

THANK YOU!!

To all who have so generously given to our Augustana Hall Roofing project. Those who gave in August are:

Bob & Lila Panek

Carl & Violet Sundling

Frank & Shirley Leitgeb

Joanne Nelson

Harry & Verda Kreuzwieser

Liz Macklem

Randy & Cindy Olli

Terry Williams

Jane Leonard

Those who gave in September are:

John Barry

Bob & Lila Panek

Frank & Shirley Leitgeb

John & Donna Gauthier

Elvin Hepker

Ruth Jones

Joanne Nelson

Bill & Donna Mott

Teddy Nelson

Dorothy Brandstrom

Carl & Violet Sundling

Liz Macklem

Sheila Clark

Harry Mageski

Mike & Kaye Jarski

Virginia Scherer

Gary & Cindy Kayser

Harry & Verda Kreuzwieser

Naomi Fletcher

Those who gave in October are:

Sheila Clark

Ruth Jones

Arvid & Arliss Larson

Frank & Shirley Leitgeb

Naomi Fletcher

Memory of Signe & Mary Ellen Cameron

Catherine Wargo

Harry & Verda Kreuzwieser

Teddy Nelson

Wayne & Brenda Fleck

Robert & Lila Panek

Elizabeth Macklem

Coffee Hour

Karin Sjogren

Jane Leonard

The balance as of September 30th was \$46,194.00. As of October 28th the balance is \$44, 173.00



Thank you to everyone who participated in our fall stewardship program. We have 44 individuals/families pledging \$74,724.00 for 2020. This compares to 66 pledges for \$108,442.00 for 2019. If you have not yet had an opportunity to turn in your commitment card, there is still time!

Congratulations to Beckett Maline and his family on the occasion of Beckett's First Communion!

All Saints Sunday – November 2nd & 3rd

By lighting candles, we remember those who have joined God's heavenly kingdom in the past year. Glass angels, furnished by the Endowment Fund, are presented to the families of Zion loved ones who have died. They include: **David Eriksen, Charles Miske, Esther Longhurst, Carol Carlson, David Bloom, Joseph VanDyke and Lydia Hulla.**



Soup with the Saints

Please join the Congregational Council in celebration of All Saints Sunday with our traditional Soup with the Saints luncheon. This will follow the worship service on

November 3rd. The Council will provide soup, sandwiches, and dessert.

Zion Quilters Thank You!

Many thanks go out to all of you who helped the Zion Lutheran Quilting program this past quilting year! Many people gave of their time to do the numerous tasks that were needed to complete over 200 quilts. Several people were also involved in the packaging of the quilts for shipping and delivery to Gladstone. Thank you for the donations of fabric, sheets, batting, blankets, thread, crochet cotton, other supplies and monetary gifts. They were greatly appreciated. Thank you to Rick Pink for taking all the boxes to Gladstone.

If anyone would like to join us on Monday mornings, 9:15am, please feel free to do so. If you have any questions, please ask a Zion Quilter or contact either chairperson, Kaye Jarski or Mary Ansell.

Thanks to Bob Kreuzwieser for readying our building for winter. The covers went on the air conditioners and the walkway from the parking lot to Augustana Hall has been enclosed.



Daylight Savings Time ends November 3rd.
Don't forget to set your clocks back one
hour on Saturday night, or you could be way
too early for church on Sunday morning!

Join us for Bible Study

The Monday night Bible study group will be
meeting at 6:30, every 2nd and 4th Mondays.



Pr. Eleanor Russey will be leading our study. The book "*The Mission Table*" by Stephen Bouman, will be the focus of our
study this fall. If you have any questions about this
opportunity for study, please contact the office.

Five people from our congregation attended Walking
Together at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Escanaba on
October 24th. This is an event sponsored by the Northern
Great Lakes Synod. The Bible study focuse on Psalm 121,
"I lift up my eyes to the hills..."

We were reminded that prayer is a crucial ingredient for
effectiveness in congregational mission and ministry.
Without a strong focus on prayer, a congregation will not
be truly transformed. A praying church is a vital church. A

vital church is a church meeting the needs of its members and a church in mission to it's neighbors.

NEWS FROM THE SACRED PLACES COMMITTEE!

