

**August 31 – September 1, 2024**

**SEPTEMBER MISSION: Orphan Grain Train.** In loving response to Christ, the Servant, the Orphan Grain Train movement encourages and enables God's people to share personal and material resources in bringing Christ's name and character to needy people both far and near. Sometimes that character expresses itself as a word well spoken, sometimes as a bandage well applied, and sometimes as a child well fed.



Orphan Grain Train is a 501c3 Nonprofit Christian volunteer network that shares personal and material resources with needy people in America and around the world. Grain Train volunteers gather donations of clothing, medical supplies, food, Christian literature, and other aid to meet real needs. The Orphan Grain Train movement is a loving response to Jesus Christ's example as a servant and His love for us.

**SMART CARDS:** 2024 Smart Cards are here! They offer tons of savings all around the tri-city area. The cost is \$25. You can pick yours up in the church office, the school office, or after the 5 p.m. worship service Saturday, September 7. The proceeds will go towards our school faith families as we build community and are connected to Jesus.

**PRAYER CHAIN COORDINATOR-ANSWERED PRAYER:** Lets welcome Rhonda Kuehn as our prayer chain warrior! You may send your prayer requests to [prayerchain@zionbaycity.org](mailto:prayerchain@zionbaycity.org) or if you don't have access to a computer, you can call her at 989-450-9644. Submit your prayer requests today and lets see what God can do! Note: Prayer requests to be included in the worship service or bulletin should still be directed to the church office at 989-894-2611 or [secretary@zionbaycity.org](mailto:secretary@zionbaycity.org).

**ZION PTL MUM SALE:** Our school's PTL is sponsoring a mum sale with beautiful 9" plants from our friends at Rooted by Keits. Proceeds will be used for school activities, Christmas celebrations, and so much more. These mums average 16-24" in diameter and you can order yellow, orange, red, pink/purple, or white. Orders need to be placed by September 12 and can be picked up at the school playground on September 16. Order forms are at the Welcome Center.

**The church office will be closed Friday, August 30  
and Monday, September 2.**

**DATES TO REMEMBER...**

**ROCK WARMUP**, Saturday, August 31, 4 p.m.

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON WORSHIP**, August 31, 5 p.m.

**SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS**, September 1, 8:30 a.m., Min. Rm. A.

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**, September 1, 9:30 a.m.

**TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS** returns September 17, 6 p.m.

**CHAPEL** Wednesday, September 4, 8:15 a.m.

**WEDNESDAY WORSHIP**, September 4, 7 p.m., Great Hall.

**YOUTH BAND PRACTICE**, Thursday, September 5, 3:15-4:00 p.m.

**ROCK REHEARSAL**, Thursday, September 5, 5:15-6:15 p.m.

**SAVE THE DATE!** LWML Meeting, Monday, September 23, 6 p.m.,  
Ministry Room A. More information to follow.

**BAY CIRCUIT CONVOCATION**

All are invited to a special gathering of Bay Circuit Congregations at St. Paul Lutheran of Frankenlust on September 14th at 9am. The speaker that day will be Samer "Sam" Makarios, an Arab Christian who has served as a guide in the Holy Land for 25 years. He was born in Jerusalem, where his father owns a small shop in the Christian Quarter of the Old City. Sam is in great demand as a tour guide for groups traveling to Israel, not only because of his first-hand knowledge of the Holy Land and its many sacred sites, but also because his vibrant faith in Jesus is an important part of the information he shares. Sam's presentation on the 14th will be in two parts:

- Insights into the challenges of being a Christian in Israel.
- Sam will share pictures and explanations of some of the Biblical sites in the Holy Land that pilgrims there are able to experience.

Sam's presentation will be followed by a meal at noon provided by members of St. Paul's with expenses covered by a generous grant from our Michigan District Church Extension Fund.

**THRIVENT ACTION TEAM GRANTS...**As we gear up for all sorts of fall and winter ministry opportunities, Zion needs the assistance of our members and friends who have Thrivent policies who can apply and share their Thrivent Action team grants with us. The process is simple and painless. Kay Arnold has successfully helped many obtain these \$250 gift cards for Zion to utilize in our ministry. Reach out to Kay today as we need these grants to pursue opportunities for our school kids, our school anniversary celebrations, and so many other exciting things which we have planned for our life together as God's people. Thank you for your generosity and your support.

