

In Our Prayers This Week

It is so important that we remember one another in prayer. During this week, please focus your prayers on the following members who were picked randomly: Gina Boucher; Shirley Enderby; Clark, Rita, Brittany, and Nick Kehoe; Dennis Mullen; Dean and Bonnie Schoen.



Flowers

The flowers for Sunday are in celebration of the new year!

Please call Zion's office (715-735-7898) or send an email (Zion@newbc.rr.com) if you would like to sponsor the flowers for a specific Sunday. The cost is \$15.

What's Around the Corner?

- Jan. 1: Office closed. Happy New Year!
Jan. 5: Second Sunday of Christmas, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Pastor Amanda's first Sunday. Coffee hour to follow worship.
Jan. 8: SPARK, 5:30 p.m., Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 12: Baptism of Our Lord, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Christmas decorations to be taken down after worship.
Jan. 14: Sew for Missions, 9 a.m., Council meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 15: SPARK, 5:30 p.m., Confirmation, 6:30 p.m.

Update on the Annual Report and Annual Meeting!

If you are responsible for a yearly write up for the annual report, please email it or drop it off at Zion's office by January 15th! The report will be ready for the congregation by Sunday, January 19th.

Our Annual Meeting will be held Sunday, January 26th following the service.



Birthday Blessings to You

January 10: Johanna Zuehls

Office to be Closed

Zion's office will be closed on Wednesday, January 1st, due to the holiday. Please plan your visits accordingly and thank you for understanding!



Ruth Circle Group

The Ruth Group will meet Thursday, January 16th, at Zion at 4 p.m. The group will have their holiday dinner that was rescheduled.

Zion to Host Blood Drive

Zion is hosting a blood drive January 17 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the social hall. To make an appointment, people may call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or [schedule an appointment online.](#)



Blood Drive

Thank you to our Worship Assistants!

Thank you to Karen Dill for serving as our lector, communion assistant, and for setting and cleaning up communion; to Mark Swenson for serving as usher; to Henry Zuehls and Gage Schutt for handling AV; and to Elsa Emler as our acolyte on Sunday.



The volunteers for next Sunday are Sue Baxter as our lector and she will be setting and cleaning up communion; Karen Sylvester as our communion assistant; Deb Mylener as our usher; Troy Cording and Deb Mylener 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!



Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays this Week

January 7: Carol Magnuson

January 8: Naomi Dumke

January 9: Jaclynn Knopik and Mary Thielen

January 10: Ainsley Emler

January 11: Barb Bereza

January Eternal Light

The Eternal Light for the month January is in honor of the new year and new beginnings. May God bless us all as we start this new year!



Tithes & Offerings for 24-31

General Fund: \$5,676.86

Christmas: \$647

Altar Flowers: \$30

Advent: \$10

Sanctuary Candle: \$26

Sew for Missions: \$40

Social Hall Floor: \$25

Thank you so very much for your continued giving and generosity. Every little bit helps. You are making a difference! Again, thank you!

Upcoming Coffee Hour

There will be a Coffee Hour on January 5th which will be a welcoming gathering for Pastor Amanda.

Coffee Hours are held directly after service but are only held if someone sponsors it. If you would like to sponsor or hold a coffee hour, call the office at 715-735-7898 to reserve a date!



SPARK Bible Story

The SPARK Story Bible reading for Sunday is found on page 240; “Jesus the Word” based on the reading from John 1:1-18.



January Conference-Wide Youth Event

Menominee Valley Conference Youth between 6th-12th grade will be meeting at Second Chances Thrift Shoppe (1406 10th Avenue, Menominee) on Saturday, January 11 at 12:00 p.m. We will assist with serving lunch at Abundant Life Mission and help with tasks at the Thrift Shoppe until 3:00 p.m. After volunteering, we will walk over to Bethel Lutheran Church for pizza and games. Parents may pick up youth at Bethel (1309 14th Avenue, Menominee) at 4:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Stefanie at youthcoordinator@nglsynod.org so we know how many volunteers to expect.

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Thrift Shoppe



Upcoming Retreats at Fortune Lake

“Renew and Restore” Young Adult Retreat

- Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp is hosting its annual young adult retreat February 21-23, 2025. The retreat is open for people age 18-30. The weekend will feature time to relax and recharge in a self-guided retreat model, opportunities to worship and spend time in nature, and discussions about burnout. And, the first 30 people to register only pay \$30 to attend if they use the code YA2025 during registration. To learn more and to register, people may go to fortunelake.org

“Sacred Waters” Youth Retreat

- Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp is hosting a youth retreat April 4-5, 2025. The retreat is open for kids in grades 3-6. The retreat will feature bible studies, campfire worship, camp games and songs! To learn more and to register, people may go to fortunelake.org

“In The Body” Retreat

- Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp is hosting a retreat for middle and high schoolers April 11-12 2025. This retreat is facilitated by Rachel Kurtz who is a singer, songwriter, speaker, and storyteller who has been performing for almost 20 years and has performed at 6 ELCA Youth Gatherings. The retreat will feature bible studies, worship, an adult leader workshop, and camp style games and songs. To learn more and to register, people may go to fortunelake.org

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