



# Zion Lutheran Church

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~ September 2018 ~

**Saturday** – Worship and Holy Communion – 5:00 PM

**Sunday** – Worship and Holy Communion – 10:30 AM

**Office Hours** – Monday-Thursday – 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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On August 28<sup>th</sup>, Zion was privileged to be visited by two members of the organization “Partners for Sacred Places”: Laurie Sommers and Emily Sajdak. Their visit was a follow-up to an invitation to participate in a grant process specifically for Nordic Heritage Churches. Earlier this year, Larry Peterson wrote an application for Zion, with our “preservation and restoration” projects meeting the required grant focus. Because Zion houses the Jonas Grafstrom altar painting entitled “The Ascension”, as well August Klagstad’s first altar painting, “Christ in Gethsemane”, Larry was able to make a strong case for Zion’s participation in the program. We were very pleased when the Nordic Heritage people accepted his application, which centered on painting restoration!

Larry Peterson and a number of other Zion members were on hand as Laurie and Emily toured the church and asked many questions about our history, our Swedish heritage, and how Zion, over the years, has engaged with the wider community of Manistique. The two representatives were impressed with our lovely sanctuary and chancel area, as well as the bell tower and, of course, our three altar paintings. We were able to discuss, at length, our relationship with people, organizations, and other churches in our community.

We’re excited at the possibility of restoring Zion’s century-old artwork, which, still today, provides visual reminders of our Savior’s love and sacrifice. Yours in Christ, Pastor Terry

## **Walking Together – Fall of 2018**

Through a voting process during Synod Assembly in May, Zion Lutheran Church moved from the Three Lakes Conference on the Eastern end of the U.P., to the more southern, centrally located Delta Conference. Other ELCA churches in the Delta Conference include three in Escanaba, one in Gladstone and Rapid River, and the two-point parishes in Stonington/ Perkins and Rock/Trenary.

Zion members now have an opportunity this fall to get together with fellow conference members at a Northern Great Lakes Synod “Walking Together” event scheduled for Thursday evening, October 11<sup>th</sup>, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Escanaba. Each congregation is being asked to bring 10 members to this mini-Festival of Congregational Renewal. Our event will include leadership training, address current concerns, equip us for the future, and offer the blessing of being “church” with other congregations in our area.

Please consider being part of Zion’s group! This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know our fellow Conference 6 brothers and sisters in Christ. We will meet in Zion’s parking lot at 4:15 p.m. on October 11<sup>th</sup> and carpool to Escanaba. Please note that the good people of Immanuel will be serving us a meal, so there are no dinner worries. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board in Augustana Hall. Feel free to contact Pr. Terry or Linda Levin with any questions.

We hope to see you there!

## Join us for Bible Study and Conversation

The weekly and bi-weekly educational opportunities will resume in September.



The Wednesday morning Lectionary conversation will start on Sept. 12th at a new time: 10:30am.

The Monday night group will be meeting at 6:30, every 2nd and 4th Mondays, starting Sept. 10th. Members are continuing their discussion of Nadia Bolz-Weber's *Accidental Saints*.

If you have questions about either of these opportunities, please see Pr. Terry.



Sunday school will start on September 8th after the Children's message during our 10:30 a.m. church service. The theme this year is **Slime**. Slime will be used to teach the kids about the life of Jacob. This curriculum will teach kids that no matter what slimy situations we make for ourselves or find ourselves in, God can help us clean up the mess and make something beautiful.

## 2021 National Youth Gathering Meeting – Already!

All youth and their parents interested in kicking off fundraising plans for the 2021 National Youth Gathering are invited to get together at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. The Gathering will be held in (relatively) nearby Minneapolis, and we want to start planning early!

# Confirmation News



Confirmation for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade

students will begin again on Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. We will use the same structure as we did in 2017-2018. Parents of confirmands should plan to attend the first hour or so of class on the 16<sup>th</sup>, so that we can set up the acolyte schedule through January.

