

The Mountain Top **Zion Lutheran Church**

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Hello, November, fall has come upon us almost overnight, last Friday it was 75 degrees, this Friday they are talking about accumulating snows. Last week the trees were still full of leaves of all different colors, now after the winds of the last couple days, I noticed on the way to work this morning, there are no leaves left.

As I was noticing all of this I was thinking about God and his creation, this earth and everything in it. As I look around I am always reminded how God in his creation is a God of order. Everything happens in cycles. Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter, repeat. Seed, sprout, plant, fruit, wither and fade. The cycle of life as always around us. God is a God of order, His order, not ours.

When I got to the office I was looking online at the news, there is no order there, and I read the following article from Newsweek online: "The Universe Should Not Actually Exist, Scientists Say." Now that is a headline I must follow up on. The article starts out by saying; *"After performing the most precise experiments on antiprotons that have ever been carried out, researchers have discovered a symmetry in nature that they say just shouldn't be possible."* So, in other words, the universe shouldn't exist because it is too ordered, too balanced, too good! It is here that I must ask if any of these scientists have ever started with Genesis 1:1; *In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.* And as God creates the Universe, the Earth, and everything in it at the beginning of time, God concluded at the completion of each step, that it was "Good". Now I don't know about you, but I would equate "Good", at least considering it being a statement from God, that "Good" would indeed be a symmetry in nature that no mere human, regardless how smart, could understand. After all God is God, and we are not. So, as I finished the article and read how they just can't figure out how this universe came together, I had a thought, if we took all the billions of dollars the scientists spent at the CERN supercollider to determine that they can't figure out how the universe came to be and bought Bibles and distributed them to everyone on the world who wonders how and where it came from, we might be a lot further ahead. Thank you, God, for being a God of order and ordering us as a part of your creation.

My mission thought for the month, usually it is built into the message, this month it is stand alone, as a reminder, a thought to think about as you walk around in God's creation, as his creature; Every single person you meet, interact with, see, or just pass by is either going to spend eternity in the splendor of Heaven with God or in the torment of Hell separated from God. Those are the only two options, there is no in between, Heaven or Hell. So, each day, through your life, through your words, through your actions, do your best to help show people the way to Eternal Joy and remember the words of Jesus from John fourteen when Jesus says: "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." Share Jesus, share the way. God Bless all of you this Thanksgiving season, may you all have a blessed time with family and friends, and good luck and safe hunting to all of you who deer hunt, enjoy your time in God's creation.

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. (Hebrews 13:20-21)

Pastor Rick



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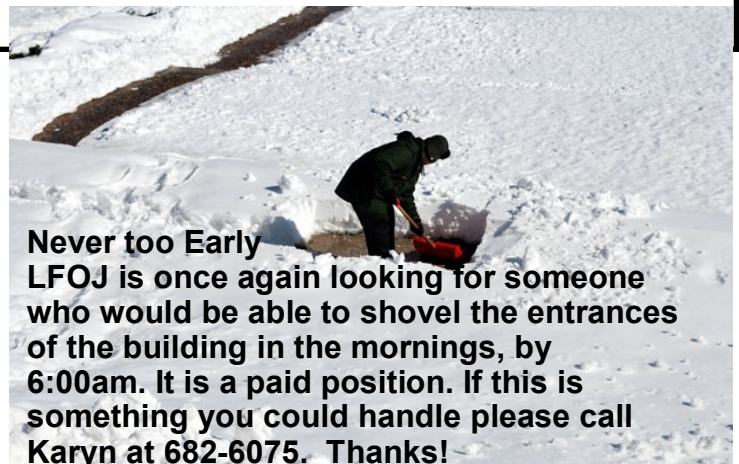
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**Thanksgiving Eve Service
Wednesday,
November 23rd, 6:30pm**



A couple had two little mischievous boys, ages 8 and 10. They were always getting into trouble, and their parents knew that if any mischief occurred in their town, their sons would get the blame. The boy's mother heard that a clergyman in town had been successful in disciplining children, so she asked if he would speak with her boys. The clergyman agreed and asked to see them individually. So, the mother sent her 8-year-old first, in the morning, with the older boy to see the clergyman in the afternoon. The clergyman, a huge man with a booming voice, sat the younger boy down and asked him sternly, "Where is God?". The boy's mouth dropped open, but he made no response, sitting there with his mouth hanging open. The clergyman repeated the question. "Where is God!?" Again, the boy made no attempt to answer. So, the clergyman raised his voice some more and shook his finger in the boy's face and belted, "Where is God!?" The boy screamed and bolted from the room. He ran directly home and dove into his closet, slamming the door behind him. When his older brother found him in the closet, he asked, "What happened?" The younger brother, gasping for breath, replied: "We are in real BIG trouble this time! God is missing, and they think we did it!"



