

**Christ's Center
for Excellence**



**In Discipleship
and Outreach**

November 9-11, 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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THIS SATURDAY we welcome Rev. Dave Winningham as our guest pastor.

WEEKLY UPDATE FROM YOUR CALL COMMITTEE CHAIR:

"This past weekend was the last weekend for members of our congregation to submit the form recommending a pastor to be placed on the Call list. Pastor Erv sent the two forms we received to President Maier, and he will consider these candidates as he completes his work on our Call list. It is anticipated that our first Call list will arrive in the month of November. Please continue to pray for President Maier, Pastor Erv, any pastor who is considered for the Call, and the Zion congregation in general as we carry out the necessary steps to identify the man whom God has chosen to lead Zion forward."

CHURCH SECURITY...

Most key holders have exchanged their keys for the new fobs (keys). If you haven't yet done so, please come to the office to make the exchange.

In the event you come to the church on Monday through Thursday, use the church office entry door on the East side of the building. On the right-hand side of the door you will notice a black-faced keypad. Push the white button on the bottom of the keypad and someone will let you in. If you get no response, the office is closed or unstaffed at that time. If you have any questions, please call April at 989.894.2611.

DATES TO REMEMBER...

ABE Wednesday, November 20 at 5:30 p.m. in Ministry Room A.

CAB Wednesday, November 13 at 6 p.m. in Ministry Room A.

CHAIR YOGA Tuesday, November 12, from 1:15-2 p.m. in Ministry Room A. Questions contact Amanda at 989.714.4419 or abehrens5@msn.com.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS will be set up on **Tuesday, November 26, beginning at 8:30 a.m.** The Christmas trees in the chancel area will be set up

on **Saturday, November 30, beginning at 9:00 a.m.** We need volunteers to help with the decorating – everyone is welcome.

“DEER WIDOW’S WEEKEND BAZAAR” is this coming Saturday, November 16, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the school gym. PTL will provide concessions throughout the day, our school children will be selling yummy baked goods, 70+ vendors will be selling their many wares, and boxed greeting cards will also be available as a fundraiser for the school music ministry program. If you have questions, please call Kathy Pisarski at 989.327.4744.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB will meet on **Friday, November 15, at 7 p.m.** in Ministry Room A for “Movie Night” with popcorn and apple cider. All are welcome to join us for the evening. Questions, call Janet Schnell, Millie Nuffer, or Paulette Allwardt.

"HOLIDAY HELPING HANDS" PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS PROGRAM: We are collecting personal care items to fill 100 bags for giving at Christmas to those receiving Christmas food bags. List of items needed is available at the Welcome Center or in the church office. Place donations in the basket marked “Personal Care” near the Church Library by **Friday, December 13.** For monetary donations, note “Personal Care Products” in the memo line.

"LUTHERAN WITNESS" SUBSCRIPTIONS: The Lutheran Witness is the official periodical of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Published 11 times a year, LW provides laypeople with stories and information that foster personal growth in faith. **Place or renew your March 2020 through February 2021 subscription** through the church office for \$11.60. Make checks payable to "Zion" – we'll send one congregational check to the district. Deadline is **Monday, December 9.**

LWML QUILTING will meet **Monday, November 11 at 6:30 p.m.** in Ministry Room A. All ladies are invited to attend.

SHUT-IN VISITS will take place the week of November 11.

THANKSGIVING FOOD BAGS: Remember, the deadline for food donations is this **Friday, November 15.** See the insert in this week’s bulletin for a list of food items needed. For monetary donations, you may note “Food Pantry” in the memo line.

OUR THANKSGIVING WORSHIP SERVICE will be **Wednesday, November 27, at 7:00 p.m.** Once again this year, there will be no Thanksgiving Day service.

Let the Holy Spirit work in your heart! Come and join us for **YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASS on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.** in Ministry Room A. Questions, contact Pastor John at 239-6818.

ZION'S RELIGIOUS AND CHARITABLE TRUST FUND Committee will accept applications for project funding until **Monday, December 2, 2019**. Applications are available in the church office and at the Welcome Center.

SCRIP NEWS...

In order to use up our inventory for Firehouse Car Wash we are discounting them to \$6.00 per ticket and books of 10 for \$60.00. These tickets are still being accepted at the new Mister Car Wash until April 30, 2020. Pick a few up to keep your vehicles clear of the salt from the winter weather headed our way.

NEW MEMBER INFORMATION CLASS:

Would you like to learn more about our church? Are you interested in becoming a member of Zion? If you are, please contact the church office at 989.894.2611. Times and dates will be determined.

POINSETTIAS to beautify the sanctuary for Christmas are once again available for \$14. Use the form available at the Welcome Center or in the church office. Orders with payment are **due to the church office this Friday, November 15.**

“Christmas Stockings for Soldiers” – Gephart Funeral Home is participating in this nationwide program. Now through November 22, you may pick up at the funeral home a free Christmas stocking to take home, decorate, and stuff with Christmas cheer. The stockings are also available at Zion’s Welcome Center. Inside the stocking is a list of recommended items. Return the stuffed stocking by November 22 and the stockings will be shipped to troops abroad in time for Christmas. For more information: 686.2291 or www.gephartfuneralhome.com.

