared at January's annual meeting. We are so blessed to have the many wonderful, caring members that help keep our buildings and property in good working order whether that be through time or treasure, we are grateful!

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.



Pastor Amanda on Vacation

Pastor Amanda will be on vacation from Sept. 29 to Oct. 14. During this time, Pastor Scott Ehle will be on call for emergencies. Pastor Scott can be reached at 906-863-2066

Meals with a Friend

Are you and/or someone you know seeking both a nourishing meal and friendly visit? Check out this community ministry developed by our brother in Christ, Chad Francour. https://www.mealswithafriend.com/. Whether as a client or volunteer, it's a great opportunity for creating connections.





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!



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!

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