



Simple Soup Suppers will be served each Wednesday beginning on March 4th, before worship at 5:30pm. There is a sign up sheets posted in Augustana Hall for soup, bread and bars/cookies, or see Ruth Jones if you are able to help.

Midweek Lenten Services:

This year as our Lenten discipline, we will be considering of the passion according to **Mark** as our Bible study. Each week we will gather in Augustana Hall at 6:30 for a brief service that includes hymns, scripture, prayer.



March 4—The Last Supper

March 11—The Garden Scene

March 18—Before the High Priests and Betrayal

March 25—Before Pilate

April 1—On the Cross

We hope that you will join with members of our church family as we journey through Lent with Mark.



Daylight Savings Time starts Sunday March 8th. Be sure to set your clocks **ahead** one hour on Saturday night or you could be late for church on Sunday morning!



Girl Scout Week begins on *Girl Scout Sunday*, March 8th. This is the day Girl Scouts around the country are recognized as Girl Scouts in their faith communities. This year we have two Girl Scouts in our congregation, Aurora Demers and Aiyonna Swisher. Be sure to greet them and let them know how proud we are that they are making this commitment to service in their community.

Our Annual Meeting and Potluck luncheon was held on February 9th. There was a great variety of yummy food and after lunch it was time to get down to business. Jo-Nell Berger was elected to the Church Council for a three-year term and Cindy Olli was elected for a two-year term that was vacated by Mary Hicks. Our outgoing council member is Larry Peterson. We would like to thank him for his dedication and service to our congregation. Shirley Leitgeb & Karen Klaus will be our delegates at the Synod Assembly in May and Larry & Rebecca Peterson will be the delegates to the Conference meeting in October.

Circle News

Sarah Circle and Priscilla Circle have merged. For those who would like to go out lunch before the meeting, we will go to Big Boy at 12:15. We will then meet at, 1:15pm, Tuesday, March 3rd in the Conference Room.

Joy Circle will meet March 12th, 10:00am, in the Conference Room. Be sure to bring your "Gather" magazine.

Ruth Circle will meet at Big Boy for lunch on March 18th, 11:30am.

Hope Circle will meet March 19th, 6:00pm, in the Conference Room.

The Monday night Bible study group meets at 6:30, every 2nd and 4th Monday. Pr. Eleanor Russey is leading our study. Starting March 9th we will be studying the Psalms. Bring your Bible and your favorite Psalm. If you have any questions about this opportunity for study, please contact the office.



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NOISY OFFERINGS

February 2020 Lutheran Disaster Relief \$103.71



Thank you for your donation of \$84.59. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. God Bless!

First United Methodist Church,
Manistique

You've made a life less difficult today, with your gift to Beacon House! Thank you for your gift of \$57.39 to the Operation Overnight.

Sincerely,

Ann Lahaie, Volunteer

Dear Partners in Ministry,

Grace and peace to you as we see Christ more and more clearly in the growing light of the season.

Clear vision involves hindsight as well as looking forward. As we look back on 2019, I am grateful for all that your congregation has contributed to our work together for the purposes of God in Christ Jesus.

As we step into this year, I pray for a clear vision of what our next steps can be and all that will be made possible through your generosity and the blessings of God.

Thank you for your participation in all that God is doing in the through our Synod partnership through your gift to one or more of the following ministry efforts:

Answer the Call-\$89.07

World Hunger-\$759.25

\$160.00

\$462.53

\$809.15

Always Being Made New-\$89.07

\$7.11

Yours in Christ,

Bishop Katherine Finegan

Dear Zion Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your generous gift of \$30.00 to Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) ministries through ELCA Good Gifts.

Your Good Gift is a very good gift, indeed. With resources like seedlings and seminary courses, vaccinations and vegetable gardens, Bibles and blankets, you're equipping God's people—around the world and around the corner—with what they need to live abundant lives.

Thank you for your leadership in the vital ministries that we do together—and for your very good gift!

In God's abundant grace,

Rachel Wind

Executive for Development

(this money purchased chicks)

Greetings Friends of Fortune Lake!

