

**Christ's Center
for Excellence**



**In Discipleship
and Outreach**

February 29 - March 2, 2020

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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While Pastor Steve is out of town (February 28-March 13), we welcome the following guest pastors to Zion:

- Saturday-Monday, February 29-March 2, Pastor Dave Winningham
- Wednesday, March 4, Pastor Bill Allwardt
- Saturday-Monday, March 7-9, Pastor Kurt Eichinger
- Wednesday, March 11, Pastor Bill Allwardt

In case of emergency during this time, contact the church office (894.2611) during office hours or Brian Reinhardt, Chairperson of the Board of Elders (708.9705) during non-office hours.

LENT CONTINUES with WEDNESDAY's service on March 4 at 7 p.m. This week's theme is "Return to the Lord...Who Has Redeemed You". Join us for a pre-service hymn sing 15 minutes prior to the service.

LENTEN SUPPER: Zions School Teachers invite you to this week's supper, Wednesday, March 4, in Ministry Room A, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The menu features potato soup, chili, sloppy joes, and desserts.

WEEKLY UPDATE FROM YOUR CALL COMMITTEE CHAIR:

I hope everybody had a good start to Lent! This past Sunday, the members of the Call Committee conducted two Skype interviews of the four pastors on our list. Both interviews went very well and the committee considers them both to be a great success. We will be interviewing the other two candidates on Sunday, March 8th. After those interviews, we will be able to know if a second interview will be desired for any of the candidates, and we will be ever closer to bringing our recommendation to voters. These candidates are praying for Zion and the Holy Spirit's guidance to the Call Committee, and we ask that you do the same for them as they may be considering a Call.

IT'S TIME TO ORDER EASTER FLOWERS to beautify the sanctuary for Easter worship services. Use the form available as an insert in this week's bulletin to order your flowers. Orders with payment are due in the church office by **Tuesday, March 24.**

BAPTISM: In our Sunday service, Brooks Daniel Morin, son of Trevor Douglas Morin and Gina Marie (Nutt) Morin, will be baptized. His sponsors are Traci Morin and Brian Nutt.

DON'T FORGET TO DIRECT CHOICE DOLLARS®...

Grant funding from Thrivent Financial through its Thrivent Choice® program can help support organizations you care about. Don't let Choice Dollars expire.

Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have Choice Dollars available have until **March 31, 2020**, to direct any remaining 2019 Choice Dollars. Help support Zion. Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more. Or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

SHUT IN VISITATION: Do you have 2-3 hours, once a month, to provide



a much-anticipated visit with our shut-in members? We need visitors. We go out on the 2nd Wednesday or Thursday of the month in the afternoon, usually with a partner. We visit about three shut-ins for about 30-45 minutes. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Cheryl Fox at 684.5961 or Jan Vogtmann at 686.0356.

DATES TO REMEMBER...

CAB will meet **Tuesday, March 10, at 6 p.m.** (location to be determined)

LWML QUILTING will meet **Monday, March 16, at 2 p.m.** in Ministry Room A. Everyone is welcome! Come check us out!

SHUT-IN VISITS will take place the week of March 9th.

YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASSES are held every Tuesday in Ministry Room A at 6:30 p.m. Questions, contact Pastor John at 239-6818.

CHAIR YOGA Tuesday, March 3, in Ministry Room A at 1:15 p.m. Please call Amanda Behrens at 989.714.4429 or abehrens@msn.com before attending or for more information.

SCRIP NEWS...

Scrip orders are due weekly on Mondays by 3 p.m. at the church office.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS...

Financial Peace University Class

Never worry about money again with *Financial Peace University* (FPU), the nine-lesson course that gives you the proven plan to master budgeting, pay off debt, build wealth, and give generously. The course centers on lessons taught by Dave Ramsey, Chris Hogan and Rachel Cruze, followed by small group discussions. Dave Ramsey can be heard on WSGW weekday afternoons. FPU includes your member workbook as well as one year of free access to

Financial Peace Membership, where you'll find tons of online resources to help you start winning with money. Winter class starts March 2nd at 6:30 p.m. in the Adam Room at St. Mark Lutheran Church & Preschool in Saginaw. Contact Karin Tessin at karintessin@gmail.com for more info.

Come join us for fun and fellowship at Grace Lutheran, 303 W. Ruth St. in Auburn. Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 8 at 3 p.m. which is the next God, Grub, and Games at Grace event. We are changing things up a bit. Games will still be available as usual, but we will also be showing a movie, Frozen 2. Games and the movie will be set up in separate rooms. Instead of a meal we will have popcorn and other snack type foods as well as beverages. We would love to have you join us! If you have any questions please call Annette Rudick at 989.225.6114.

