



Christ's Center for Excellence In Discipleship and Outreach February 2-4, 2019

Zion Lutheran Church, 510 W. Ivy, Bay City, Michigan 48706; 989-894-2611

Worship: Saturday 5:00pm; Sunday 9:30am; Monday 7:00pm

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Ten for Ten: The Blessings from Tithing

God supplies us with property and material wealth. Even though we may think that we have earned our possessions through hard work and the diligent use of our talents, we must be ever mindful that everything we have has been given to us is a gift from God (Deuteronomy 8:17). In response, God asks that we show our appreciation for these gifts by sharing a portion of them. Tithing is regular and systematic giving to the Lord.

Through tithing we express our thankfulness to Him for our lives and all the blessings that He has so generously bestowed upon us. Tithing opens up our lives to the potential for further blessings from God Who so dearly loves us. May God richly bless you for your faithful giving as you participant in the **Ten for Ten** effort.

ABE conducted their monthly meeting on January 23. Pastor Steve is scheduled for eye surgery on Feb.12 and will be unavailable for at least a few days, Pastor Bill will be leading our church services that weekend. Please pray for a successful surgery with rapid and complete recovery. At the last circuit meeting, the pastors agreed to rotate leading Advent Services across 5 local churches (Immanuel, Pilgrim, St. Paul, Trinity, and Zion). We welcome these pastors to our pulpit along with their unique messages. We will be welcoming back David Paul Britton to lead our services for the weekend of March 30, 31, April 1. A new member class will start February 10, skip Feb 17(surgery) from 6-8 p.m. for 4 weeks. Five people are currently registered. All current members are invited to attend to meet our new members. One elder will attend each session to introduce ourselves and welcome these new members. We will be planning a weekend for Zion to install Bobbie Jo as our Music Administrator and welcome her into our family. Scott Lebsack volunteered to be the ABE representative for the upcoming team that will review Zion's Constitution, by-laws and polices to make recommendations for improvements. Narcotics Anonymous has held meetings at Zion. Their membership has outgrown the space in the basement, so they will be moving their meetings elsewhere.

DATES TO REMEMBER...

Ladies and guests of the congregation, please join Zion's **LWML** (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) for an evening of fellowship, "quilting" (hand tying), and refreshments. A short business meeting for members will follow quilting; non-members may stay to see what LWML is all about. Zion's LWML is participating in Thrivent's Action Team program (#livegenerously), and we will be sharing how easy it is to assemble blankets for missions to help the needy around the world. We also have a limited supply of Thrivent's free "Live Generously" Tshirts. This event will be held on **Monday, February 11, at 7:00 p.m.** If you are a Thrivent member, we will also show you how easy it is to plan a service project and receive a \$250 grant through Thrivent for your project, whether it is for a church or school project, or for the community. Hope to see you there!

A NEW MEMBER CLASS begins **Sunday, February 10, from 6-8 p.m.** in Ministry Room A. For more information please contact the church office at 989.894.2611 or at secretary@zionbaycity.org.

INSTALLATION OF BOBBIE JO UPTON as our Music Administrator will take place during worship services on February 9, 10, and 11, with a reception to follow each service.

VOTERS' MEETING this **Saturday, February 2, 6:00 p.m.**

LADIES GUILD will be hosting the **Wellspring Auxiliary on Monday, February 18**, Min. Room A. Refreshments served at 7 p.m. with devotions and meeting at 7:15 p.m. Program: Bottle Auction Fundraiser-call Carol Hutter at 684-3956 with questions. All ladies of the congregation are invited.

SHUT IN VISITATIONS will be **February 13 and 14.**

TRANSITION TEAM meeting, **Wednesday, February 6, at 6 p.m.**

YOGA FOR MS/CHAIR YOGA, Tuesday's, from 1:15 – 2 p.m. in Ministry Room A.

