

March 25 - 26, 2023

We invite you to join us during the season of Lent for our sermon series, "The Hills of Lent", each Wednesday. We will be putting on our climbing gear and journeying through "The Hills of Lent".

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

March 29 - "Mount of Moriah" - Pastor Matyas, St. Paul

LENTEN HYMN SING begins at 6:45 p.m. in church.

WEDNESDAY LENTEN SUPPERS - 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Great Hall/Ministry Room A. A free-will donation will be accepted. Hosted by our LWML ladies. Casserole, salad and dessert will be served.



HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES - please see the enclosed insert for all our scheduled services.

EASTER SUNDAY CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST - On Easter morning, April 9, between services, we will be serving a continental breakfast in Ministry Room A. We are looking for volunteers to help serve between 8 and 9 a.m. and for clean up afterward. If you are available to help, call or text Kay at 989.751.0855.

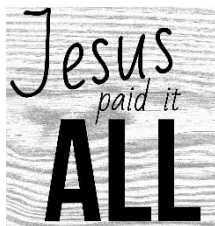
LAST WEEK FOR COLLECTION OF EASTER BAG ITEMS!! Items still needed: baked beans, canned fruit, boxed potatoes (scaloped/au gratin), mac and cheese, boxed rolls, jello, brownie or cake/frosting, jelly beans, and chocolate cross or bunny. If you can help with any of these items, please bring them to the cart outside of the church door office no later than March 31. ~ The Food Pantry Team

MARCH MONTHLY MISSION: Sleep in Heavenly Peace.



We will have a door collection this weekend, March 25/26 and Wednesday, March 29. Your donations of TWIN size (66" x 86") waterproof mattress protectors, blankets, quilts, comforters and single sheet sets may be dropped off to the collection box in the Great Hall through March 31.

The next build of beds is this Saturday, March 25, at Delta College Builders Trade facility on their campus. If you are able to help, contact Lee Morrill at Lee_Morrill@yahoo.com.



DATES TO REMEMBER...

ROCK WARMUP, Saturdays, 4 p.m.

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

LADIES BIBLE CLASS, Tuesday, March 28, 6:30 p.m., Nursery.

LADIES AND MEN'S PRACTICE, Wednesday, March 29, 5 p.m.

LENTEN SUPPER, Wednesday, March 29, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

PRESERVICE HYMN SING, Wednesday, March 29, 6:45 p.m.

LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE, Wednesday, March 29, 7 p.m.

HAND BELLS PRACTICE, Wednesday, March 29, 8 p.m.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY, Thursday, March 30, 10 a.m., Ministry Room A.

EASTER BAG PACKAGING, Thursday, March 30, 1 p.m., Ministry Room A.

EASTER BAGS FOOD DEADLINE, Friday, March 31.

SCRIP FAQ #7 - What can I expect to earn each year by using Scrip Cards? If you order the essentials, Gasoline, Food, Clothing, Restaurants, a family of four can easily earn up to \$1,000 a year. A typical weekly order can be Meijer = \$200 @ 3%, Speedway = \$100 @ 4%, Arby's = \$30 @ 8%, and Mr. Carwash = \$8 @ 50%. This purchase would save \$16.40 to go toward tuition or General Fund. After a year, that would be \$852.80. That is just the essentials. When home improvements are needed, a New Washer/Dryer, Dishwasher, Hot Water Heater at Home Depot can raise 4% of the purchase. For a \$1,300 washer/dryer that comes to \$52.00 in rebates. By using gift cards, you are not spending any more for the product, we are simply saving 4% to go toward your cause.

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

There are many opportunities for you to consider...

- Shut-in visitation-Would you please consider spending 45 minutes on the 2nd Wednesday or Thursday of the month to visit one shut-in? Contact Jan Vogtmann at 989.686.0356.
- Assist Pastor Baerwolf at New Hope Bay's worship services on the third Wednesday of every month at 1 and 1:45.
- Cover church office/phones between the hours of 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Monday through Thursday, during April's vacations.

Contact April at 989.894.2611 or abirch@zionbaycity.org.