Oh how abundantly the blessings have flowed this past year! Thank you for your commitment to financially supporting outdoor ministries in this place of grace! 2019 brought an uptick in camper numbers, with 553 campers participating in our onsite programs, and 340 partaking in our congregation-based day camps. Additionally, we've experienced a dramatic rise in retreat participants and rental groups in the fall and winter months, prompting us to hire a part-time Hospitality Coordinator. We love have camp so full, as we seek to connect God's word with God's world, so that all people may grow in faith. I'd like to share a few examples of how God has touched lives through Fortune Lake's ministries:

I liked being able to learn about Jesus without it being boring—Venturer Camper

I honestly felt a barrier to introducing church and faith to my kids and this blew a big hole in that wall!—Family Camper

Our week was very successful! The children were eager to learn through the scriptures, songs, and games that your counselors shared with them. I am certain that they have made memories that will last a lifetime.—Day Camp Congregation

None of these experiences would have been possible without generous support of donors like you! Thank you!

Grace & Peace,

Amanda Rasner

Camp Director

Upcoming Scripture Readings

March 1 —First Sunday in Lent

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7, Psalm 32, Romans 5:12-19, Matthew 4:1-11

March 8—Second Sunday in Lent

Genesis 12:1-4a, Psalm 121, Romans 4:1-5, 13-17, John 3:1-17

March 15—Third Sunday in Lent

Exodus 17:1-7, Psalm 95, Romans 5:1-11, John 4:5-42

March 22—Fourth Sunday in Lent

1 Samuel 16:1-13, Psalm 23, Ephesians 5:8-14, John 9:1-41

March 29—Fifth Sunday in Lent

Ezekiel 37:1-14, Psalm 130, Romans 8:6-11, John 11:1-45

News From the Northern Great Lakes Synod

2020 Synod Assembly

Mark your calendars and plan to join us for Synod Assembly May 14-16, 2020 at Gloria Dei, Hancock and Finlandia University! The theme of the Assembly is “Be Thou My Vision 2020.”

Award Nominations Are Open

The World Hunger Committee is accepting nominations for the 2020 Big Bear and Bread Basket Awards, which will be presented at the 2020 Synod Assembly. Please use the following guidelines to submit your nomination:

- Nominees for the Big Bear Award must be a **group** (committee, task force, team, etc.) of a Northern Great Lakes Synod congregation that has made an exemplary effort in the area of hunger ministry.
- Nominees for the Bread Basket Award must be an **individual** of a Northern Great Lakes Synod congregation that has made an exemplary effort in the area of hunger ministry.

You can download the nomination forms, complete the information and return to the Northern Great Lakes Synod by April 1, 2020.

No effort is too small or too big to be nominated!

UP Wild

Did you know that there is a new and imaginative ministry effort in the Marquette area? It is called "UP Wild." Lanni Lantto has been called to this mission development work with the support of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Michigan and the Northern Great Lakes Synod. Check out the UP Wild [website](http://upeciscopal.org) to learn more. Lanni can be reached at upeciscopal.org.

Rebuilding Teams Request

Lutheran Disaster Response in the Virgin Islands is seeking construction teams of 10-20 members to assist with rebuilding hurricane-damaged homes for low-income senior citizens on the island of Saint Croix, USVI. The work mostly includes repairing and replacing roofs, which requires volunteers to provide construction labor.

For more information, contact Chris Finch, Director of Lutheran Disaster Response at (340) 690-8169 or email stcroixrebuilding@lssvi.org.

Prayfaithfully Devotions

Check out [Prayfaithfully](#) on our Synod website!

People from the Northern Great Lakes Synod write weekly devotionals. Make daily devotions a part of your routine, you'll be blessed by this inspiring discipline. Check out our upcoming devotions:

February 16-22 by Pastor Kari Vadis

February 23-29 by Evelyn Gathu

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.

News From Fortune Lake

Senior Days

March 9, 2020 & May 11, 2020

Senior Day is a wonderful way to reconnect with old friends and make a few new ones along the way! Gather in the Dining Hall from 10 am – 2 pm and enjoy a delightful day at FLLC, including a devotion, program, lunch, and fellowship! A \$10 donation per participant is requested. Please RSVP by Friday, March 6 and/or Friday, May 8 by calling (906) 214-2267.

Mark you calendars, August 8, 2020! Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp is Celebrating 90 Years!! Come and enjoy an original musical "*One Wonderful Day*", written by FLLC alumni, performed by Musical Theatre Week campers. Look for more information to come or visit their website at www.fortunelake.org.