The recruitment rally is over, but it's not too late to get your pledge sheet for this year's CROP Walk. It is being held March 31 at Zion School with both an indoor and an outdoor walk. Pledge sheets are available in the church office or you can get one from our recruiters, Ed and Alice Engelhardt. Ed and Alice have participated for several years and walked in last year's blistering hot weekend. Thanks for your dedication. Can't walk on March 31? Get your monthly log sheet and do your walking throughout the month. The purpose of the walk is to raise funds and awareness for hunger. Globally, funds are raised for Church World Services. Locally, the funds are raised for the Bay County Emergency Food Pantry Network. But visibly, the awareness is for hunger needs around the world. So wear your sticker and walk with pride knowing that your footsteps will make a difference.

SCHOOL NEWS...

The lesson our school children learned this week: the power of prayer. The school children have been praying for snow since our Mr. Kamin snowman challenge was announced. God is good, and we should all remember; we need only ask and God will provide what we need.

Our Lutheran Schools Week celebration events have been rescheduled for the week of February 4.

Preschool Round Up night is February 21 from 5:00-6:30 p.m. A light supper will be served. The evening will focus on our preschool and Kindergarten programs.

Bottle & Can Drive...

Our Cheerleading Team is collecting bottles and cans as a fundraiser for their new uniforms. If you'd like to support our girls, please bring your bottles and cans to the South entrance to the school. There's a large collection box next to the door. Thank you for your contributions in advance!

SCRIP NEWS...

Scrip orders are due weekly on Mondays by 4 p.m. at the church office.

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG: Please return baby bottles to church by **Tuesday, February 12.** Donations of any size are welcome.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, GIFTS, AND MEMORIALS...

In honor of her birthday (January 31) and in thanksgiving to God for many blessings, from Fay Barcia...\$100.00 to the General Fund.

AREA ACTIVITIES:

St. John Amelith Annual Valentine's Chicken BBQ will be Sunday, Feb. 17th from 11am to 1pm. Famous Amelith BBQ chicken dinners, cooked to perfection by the St. John Amelith Athletic Club, with baked potato, veggies, bread, dessert and beverage will be \$10 for ½ chicken and \$8 for ¼ chicken. Take-outs available at 10:30am. LWML is also hosting a bake sale. For questions, please contact Tony Johnson at 684-3037. St. John Amelith is located at 1664 Amelith Road, Bay City.

Melting Medical Bills is a fund raising event planned for **Sunday, Feb. 24** from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. John Amelith Lutheran School Gym. A soup and sandwich bar will be offered along with a Bake Sale, Silent Auction, and Small-Item Ticket Auction. This event is to support Allie Keenan and her family with rising medical costs. Please contact Mary Smith at msmith@amelith.org or Sandy Soule at ssoule73@yahoo.com for questions or to offer help. St. John Amelith is located at 1664 Amelith Road, Bay City.

Creating Confident Caregivers is a six-week FREE program for family caregivers providing at-home care for a loved one with dementia. It uses the Savvy Caregiver program, designed to provide knowledge, skills, and information to improve caregiving. Classes are two hours per week for six weeks. **Tuesday mornings: March 5 thru April 9, 10:00 a.m. to Noon -or- Wednesday evenings: April 17 thru May 22, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** Advance registration is required. **For more information or to register, please call Bonnie Fritz, LPN, at 989-892-6644.**

For more area activities, please see flyers at the Welcome Center.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT...

Our Christian life is one of being a steward of all of God’s gifts. “For You, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth. Upon You I have leaned from before my birth; You are He who took me from my mother’s womb. My praise is continually of You.” (Psalm 19:14)

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

	December 2018	2018 Year-to-Date
Income	\$ 122,072	\$ 913,273
Expenses	\$ 74,760	\$ 953,551
District Missions	0	\$ (5,753)
Local Missions	0	\$ (3,835)
Net	\$ 47,312	\$ (49,866)

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND:

Saturday (122), Sunday (98), Monday (service was cancelled)

Sunday’s Hymns: 912, 728, 842, 729, 731, 738, 922.