The next phase of the restoration process of our church is nearly complete. Kelley Whaley of Detroit has been here since October 22nd painting and stenciling the chancel area. Using pictures we have that were taken when the church was first built, the artistry is being eplicated. Stop in and see Kelley's beautiful and detailed work. We need to send out a huge Thank You to Will Barker for the donation of scaffolding for use during this project and for the many times he has expertly moved it for Kelley. 😊
(check out our facebook page and the website)

The Manistique Ministerial Association is sponsoring a special training for interested people to consider the need for church security. The training will take place on November 11, 2019 at 4:00pm at the First United Methodist Church. Please contact Linda Levin for more information.



We are once again filling **six baskets for Thanksgiving**. There are sign-up sheets posted in Augustana Hall if you are able to help. All items need to be at the church by November 24th. They will be delivered on that day. Also if you can help with delivery, please contact the office.

The **Community Thanksgiving Worship** sponsored by the Manistique Ministerial Association will be held on Tuesday, November 26th, at 7:00pm, at First United Methodist Church.



Salvation Army Bell Ringing

We have signed up for Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Jack's Market on November 23rd from 9:00am to 6:00pm . There is a sign up sheet in Augustana Hall for those who would like to volunteer.



The **55th Festival of Lessons and Carols**, is scheduled for December 8th, 3:00pm at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church. Our own Rebecca Peterson is directing the mass choir! This service is always a wonderful way to celebrate the Advent/Christmas season.

Circle News

The **Sarah Circle** will meet Monday, November 4th, in the conference room at 1:00pm.

The **Joy Circle** will be meeting in the conference room on November 14th, at 10:00am. If have the Gather Magazine, be sure to bring it.

The **Priscilla Circle** will be going to lunch at Big Boy on Tuesday, November 19th, at 12:15pm.

The **Ruth Circle** will be meeting on Wednesday, November 20th, at 11:30am at Big Boy for lunch.

The **Hope Circle** will meet on Thursday, November 21st at 6:00pm in the conference room.

There are **several opportunities** to help with Flowers for the Altar, Bulletin, Bread, & Wine, Coffee-Fellowship Hours and greeters. Please check the sign-up sheets posted in Augustana Hall.

Upcoming Scripture Readings

November 3 —All Saints Sunday

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18, Psalm 149, Ephesians 1:11-23, Luke 6:20-31

November 10—Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Job 19:23-27a, Psalm 17:1-9, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Luke 20:27-38

November 17—Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Malachi 4:1-2a, Psalm 98, 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13,

Luke 21:5-19

November 24—Christ the King Sunday

Jeremiah 23:1-6, Psalm 46, Colossians 1:11-20, Luke 23:33-43

NOISY OFFERINGS

October 2019—World Hunger \$115.25

Joy circle would like to recognize the older generation in our church family. We thank you for your generous support and work you have done over the many years with all the needs of the church. There are so many who have contributed with their time and talent, we would like to name each and every one, but for fear of missing one we will just say a big THANK YOU!!! It is with pleasure we are making a donation in your

honor to the Nordic Fund for the restoration of our beautiful paintings.

God bless you always and keep you in his care

It's time once again to think about purchasing a Poinsettia to help decorate the Sanctuary. Look for more information in your weekly bulletins and the December *Beacon*.



SAVE THE DATE: Our traditional Sankta Lucia program will be December 14, 2019 at 1:00pm.



The Children's Program is scheduled for December 22, 2019 during the morning worship.

This year there will be one worship service on Christmas Eve at 4:00pm. Pastor Eleanor Russey will be presiding.



October Congregation Council Highlights

- +October was Stewardship Month at Zion. Thank you to all of you who have returned your pledge card. The Stewardship Drive culminates on October 27th with a celebration potluck.
- +October 20, 2019 will be designated World Hunger Sunday.
- +The Sunday School Christmas Program will be held during morning worship on December 22, 2019.
- +We will have ONE Christmas Eve service this year – December 24 at 4:00 p.m. Pastor Eleanor Russey has graciously offered to preside at the service.
- +The next phase of the Sacred Places grant will begin in late October with the painting of the chancel area in church followed by the application of the stenciling that was original to the church.
- +The Backpack Buddies program is now serving nearly 100 students at Emerald Elementary School and 7 children at Head Start. Gifts of food as well as monetary gifts are always welcomed.
- +The Manistique Ministerial Association will be offering a training for church leaders to help churches consider church security.
- +Zion will fill six Thanksgiving baskets this year for families in our community. Sign-up sheets will be posted in Augustana Hall.
- +The annual Festival of Lessons and Carols will be held Sunday, December 8 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Francis DeSales Catholic Church. Rebecca Peterson will be directing the mass choir.

