

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: Steve and Fay B.; Godfrey and Carrie H.; LeeAnn L.; John R.; Sandra T.



Flowers

The flowers for Sunday are given by Sharon and Colin S. and are in loving memory of Marcella Johnson.

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

What's Around the Corner?

- July 19: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via YouTube. Special music by Anna Marzahl on piano.
- July 26: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via YouTube. Special music by Sophie Limberg.
- July 28: Sew for Missions, 9 a.m.
- August 2: 10th Sunday after Pentecost, 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion and via YouTube.



Birthday Blessings to You!

Samantha O., Ann B., Mason K., Kensley R., Leah R.

Celebrating Baptismal Birthday's This Week!

Charlotte B., Mary B., Al P., Steve B., Diane L., Richelle V.

Helping Hand

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’” (Matt 22:37-39) In the last six months we have had eight requests for financial assistance. Six of those have been for housing, the other two were housing related (utility). In most of these situations, we were last resorts for our neighbors in need. Some of them, at least two of which were families with young children, were facing homelessness if they could not have secured funds. Our Helping Hand well is now dry. Please prayerfully consider donating so we can continue loving our neighbors as ourselves. Thank you.

2027 ELCA National Youth Gathering

If you or youth you know missed the informational meeting, but are still interested in potentially attending, please reach out to Pr. Amanda. Additional information about all of the faith enriching opportunities can be found at

www.elca.org/gathering.



Help Needed!

We are looking for someone who would be willing to sand and paint the picnic table by the garden. Paint will be provided. If you are willing to do this, please contact Ann B. Thank you for your consideration!



Tithes & Offerings for July 7-13

General Fund: \$6,472

Capital Improvement: \$475

Helping Hand Fund: \$740

Fortune Lake's "Pave the Way Campaign": \$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!

Thank You to Our Worship Leaders!

Thank you to Kathy H. for serving as our lector and as our communion assistant; to Bonnie S. for setting and cleaning up communion; to Peggy M. as our usher; to Troy C. and Deb M. for handling AV; to Jane L. as our greeter; and Daniel Z. for serving as our acolyte Sunday!



Our servers for next week are Karen D. as our lector, communion assistant, and she will be setting and cleaning up communion; Karen S. as our usher; Cheryl M. and Sharon P. will be handling AV; and Emma W. as our acolyte.

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



Fall Lifelong Faith Formation Classes

Registration is open for the 2026 Fall Lifelong Faith formation classes. To see what classes are available or to register, people may visit

<https://nglsynod.org/lifelong-faith-formation/>. People may also contact

Sister Noreen S. with questions at 651-815-1145 or

nstevens@nglsynod.org.

VBS: Risen and Renewing: Jesus Makes All Things New

Bethel Lutheran, Zion Lutheran, First Presbyterian, and Pioneer Presbyterian churches of Marinette and Menominee are working together to plan Vacation Bible School for kids and helpers of all ages. VBS will take place Aug. 3-6 from 5 to 7 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 923 5th St. Menominee. You are invited to join us each evening for a free family supper, games, songs, crafts, and Bible stories to learn how Jesus makes all things new. Registration is encouraged to help us secure enough supplies. Registration forms are available at Zion and online on [our site](#). You can also scan the QR code to find the registration form. We hope you can join us! Contact Johanna (johannazuehls@gmail.com) or Pr. Amanda (pramandak3@gmail.com) with questions or to learn how you can volunteer!



Contribution Statements are ready!

Contribution statements with contribution information from January 1 to June 30 are available for pick up on the table outside of the narthex. Please look over your statement carefully and if there is something incorrect, please contact financial secretary Marissa at 715-735-7898. It's good to catch a mistake now than at the end of the year when the yearly statements are ready.



School Aid Collection

We're collecting items to stock the school pantries as they start a new year. The kind of **food items** that can be sent home with even the youngest kids to prepare for themselves and the kind of **personal care items** that teens need but often can't afford. Your Social Ministry Committee will split the collection between the Marinette and Menominee School Districts and deliver them at the beginning of September.

Please donate only new, unopened items. Place your donations in the narthex by the collection baskets between July 5th and August 30th.

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.
- Personal hygiene items such as: shampoo, body wash, deodorant, toothpaste, disposable razors, shaving cream, tampons & pads.

Free Concert at Badger Park August 12

The River Cities Big Band (formerly known as the Community Jazz Ensemble) will hold their local summer concert at **Badger Park on Wednesday, August 12 at 6:00 p.m.** The 19-piece big band (that includes members from Bethel, Emmanuel and Zion Lutheran!) will play a variety of toe-tappin tunes that span from Duke Ellington to Freddie Mercury. Concessions will be available from BSBBQ and Los Magueyes. Please bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on. Thank you to Heritage Hearing and the Peshtigo Parks and Rec Department for sponsoring this free community concert! Follow River Cities Big Band on Facebook or email riverscitiesbigband@gmail.com with questions.

Lutheran Disaster Response in Venezuela

You've likely seen the news that two powerful earthquakes struck Venezuela last week. Entire communities have been shaken to the



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ground. More than 1,700 lives have been confirmed lost so far, thousands more are injured, and countless families are now without shelter, safety or access to necessities. Lutheran Disaster Response is already responding through trusted, long-standing partners in the region, including the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Venezuela (IELV). ELCA partners have deployed assessment teams to affected areas, working together to identify urgent needs, provide immediate relief (e.g. food, shelter, water) and coordinate a plan for long-term assistance.

People can give via the church envelopes or they can give online by visiting www.elca.org/giving/lutheran-disaster-response. People may also send checks directly to the Lutheran Disaster Response by making checks payable to Lutheran Disaster Response (if designated to a specific disaster, please indicate in the memo line) and sending them to:

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
ELCA Gift Processing Center
P.O. Box 1809
Merrifield, VA 22116-8009

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