

February 11-12, 2023

Please welcome our children
and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.

**"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another,
as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Peter 4:10).**

Thanks to all those who have volunteered. There are still many opportunities for you to consider...

- Approximately 30 minutes, once a month, keeping our Church library dusted, organized, up-to-date.
- Approximately 1 hour on the first Sunday of the month, in the Great Hall, preparing and serving coffee, sharing fellowship, ending with clean up.
- Approximately 30 minutes every week, following our weekend services, setting our Sanctuary, Cry Room and Balcony back in order.
- As time is available, sorting, organizing, filing, scanning and shredding many items in the church office.

Contact April at 989.894.2611 or abirch@zionbaycity.org.

SCRIP FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) - **FAQ #1** - Why is Zion doing this? By purchasing gift cards through Scrip at Zion, Zion can collect on average 3-5% of the cost of the card without members having to spend any of their own money. Zion uses this money to support our ministry, by having additional funds in our General Fund to support our operations and outreach. At the direction of our members, they may apply their rebates to our school families to assist with their tuition costs. This also supports Zion's ministry to share the good news with our students and their families. Getting used to using gift cards does not take too much effort and we are always looking for ways to make this convenient. By ordering online, purchasing through your bank account and reloading cards, a week's worth of purchasing can be complete in a matter of minutes. An average family of four can easily raise \$1,000.00 in a year by using Gift Cards versus their credit card. We are asking you to consider this as part of your stewardship activities.

MID-MICHIGAN FAMILY BIBLE STUDY - "What can I do with my loved ones who aren't in Church?" Have you ever asked that question? The next Family Bible Study at Grace Lutheran (303 Ruth Street, Auburn) will tackle an issue that brings much heartache to all of us! The Lord gives us beautiful guidance in how to minister to these folks who see no need for Christ and His Church! Come and be encouraged on Sunday, February 19, at 2 p.m.! All are welcome!

DATES TO REMEMBER...

ZION CELEBRATION, Saturday, February 11 following the 5:00 p.m. Worship Service.

ROCK WARMUP, Saturdays, 4 p.m.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS, 8:30 a.m., Ministry Room A.

ZION CELEBRATION, Sunday, February 12, following the 9:30 a.m. Worship Service.

BAY CITY CIRCUIT MEETING, Tuesday, February 14, 9-1 p.m., Ministry Room A.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS, Tuesday, February 14, 6:30 p.m., Nursery.

BABY BOTTLES RETURN DEADLINE, Wednesday, February 15.

CHAPEL, Wednesday, February 15, 8:15 a.m.

SCRIP ORDERS DUE, Wednesday, February 15, by noon.

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP – David Paul Britton, February 15, 7 p.m., Great Hall.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY, Thursday, February 6, 10 a.m., Ministry Room A.



Join us for our Lenten
services beginning
we put on our
journey through

Each week a pastor from our Bay City circuit will join us as we learn
about different mountains in the Bible.

midweek worship
on Ash Wednesday as
climbing gear and
“The Hills of Lent”.

February 22 - Ash Wednesday - Pastor Baerwolf leads us to Mount Zion

March 1 - Pastor Jones from Immanuel guides us to Mount Sinai

March 8 - Vicar Schultz from St. Paul's takes us to Mount Hermon

March 15 - Pastor Bender from Faith leads us to Mount Ararat

March 22 - Pastor Garcia from Immanuel guides us
to the Mount of Transfiguration

March 29 - Pastor Matyas from St. Paul's takes us to Mount Moriah

Dinner will be served from 5:30-6:30 each Wednesday evening, our
Lenten hymn sing begins at 6:45 in church and then worship takes
place at 7. On Ash Wednesday we will impose ashes at the beginning of
worship and feast on the Lord's Supper together.

Our **THURSDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE CLASS** will begin a new study on Thursday, February 16, focusing on the amazing promise that is ours in Jeremiah 29. They meet beginning at 10 in the morning for fellowship and studying God's Word and conclude each session at 11:30. We hope you can join us for this opportunity to dig into the Scriptures.

CPR & AED CLASS - The Board of Elders will be sponsoring a CPR class on Sunday, March 12 at 6:30 in Ministry Room A. We can accommodate 20 people for this class and will have a sign-up sheet in the church office. Please sign-up or call the office to have your name included. We are asking the Elders and Ushers to attend so that we have certified members available during church services if an event occurs. If we have more than 20 interested, we will schedule another class. Please respond by March 3. A \$5.00 fee will be collected the night of the class.

MONTHLY MISSION: Food of Faith is an amazing gift to our community



as this faith-based outreach program provides meals to anyone in need. For more than 20 years this program lives out the words of Jesus by feeding the hungry and providing them a warm, pleasant dining experience in a safe and welcoming

environment. We serve anyone in need, without requiring proof of need or any personal information. Churches and groups are invited to become partners in serving a meal. **Food of Faith** has thrived in our community due to the generosity of churches like Zion and so many others who help. It takes between 10-15 volunteers in the kitchen and dining room preparing the meal, setting up, serving, visiting with guests, and clean up.

