

January 13-14, 2024



CAN YOU HELP? Our Properties Committee purchased a snowblower for our custodian to use while clearing our church and school campus. The cost was \$650. If you can donate to the purchase price of the snowblower, we would be so grateful.

ZION LUTHERAN CHILDCARE CENTER is searching for a toddler room lead teacher. This special person will lead classroom activities and care for children while sharing the love of Jesus. Please share this wonderful opportunity as we search for a qualified candidate. Experience caring for children and State of Michigan licensing classes are required. Please contact Mrs. Reese at jreese@zionbaycity.org.

MONTHLY MISSION: LIFECLINIC COMMUNITY RESOURCES. This Christian faith-based organization serves pregnant women and their families with the hope of providing encouragement for them to choose life for their unborn child. We are participating in the BABY BOTTLE Campaign through January. When you fill a baby bottle (now available in the Great Hall) with spare change, cash, or a check, you are helping LifeClinic provide free and confidential medical services, parenting education classes, and resilience support to anyone in the Great Lakes Bay Region.



MEIJER SIMPLY GIVE - The *Simply Give* winter campaign will run through March 30. This is ONLY at the Essexville store. This will Benefit the Bay County Emergency Food Pantry in which Zion is a partner. Meijer will double match any cards purchased on Saturday, March 2 and 23, effectively tripling contributions made on that day. Customers shopping online using Meijer pickup or home delivery can also purchase Simply Give donation cards as an add-on to their orders.

**This weekend's bulletin is being sponsored by William Ott
in memory of Erich K. Gaertner.**

DATES TO REMEMBER...

MUSIC PRACTICE, Saturdays, 4 p.m.

SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP with communion, 5 p.m.

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

ROCK will next practice on Monday, January 22, 5 p.m.

MEN'S CHORUS will next practice on Monday, January 22, 6 p.m.

CIRCUIT WINKEL, Tuesday, January 16, 8 a.m.–1 p.m., Ministry Room A/Great Hall.

LADIES TEA & COFFEE CHOIR, Tuesday, January 16, 11 a.m.

ORCHESTRA, Tuesday, January 16, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY, January 16, 6:30-8 p.m., Nursery.

CHAPEL, Wednesday, January 17, 8:15 a.m., Sanctuary.

HANDBELLS will next meet on Wednesday, January 31, 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE, January 17, 7 p.m., Great Hall.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY, January 18, 10-11:30 a.m., Ministry Room A.

FOOD PANTRY NEWS...

Hard to believe that Easter is coming fast. The food pantry will again be filling food bags. The items needed are boxed scalloped/au gratin potatoes, jelly, syrup, mac & cheese, baked beans, canned fruit (any kind), Small canned hams or funds to buy fresh, chocolate crosses/bunnies', and jelly beans. Pancake mix and peanut butter are not needed as we received a donation from Hidden Harvest. Thank you for continuing to support your food pantry.

AREA HAPPENINGS...

Right to Life Vigil, Sunday, January 21, 1 p.m. Memorial for the Unborn *'With Every Woman, For Every Child'* 2024, St. Stanislaus Church, 1503 Kosciuszko Ave, Bay City (sidewalk on 22nd Street side of church). Questions? Call 989.895.8481 or email baycountyrtrl@gmail.com.

Come Take a Peek at Valley Lutheran. Is high school right around the corner? Or thinking ahead to your child's future? Any and all interested families (students included!) are invited to come take a *Peek at Valley* on Wednesday, January 24th. These one hour guided tours provide a peek into the Valley Lutheran experience and what sets Valley apart. Let us know you're coming and pick an arrival time-www.vlhs.com/takeapeek. Contact Amy Cooper, Director of Communications and Admissions at acooper@vlhs.com with any questions.

New Season of GriefShare at Grace Auburn — On Tuesday, February 6, at 10 a.m., a new season of GriefShare begins at Grace Lutheran Church (303 Ruth Street, Auburn)! All are welcome! This is the most up-to-date version of GriefShare that will help any person who is grieving to find hope and peace in Christ. Each session stands alone and lasts about an hour and a half. GriefShare will meet on Tuesdays through May 7 at 10 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Grace's office at 989-662-6161.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, GIFTS, AND MEMORIALS...

In memory of David Maddox, from Jim & Alana Rabedioux...\$25-Lanes 2 Learning.

Gifts Received...\$5 Building Preservation SF; \$25 General Fund; Thrivent Grant-\$1,250 General Fund.

PREVIOUS WEEKS ATTENDANCE:

Saturday (84), Sunday (63), Wednesday-no service

This Weekend – January 13-14 – Second Sunday a. Epiphany

Sunday Worship Setting: Divine Service 1, pg. 151

Readings: 1 Samuel 3:1-10; John 1:43-51

Hymns: LSB 394, 589, 761, 664, 740, 411

Next Weekend – January 20-21 – Third Sunday a. Epiphany

Sunday Worship Setting: Divine Service 3, pg. 184

Guest David Paul Britton

AVAILABLE AT THE WELCOME CENTER:

- Portals of Prayer devotionals for January-March
- Our Daily Bread devotionals for December-February
- January Wonderful Times (Div. on Aging)
- December/January Valley Vision
- Cougar Newsletter

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

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

Pastor Phillip Baerwolf, pbaerwolf@zionbaycity.org, 989.284.0500

Zion's Weekly Prayer Concerns January 13-19, 2024

Those mourning the loss of loved ones...

Family and friends of Elfriede Kuemmerle-1/8/24

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

Sue Crook's sister, Jean, and those with struggles who suffer silently.

For those celebrating Anniversaries...

For those celebrating Birthdays...

Victoria Sumner-1/13

Daniel Glumm-1/14

Johnathon Glumm-1/15

James Drzyzga celebrating his 89th birthday-1/17

Livia Plachta-1/18

Peter Danielski-1/19

Cheryl Fryzel-1/19

Alan Story-1/19

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

Barbara Metz, Richard Nagel, Eldine Parent, and Jane Royer.

Other prayer concerns...

- Join us in giving thanks for the goodness of God's creation as we marvel at the beauty of winter reminded that our God is a God of all seasons, He gives us winter and summer, spring and autumn and even as the snow falls, we are grateful that though our sins be as scarlet through Jesus' blood shed on the cross, He has made them white as snow.
- John 1:29 - "The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!'" The Israelites of old offered a lamb to God at Passover so that death might pass over them and do no harm. Over those long centuries of sacrifice, did they understand that this was actually God's gift? That God would be the true Giver of the true Lamb? Truly, we can never out-give God, for all that we have is His.

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

"But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord, because He has dealt bountifully with me." (Psalm 13)