



Christ's Center for Excellence In Discipleship and Outreach

January 12-14, 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: Learn to Revere the Lord

Of all the verses that speak to the topic of tithing, Deuteronomy 14:22-23 may set forth the most convincing argument for tithing. *“Be sure to set aside a tenth of all that your fields produce each year. Eat the tithe of your grain, new wine and oil, and the firstborn of your herds and flocks in the presence of the Lord your God at the place He will choose as a dwelling for His name, so that you may learn to revere the Lord your God always.”* Giving the tithe helps us to learn to honor and revere God. Tithing is a reminder of Whose we are and why we are here. The tithe is instituted so that we may put God first in all things. God's blessings during this time of **Ten for Ten** as we learn to revere the Lord through our giving.

The Administrative Board of Elders (ABE) is generating the Serving Team Schedule for 2019. We are asking you to assist on one service per month (only 12 per year) in either eldering, ushering, scripture reading, media board or the Scrip store. To simplify schedules, you will sign up for the same weekend each month. We need your help so that our church services run smoothly and for Zion to provide an enriching experience for our members and our guests. Many hands make light work and we will provide you the proper guidance on how to perform any of these roles. This is a great way to start on your stewardship commitment and to work with other members. You just may make a new friend! Please contact Brian Reinhardt, Doug Bolzman, or the church office to let us know when you'd like to volunteer for a once a month (or more) commitment of time to these great opportunities.

MANY WEEKENDS are open for bulletin sponsorship and/or altar flowers in January and February. If you're interested in sponsoring the bulletin or placing altar flowers, please contact the church office at 989.894.2611.



I'm very excited to be the new Music Administrator for Zion. Thank you for all of your words of encouragement, generous gifts, and prayers. I look forward to getting to know all of you more. I've already had the privilege of working with some amazing people! We have begun to continue some of the musical groups, and will be continuing others in the near future: Rock of Zion, Mixed Choir, Orchestra, Brass, Men's Choir, Hand Bell Choir, All School Choirs, and a Women's Choir. We are also in need of special music for all 3 services. If you play an instrument or sing, please contact me at bupton@zionbaycity.org or 989-894-2611. God's Blessings, Bobbie Jo Upton.

CONSIDERING BECOMING A MEMBER? WOULD LIKE A FRESH LOOK AT OUR BELIEFS? A NEW MEMBER CLASS will begin **Sunday, February 10, from 6-8 p.m.** in Ministry Room A. Contact the church office at 989.894.2611 or at secretary@zionbaycity.org.

DATES TO REMEMBER...

ABE will meet **Wednesday, January 23, at 5:30 p.m.** in Pastor's office.

There is no Friendship Club meeting in January.

There is no Ladies Guild meeting in January.

TRANSITION TEAM meeting, Wednesday, January 16 at 6 p.m. in Ministry Room A.

YOUTH CONFIRMATION classes meet on Tuesday's at 6:30 p.m. in Ministry Room A.

YOGA FOR MS/CHAIR YOGA beginning Tuesday, January 15 from 1:15 – 2 p.m. in Ministry Room A. Fees: First class FREE; \$5 drop-in; \$20 for a 6-class punch card. For Zion Lutheran members: First class FREE; \$4 drop-in; \$18 for a 6-class punch card. Class description: a 45-minute yoga class done seated and standing with a chair. Class emphasizes breathing and gentle movement to build strength, balance, and flexibility. All levels welcome and no experience necessary. All props provided, however, you can bring your own yoga mat and water. Taught by Amanda Behrens, registered and certified yoga teacher with Yoga Alliance. Any questions, please call 989-714-4429.

Bob and Eileen Roberts will be leaving for Africa in early February. If you have any crochet hooks (no afghan hooks or really small size or over size K hooks) that you have saved for Eileen, please drop them off at the church office.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: Boxed potatoes (all kinds), boxed pasta-elbow macaroni, shells, and/or spaghetti noodles, canned fruit, peanut butter, jelly, canned peas, canned corn, canned pastas, canned soups, canned kidney beans, canned diced tomatoes, canned tomato sauce, jello, pancake mix, syrup, hamburger/tuna helper.

SCHOOL NEWS...

The school started back after a restful break. Of course, our students only thoughts now are of snow and snow play and of course maybe a snow day or two. We are after all, kids.

January 26 at 6 p.m. is the school service night. We will have a nice supper and tie some fleece blankets. Everyone, not just our school families, are welcome to attend. Maybe think of it this way, if you don't know three school families by name; Jan. 26 would be a great way to meet some of our school families.