**Never too Early
LFOJ is once again looking for someone
who would be able to shovel the entrances
of the building in the mornings, by
6:00am. It is a paid position. If this is
something you could handle please call
Karyn at 682-6075. Thanks!**



**Turn clocks back one hour for
Sunday, November 5th.**

Our Prayer Concerns NOVEMBER

Mission

Zion Lutheran Church (monthly missions, Sewing Circle) LWML Kroll Mission
Little Friends of Jesus Childcare Center

Thanksgiving

To all of you who have worked faithfully and joyfully to serve our Lord by serving others and often go unnoticed by all but our Heavenly Father.

PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING

For good test results, treatment, positive thinking, healing, and comfort during cancer treatments, for those suffering from addiction, mental illness and for healing, strength, comfort, and peace for family we pray for: *Bob Heggie, Kevin Heggie, Joni Frisco, Brad Prill, Jean Wickman, Fran Fleig, Eddie Brown, Johnny Galligan, Alice Balmer, Mary Bullis,, Sheldon Henri, Violet Basina, Tim Smith, Jim Bullis, Ellen Hodgson, Joe Stach, Tyler Lehto, Doug Tutor, Patti Louko Berg, Barb Bjork, Joan Spalding, Ruth Goldman, Eric Kontny, Lloyd Koosmann, Addilynn Schneider, Sandy Fletcher, Tim Fulton and those in our hearts.*

PRAYERS FOR HOMEBOUND Those who aren't able to attend common worship that they would find comfort knowing that the Lord is with them.

Walt Schutte, Arlene Zimmerman, Madge Houle

PRAYERS FOR PROTECTION For our full-time troops and public servants, for travel, missionaries, and for peace and protection for families.

Aaron Esala, David Wright, Johanna Pearce, Emily Melecha, Tucker Melecha



Prayer Requests



NEED A PRAYER?

Zion Lutheran Church has two active prayer chains—a daytime and an evening chain. If you would like to have the chain activated to pray for a specific need, please call the office. The Prayer Chain members are asked to keep all prayer requests confidential and not discuss them with others, but caller discretion is advised.



Men's Breakfast Bible Study Thursday mornings at 6:00am. (tentative)

Please check in Sunday's bulletin if anything has changed. Just show up and join in learning more about our Lord and ourselves.

Men's Dartball is experiencing a great start in the season. They are currently sporting 9 wins and 3 losses. They are always looking for more players. Contact Scott Sapper if you are interested - 682-8867.





SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOOP

Sydney and Brooke are currently working on the Sunday School Christmas program that will be during the worship service on Sunday, December 17th.

The children are participating with the Evangelism Committee on their Coats-Plus Event. The children will be selecting coats, snowpants, etc. for those in need.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Come January there is no one arranged as an interim or anyone to oversee our Sunday School Program. Below are suggestions and can be worked out one way or another. Will you please consider taking on maybe a part of the responsibilities.



1. Rally Day Preparation/Implementation
2. Christmas Program Preparation
3. Craft Days - 2-4 per year
4. Advisory/Informational Lead - prepare notifications to parents and/or teachers
5. Curriculum - See that books/programs are ordered and maintained for classes
6. Enrollment - Attendance and contacts to those who are missing
7. VBS Coordinator - we need this by April or we may have to cancel VBS
8. Publishing - Bulletin board updates, pictures taken at events, Newsletter article
9. Overall Coordinator - Sees that others are on task, completes other duties or assigns to other people.

Please speak with Pastor or Lynn if you have further questions and/or are interested.

Stewardship Thoughts

Here is the million dollar question: "How can we best communicate that stewardship is more than just the church begging for more money?" We have been through programs emphasizing a glitzy approach, or if that didn't work, how about advancing the guilt trip? If you didn't dine out, or go for that latte, that money could be given to the church. These are easy answer aspects of stewardship and do nothing to present it in a positive vein.

