

Church office email updates

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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: Troy C.; Wendy and George I.; Judy L.; Jacki R.; Julie, Scott, Justin, and Nik W



Flowers



The altar flowers for Sunday are in loving memory of Pastor George.

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

What's Around the Corner?

Feb. 11: SPARK, 5:30 p.m.; Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.

Feb. 15: Transfiguration of Our Lord, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via YouTube. Praise Band Sunday. Mission Moment by Fortune Lake Camp Director.

Feb. 18: Youth event at First Presbyterian Church from 1-3 p.m.

Feb. 19: Ash Wednesday, 6 p.m., worship with Holy Communion, the imposition of ashes, and via YouTube.

Feb. 22: First Sunday in Lent, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via YouTube. Special music by Barb Akins on violin.

Feb. 25: Midweek Lenten Soup Supper and Worship at Zion, 5:30 p.m.



Birthday Blessings to You!

Thomas H., Maxwell A., Gerald P., Fyfe T., Bill T., Beckham B., Nick K. and Laura K

Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays This Week

Pamela L., Shawn L., Kathy H., Colleen M., and Anna M.

Zion Needs Ice Cream Buckets!

If you have any spare one gallon ice cream buckets, please drop them off! We need them for leftover soup from Soup Suppers. We give leftovers to various shelters.

Ash Wednesday

Zion will hold our Ash Wednesday worship at 6 p.m. on Feb. 18. Worship will feature holy communion and the imposition of ashes. It will also be live streamed on our [YouTube channel](#).

Ruth Circle Group

The Ruth Group will meet Thursday, February 19, 3 p.m. for bible study in the family room. They are starting the book of Ruth. All are welcome to attend.

Education scholarships available!

Last year it came to the council's attention that we, Zion, have funds intended to assist students with their education. High school seniors pursuing a post-secondary degree, certificate, or technical diploma or students enrolled full-time in a college, university or trade school are eligible to apply for a scholarship. You must either be a member of Zion or a child/grandchild of a Zion member. Please contact the office for the guidelines and application. Any questions, please see Pr. Amanda.



Midweek Lenten Services & Soup Suppers

5:15 p.m. Soup Supper and 6:00 p.m. Worship Service.



- Feb. 25: Zion, 2714 James St., Marinette.
- March 4: Emmanuel, 2901 13th St., Menominee
- March 11: Our Savior's, 1600 University Dr., Marinette
- March 18: Site to be Determined
- March 25: Pioneer Presbyterian, 1947 Riverside Ave., Marinette

February Youth Event – Share the Love!

Youth between 6th-12th grade are invited to Share the Love on Sunday, Feb. 15 from 1 to 3 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church (923 5th Street in Menominee). We will make homemade dog treats and dog toys to donate to the Menominee Area Animal Shelter. There will also be snacks, games, and a devotion. Friends are welcome! Please RSVP by Thursday, Feb. 12 to Pr. Amanda at pramandak3@gmail.com or on Facebook.

Diverse in viewpoints, united in Christ

Due to circumstances, in our individual and collective lives, there is stress and/or heaviness that is hard to bear at times. While it doesn't necessarily fix the situation, I know personally that talking with someone can be helpful. So I want to let you know that whether we agree on a topic or not, my ear is available. Whether in person, on the phone or by messaging, I am willing to be a listening presence for you. I know we are still working at building trust in our relationship so there may be some hesitancy. Especially these days when it feels less safe to open up to people. Part of that building of trust, though, comes through working at communication and having conversations. No matter your stance on various things, you are my sibling in Christ. You are not alone.

Annual Contribution Statements are ready!

Contribution Statements for 2025 are ready for pick-up! They are in the wicker basket labeled offering statements on the table by the doors to the Sanctuary area.



Thank You to Our Worship Leaders!

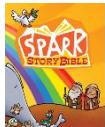
Thank you to Kathy H. for serving as our lector and communion assistant; to Julie W. for setting and cleaning up communion; Ellen B. as our usher and greeter; Cheryl M. and Sharon P. for handling AV; and Josie S. as our acolyte on Sunday!



Our servers for Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18, are Johanna Z. as our lector, communion assistant, and she will be setting and cleaning up communion. Deb M. as our usher; Ellen B. as our greeter; Henry Z. and Eric. M will be handling AV; and Nik W. as our acolyte!

Our servers for next Sunday are LeeAnn L. as our lector and communion assistant; Barb G. will be setting and cleaning up communion; Eric M. as our usher; Ellen B. as our greeter; Troy C. and Deb. M. will be handling AV; and Jacob M. as our acolyte!

If you'd like to volunteer to serve as a worship leader, please contact Ann B. Thank you for your consideration!



SPARK Bible Story

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 358; "Transfiguration" based on the reading from Matthew 17:1-9.

February 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. Zion is participating in the Help For the Homeless Hygiene Drive again! The drive is in partnership with St. Vincent de Paul, Marinette. For the month of February until March 15, we will be collecting hygiene items for local Marinette, Menominee and Peshtigo crisis programs through SVdP of Marinette. There is a box in the narthex where donations can be dropped off. Thank you for your generosity!

