

Soup Supper and Midweek Lenten worship TONIGHT

Come and join us for soup, fellowship, and worship at 5:15! We join a number of area churches in providing a meal and worship every Wednesday leading up to Holy Week. The meal is free but we will be collecting a free will offering at the door. Thank you.

A Baptismal Affirmation

On Sunday, March 1st, the last Baptismal Affirmation will be held for 2026. Invitations have already been mailed by the Stewardship and Generosity team to those we knew were baptized in January, February, and March. For those of you who do not know your date of Holy Baptism or those who were not able to attend their baptismal affirmation earlier, please feel free to attend and participate in this one. All we ask that you contact the church office and let Marissa know.

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: Alexandria C.; Vicki G.; Spencer M.; Brooke, Leah, and Jacob R..



Flowers



The altar flowers for Sunday are in honor of Zion members who are recovering from medical procedures. May God bless you on your recovery.

If you would like to sponsor the altar flowers for any given Sunday, please contact Zion's office (715-735-7898 or zion.lutheran.marquette@gmail.com); they cost \$15

What's Around the Corner?

- Feb. 25: Midweek Lenten Soup Supper and Worship at Zion, 5:15 p.m.
March 1: Second Sunday in Lent, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via YouTube.
March 4: Midweek Lenten Soup Supper and Worship, 5:15 p.m. at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Menominee.
March 8: Third Sunday in Lent, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via YouTube. Praise Band Sunday. Daylight Saving Time starts.
March 10: Sew for Missions, 9 a.m.; Council, 6:30 p.m.
March 11: Midweek Lenten Soup Supper and Worship, 5:15 p.m. at Our Savior's, Marinette; Choir, 7 p.m.



Birthday Blessings to You!

Gerald S., Rhoslyn S., George I., Michael B., Diane R., Troy S., Julie W.

Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays This Week

Barbara C., Kenny S., Lawrence M., James M., Rachel K., Heidi B., LeeAnn L., Gage S., Scott G.

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

SPARK Bible Story

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 26; "Abrams Call" based on the reading from Genesis 12:1-4a.

Thank You to Our Worship Leaders!

Thank you to Karen S. for serving as our lector; Johanna Z. as our communion assistant; to Bonnie S. for setting and cleaning up communion; Dean S. as our usher; Ellen B. as our greeter; Henry Z. and Gage S. for handling AV; and Daniel Z. as our acolyte on Sunday



Our servers for next Sunday are Sharon P. as our lector; Karen S. as our communion assistant; Barb G. will be setting and cleaning up communion; Ellen B. as our usher; Karen S. as our greeter; Troy C. and Deb M. will be handling AV; and Anna 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!

March Eternal Light

The Eternal Light for March is in honor and celebration of our Social Ministry team and all of the work they do for our annual world hunger drive.



Choir *Rehearsals*

Choir Rehearsals to Start Back Up!

Zion Senior Choir will begin rehearsing on Wednesday, March 4th at 7 p.m. (note time change due to soup suppers). Our first performance will be Sunday March 29th . All are welcome to come and try the choir. Our rehearsals are an hour and include fellowship, prayer and song. For information please contact Ann B.

Sew for Missions

Sew for Missions is resuming their work starting March 10. The group meets every second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 9 a.m. for work and fellowship. All levels of fabric handling are welcome! Please join us.



Help for the Homeless Collection

Zion is participating in the Help For the Homeless Hygiene Drive again! The drive is in partnership with St. Vincent de Paul, Marinette. 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

Love Your Neighbor

Zion's World Hunger theme this year focuses on Matthew 22:34-40: the greatest commandment and the second, that is like it. Love God. Love Neighbor. That's what we're called to do. Everything else is included in these two commandments.



According to the United Nations, one out of every 11 people in our world are hungry. As members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, we are called to respond. Please help us go where Jesus leads by giving to this year's ELCA World Hunger Appeal. It's easy to give. Give whatever amount suits you. Just designate the amount you want to give to World Hunger and drop it in the offering plate or mail it to Zion.

We'll keep track of our progress on the cry-room windows. For every \$10 given to ELCA World Hunger from now through April 26th we'll add one heart. Let's find out if we can fit 500 hearts around the hands.

The total amount collected will be presented at Synod Assembly on May 16 and sent on to the ELCA to help ease hunger around the world. Thank you!

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](https://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!

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.

Ruth Circle Group

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

March 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 March, we will be collecting items to replenish our school's food pantries.

We're asking for the kind of items that can be sent home with even the youngest kids to prepare for themselves. Your Social Ministry Committee will split the food between the Marinette and Menominee School Districts after the end of the month.



Please donate items that can be eaten as is or can be prepared using only water. Microwavable meals are good. Place your donations in the collection baskets in narthex all month.

Here are some suggestions:

- Meals that are ready to eat such as Chef Boyardee, Dinty Moore, SpaghettiOs, canned fish, chicken, ham, cracker or pretzel snack packs, Pop Tarts, granola bars, breakfast bars, fruit roll ups, beef jerky, trail mix, nuts, dried fruit, fruit and vegetable juices.
- Meals that just need water and a microwave: soups, cereals, oatmeal cups. Many companies make individual serving cups like: A Taste of Thai Noodles, Rice-A-Roni, Idahoan potatoes, Minute Rice.

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

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