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS...

Please see the slat wall at the Welcome Center for area events.

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND (NOVEMBER RATES): 3-5 mos. 1.10%; 6-11 mos. 1.35%; 12-23 mos. 2.10%; 24-59 mos. 2.40%; 60 mos. 2.75%

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, GIFTS, AND MEMORIALS...

A gift from Robert & Donna Gerken...\$1,095.49 to the Debt Reduction Fund. In honor of her birthday (November 1), from Sheri Schumann...\$100 to the General Fund.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

	October 2019	2019 YTD
Income	\$ 66,798.17	\$ 738,449.04
Expenses	\$ 83,991.05	\$ 779,999.75
District Missions	\$ 0	\$ 0
Local Missions	\$ 0	\$ 0
Net	\$ (17,192.88)	\$ (41,550.71)

Outstanding Obligations excluding payables: \$58,115.53
 Church Extension Loan (paying interest only): \$32,737.62
 Remaining mortgage on 1700 Raymond Street property (monthly rental income): \$25,377.91

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT...

Our Christian life is one of being a steward of all of God's gifts.

"But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth." (2Thessalonians 2:13)

ATTENDANCE:

Last Weekend: Saturday (108), Sunday (94), Monday (30)

Sunday Hymns: 892, 861, 711, 549, 850, 525

This Weekend – November 9-11:

Sunday Worship Setting: Divine Setting 1

Readings: Exodus 3:1-15; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-8, 13-17; Luke 20:27-40

Saturday Guest Pastor: Rev. Dave Winningham

Next Weekend – November 16-18

Sunday Worship Setting: Divine Setting 3

Readings: Malachi 4:1-6; 2 Thessalonians 3:1-13; Luke 21:5-28

Saturday Guest Pastor: Rev. Erv Hutter

AVAILABLE AT THE WELCOME CENTER:

2018-2019 Monthly Reports

November calendar of events

November 8, 2019 (No. 11) Cougar Newsletter

"Our Daily Bread" devotionals for September-November

Portals of Prayer devotionals for October-December

SCHOOL NEWS...

The PTL is now accepting new and like new "gift able" items for the students' Christmas store (December 6). Items may be dropped off at the school or church office or contact Holly Essex at 225.6936.

Please see the Cougar Newsletter, available at the Welcome Center on the slat wall, for more school news.





Zion's Weekly Prayer Concerns November 9-15, 2019

**Those ill, hospitalized (or recently hospitalized),
seeking medical treatment or with long term needs...**

Dave Jankens

Dana Stinnett (Ruthruff)

Those with struggles who suffer silently

For those celebrating Anniversaries...

Scott & Jane Bradshaw celebrating 13 yrs. 11/11

For those celebrating Birthdays...

Malakai Heck-11/9

Lane Valliere-11/9

Olivia Breiler-11/11

Mike Piotrowski-11/11

Chloe Null-11/12`

Kay Krager-11/13

Morgan Wetters-11/13

Judy McPhee-11/15

Karen Michael-11/9

Kaitlyn Bickham-11/10

Bette Jones-11/11

Wesley Condon-11/12

Kristie Ellison-11/13

Hudson Treib-11/13

Davonte Brown-11/14

Daniel Witzke-11/15

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 ill, hospitalized, seeking medical treatment or long-term list 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.

Poinsettias for Christmas

*to enhance our worship services...
to honor or remember someone special...*

QUANTITY	COLOR	PRICE
	White	\$14.00
	Pink	\$14.00

YOUR NAME _____

PHONE _____

PRESENTED IN HONOR

OF _____

PRESENTED IN MEMORY OF

AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____ (check payable to "Zion")

_____ I will pick up my poinsettia(s).

_____ I do not want my poinsettia(s).

Poinsettias may be picked up immediately after the 9:30 a.m. Christmas Day service, during the week (Monday-Thursday), or after worship services on the weekend following Christmas.

After Epiphany, all remaining plants will be removed from the sanctuary.

Please return this order form with your payment to the church office by **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15.**



During 2019's "Season of Giving", Zion will distribute 100 Thanksgiving meals, 100 Christmas meals, 100 personal care bags, and 60 \$25 Meijer Scrip gift cards to those in need in our community.

You may donate specific food or personal care items, \$25 Meijer Scrip cards, or you may make a monetary donation. Make your check payable to Zion and note "Food Pantry", "Personal Care Items", "Scrip", or "Caring" in the memo line.

**Items needed for one Christmas or
Thanksgiving meal include:**



**gravy
Jell-O
stuffing
frosting
cake mix
canned corn
canned yams
canned fruit cocktail
instant mashed potatoes
canned cranberry sauce or canned pineapple**



**Items needed for one personal care bag
include:
shampoo, bar soap, body wash, body lotion,
toothpaste, 4 toothbrushes, deodorant, and 4
new washcloths.**

**Thanksgiving food donations deadline:
Friday, November 15th**

**Christmas food donations deadline:
Friday, December 13th**