



Zion Lutheran Church

435 Oak Street
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The Beacon

November 2025 Newsletter

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

Sunday 11:00 a.m. Worship in person & Via Zoom

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September Office Hours SUBJECT TO CHANGE

The church office will be open summer hours Tuesday evening from 4:30-6:30 pm, and Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 9:00 am-12:00 pm. The office will be **CLOSED** on Fridays. Office hours are now included on the Calendar enclosed in each month's newsletter. **If you have questions, concerns or are in need of pastoral care please contact Pastor Duehring at 906-251-0247.**

Join us for Worship!

Saturday 5 pm Worship in the Sanctuary

Sunday 11:00 am Worship is a hybrid service. You can join us in person or over Zoom. Holy Communion is served for those joining us in person.

To join Sunday worship over Zoom, go to our church website and click on the pink words "Join our Zoom Worship" under the worship times. Click Open or Open Link in the dialog box that pops up to join the call. If you don't see a pop-up dialog box, click the blue Launch Meeting button. You can also join by phone. No computer necessary! Call 1-305-2241968 and enter the following ID# **95619440999**, Passcode 49854.

PLEASE NOTE:

ZOOM information has CHANGED. Please update any saved information to reflect the new ID# noted above.

From the



Pastor's desk

PASTOR'S NOTES

Thanksgiving can never be a command. It can only be an invitation. Thanksgiving is a predominate biblical theme. Here are some great biblical passages on thanksgiving:

1 Chronicles 16:34

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

Psalms 9:1

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

Psalms 100:4

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!

Psalms 147:7

Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre!

Philippians 4:6

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Revelation 7:12

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."



In our Christian tradition we have this amazing sacrament called Holy Communion or the Eucharist. Eucharist comes from the Greek word meaning "to give thanks." Christians are thankful for the sacrificial love of Christ which offers salvation to the entire world.

Thankful people are what make the world work. So, we all do well to answer the invitation to be thankful. Thanksgiving...try it. You'll be better for it.

Please note that there will be an Ecumenical Thanksgiving Worship Service 7pm on Tuesday, **November 25** at First United Methodist Church, 190 N. Cedar Street, Manistique. All are welcome to come and give thanks. This worship is sponsored by the Manistique Ministerial Association. It is good when Christian siblings come together to worship God and give thanks!

Looking ahead...

November 30 is the First Sunday in Advent as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ

December 7 (3pm) is the 60th Annual Lessons & Carols at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

In Christ,

Pastor Jim Duehring, Administrative Interim for Zion Lutheran

NOVEMBER ITEMS TO NOTE:

- Nov 1 – 2:** All Saints Remembrance.
- Nov 20:** Backpack Buddies
- Nov 25:** Thanksgiving Service-United Methodist Church, 7:00 pm



October Noisy Offering

The October Noisy Offering of \$75.00 was given to Eva Burrell Animal Shelter. November's Noisy Offering will go to Manistique Ministerial Association. The Noisy Offering is collected on the third weekend of each month.

Women's Circles



If you are interested in joining one of our women's circles for Bible study, work projects and fun, please contact the church office or the following group leaders for more information:

Sarah Circle – Ruth Jones

Joy Circle – Bonnie Groh

Hope Circle – Sheila Clark or Julie Gauthier

The Joy Circle meets Nov 13 at 10:00 am. Auction and Potluck to follow meeting

Backpack Buddies



Monetary donations or donations of food are always needed! **Your donations would help more as we approach the fall and winter and as local resources dwindle for our low-income families.**

Dates for the year:

November 20, 2025 (3rd Thursday)

December 18, 2025 (3rd Thursday)

January 22, 2026

February 26, 2026

March 26, 2026

April 23, 2026

May 28, 2026

Church Attendance Report

	Saturday	Sunday	Zoom
Oct 4/5	15	51	3
Oct 11/12	13	43	3
Oct 18/19	11	50	5
Oct 25/26	7	47	2

Home Communion



If someone in your family is unable to attend church and would like to receive communion, please call the church office (906-341-5427). Thank you to Lila Panek and Linda Mason who provide this ministry to our members.

Sign-Up Sheets

Sign-up sheets for Altar flowers, Bulletin, Bread & Wine, Coffee Hours and offering counters have been posted for 2025. You will find the sheets on the bulletin board in Augustana Hall.

Altar Flowers



Due to the generosity of our members, we will be ordering flowers for the Altar each week. Flowers will be automatically delivered. If you have signed up for flowers, a \$35 donation to the Floral Fund is requested, and you will not have to contact the florist unless you have specific requests.

Notes of Thanks



+ From Beacon House-thank you for your generosity. Your contribution will make an individual's stay at Beacon House more comfortable.



November's Flower – Chrysanthemum

Chrysanthemums represent friendship and love, making them thoughtful gifts. These lovely flowers are also associated with well-wishes, happiness, good luck, joy, and rebirth.



November Scripture

Nov 2-All Saints Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18, Psalm 149, Ephesians 1:11-13, Luke 6:20-31

Nov 9- Job 19:23-27a, Psalm 17:1-9, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17, Luke 20:27-38

Nov 16-Malachi 4:1-2a, Psalm 98, 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13, Luke 21:5-19

Nov 23- Chris the King Jeremiah 23:1-6, Psalm 46, Colossians 1:11-20, Luke 23:33-43

Nov 30-Day of Thanksgiving Deuteronomy 26:1-11, Psalm 200, Philippians 4:4-9, John 6:25-35



Busy Bees working on Backpack Buddies bags of food. Still in need of donations for future distributions.

Those Who Serve in November

Lector

Nov 2-Teddy Nelson
Nov 9-Bonnie Moody
Nov 16-Jo-Nell Berger
Nov 23-Nicholas Gauthier
Nov 30-Kaye Jarski

Ushers

Ken Groh and John Barry

Altar Flowers

Nov 2-Shirley Leitgeb in memory of Frank
Nov 9-
Nov 16-
Nov 23-
Nov 30

Bulletin Bread and Wine

Nov 2-Frank and Laurie Nauman
Nov 9-
Nov 16-Teddy Nelson in memory of loved ones
Nov 23-
Nov 30

Acolyte

Nov 2
Nov 9
Nov 16-Kristen Lamb
Nov 23-Nicholas Gauthier
Nov 30-

Communion Assistant

Nov 2 – Linda Mason
Nov 9 – Sheila Clark
Nov 16-Kim Lamb
Nov 23– Julie Gauthier
Nov 30-Linda Levin

The Manistique Ministerial Association

Invites you to the Community Thanksgiving Service

November 25, 2025 at 7:00 pm

At the Methodist Church

Pies to be served after service, so bring your favorite to share with all.



The Manistique Ministerial Association Presents

the ***60th Ecumenical***

Festival of Lessons & Carols

Sunday, December 7, 2025, at 3:00pm

at St. Francis de Sales Church

Needed: *Choral Vocalists (sopranos, altos, tenors, & basses) to rehearse & perform at the Festival as a community ecumenical choir.*

Rehearsal Locations and Schedule:


- From October 26 – November 23:
 - ★ Sundays at 1:00 – 2:00pm
 - ★ @ Presbyterian Church (314 Main St.)
- On Saturday, December 6:
 - ★ 10:00am

★ @ St. Francis
de Sales Church
(330 Oak St.)





Holy CONFIRMATION



Pastor Eleanor Russey conducted Confirmation Services for Beckett Maline and Nicholas Gauthier



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