

## 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: Troy Cording; Thomas and Mary Hayward; Sydney Lund; Harold and Sally Peterson; Adam, Calista, and Fyfe Thill.



## Flowers



The flowers for Sunday are in loving memory of Maryellen Radloff.

Please call Zion's office (715-735-7898) or send an email [Zion@newbc.rr.com](mailto: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. 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.; Stewardship and Generosity Committee meeting, 10 a.m.; Council meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
Jan. 15: SPARK, 5:30 p.m., Confirmation, 6:30 p.m. Annual Report write-ups due.  
Jan. 17: Blood Drive, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Jan. 19: Second Sunday after Epiphany, 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion and via Facebook Live. Contemporary service. There will be a meeting after the service for anyone interested in helping plan our 150th anniversary celebration.



## Birthday Blessings to You

January 13: Oliver Swenson

January 15: Marilyn Gould, Dianne Slack and Bethany Wolf

January 18: Gina Boucher

## Thank you to our Worship Assistants!

Thank you to Sue Baxter for serving as our lector and for setting and cleaning up communion; to Karen Sylvester for serving as our communion assistant; to Deb Mylener for serving as usher; to Troy Cording and Deb Mylener for handling AV; and to Presley Schroeder as our acolyte on Sunday.



The volunteers for next Sunday are Karen Sylvester as our lector; Kathy Heimbuch as our communion assistant; Deb Mylener as our usher; Barb Grom will be setting and cleaning up communion; Cheryl Maxwell and Sharon Powilaites will be handling AV; and Jacob Marzahl 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!

## **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.



### **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](#).

### **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.



### **Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays this Week**

January 15: Susan Fischer

January 17: Addalynn Brown

January 18: Spencer Martin

### **Tithes & Offerings for Jan. 1-6**

General Fund: \$7,958.78

Christmas: \$505

Altar Flowers: \$45

NEWCAP: \$10

School Food Pantry: \$20

Helping Hand Fund: \$100

Boiler Fund: \$50

Initial: \$85

AV Equipment: \$500

Community Garden: \$75

Capital Improvement Fund: \$130

*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**

Coffee Hours are held directly after service but are only held if someone sponsors it. The Coffee Committee will make coffee and handle the cleanup when someone sponsors the treats. 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 242; “Jesus’ Baptism” based on the reading from Luke 3:15-17, 21-22.



### **January Conference-Wide Youth Event**

Menominee Valley Conference Youth between 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade will be meeting at Second Chances Thrift Shoppe (1406 10<sup>th</sup> 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 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Menominee) at 4:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Stefanie at [youthcoordinator@nglsynod.org](mailto:youthcoordinator@nglsynod.org) so we know how many volunteers to expect.

### **January and 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. During January & February we will be collecting items to replenish our school’s food pantries and clothes closets.

We’re asking for the kind of food items that can be sent home with even the youngest kids to prepare for themselves and hygiene products and underclothes for students from K-12.

A list is available in the newsletter and in the collection area of the narthex. Thank you so much!

### **Lifelong Faith Formation Classes for Winter Are Open!**

In its fifth year, Lifelong Faith Formation is one way for people of the Northern Great Lakes Synod, and beyond, to be church together. Join the conversation. Enjoy fellowship. Grow in faith as you study the Bible, church traditions, and contemporary concerns. **Please register at least one week prior to the date your class begins.**

All classes are held online via Zoom, with one exception. “Take and Eat” is meeting in person, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Escanaba. Courses are FREE but may require the purchase of textbooks or other materials.

Classes available are:

- Introduction to Biblical Greek: Part 2
- Walking With Our Indigenous Neighbors
- Take and Eat: A Study of Food and Spirituality, from Holy Communion to Potlucks
- Revelation – Revealing a Book of Hope & Comfort: Part 1
- Growing Younger: Sharing Ideas and Strategies to Engage Young People

Contact Deacon Lori Ward if you have any questions about Lifelong Faith Formation at (615) 519-1969 or [lori.ward@nglsynod.org](mailto:lori.ward@nglsynod.org). To register, people may visit [nglsynod.org/lifelong-faith-formation](http://nglsynod.org/lifelong-faith-formation).



## **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!



## **NORTHLAND LUTHERAN**

RETIREMENT COMMUNITY, INC

***Our Mission*** ...Motivated by Christ's love for all people, we are led to serve the spiritual, emotional, physical, and housing needs of the Elderly and Disabled...

Northland is a ministry of your congregation and appreciates the support you provide through prayer and volunteer efforts. Listed below are the operations of Northland and the ***need for Board Members***. We hope you will consider supporting our mission by volunteering to serve on one of the boards.

**Northland Foundation** – maintains investments and distributes proceeds of Those investments for various corporate and resident needs -One (1) board member needed

**Luther Home/Luther Manor** – skilled nursing, rehab, and assisted living. One (1) Board vacancy

**Northland Terrace Estates and Homes** – independent living. One (1) Board vacancy.

**Interfaith Manor and New Hope Heights** – subsidized apartment living for seniors in Menominee. One (1) Board vacancy.

**Northland Village** –subsidized apartment living for seniors in Marinette. One (1) Board vacancy.

The above Boards meet 5 times each year in February, April, June, Sept., and November. Meetings usually take 1 to 1.5 hours.

**Northland Lutheran Retirement Community, Inc.** is the sole member organization of all the above listed entities. This Board oversees the operations of all Northland operations. One (1) at large member needed. The NLRC Board meets 10-11 times per year.

If interested in serving on one of the above Northland boards, contact Darrell Lancour, CEO at 715-732-5656 or [lancd@northlandlutheran.org](mailto:lancd@northlandlutheran.org). **We offer a virtual option to in person attendance through Go-To- Meeting.**

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