+Six council and congregation members will be attending Walking Together, an gathering sponsored by the Northern Great Lake Synod.

+Soup with the Saints was set for November 3rd following the morning worship. The Congregation Council will be hosting this lunch.

The Backpack Buddies program has greatly expanded its work this fall. 105 students at Emerald and 12 students at Headstart are receiving ready-to-eat food for the weekend. The program is in need of your donations of food and money.

Thank you to Jo-Nell Berger and Kathy Peterson for heading up this much needed project of our congregation.

Backpack Buddies Food Donations Requested

**Individually packaged items work best for the children.

***Pop tops on cans, if possible.

Cereal boxes

Pop Tarts Breakfast bars

Mac N Cheese

Ramen Noodles

Cans of Spaghetios/Raviolis

Fruit Cups

Applesauce Cups

Pudding/Jell-o Cups

Dried Fruit

Microwave Popcorn Bags

Cheese-N-Crackers/Peanut Butter

Rice Krispie Bars

Animal /Graham Crackers

NEWS FROM THE NORTHERN GREAT LAKES SYNOD

2019 Hurricane Response

The situation:

Hurricane Dorian has hit the Bahamas with devastating force, leading to major damage and a growing number of reported deaths. The storm moved along the southeastern coast of the United States, threatening our neighbors with dangerous winds and life-threatening storm surge.

Our response:

Lutheran Disaster Response is in communication with the Florida-Bahamas Synod, the South Carolina Synod, the North Carolina Synod, Lutheran Services Carolinas and other partners who are preparing to respond. We are ready to stand by our neighbors as they recover from this hurricane and any others the 2019 season may bring.

What you can do:

Pray

Please pray for people who have been affected by hurricanes. May God's healing presence give them peace and hope in their time of need.

Give

Your gifts designated for “[Hurricane Response](#)” will be used entirely (100 percent) for direct response until it is complete. Together, we can help provide immediate and long-lasting support for those whose lives have been

impacted by hurricanes.

Looking for a Good Devotional Resource?

Check out our synod website and the "Prayfaithfully Resource". People from our synod write weekly devotionals.

Go to www.nglsynod.org/prayfaithfully to explore this resource. Make daily devotions a part of your routine. You'll be blessed by this inspiring discipline.

Maybe God is inspiring you to write for this synod devotional resource.

If interested, contact Betsy Koski in the Synod Office, 906-228-2300 or bakoski@nglsynod.org.

Mission Interpreters Needed

Pastor Jim is still looking for Mission Interpreters. Mission Interpreters visit a congregation and thank people for their mission support and tell the mission story of our synod. God is at work and these stories need to be told! If you like your church, and don't mind speaking in front of people, perhaps God is calling you to be a Mission Interpreter. Call Pastor Jim Duehring at the Synod Office to learn more: 906-228-2300.

Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp News:

Adoptive & Foster Families Retreat

Start: November 1 @ 6 pm End: November 3 @ 11 am

Cost: Check pricing table

Ages: All

UFO (Unfinished Object Crafter's Retreat

Do you have an arts or crafts project that has been tucked away for years, waiting for your attention? Commit to finishing it on this fantastic weekend away with other crafters!

Start: November 15 @ 6 pm End: November 17 @ 11 am

Cost \$90.00

Winter Wonderland Retreat

Start: Jan 17, 2020 @ 6 pm End: Jan 10, 2020 at 6 pm

Cost: See Pricing Table

Ages: All

~From the Bishop~

“For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven: a time to be born and a time to die.”
~Ecclesiastes 3:1

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, On Sunday,

September 15, 2019, First Lutheran Church of Dollar Bay, Michigan closed. For 119 years, the people of First Lutheran faithfully strived to be a blessing, not only to the people of Dollar Bay, but also to our Synod and to the world. The worship service on September 15th celebrated these 119 years. I am thankful for the many people from all over the conference and neighboring congregations who came to support the people of First, adding their voices to the We don't want it to be true, but a congregation can be faithful, with a clear sense of mission and purpose, and still close. This season of our time in church life takes place in a culture of shifting ground. Congregational life and the mission of the church is happening today in the midst of changing paradigms, attitudes, priorities and more that have nothing to do with who we are as Church. Yet, they have everything to do with who we are as Church. You have no doubt heard it before, but I will say it again, the