Most needed items include:

- Soaps: laundry, dish, soft, shower gel, 2-in-1 shampoo
- Trash bags (shelters especially need these for bedrooms)
- Diapers (sizes 3-6 and Pull-Ups)
- Deodorant (unscented)
- Wet wipes
- Toilet paper
- Paper towels
- Disposable razors
- Tampons and maxi pads





Tithes & Offerings for 3-10

General Fund: \$4,428

Capital Improvement Fund: \$30

Memorial Fund for Pastor George: \$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!

Note of Thanks!

Dear Zion Lutheran Church,

Your gift of \$2,800.00 means the world to the survivors and children we serve. Thank you for standing with Rainbow House during a critical time in our community.

Domestic violence service providers across Wisconsin are facing an unprecedented funding crisis. Federal VOCA (Victims of Crime Act) funding has been reduced by 70% statewide. This devastating loss has forced some regional agencies to reduce services or cease operations temporarily. Survivors from areas that have lost services are now reaching out to us for help, expanding our service area at precisely the moment when resources are most constrained.

Like agencies throughout the state, Rainbow House has had to make difficult choices to continue serving survivors in Marinette, Oconto, and Florence Counties. We've reduced staff hours and implemented pay cuts to keep our doors open. Despite these challenges, we remain committed to providing the free, confidential services that survivors depend on emergency shelter, legal advocacy, crisis intervention, counseling, and 24-hour support.

This is why your local support is more essential than ever. When federal funding fails, community donors like you bridge the gap. Your contribution ensures that survivors have a safe place to turn when they need help most—that they can access an advocate to navigate the legal system, find safety for themselves and their children, and receive the support that helps them rebuild their lives.

Your compassion and generosity sustain our work when it matters most. If you have questions or would like to learn more about how we're responding to these challenges, please reach out.

With deep gratitude,
Courtney Olson, Executive Director

Easter Plants



We are offering three different spring plants. If you would like to give one of these plants in loving memory of someone, in honor of someone, or to the glory of God, please check off the plants you prefer and please include the wording you would like. Return the form to Zion's office by either placing it in the offering plate with your contribution or by dropping it off during office hours! **Sunday, March 22nd** is the deadline date and the cost is \$16 per plant.

You may also call or email the office with the wording and plant you would like and send the contribution later.

I (We) would like to place one or more of the following plants for Easter Sunday.

Kalanchoe* Tulip Hyacinths

A Kalanchoe is described as a blooming succulent and is pictured in the upper left corner of this insert.

Wording: In Loving Memory of: In Honor of:

Given By:

Number of plants:

Amount Enclosed:

Envelope #:

Fund #: 13 (office use only)

Deadline Date: Sunday, March 22nd, 2026

Fortune Lake Summer Camp Schedule!

It's time to start planning for Summer 2026, and Fortune Lake has a program for you and your family! Visit Fortunelake.org for more information or registration! You get the early bird discount if you register by March 5. Zion also has scholarships available for students grades 2-12. Please contact the church office to learn more!



**2026
SCHEDULE**

WEEK	DATES	CAMP PROGRAM & AGE/GRADE COMPLETED
Week 1	June 7-12	Victory Camp (Adult 18+ with disabilities)
Week 2	June 14-19	Intergenerational Week (all ages) Treehouse Adventures (Grades 7-12)
Week 3	June 21-26	High School Week (Grades 9-12) LIT Training Week (Grades 10-12)
Week 4	June 28-July 1	Intergenerational Half Week (all ages) Vagabond Half Week (Grades 5-6) LIT #1 Option (*No charge)
	July 5-7	Mighty Ones (Grades 1-2)
Week 5	July 5-8	Mini Camp (Grades 2-3) MashUp (Grades 4-8) LIT #2 Option (*No charge)
	July 5-10	Villager (Grades 3-4) Vagabond (Grades 5-6)
Week 6	July 12-17	Villager (Grades 3-4) Vagabond (Grades 5-6) Venturer (Grades 7-8) LIT #3 Option (*No charge)
Week 7	July 19-24	LEGO® Camp (Grades 3-9) Jr High Night Owl (Grades 6-8) Art Camp (Grades 3-9) Dungeons & Dragons Camp (Grades 6-9) LIT 4 Option (*No charge)
	July 20-23	Onsite Day Camp (Grades K-5)
Week 8	July 26-31	Intergenerational Week (all ages) Jr High Night Owl (Grades 6-8) LIT #5 Option (*No charge)
	July 27-30	Onsite Day Camp (Grades K-5)
Week 9	August 3-6	Evergreen Camp (ages 55+)

*Scholarships
Available*
Everybody is welcome
at camp regardless
of ability to pay!

*LIT program requires an application process. Week #1 has a fee; subsequent weeks do not.

More info at FortuneLake.org

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