

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: Ann Buscher; James Jagielski; Robert and Pamela Lund; Sarge and Joni Rudell; Karen and Gerald Sylvester.



Flowers

The flowers for Sunday are sponsored by the Kallquist Family and are in loving memory of Alvin and Lucille Kallquist.

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?

- 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.
Dec. 14: Third Sunday in Advent. 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via YouTube. Praise Band Sunday. SPARK Program. Coffee hour after worship.
Dec. 17: SPARK, 5:30 p.m.; Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.; Choir, 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 18: Ruth Circle, 1 p.m. @ Perkins



Birthday Blessings to You!

- December 9: Kimberly Graf
December 10: Sally Peterson
December 11: John Radloff
December 13: Larry Nelson

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 Eric Morois as our communion assistant; to Barb Grom for setting and cleaning up communion; to Peggy Miller as our usher; Cheryl Maxwell and Daniel Zuehls for handling AV; and to Elsa Emler 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 as our usher; Troy Cording and Gage Schutt will be handling AV; and Josie 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!



SPARK Bible Story

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 172; "God's Peaceful World" based on the reading from Isaiah 11:1-10.

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 10: Amanda Litts

December Eternal Light

The Eternal Light for December is sponsored by David and Lori Despins and in celebration of the birth of Jesus and all who have birthdays this month.



Ruth Circle Group

The Ruth Group will meet Thursday, December 18, at Perkin's in Menominee at 1 p.m. for their annual Christmas party and lunch.

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!

Worship Canceling Procedures

With winter here and snowstorms around the corner, we wanted to remind the congregation about how we let you all know that worship is canceled. In the event that there is extreme weather that could make it unsafe for people to travel to the church building for worship, we will follow the steps outlined below.

1. The pastor and either the council president or property person will consult with each other Sun morning to determine if there is a need to cancel. If two of these three people are not available, then the second person to be consulted and help make the decision will follow as such: vice president, secretary, and treasurer.
2. If it is deemed necessary, then the following will occur:
 - a. One of the two who makes the decision will contact the office administrator to change the answering machine announcement, send out an email blast, post it on the church's FB page and website, and contact available news stations (WLUK-Fox 11 and WFRV-CBS, Channel 5). Both will split responsibility for getting in touch with the worship leaders for the day.
 - b. You are asked to check one of those five options beforehand and pass the word along however you see fit.
3. If worship is canceled, then so will all other scheduled ministry activities that day.



December 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 December, we will continue our three-way food collection for Dorothy's Haven of Hope, Rainbow House, and the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. We also want to collect paper products!

Ideas for items to donate this month:

- Cereal, rice, dry pasta, Ramen noodles, instant mashed potatoes, oatmeal, raisins, nuts, dry beans, peanut butter, jelly, crackers, macaroni & cheese, granola bars, apple sauce, cooking oil, sugar, flour.
- Canned items: vegetables, fruits, soups, sloppy joe starter, pasta, pasta sauce, chicken, fish, meat.
- Paper toweling, toilet paper, tissues, waxed paper, parchment paper, aluminum foil, plastic wrap, plastic storage bags, garbage bags.

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.



Tithes & Offerings for Nov.25-30

General Fund: \$1,037

Poinsettia: \$50

Thanksgiving: \$55

Christmas: \$50

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!

We're Hiring!

Custodian – Zion Lutheran Church (Marinette, WI)

Help us keep our church building clean and welcoming!


- ✓ About 4 hours per week
- ✓ Flexible schedule
- ✓ Pay to be based on experience
- ✓ Reports to the pastor


We are seeking a reliable, self-starting and detail-oriented person to maintain cleanliness and order in the Education, Office, and Fellowship Hall areas as well as portions of the Worship space. This role is essential in ensuring our facilities, which have been entrusted to us by God, remain in good condition to serve the congregation and wider community.

Generally, what you'll do:

- Clean office bathrooms
- Empty trash and recycling
- Vacuum and mop floors

A complete job description is available upon request.

 Apply at Zion Lutheran Church, 2714 James St, Marinette, WI or email us zion@newbc.rr.com. Please return your application no later than **Dec 31, 2025**.

 Call 715-735-7898 for details

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