

Office to be Closed

Zion's office will be closed Thursday, Nov. 27 due to the holiday. Please plan your visits accordingly. Thank you!!

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: Barb Bereza and Rick DeBenedetto; Jean Hruska; Bill Magnuson; Gerald and Sue Poquette; Johanna, Henry and Daniel Zuehls.



Flowers

The flowers for Sunday are in honor of everyone who struggles during the holiday season.

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?

- Nov. 27: Thanksgiving. Office Closed.
Nov. 30: First Sunday in Advent, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via YouTube. Special music by Johanna Zuehls.
Dec. 3: SPARK, 5:30 p.m.; Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.; Choir, 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 7: Second Sunday in Advent, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via YouTube. Special music by the Zion Choir. Baptismal Affirmation Sunday. Hanging of the Greens after worship.
Dec. 9: Sew for Missions, 9 a.m.; Council meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 10: SPARK, 5:30 p.m.; Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.; Choir, 6:30 p.m.



Birthday Blessings to You!

December 5: Barbara Francour

Nurturing spiritual well-being

An important component of our baptismal covenant with God includes tending to our individual and collective spiritual gardens. There are all sorts of opportunities for us to do so, from worship, to group learning, to personal study. In that spirit, we are providing **Advent devotions** which you are encouraged to use at home. Hard copies are available in the welcome area & electronic versions are available by emailing zion@newbc.rr.com.

Greeters

"Welcome!" One little word that can make a difference. If interested in serving as a greeter (opening the door and welcoming people as they come for Sunday worship) please let Ann Buscher know.

Thank You to Our Worship Leaders!

Thank you to Sue Baxter for serving as our lector; to Kathy Heimbuch as our communion assistant; to Bonnie Schoen for setting and cleaning up communion; to Karen Sylvester as our usher; Cheryl Maxwell and Sharon Powilaiteas for handling AV; and to Elsa Emmler as our acolyte on Sunday!



Our servers for next Sunday are Sue Baxter as our lector; Eric Moroio as our communion assistant; Barb Grom will be setting and cleaning up communion; Peggy Miller as our usher; Cheryl Maxwell and Daniel Zuehls 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!



SPARK Bible Story

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 164; "God Will Bring Peace" based on the reading from Isaiah 2:1-5.

Hanging of the Greens

The Hanging of the Greens will take place after worship on Sunday, Dec. 7. Everyone is welcome! If you are willing to help, please sign your name and what you would like to contribute to our potluck lunch break. We guarantee a joyful, rewarding time that you won't want to miss! Please sign up soon on the kiosk at the back of church so we have an approximate number. Thanks!! Sloppy joes, buns, beverages and table service will be provided.



Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays This Week

December 1: Timothy Marzahl, Karen Sylvester

December 2: Henry Zuehls

December 4: Sandra Zylkowski

December 5: Jane Landenberger

Christmas Caroling Youth Event

"The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear!" – Buddy the Elf

Youth between 6th-12th grade and their friends and families are invited to sing Christmas Carols and eat cookies at the Luther Home (831 Pine Beach Road, Marinette) on Sunday, December 21 at 2:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Pr Amanda at pramandak3@gmail.com or via FB.



We Have Angels!

Your Social Ministry Committee has the Salvation Army Angel Tree up and decorated! Please bring the gifts (unwrapped) to Zion before or on Sunday, December 7. Please label the bags with the tag number (especially if you're giving more than one bag). Date the log when you return your gifts so we know they're here. Thank you so very much!

Tithes & Offerings for Nov.18-24

General Fund: \$2,232

AV Equipment: \$25

Poinsettia: \$65

Thanksgiving: \$96

Boiler Fund: \$4,005



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!

November 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 November, we will be collecting food items to help people celebrate the CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY. Everything we collect in November will be split up and delivered to THREE locations: Dorothy's Haven of Hope, Rainbow House, and the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. By collecting in November, we can get these items delivered EARLY in December and help everyone plan for their holiday meals.

Ideas for SHELF STABLE items for a Christmas meal are:

- Cookie mixes, sprinkles, icing, peanut butter, chocolate stars/kisses, peppermint candies
- Instant potatoes, stuffing mix, biscuit mix, gravy mix or jarred gravy
- Cranberry sauce, canned yams, French fried onions, canned corn, canned green beans
- Canned apple and/or other pie filling, shelf stable pie crust
- Shelf stable milks such as Almond, Rice or Soy
- All other non-perishable food items such as canned vegetables, fruits and proteins especially chicken or turkey are certainly appreciated also!
- Things like oil, flour, and sugar that are also needed to make certain instant meals are also appreciated!

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