We need to focus on the identity of the steward. Stewards are stewards because they were made and redeemed for this purpose (Genesis 1 and 2, Romans 12:1-2.) Identity gives purpose to activity. This truth covers much of life and is applicable in the realm of stewardship. The purpose of the steward allows the Holy Spirit to do the work. The wayward steward is restored to faithful stewardship by the Holy Spirit calling, gathering, enlightening, sanctifying and keeping him or her by the power of the Gospel. The activity of the steward will then flow freely from the work of the Holy Spirit into the lives of those the steward helps to bring to repentance. It is The Lord working in and through the steward by the Holy Spirit.

If the usual objection is financial stewardship, appealing to God's Word call of whole life stewardship also discredits the idea that stewardship is only about money. All of life and its resources are on the list of things that are nurtured for the sake of the Gospel and those who need to hear it. This holistic approach to stewardship is important because the steward is designed to be a whole, not just the sum of his or her parts. This thinking actually flows from who God made the steward to be.

Stewardship is more than money. It is a call to be "all in" for the Gospel. When objections are raised to stewardship, it is important that the right currency is spent. Stripped of easy answers, stewardship takes the application of God's Word and the visible investment of faithful stewards to serve as an example for those who would be the stewards God has made them to be.

LCMS Newsletter StewardCAST



Mustard Seed

Daily Devotions
Lutheran Women in Mission

A Direct Line to God

In the Word

O God, hear my prayer; give ear to the words of my mouth. [Psalm 54:2](#)

Of the Word

Don't you find it awesome that our prayers, no matter how ineloquent they may be, reach the ear of the almighty God? Also amazing is the fact that our great and loving Father always answers. ¶

¶ Sometimes He says, "Yes, I want this for you, too." Sometimes His answer is "Not just yet, because I have something different in mind." Sometimes His answer is "I heard you, but that's not a good idea." ¶

¶ God wants us to come to Him with the needs and desires of our heart. While we may not know God's specific will for all that we ask, He is always ready to listen. ¶

¶ ... *do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God* [\(Philippians 4:6\)](#). ¶

¶ **A Point to Ponder:** "Do I pray about everything, or do I often think, 'I can handle this one alone?'"

Walking with my Lord

Lord, thank You for the gift of prayer as my connection to You. Through Your Holy Spirit teach me to offer prayers of praise along with requests about my needs. In Jesus' name. Amen.



Thrivent Calendars Reminder: there won't be any calendars this year.

NOVEMBER MISSION



We are asking individuals, schools, churches, businesses, and other organizations to write cards, letters, emails, and prayer messages of appreciation for our military, past and present. It is our goal to see that our military – active, reserve, and veterans – receive these messages, whether they are serving at home, abroad, or are injured hospitals.

Please donate \$1 for postage also.

You can find more info at amillionthanks.org

DOs

Send multiple letters

Send positive messages

Be creative

Include your mailing or e-mail address (optional)

Be kind & uplifting

Donate \$1 for postage

DON'Ts

Put letters and/or cards in individual envelopes

Send edible items

Use glitter or confetti

In that day: A pleasant vineyard, sing of it! I, the Lord am its keeper; every moment I water it. Lest any one harm it, I guard it night and day; I have no wrath. Isaiah 27: 2,3.

Last week, we had our first frost and the plants, grasses, and weeds were starting to slump. Since it was time to construct a plan to put the garden to bed for the winter, imagine my surprise when there they were: grapes and more grapes, hanging in heavy clusters.

It was probably ten years ago that I bought three concord grape plants from Menards in Superior. They were just small roots with stubble-like stalks placed in milk-carton containers. I followed the instructions for planting and for several years carefully tended these grape plants. We even put up metal trellises to invite them to climb. Even though these plants had good drainage and received southern sunlight exposure, there was little action on the part of the plants.

In fact, as our summer calendars became busier with guests and grandchildren, these lack-luster plants were eventually neglected. Summer fun overtook my dream of an arbor-style vineyard.