## Circle News

The Circles will be starting their monthly meetings on September 10<sup>th</sup>. If you are not a member of a circle and would be interested in joining one, please contact any one of the following ladies for more information:

Sarah Circle—Liz Macklem

Joy Circle—Donna Gauthier

Priscilla Circle—Shirley Leitgeb

Ruth Circle—Verda Kreuzwieser

Hope Circle—Sheila Clark

The **Sarah Circle** will meet Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup> in the church Library at 1:00pm.

The **Joy Circle** meets in Augustana Hall on Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am. Be sure to bring your *Gather* magazine.

The **Priscilla Circle** will be going to lunch at the Upper Crust on Tuesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 12:15pm.

The **Ruth Circle** will be meeting on Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30am at the Upper Crust.

The members of the **Hope Circle** will meet on Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm in the library.

## Quilting

On Monday, September 10th at 9:15 am, Augustana Hall will be humming with the sound of sewing machines and lively conversation. The quilters will be back doing what they love, making quilts for people in need around the world. They would like to thank all those who have made donations over the summer. All fabric is much appreciated. If you are interested in joining the group but don't sew, don't let that stop you. There are other things you can do. Also, they will be looking for someone who would be able to take the boxes of quilts and kits to First Lutheran in Gladstone in October. If you would be willing to help, please contact the church office at 341-5427.

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Our choir will be starting practices on Wednesday September 12th, at 4:30pm. Here is a little information about our choir:

- Our choir performs an Anthem during Sunday worship, September through May.
  - We sing at the late Christmas Eve service.
  - All voices are welcome and you don't have to read music.
- If you would be interested in joining the choir, contact Rebecca Peterson, Linda Levin, or come to any practice.

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## **Attention Photographers!!**

**Zion's website is currently being updated to be more user friendly and show current events. We're looking for several people who love to take pictures. We'd like to post them on our website as well as Facebook, sharing with others all the awesome things that are happening in our congregation.**

**We'd like pictures from:**

- **Sunday School and Confirmation**
- **Fellowship Events**
- **Baptisms**
- **Backpack Program**
- **Committee and Circle Gatherings**
- **God's Work, Our Hands Projects**
- **Knitters and Quilters**
- **Choir**
- **Sanctuary and Building Photos**

**If you're interested, please talk to Linda Levin.**



## Blessing of the Backpacks

All students—Please bring your backpacks to church on Sunday September 9<sup>th</sup> for a special blessing as we begin the school year!

The Evangelism & Membership Committee decided to have a "God's Work/Our Hands" day on Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at the church at 8:00am. The project this year will be to beautify our city. We will split up into teams. Some will go to the Kids Kingdom, others to Central Park, the baseball fields, marina and Boardwalk. At 12:00, we will gather back at church for lunch. If you have a tee shirt, be sure to wear it, and if you don't, we will get you one. We hope you can join us.  
Donna Mott, Chairperson

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The next **Good Grief Six Week Series**, sponsored in part by the Manistique Ministerial Association, begins on Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 p.m. Whether it's been three months or three years since your loved one died, please consider joining this six-week session of Good Grief. Learn an understanding of grief's journey, coping strategies, and share stories with others who care. If you're interested, please see Pr. Terry.



*Gifts to our congregation have been  
given in memory of*

**Orpha Hermes**

Liz Macklem—Altar Guild

Joel & Sherri Krause—Pew Cushions

### **NOISY OFFERINGS**

<b>July 2018</b>	<b>Habitat for Humanity</b>	<b>\$168.94</b>
<b>August 2018</b>	<b>Fortune Lake</b>	<b>\$126.03</b>

From the Northern Great Lakes Synod:

Thank you so much for generosity as your financial support helps in our efforts together to equip the saints for ministry and to build up the Body of Christ.