Alzheimer's/Dementia Caregiver Support Group of Bay County:

Tuesday, March 10, 2020 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
 Meets at Golden Horizons, 1001 Marsac St., Bay City, MI ~ Facilitator: Stacy McIntyre, LMSW
 ~The support group meets the second Tuesday of each month. ~
 Program funded by Region VII Area Agency on Aging and the Alzheimer's Fund of the Bay Area Community Foundation.

St. Paul Lutheran Church and School is holding an auction fundraiser to benefit the building of a new Ministry Center. Sunday, March 22, 4-6 p.m. supper (free will donation) and silent auction, 6 p.m. live auction. Auction will be held in the school gym located at 6094 Westside Saginaw Rd. 65" smart tv, cabin rentals, quilts, Epson printer, a Traverse City wine tour/tasting, corn hole games, and many more items up for bid. Come for supper-stay for the fun!

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT...

Our Christian life is one of being a steward of all of God's gifts.
 "But he answered, 'It is written, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" (Matthew 4:4)

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, GIFTS, AND MEMORIALS...

In memory of Ervin Schilke, from Pastor Bill & Paulette Allwardt...\$20.00 to the General Fund.
From the Kroger Community Rewards program (those contributing November 1, 2019 – January 31, 2020)...\$92.94.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

	January 2020	2020 YTD
Income	\$ 64,478.74	\$ 64,478.74
Expenses	\$ 86,384.85	\$ 86,384.85
District Missions	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Local Missions	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Net	\$ (21,906.11)	\$ (21,906.11)

ATTENDANCE:

Last Weekend: Saturday (74), Sunday (61), Monday (23)
Ash Wednesday (52)

This Weekend – February 29-March 2:

Sunday Worship Setting: Less Structured
Readings: Genesis 3:1-21; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11
Guest Pastor: Dave Winningham

Next Weekend – March 7-9

Sunday Worship Setting: Divine Setting 1
Readings: Genesis 12:1-9; Romans 4:1-8, 13-17; John 3:1-17
Guest Pastor: Kurt Eichinger

AVAILABLE AT THE WELCOME CENTER:

2019-2020 Monthly Reports
NEW March calendar of events
NEW 2020 LHM Lenten devotional, "Deliver Us: Jesus Sets Us Free"
NEW "Our Daily Bread" devotionals for March-May
Portals of Prayer devotionals for January-March
2019 Year End Giving Statements

SCHOOL NEWS...

The Michigan District has approved the Zion Lutheran School accreditation self-study document. The document is 400 pages of information about the school and how the school operates. The teachers, school board, and parent volunteers worked for the last twelve months organizing and creating our self-study.

The next stage will be a visit from representatives from seven other schools on March 15-17 to validate our self-study and give Zion Lutheran School suggestions for improvement over the next five years.

Early Childhood Enrollment has begun for families enrolled in preschool and daycare. March 4th Zion will open the round-up to the public and our child care waiting lists.

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



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS next Sunday, March 8, at 2 a.m. Don't forget to set your clocks AHEAD one hour before going to bed on Saturday night.



**Zion's Weekly
Prayer Concerns
February 29-March 6, 2020**

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

Gary Jankens

Bob Katt

Leslie Kohn

Those with struggles who suffer silently

For those celebrating Anniversaries...

James & Candace Tacey celebrating 52 yrs. on March 2nd

Scott & Kim Bitzer celebrating 36 yrs. on March 3rd

For those celebrating Birthdays...

Ardy Biskupski-3/1

Joan Block-3/1

Parker Haggitt-3/1

Bonnie Ziesemer-3/1

Noah Bouchard-3/2

Karen Eichhorn-3/2

Paige Jurik-3/2

Tammy Kohler-3/2

Morgan Rozek-3/2

Trisha Coyer-3/3

Joann Layle-3/3

Tanner Witzke-3/3

Tyler Witzke-3/3

Pam Talaga-3/4

Nicole Goodnight-3/5

Bill Ott-3/5

Tucker Endersbe-3/6

Austen Stanley-3/6

Jamie Winquest-3/6

Baptisms...

Brooks Daniel Morin-March 1st

Homebound/Nursing Home Patients (published once a month)...

Tilly Arnold

Frank Batschke

Ruth Batschke

Juanita Bauer

Homebound/Nursing Home Patients continued...

Richard Bauer
Ardythe Biskupski
Eugene Biskupski
Judy Buerkel
Lucille Crook
Marion DeCatur
Sue Freudenburg
Leonard Kaczorowski
Joe Kato
Patricia Keene
Betty Keith
Bruce Lockwood
Lillian Lockwood
Dorothy Loessel
Della Marotzke
Barbara Metz
Richard Nagel
Verna Rahn
Jane Royer
Mary Ann Reinhardt
Mary Riedy
Helen Schoenheit
Barbara Sursely
Nancy Tenny
Nancy Trueblood

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.