Friday, September 6 is the **ANNUAL MUM SALE** at Valley Lutheran in the parking lot. Beautiful mums (500 have been ordered) from Boehlers Greenhouse in Saginaw will be available for \$10.00 cash and carry. The sale begins at noon and will run until sold out. Thank you for your support from the Parent Organization.

### **VLHS HOMECOMING AND GRAND TAILGATE**

Homecoming Week at VLHS is coming up soon - September 16-21! You are invited to attend an athletic event throughout the week, or join us at Friday's Grand Tailgate, parade, and football game! The week's events can be found at [www.vlhs.com/hoco24](http://www.vlhs.com/hoco24). On Friday September 20, the Grand Tailgate will begin at 4:30 complete with hot dogs and water at a central VL tent, inflatables and games for kids, and the Homecoming Parade at 5:45 p.m. (Detailed information about the tailgate is at [www.vlhs.com/HCTailgate](http://www.vlhs.com/HCTailgate).) The football game kicks off at 7 p.m. versus Hemlock; tickets are \$5 at the gate. Presentation of the Homecoming Court and crowning of the King and Queen will be at halftime. All are invited to join the festivities!

### **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, GIFTS, AND MEMORIALS...**

**In memory of my parents, Ben & Esther Wieland, Brothers & Sisters, Bob, Carl, Kitty & Snook and to the Northend Sunday School Mission in the 1930's**, from Ruth King...\$125-125th Church Anniversary Fund

**Gifts Received...**\$50 SOAR in 2024; \$50-Food Pantry; \$880 Mission of the Month-School Hot Lunch Program; \$35 Food for Faith.

### **PREVIOUS WEEKS ATTENDANCE:**

Wednesday (19) Saturday (69) Sunday (66)

### **This Weekend – August 31-September 1 – 15th Sunday after Pentecost**

Sunday Worship Setting: Divine Service 1, pg. 151

Readings: Psalm 78:23-28, Luke 24:13-35

Hymns: 908, 475, 729, 761, 748, 704

### **Next Weekend – September 7-8 – 16th Sunday after Pentecost**

Sunday Worship Setting: Divine Service 1, pg. 151

Readings: 2 Corinthians 8:1-14; John 1:9-17

Hymns: 915, 566, 618, 895, 643, 789

### **AVAILABLE AT THE WELCOME CENTER:**

- Portals of Prayer devotionals for July-September
- **NEW** Our Daily Bread devotionals for September-November
- **NEW** School Newsletter

### **ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH**

510 W. Ivy St., Bay City, Michigan 48706; 989-894-2611

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

Pastor Phillip Baerwolf, [pbaerwolf@zionbaycity.org](mailto:pbaerwolf@zionbaycity.org), 989.284.0500

**Bulletin submission deadline: Wednesdays, 10 a.m.**

**Zion's Weekly  
Prayer Concerns  
August 31 – September 6, 2024**

**Those mourning the loss of loved ones...**

Family and friends of Mary White-August 22 (Paul Birch's sister)

Family and friends of Eldine Parent-August 22

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

Erma Thomas, Sandy Griffith, Rhonda Sepos, Linda, Rosa, Karrie, Gail, Dennis, and those with struggles who suffer silently.

**For those celebrating Anniversaries...**

Gary & Debra Jankens celebrating 45 yrs. on August 31

Gary & Rosemarie Janiske celebrating 26 yrs. on September 3

Allie & Steve Mihlfried celebrating 8 yrs. on September 3

**For those celebrating Birthdays...**

Carl Doege-8/31

Alice Engelhardt-8/31

Randy Priem-9/1

Michael Franz-9/3

Gail Rosenbrock-9/4

Della Marotzke celebrating her 95th birthday-9/5

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

Tilly Arnold, Ardythe Biskupski, and Michael Creer.

**For our stewardship of God's good gifts to us...**

Asking Jesus to fill our hearts with His grace, His faith, and His love so that we generously and sacrificially respond to His goodness through our offerings and service to the Lord and His Church.



“Did not our hearts  
burn within us  
while He talked to  
us on the road,  
while He opened to  
us the Scriptures?”  
Luke 24