Congratulations and a prayer of thanks are due for our school children. Their goal to raise \$400 for Heifer International has been reached. We made it with nickels, dimes, pennies, and quarters. This was an effort the students voted to work on together. The students went over and above their original goal.

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!

Basketball Party...

You are all invited to attend our home basketball game on Friday, January 18 at 5:30 p.m. There will be concessions available for purchase and lots of fellowship. Passes for free admission can be found at the Welcome Center. We'd love to see you all there! For updates on our concessions menu Friday evening, please call the school office next week.

SCRIP NEWS...

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

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, GIFTS, AND MEMORIALS...

In honor of their 60th wedding anniversary (January 9), from Ray and Susanne Fick...\$60 to the General Fund.

Memorial for Alberta (Fisher) Hess, sister of Robert Fischer, went to be with our Lord, Dec 30, 2018 at the age of 93, from Robert and Nancy Fischer...\$30 to the General Fund.

"Many Blessings in 2019", from Pastor John and LaVerne Rauh...\$1,000 to the General Fund.

Gratefully, an anonymous year end donation...\$2,000 to the General Fund.

Blessings received, an anonymous year end donation...\$3,000 to the General Fund.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) is looking for someone to coordinate our week long VBS program held in August. If interested or need more information, please contact Brian Reinhardt at 989.708.9705.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT...

Our Christian life is one of being a steward of all of God’s gifts.
 “Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name; worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.” (Psalm 29:1-2)

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

	November 2018	2018 Year-to-Date
Income	\$ 59,590	\$ 791,201
Expenses	\$ 67,362	\$ 878,791
District Missions	0	\$ (5,753)
Local Missions	0	\$ (3,835)
Net	\$ (7,771)	\$ (97,178)

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND:

Saturday (111), Sunday (82), Monday (27)

This Weekend’s Theme: “Fear Not”

This Sunday and Monday Hymns: 344, 405, 409, 590, 605, 606, 728.

This Weekend – January 12-14:

Sunday worship setting: Divine Setting 1
 Readings: Isaiah 43:1-7; Romans 6:1-11; Luke 3:15-22

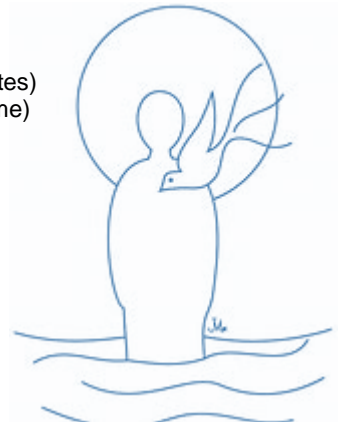
Next Weekend – January 19-21:

Sunday worship setting: Divine Setting 3
 Readings: Isaiah 62:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11

The Reading Plan for 2018 has ended. If you are interested in a 2019 plan please contact the church office at 989.894.2611 or by email at secretary@zionbaycity.org.

AVAILABLE AT THE WELCOME CENTER:

- 2018 Monthly Reports** (updated with most recent minutes)
- 2018 Wall Calendars** (courtesy of Gephart Funeral Home)
- Cougar Newsletter**
- January calendar** of events
- “Our Daily Bread”** devotionals for December-February
- Portals of Prayer** devotionals for January-March
- Summary of December 9th’s Voters’ Meeting**





Zion's Weekly Prayer Concerns

January 12-18, 2019

Those mourning the loss of loved ones...

The family of Les Gray

The family of Alberta Fisher Hess

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

Carolyn Ballor

Brianna Bitzer

Chuck Ellsworth

Thomas Fry

Lucy May

Karin McKee

Those with struggles who suffer silently

Those with long-term needs...

Bernice Huber (Paulette Allwardt's mother)

For those celebrating Anniversaries...

Nick & Brandy Dimmitt – 15th on January 14

For those celebrating Birthdays...

Jacob Bolzman – Jan. 12

Hannah Gradowski – Jan. 13

Courtney Dougherty – Jan. 14

Kirsten Wilson – Jan. 14

Damian Shook – Jan. 16

James Drzyzga – Jan. 17

Mark Hardy – Jan. 17

Dan Ahrens – Jan. 18

Loretta Kohn – Jan 18

Trinity Dallas – Jan. 13

Victoria Sumner – Jan. 13

Daniel Glumm – Jan. 14

Jaime Heck – Jan. 15

Norine Arnold – Jan. 17

Rose Ellsworth – Jan. 17

Lori Srebinski – Jan. 17

Garren Curtis – Jan. 18

Scott Piotrowski – Jan. 18

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 leaders in our homes, our church, and in our country, that God would provide wisdom and strength and allow them to lead with courage.

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.