But God-the faithful guard- had other intentions: **I guard it night and day.** Sure enough, abundant summer rain grew weeds into tree-like structures that constructed a grassy-shelter over the grape plants. There was no way I could see what was happening in the jungle. I was not even sure the grape vines were thriving. So, what a surprise when I spied long trails of grape branches and heavy clusters of fruit hidden among the snarled network of vines! Yes, God, the faithful gardener, was at work and his surprise played a song of gratitude in my heart:
The Lord is the Keeper.



Nothing like a God-reality lesson to help me remember how the great grace of God shows up in unexpected places. When we are neglectful, he is attentive. When we are distracted, he is attracted. When we make excuses, he picks up the slack. When we give up, he is a generous giver. When we allow weeds to choke dreams, he stirs fresh hope.

Right now, I have 4½ quarts of rich grape juice (thank you, Herb) and later today will be making grape jelly. And my dream for a grape arbor has been reborn. But most of all, once again God's grace flavors my understanding of His promises. Folks, when we become discouraged and weary, God is on guard duty! He is the faithful keeper. He gives us a song worthy to sing in all seasons! Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches at this house. There is room at the table... ~~bon appetit!~~

LFOJ HAPPENINGS



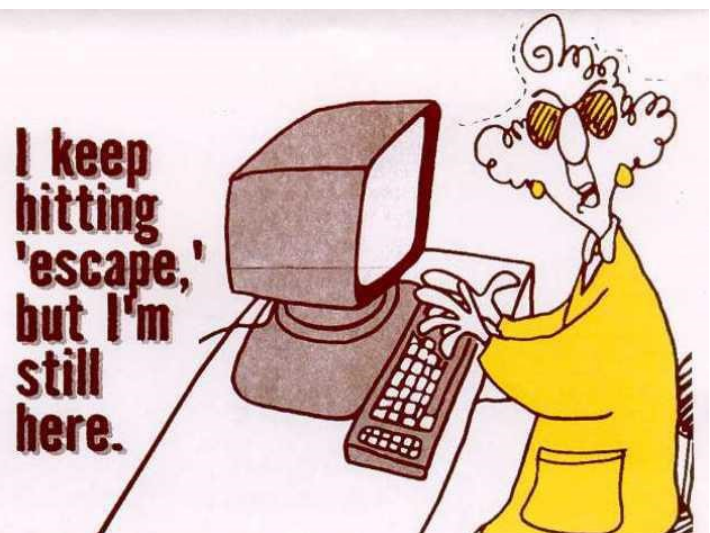
Thursday, October 05, 2017 ~ Service Helpers

Little Friends of Jesus had two special visitors for Service Helpers Week.

Deputy Matt Leino, Bayfield County Sheriff's Department & Office Matt Rooni, City of Ashland Police Department

came to visit the little ones with their squad cars. The children got to ask questions, see the lights, hear the sirens and see the inside of both squad cars. They got to see lots of emergency items that our visitors use on a daily basis to keep us safe. The little ones also got an overview of when to call 911 and when not to call 911 ~ Lots of questions were asked. Children were also informed not to call 911 on old cell phones, even without service 911 calls can be placed. The visit ended happily with sticker badges and police tattoos.

Coats(Plus) For Kids - The Evangelism Committee and Sunday School will welcome any donations of new gloves, mittens, hats, and scarves to go along with the coats that will be purchased for families in need. A monetary donation would be welcomed too. Items will be collected until **November 5th** and dis-





DISASTER RESPONSE



Providing for disaster victims **TODAY AND TOMORROW**

LCMS Disaster Response visited northern California Oct. 16-18 to meet with officials of the Synod's California-Nevada-Hawaii (CNH) District as well as with parish pastors based in areas affected by the catastrophic wildfires. Working in collaboration with the district, Disaster Response will assist in conducting an early assessment and devising an action plan to help meet immediate needs in the stricken communities.

Just before traveling to California, LCMS Disaster Response leaders returned from hurricane-ravaged Puerto Rico. While there, they focused their efforts on visiting the city of Mayaguez and its surrounding areas. Mayaguez is home to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, served by LCMS Missionary Rev. Matthew Ruesch.

LCMS World Relief and Human Care, through its Disaster Response arm, will support the congregational members of Prince of Peace and reach out to neighboring communities. The initial response will include the provision of food, water and diapers.