Zion will be serving three meals this year for the **Food of Faith**. Our first meal will be served on March 12, 2023 at Trinity Episcopal Church, 815 N. Grant St., Bay City. To serve this meal we need your help! Please consider donating a box of spaghetti and or a jar of spaghetti sauce. The items may be dropped off at the mission table in the great hall. If you are able to help serve in any of the above areas on March 12th, contact Kay Arnold at 989.751.0855. We will also be accepting monetary donations for this worthwhile ministry. Thank you for being part of this ministry!

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF TURKEY EARTHQUAKE RESPONSE

Relief teams are already coordinating a response, and it is your congregations' compassion and generosity that will rush emergency care. Gifts to LWR's emergency response fund will deliver critically needed care such as water, medical care, shelter, and essential supplies.

Congregations and their members can give online at lwr.org/quake or mail a check to Lutheran World Relief, PO Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297-1061. Please write QUAKE in the memo.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, GIFTS, AND MEMORIALS...

In appreciation for the blessing of Pastor and Ramona Baerwolf, a gift of \$500 has been received for Zion's Roof Fund.

In memory of Richard Poppe, from Ken & Erma Thomas...\$50-Church Roof Repair SF.

Gifts Received...\$40-Church Roof Repair; \$18 Door Offering- Mission of the Month-LifeClinic; \$220-Mission of the Month-Food of Faith.

PREVIOUS WEEKS ATTENDANCE:

Saturday (65), Sunday (61), Wednesday (21)

This Weekend – February 11-12 - Go

Sunday Worship Setting: Divine Service 1, pg. 151

Readings: Psalm 24:1-6; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Matthew 5:13-20

Hymns: LSB 793, 725, 722, 633, 729, 718

Next Weekend – February 18-19 - Transfiguration

Blended Worship as David Paul Britton shares the Good News with us

Readings: Exodus 24:8-18; 2 Peter 1:16-21; Matthew 17:1-9

AVAILABLE AT THE WELCOME CENTER:

- 2018-2022 Monthly Reports
- Portals of Prayer devotionals for January-March
- Our Daily Bread devotionals for December-February
- February Calendar of Events
- February Valley Vision
- **NEW** Cougar Newsletter-week of February 6-10
- 2022 Offering Statements-if you haven't picked your statement up and would like it mailed, contact April in the Church office.

ACCESSING FACEBOOK STREAMING SERVICES. You can access the streaming service site at <https://www.facebook.com/zionbaycity>.

ACCESSING YOUTUBE STREAMING SERVICES. To access the service from YouTube, go to <https://youtu.be/c7Wvx6h96XA>, select the PLAYLISTS tab, select Church to find the Live-Stream and hit SUBSCRIBE to add this site.

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Worship: Saturday 5pm; Sunday 9:30am; Wednesday 7pm

Pastor Phillip Baerwolf, pbaerwolf@zionbaycity.org, 989.284.0500

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday, 12 p.m. (written, faxed or emailed)



"He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building."
1 Corinthians 3:8-9

Zion's Weekly Prayer Concerns

February 11-17, 2023

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

Robert Gerken, Lauren, and those with struggles who suffer silently.

For those celebrating Anniversaries...

Edwin & Christine Weber Jr. celebrating 57 yrs. on February 12

For those celebrating Birthdays...

Nina Bauer celebrating her 82nd birthday-2/11

Cheryl Powers-2/13

A.J. Glumm Jr.-2/14

Megan Miller-2/14

For this week's homebound/nursing home patients ...

Tilly Arnold, Frank & Ruth Batschke, and Ardythe Biskupski

Other prayer concerns...

- For the earthquake victims of Turkey, that God would unite us as a church and a nation to support them in their time of need.
- Pray for Mrs. Joles and her four-year-old students at Zion. Ask the Lord to protect them and guide them as He walks hand in hand with them through life.
- For Pastor Bob and Eileen as they travel around Africa, that God would show His love in their efforts.
- O blessed Jesus, you ministered to all who came to you. Look with compassion upon all who through addiction have lost their health and freedom. Restore to them the assurance of your unfailing mercy; remove the fears that attack them; strengthen those who are engaged in the work of recovery; and to those who care for them, give honesty, understanding, and persevering love; for your mercy's sake. Amen.

May our prayer be that of the psalmist who teaches us to pray:

Psalm 24 - Proclaims the Lord as Creator, Sustainer and Possessor of everything.

Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is the King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your hearts, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is the King of glory? The Lord Almighty – He is the King of glory.

Use this list as a daily reminder for your 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 April 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.