This Weekend – February 2-4:

Sunday worship setting: Less Structured
 Readings: Jeremiah 1:4-10, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:31-44

Next Weekend – February 9-11:

Sunday worship setting: Divine Setting 1
 Readings: Isaiah 6:1-13; 1 Corinthians 14:12-20; Luke 5:1-11

AVAILABLE AT THE WELCOME CENTER:

- 2018-2019 Monthly Reports**
- Cougar Newsletter**
- February calendar** of events
- “Our Daily Bread”** devotionals for December-February
- Portals of Prayer** devotionals for January-March
- 4th quarter statements**



Zion's Weekly Prayer Concerns

February 2-8, 2019

Those mourning the loss of loved ones...

The family of Carl Wieland

Those ill, hospitalized (or recently hospitalized), or seeking medical treatment...

Lane Valliere

Those with struggles who suffer silently

Those with long-term needs...

Bernice Huber (Paulette Allwardt's mother)

For those celebrating Anniversaries...

For those celebrating Birthdays...

Christopher Lynch – Feb. 2	Trennen Witzke – Feb. 2
Kay Arnold – Feb. 3	Barb Insley – Feb. 4
Carla Laboda – Feb. 4	Rich Reinhardt– Feb. 4
Charles Ellsworth – Feb. 6	Erik Johnson – Feb. 6
Savannah Jorck – Feb. 6	Pat Schaefer– Feb. 6
Jeanne Schultz – Feb. 6	Allie Call – Feb. 7
Billy Hunt III – Feb. 7	Joy Krueger – Feb. 7
Timothy Laboda – Feb. 7	James Pisarski – Feb. 7
Joyce Schumann – Feb. 7	Ginger Debo – Feb. 8
Ruth King – Feb. 8	Robin Walraven – Feb. 8
MaKenze Eischer-Bridges – Feb. 8	

Other prayer concerns...

- For this congregation as we seek God's will together for the mission and future of our church and school.
- For the willing heart of a child when it comes to praise and worship.
- To know that we are surrounded by God's creative power.

Use this list as a daily reminder for your personal prayer time.

If you would like a prayer noted in upcoming weeks, please call the church office at 989.894.2611 or you may email the church secretary at secretary@zionbaycity.org. Requests may be made for you, a family member, or a friend.

Those noted on the hospitalized or long-term lists will remain on the insert for three weekends; after that, they or a family member may call to have them remain listed for an additional period of time.



**ZION MUSIC MINISTRY GROUPS AND
REHEARSAL TIMES:**

****Youth Praise Team - New to Zion, our Youth,
6-12th grade, will help lead music on
Monday's 7 p.m. services.***

Rehearsal: Mon. 6-6:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary

**** Hand Bells - Rehearsal: Tues. 6-6:45 p.m. in
Ministry Room B***

***Orchestra - Rehearsal: Tues. 7 -8 p.m. in the
Sanctuary***

****Rock of Zion - Contemporary Praise team
leads the music on Saturday's 5 p.m. services.***

Rehearsal: Thurs. 6 p.m.

****Mixed Choir - Rehearsal: Thurs. 7 p.m.***

****Men's Chorus -Rehearsal: Thurs. 8-8:45 p.m.***

***If you play an instrument or sing and would
like to do special music, please contact***

Bobbie Jo Upton:

bupton@zionbaycity.org



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

In order to best meet the needs of Zion's Music Ministries, please fill out this brief survey and return it by February 3rd to the basket at the Welcome Center. Thank you ~ Bobbie Jo Upton, Music Administrator.

Which service do you primarily attend?

Sat. 5pm Contemporary | Sun. 9:30am Traditional | Mon. 7pm Relaxed

Would you be interested in joining one or more of the Music Ministry Groups?

Yes | No

Do you sing or play an instrument?

If so, what is your name, contact info, and what part do you sing and/or what instrument do you play?

Would you be interested in helping out with the children's music programs?

Please share any additional comments or suggestions, including a favorite song.
