

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 24, 2024

# ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

*do good, lend, and  
expect nothing in return  
and your reward will be great*

**Luke 6:35**

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**Sunday, November 17, 2024**

*No Counters*

*Attendance: 133*

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#### Church Office Hours

**Tuesday** 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 pm

School Office Hours

**Wednesday** 7:30 am– 12:00pm

Sunday, November 24

### **Christ the King Sunday**

8:00 am Worship with Holy Communion

9:15 am Sunday School

9:25 am Adult/Youth Class

10:30 am Worship with Holy Communion

Monday, November 25

1:30 pm Union Court Service

6:30 pm Pioneers at Church

Tuesday, November 26

Wednesday, November 27

7:00 pm Thanksgiving Worship Service

### **Thanksgiving Day**

Candle Walk

Candle Walk

Thursday, November 28

Friday, November 29

Saturday, November 30

Sunday, December 1

### **First Sunday in Advent**

8:00 am Worship

9:15 am Sunday School

9:25 am Adult/Youth Bible Class

10:30 am Worship

## ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWS

**Thank You** to Pastor David Voss, retired from St. Johns, for leading the Worship Services and Bible Class this morning. Pastor Tessmer will be returning from his aunt's funeral this evening.

**Divine Call:** Zion has called Mr. Connor Ragner to serve as our next principal and upper grade teacher. Mr. Ragner currently teaches 7th grade at St. Mark Lutheran School, Green Bay, WI, and is in the principal cohort training program. He and his wife, Katherine, are expecting their first child in the coming days. Please keep the Ragner family, St. Mark Lutheran School, Green Bay, and our Zion Lutheran School in your prayers as Mr. Ragner considers this call. If you would like to reach out to him, please call or text at 920-460-5165, or email at [connor.ragner@stmarkpartners.org](mailto:connor.ragner@stmarkpartners.org).

**Thanksgiving Eve Worship** will be at 7:00pm on Wednesday, November 27. What a joy to gather in God's house to thank him for all the blessings he has given us as he cares for both our physical and spiritual needs!

**Midweek Advent Worship** begins on Wednesday, December 4, with a Worship Service with Lord's Supper at 7:00 pm. There will also be services on Wednesdays, December 11 and 18. Pastor Tessmer will be exchanging pulpits with Instructor Mark Burger from Michigan Lutheran Seminary and Pastor Loescher from St. John, Hemlock, for Advent this year.

**Congregational Meeting and Annual Voters' Meeting:** Zion will hold an informational Congregational Meeting on Sunday, December 8, immediately following the 10:30 am Worship Service. The purpose of this Congregational Meeting is to inform all the members of the congregation of what is happening here at Zion and to get feedback and ideas from our members. All are invited to attend.

Zion will hold its Annual Voters' Meeting on Sunday, December 15, immediately following the 10:30 am Worship Service. Included on the Agenda will be the election of new Coordinating Council and Committee members. All voting members are encouraged to attend.

**Women Serving Christ and Ladies Night Out** will have their Christmas party at the Back 40 on Tuesday, December 3, beginning at 6 pm. You may bring a \$10 gift to exchange if you would like.

**The Flowers** that beautify the altar this morning are given by Larry and Darlene Thiel in thankfulness for Larry's kidney transplant. We thank them for sharing the flowers and pray for Larry's continued health and recovery!

**Zion Lutheran School Curriculum Fund:** Zion's Coordinating Council has established the Zion Lutheran School Curriculum fund to assist in funding needed curriculum upgrades for our school. If you wish to help support this fund and project, envelopes are available on the table in the church entryway. Thank you in advance for your support for this project!

**Zion Education League Little Caesars Fundraiser:** The Zion Education League (ZEL) is sponsoring a Little Caesar's Pizza Fundraiser to help support our school. ZEL provides field trip assistance, teacher supplies, school shirts, and many other items for our school. You can order pizza kits (available to ship anywhere in the country) or Meal Deal codes by scanning the QR Code available on a handout in the entryway. Thanks for your help and support! Please note that Wednesday, November 27th is the last day to order.

**The New Meditation Devotional Booklets** are available in the back of church. Please do not forget to pick up a copy. The cost of the booklets has increased, so the suggested donation is now \$4. The new booklet starts on Sunday, December 1.

**The New Flower Chart for 2025** is posted behind the current chart. Please sign up for the Sunday you wish to help beautify the Lord's house with a floral arrangement.

**Candle Walk:** Zion will again be sponsoring a booth and handing out hot chocolate and popcorn at the Chesaning Candle Walk, Thanksgiving weekend, November 29-30. Please see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the entryway to sign up. We are looking for many volunteers. If you have any questions, please speak with Joe Ruthig, our Evangelism Chairman.

**Christmas Bake and Craft Bazaar-** Women Serving Christ is having the Annual Bake and Craft Sale in the church basement on Sunday, December 8, 2024, after both Worship Services. If you would like to donate any items, please have your items priced and in the kitchen by 8:00 am on that Sunday. If you have any questions, contact Jean Devereaux at 989-585-5566, or Priscilla Bleisner at 989-845-3618

**Christmas Goodie Bags-** Michelle Spolarich will be collecting donations for the treat bags that will be handed out at the Children's Christmas Service on December 22nd. Donations can be dropped off to the church office. You may also drop off candy and other donations to the kitchen. We will be collecting donations until December 15th. Thank you.

**Advent by Candlelight** We will be holding an Advent by Candlelight for all women of the congregation, and their female family members, friends, and neighbors, on Sunday, December 8 at 4:00pm. There is no charge for this event. This is a wonderful evening of the Word, music, and fellowship (including desserts) to help you prepare your hearts for the Advent season before the holidays get into full swing! Invite your female friends and have them mark this on their calendar! Several area churches are also being invited. This year's program is entitled "*Christmas Begins with Christ.*" Please see the signup sheet in the church entrance. Any questions, please call Terry Barancik at 989-323-0067.

**Light Up a Student's Life:** Each year in November and December the MLS Foundation sponsors a special giving program to benefit Michigan Lutheran Seminary and its students. Contributions support the MLS Student Need Fund, which provides ongoing assistance to the students who attend MLS now and in the future. "Light Up a Student's Life" will help the Foundation meet its goal of providing \$100,000/year of tuition assistance. Please take a brochure from the table in the entryway to find out more about this program.

**Amazon Business Wish list:** Visit our website and use the link there to take you directly to our Wish list Page. You can purchase right from the page or as always, purchase an Amazon Gift card and donate it to the school. Our Teachers are always adding new items that are needed for their classrooms. We appreciate all the help you've given in getting the items needed for the classrooms at Zion!

**Counters for November : 24:** T & K Palmer, **27 (Wed.):** Theile

**Counters for December: 1:** E & K Diener, **4 (Wed.):** J & T Barancik, **8:** Bleisner/Devereaux, **11 (Wed.):** Mac Neill, **15:** Ruthig/Schoch, **18 (Wed.):** Vacant, **22:** T & K Palmer, **24 (CES):** Theile, **25 (CDS):** E & K Diener, **29:** J & T Barancik