The general disaster relief fund enables LCMS Disaster Response to provide immediate, robust disaster relief for unexpected calamities like these that could occur in the months and years ahead.

To Give:

- **Online** – Visit lcms.org/disaster.
- **By text** – Text LCMSDISASTERS to 41444.

And you can still give for specific disaster relief efforts by visiting lcms.org/disaster. Gifts are tax-deductible as allowed by law.

Prayer:

Lord of heaven and earth, in these days, water, fire and other disasters have befallen many. As these continue, we pray You would have mercy on all those who suffer. Empower Your Church to love with Your love as we serve our neighbors in their need. Let us all turn to You in this time in repentance and faith, as Christ is exalted as Lord of all. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen.

As Harvey and Irma relief operations transition from initial emergency response to more organized, long-term efforts, collaboration among LCMS Disaster Response, affected districts and essential partners continues to be strengthened by generosity shown across the Synod. “LCMS districts and congregations are the leaders in responding to disasters like Harvey and Irma,” said the Rev. Dr. Ross Johnson, LCMS Disaster Response director. “Thanks to the kind, caring support across the Synod, LCMS Disaster Response is able to support districts and congregations while also building on their capacity not only in responding to a congregation’s needs, but also in extending Christ’s mercy by providing body-and-soul care to entire communities.” Johnson said although long-term planning details continue to be fleshed out, one thing is certain: LCMS Disaster Response is committed to supporting the affected districts and Synod disaster-response partners any way it can, as specific needs continue to be defined by the districts and the communities of their congregations.



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Hard-hit high school Hurricane damages in the LCMS Texas District were reported by 11 churches and schools, 14 pastors, 41 additional church workers and 700-plus congregation members. Lutheran South Academy in Houston was probably the hardest-hit Synod entity, with up to 2 feet of water in its buildings for four days. Eight staff members and some 30 families with students at the school reported water damage to their homes, according to Head of School Sheila Psencik. But amid the destruction, there was much to be grateful for. When the school put out a call for volunteers, more than 1,000 people — school families, students, members of local churches and rival schools, and residents of the community — responded, helping out with drywall and floor removal, trash hauling, furniture cleaning, sweeping, mopping and other tasks over three days. Psencik said she feels “overwhelmed by the encouragement and support we have received” and is “so thankful that [volunteers] chose our school as a place to share their talents and their time. “While the hurricane brought inconceivable devastation to the school and to this community, what God has done as a result of the hurricane has been beautiful! I’ve never seen anything like it.” Lutheran South students returned to class Sept. 8 at a local church, and administrators expect them to be back in the refurbished high school by early October.

Well-poised to help That can-do spirit and willingness to help was widespread throughout the Lone Star State, where floodwaters reached a height of 6 feet in some homes. Many, if not all, of the 124 LCMS congregations located in the “rain-and-wind field” of the storm reached out to literally “thousands” of their hurting neighbors, according to the Rev. Steven J. Misch, disaster coordinator for the Texas District. As the October Reporter went to press Sept. 20, Misch said more than 1,700 congregation volunteers had served their local neighborhoods over the past two weeks. Four district congregations still are hubs of disaster outreach, and four more sites — in both the Beaumont/Port Arthur and Coastal Bend areas — are being considered for use as long-term setups, he added. When Memorial Lutheran Church in Katy, Texas, put out a call for volunteers, more than 100 people showed up — and most of them weren’t even members of the congregation, noted Pastor Michael Weider. Located in the middle of a flooded neighborhood, Memorial was well-poised to offer

immediate help — in spite of serious flood damage to its own church building and preschool. Congregation members took to the streets in an effort to find out who needed help, and then did whatever needed to be done. They removed wet and molding drywall and baseboards, carried unsalvageable items to the curb and cleaned up debris. The Rev. Robert Daniel “Danny” Anderson, pastor of Christ Memorial Lutheran Church in Houston, noted that more people have volunteered for the relief efforts than for any other function his congregation has ever had. “You never know what the Holy Spirit is going to do through this” relief work, Anderson said. “When people have nothing, they look to God. Perhaps they will believe that even when we have everything, Christ is still the only hope we have.”