Your gifts will bless the work that we do as 80 congregations joined in partnership with each other and national church. I am grateful for your faithfulness in remembering the efforts of the Body of Christ that extend beyond any singular congregation and encompass more than any one community. The following gifts have been received in 2018:

5/18/18 World Hunger Assembly Offering-\$2,640.01

5/28/18 World Hunger-\$338.45; LWR Blankets-\$3.00;

Answer the Call-\$126.75

# Congregation Council Highlights – August

+We received two thank you notes during the last month. One was from the Northern Great Lakes Synod thanking us for World Hunger gifts. The second was from Good Neighbors who thanked us for recent donations of food as well as money from the Noisy Offering.

+Congregation Council committees will begin meeting again in September. If you are interested in serving on one of the committees, please talk to Pastor or Linda Levin. The committees include: Worship and Music, Evangelism and Membership, Finance and Stewardship, Property and Christian Education and Youth. We can always use more enthusiastic people!

+The God's Work, Our Hands projects will be September 8, 2018. Please check the newsletter and bulletin for opportunities to serve.

+The next Highway Pick-Up date range begins September 22<sup>nd</sup>. The specific day and time will be determined.

+The new phone system was installed on July 18<sup>th</sup>.

+A team of people representing Nordic Historic Churches will be visiting our church on August 28 to look at our property and recommend improvements that follow the guidelines in the historic spaces program.

+The new church sign is scheduled to be installed the week of September 10<sup>th</sup>.

+The council approved the "Zion Lutheran Non-Monetary Gift Guide".

+We are looking for people to attend Walking Together, a mini-Festival of Congregational Renewal on Thursday, October 11, 2018, from 5:30-8:00 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran in Escanaba. Please see Pastor or Linda Levin if interested.

+We are looking for people who like to take pictures, to share those pictures with us so we can keep our website up-to-date with the latest events going on at Zion. Please talk to any council person if you are interested.

## Upcoming Scripture Readings

**September 2** —Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9, Psalm 15, James 1:17-27, Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

**September 9**—Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 35:4-7a, Psalm 146, James 2:1-10 [11-13], 14-17, Mark 7:24-37

**September 16**—Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 50:4-9a, Psalm 116:1-9, James 3:1-12, Mark 8:27-38

**September 23**—Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 11:18-20, Psalm 54, James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a, Mark 9:30-37

**September 30**—Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29, Psalm 19:7-14,

James 5:13-20, Mark 9:38-50

## NEWS FROM THE NORTHERN GREAT LAKES SYNOD

### Draft Social Statement on Women and Justice:

This timely draft addresses issues of sexism, many which have recently dominated the headlines. Some of the issues the draft explores include: how Lutherans understand scripture, restricted access to health care and economic resources, objectifying portrayals of women and girls in the media, gender based violence. The comment period for this draft is open through September 30, 2018. Download the draft at [www.elca.org/faith/faith-and-society/current-social-writing-projects/women-and-justice/draft](http://www.elca.org/faith/faith-and-society/current-social-writing-projects/women-and-justice/draft).

## Musicians Gathering

All Musicians (organists, pianists, instrumentalists, choir members and directors) in the Synod are invited to attend this gathering for prayer, worship and discussion. The gathering will be held at Calvary Lutheran, Rapid River, on Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, starting at 9:30 am. Coffee, goodies and conversation at 10:00 am. For questions or to register, contact Lucas Wickstrom at lucas@lucas.net or 906-204-6800.

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## Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp Coming Events:

The **Annual Fall Fest and Quilt Auction** is the first Saturday in October. Donations of Quilts for the auction must be to camp no later than **September 14** to be considered for the auction (preferred date for submissions is **August 24**).

**Upper Elementary Retreat** October 12-13; **Junior and Senior High Retreat** November 2-3.

Fortune Lake now has an **Amazon Wish list** for smaller needs at camp. For more information on the Wish List, go to the website, [www.fortunelake.org](http://www.fortunelake.org) and click on the link for the Wish List