**Invite your family and friends to join us for our Holy Week
worship services—see the insert for all the days and times.**

FULL TIME POSITION FOR BUILDING MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR AND SCHOOL CUSTODIAN

Zion Lutheran Church and School in Bay City, MI is looking for an experienced and efficient building maintenance supervisor to manage the church and school properties. Your ability to manage projects, clean and upkeep the exterior and interior of two buildings will be required. Job duties include: managing a budget, cleaning, deep cleaning, outside yard work, shoveling the parking lots and sidewalks (equipment provided) and ordering supplies. The candidate will be willing to meet and work with prospective daycare and school parents and be supervised by a Properties Committee. Our ideal candidate is self-motivated, has good communication and people skills, is able to complete tasks, and can initiate tasks to the benefit of the property. This position also includes the school custodian whose job duties include daily cleaning of the school, vacuuming, sweeping, taking out trash, and dusting. Also, quarterly cleaning such as floor waxing, window cleaning etc. Zion is looking to hire one person for both positions for a 40-hour a week full time salaried position. If interested, please contact George at the church office: 989.894.2611. Send resume to Zion Lutheran Church, 510 W. Ivy St. Bay City, MI 48706 attention Properties Committee Chairman, or email secretary@zionbaycity.org.

DON'T FORGET TO DIRECT CHOICE DOLLARS® ...

Grant funding from Thrivent Financial through its Thrivent Choice® program can help support organizations you care about. Don't let Choice Dollars expire.

Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have Choice Dollars available have until March 31, 2023, to direct any remaining 2022 Choice Dollars. Help support Zion. Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more. Or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

WHERE CAN YOUR CHILDREN: experience Christian growth while swimming, canoeing, shooting archery, riding horses, and zip-lining? At Camp Concordia! Don't let your children miss the adventure, joy and wonder that a week at a Christian camp can bring. Camp nurtures faith inside of kids! The week of June 11-16 has a special rate of \$380 for those entering Grades 3-8! To read what parents have to say, please visit the camp's website at www.campconcordia.org or call the camp office for more information at 616-754-3785.

***ALTAR FLOWERS are provided by Alana & Jim Rabedioux
in loving memory of Lucy & Bill May.***

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, GIFTS, AND MEMORIALS...

A loving gift from an anonymous donor in thanks for our many blessings...\$10,000 for the General Fund.

A goodwill offering, from Tuesday Evening Bible Class March 22 Lenten Supper...\$122 for the General Fund.

Gifts Received...\$500--IRA Distribution General Fund; \$220--Food Pantry Easter Bags; \$470--Sleep in Heavenly Peace Monthly Mission; \$100--Building Preservation Fund.

PREVIOUS WEEKS ATTENDANCE:

Saturday (59), Sunday (58), Wednesday (60)

This Weekend – March 25-26 – 5th Weekend in Lent

Sunday Worship Setting: Divine Service 3, pg. 184

Readings: Psalm 142; Luke 23:1-25

Hymns: LSB 431, 560, 424, 725, 729, 425

Next Weekend – April 1-2 – Palm Sunday

Sunday Worship Setting: Divine Service 1, pg. 151

Readings: Psalm 130; Luke 19:28-44

Hymns: LSB 443, 442, 637, 425, 440, 423

AVAILABLE AT THE WELCOME CENTER:

- **NEW** Portals of Prayer devotionals for April-June
- Our Daily Bread devotionals for March-May
- March Calendar of Events
- Cougar Newsletter-week of March 20-24

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.

Zion Lutheran Church, 510 W. Ivy, Bay City, Michigan 48706; 989-894-2611

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)



**"For to set the mind on the flesh is death,
but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace"**

Romans 8:6

Zion's Weekly Prayer Concerns

March 25 - 31, 2023

Those mourning the loss of loved ones...

Family and friends of Sue Freudenburg-3.17.23

Family and friends of Floyd Metz-3.17.23 (brother of Barb Metz)

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

Rhonda Kuehn, Jon Hop, Dana Stinnett, and those with struggles who suffer silently.

For those celebrating Anniversaries...

Peter & Jennifer Danielski celebrating 9 yrs. on March 29

For those celebrating Birthdays...

Frank Batschke Jr. celebrating his 94th birthday-3/25

Mark Fowler-3/25

Rebecca Gillespie-3/25

Qwinn Shorkey-3/25

Ed Barry-3/26

Paul Wilczynski-3/28

Kristine Spence-3/29

Nancy McFadyen celebrating her 85th birthday-3/31

Ryan Remer-3/31

Anthony Upton-3/31

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

Monica Katt, Patricia Keene, Bruce Lockwood, Della Marotzke and Barbara Metz

Pray for:

- Sleep in Heavenly Peace



Other prayer concerns...

- Pray for Miss Franklin and our fifth and sixth grade students at Zion. Ask the Lord to give these kids strength and safety for every day and a heart filled with faith to trust all of His promises to us and for us.
- To provide His continued blessings on our Tuesday evening Bible Class as we grow and mature our spiritual community and understand how God's words provide direction to our mission and actions.

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

Psalm 133 – A song in praise of brotherly unity among the people of God

How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity! It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down upon the collar of his robes. It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the Lord bestows His blessing, even life forevermore.

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.