



Christ's Center for Excellence In Discipleship and Outreach

January 19-21, 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 weekend's bulletin is sponsored by Lillian Lockwood in
thanksgiving to God for many blessings on her 92nd birthday.**

Ten for Ten: Thoughts on Tithing

“The tithe is a time-honored practice which has glorified God in the lives of many people. In the first Biblical accounts of man's relation to God, the tithe was law. In the coming of Christ, man moved from a period of law to a period of grace. The response of the Christian soul will be one of earnest desire to yield it's all to Him Who gave His all for us. As we consider tithing in the light of Bible history and in the practice of many Christians today, we will discover that the tithe is not dead, nor should it be, but we must also go beyond the tithe and give careful consideration to the New Testament teaching of proportionate giving. Out of this background we believe in calling people to percentage giving, in order that they may have a specific starting point on a road which encompasses the doctrine of tithing and moves beyond it to the total surrender of all they have and all they are. As such, we are concerned with Jesus' attitude toward the tithe. Here we discover that we must let Christ, the Living Word, speak to us personally.” (Charlie Shedd)

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.

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.

TRANSITION TEAM meeting, Wednesday, January 30 at 6 p.m. in Ministry Room A.

VOTERS' MEETING, Saturday, February 2, following the 5 p.m. service.

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

YOGA FOR MS/CHAIR YOGA, Tuesday's, from 1:15 – 2 p.m. in Ministry Room A. Please note: when Bay City Public Schools are closed yoga class is cancelled. 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. Questions: Amanda Behrens, registered and certified yoga teacher with Yoga Alliance, please call 989-714-4429.

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN: Reaching into 67 foreign countries with the message of Christ to accompany humanitarian aid and mercy care, Orphan Grain Train for 27 years has responded to human need with the love of Jesus. Orphan Grain Train distributes food, clothing, medical supplies, Christian literature, school materials, tools, personal transport devices for the disabled, and more. Orphan Grain Train also responds immediately with domestic disaster relief when hurricanes, fires, or drought place American lives and livelihoods in jeopardy. The very first Orphan Grain Train branch in the state of Michigan has just been established in Sebawaing. A new Michigan branch warehouse facility has been acquired. The Center is currently preparing to launch regular operations with regular notices of its work to be shared with the church. For more information about Orphan Grain Train, visit www.ogt.org or contact Orphan Grain Train—Michigan Branch Manager, Pastor David Reed, 989-600-2264.

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.

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.

SCHOOL NEWS...

We are happy to announce our school children reached their 2nd Quarter Chapel goal challenge! The children doubled their original goal of \$200 and raised \$400 for Heifer International.

January 26 at 6:00 p.m. is our Warm and Cozy service project. We are feeding you a warm, delicious soup supper and then tying fleece blankets while we fellowship. Everyone is invited. Come meet some of our school families. Tell them about our church family, invite them to a service. Tie up some new church family bonds while tying the fleece.

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!

SCRIP NEWS...

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

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG: Pick up a baby bottle at the Welcome Center this weekend and help support Beacon of Hope. Place any amount of money in the baby bottle and return the bottle to our church office by **Tuesday, February 12**. Donations of any size are welcome.

ALTAR FLOWERS are presented in memory of Evelyn Spychalski by Don and family.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, GIFTS, AND MEMORIALS...

In honor of her 92nd birthday (January 22), from Lillian Lockwood...\$100 to the General Fund.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT...

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

"Now there are a variety of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone." (1 Corinthians 12:4-6)

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 (90), Sunday (72), Monday (44)

This Weekend's Theme: "Saving the Best 'Til Last"

This Sunday and Monday Hymns: 816, 912, 515, 394, 629, 919.

This Weekend – January 19-21:

Sunday worship setting: Divine Setting 3

Readings: Isaiah 62:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11

Next Weekend – January 26-28:

Sunday worship setting: Divine Setting 1

Readings: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12:12-31; Luke 4:16-30

AVAILABLE AT THE WELCOME CENTER:

2018 Monthly Reports (updated with most recent minutes)

Cougar Newsletter

January calendar of events

"Our Daily Bread" devotionals for December-February

Portals of Prayer devotionals for January-March

AREA ACTIVITIES:

St. John Amelith Annual Valentine's Chicken BBQ will be Sunday, Feb. 17th from 11am to 1pm. Famous Amelith BBQ chicken dinners, cooked to perfection by the St. John Amelith Athletic Club, with baked potato, veggies, bread, dessert and beverage will be \$10 for ½ chicken and \$8 for ¼ chicken. Take-outs available at 10:30am. LWML is also hosting a bake sale. For questions, please contact Tony Johnson at 684-3037. St. John Amelith is located at 1664 Amelith Road, Bay City.

Save the Date!! VLHS Benefit Dinner & Auction! Our Theme

is "Fabulous Fifties" Please save the date for Saturday, February 23, 2018, at Apple Mountain Conference Center. Your support has impacted Valley Lutheran with improvements in programs, equipment, transportation, physical school improvements, and most importantly STUDENT AID. Thank you for your past support of VLHS! We could use your help again - we are asking for items to be donated and put up for bid (merchandise, tickets, services, vacation homes, gift cards, etc.). There are also opportunities to participate by way of prayer, advertising, sponsorship, or attending the auction. Click on our auction link www.vlhsauction.com for more information and check out our often-updated list of items. Watch your bulletin and/or church message board for registration brochures. For further information or questions, you may call Valley Lutheran at 790-1676.

For more area activities, please see flyers at the Welcome Center.