Church and your church are in the midst of challenges that previous generations did not face. The Church globally is growing (Ethiopians and Tanzanians comprise the largest segments of booming and expanding Lutheran congregations), and we are glad for this, but this good news doesn't make our future path any clearer. There is no pill, or program, or exercise that will guarantee any congregation's future sustainability. But my hope is that even in the face of uncertainty, our focus would be on the most basic purpose of what a church is for... . proclaiming Christ crucified and risen and all the attending comfort, challenges, ministry, fellowship, worship, witness and faith formation efforts that this proclamation requires. Even in its closing, First was mindful of its mission. They could have chosen to eke out an existence until the last nickel and dime was spent. Instead, they were proactive, choosing a time for this purpose so that they could share any remaining resources with other local congregations, conference partners, and the greater Church. We give thanks for the ministry of First Lutheran Church in Dollar Bay, and the blessing that this congregation was to so many.

Yours in Christ, Bishop Katherine Finegan

Dear Zion Lutheran Women,
Thank you so much for being a part of the "Fall 2019 Cluster". It was a beautiful day and to have 36 women together in Christ is marvelous! the check for \$135.00 for your Back Pack program will be coming from our S.W.O. treasurer.

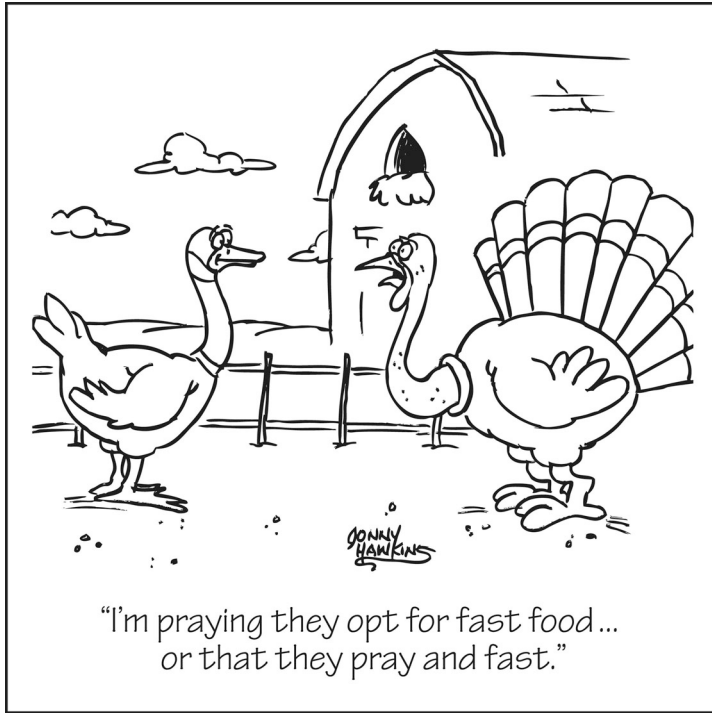
God Bless,
Calvary Rapid River





**Serving Zion with
Altar Flowers,
Bulletin, Bread & Wine, & Fellowship**

Date	Altar Flowers	Bulletin, Bread & Wine	Fellowship Hour
Nov 3	Bellville Family	Bellville Family	Soup with the Saints
Nov 10	***open***	Mike & Kaye Jarski	Joy Circle
Nov 17	Betty DeSautel & Jeanne Gundersen	Jeanne Gundersen	Sarah Circle
Nov 24	***open***	Carole Johnson	***open***



Thanksgiving Beatitudes

Be thankful that you don't already have everything you desire. If you did, what would there be to look forward to?

Be thankful when you don't know something, for it gives you the opportunity to learn.

Be thankful for the difficult times. During those times you grow.

Be thankful for your limitations, because they give you opportunities for improvement.

Be thankful for each new challenge, because it will build your strength and character.

Be thankful for your mistakes. They will teach you valuable lessons.

Be thankful when you're tired and weary, because it means you've made a difference.

—Author unknown

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