In Irma’s wake In Florida, 48 LCMS congregations have reported hurricane damage, but most is “not severe,” according to LCMS Florida-Georgia District President Rev. Gregory S. Walton. Hardest-hit were Marco Lutheran Church, Marco Island; Grace Lutheran Church, Key West; and Holy Cross Lutheran Church, North Miami. But, at this writing, with power still out in many areas of the state, some congregations have not yet reported so that figure could climb. The district has nearly 200 congregations, and Walton said it may be weeks, or even months, before the number of congregation members with damages can be determined, but he is sure “it is well into the hundreds.” At present, four of the district’s churches are serving as “hubs of mercy, but they are running short of supplies” because of distribution problems in Florida, according to Walton. Nevertheless, the congregations have assisted “well over 2,000 people so far,” he said. Because of the “enormous” number of downed trees, the district needs volunteers to help with cleanup. (See related story above.)

Trucking in supplies From its base in St. Louis, LCMS Disaster Response coordinated the purchase and delivery of about \$150,000 worth of essential “muck-out” equipment for hurricane victims in Texas and Florida.

The two shipments — arriving in Houston Sept. 5 and in Naples, Fla., Sept. 14 — included much-needed power generators, pressure-washers, debris-removal equipment, tools, cleaning materials and safety gear.

Both shipments — made possible by generous donations from across the Synod — were delivered in partnership with Orphan Grain Train (OGT), an LCMS Recognized Service Organization that works with the Synod to increase the overall disaster-response capacity. OGT provided the semitrailer, truck and driver to bring the supplies where they were needed.

Missionaries safe Hurricane Irma slammed the Dominican Republic on Sept. 7, flattening homes and strewn power lines and debris, but the Synod’s 13 missionaries and their families were unharmed. Damage was “minimal” among Lutherans at mission sites and residents of nearby communities, according to a report from the missionaries, who said the “greatest casualties” were the island’s banana and plantain trees. In some areas, nearly half were lost in the storm. In the days before the hurricane, the Dominican team stocked up on generators, water, food and other emergency supplies purchased with funds from LCMS Disaster Response.

The supplies are being distributed from a concrete disaster center built with funding from the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League and located inland, in a valley protected by mountains.



Zion Lutheran Council Minutes: October 16, 2017

The October meeting was called to order by President Nick Jarvela. Pastor Rick Williams opened with devotion and prayer focused on our “glorious” gift of eternal life realized in Jesus Christ.

Roll Call: Nick Jarvela (President/Trustees), Alice Ellis (Secretary), Lisa Guski (Co-Treasurer/LFOJ), Chuck Chronis (Stewardship), Lori Landry (Evangelism), Mary Koosmann (Financial Secretary), Pastor Rick.

Approval of September Minutes: Motion to accept by Landry. Second by Ladd. MMC.

Pastor’s Report: Worship, Bible Study, Chapel, Confirmation, Visitation, Men’s Bible Study: all on the calendar. Pastor Hyvonen re-elected as Circuit Visitor. Winkel will be at Zion, Nov. 16. Installation of Rev. Ken Lahner in Glidden, Nov. 4. Rev. Arleigh VonSeggern filling vacancy in Marengo/Cable. Pastor Rick is playing dart-ball.

Treasurer’s Report: Motion to approve by Ladd. Second by Chronis. MMC.

Agenda: Motion to approve as presented by Landry. Second by Guski. MMC.

Board Reports:

Trustees: Jarvela reported that the new LFOJ deck is 90% functional. The workmanship is solid. Trustees put up temporary fencing in the gap. Trustees are working with Holden Insurance for new policy. Still a leak in the roof to track down.

LFOJ: Guski reported that LFOJ is participating in Kwik Trip’s Moola Program. During deck replacement, LFOJ staff cleaned center, and had two days of focused training. LFOJ paid \$4500 towards the deck. LFOJ was approved for CACFP Food Program; also in the process for State of WI Licensing Renewal. LFOJ was the Business of the Week in September for the Ashland Chamber of Commerce.

Evangelism: Landry reported on Coats (Plus) for Kids. The winter clothing “gratitude” celebration will be November 12 after the worship service. Evangelism is now asking for addresses of college students for “goodie” boxes during exam time.

Motion to accept board reports by Chronis. Second by Koosmann. MMC.

Old Business:

2018 budget is proposed for discussion. It should be ready for approval in November with the addition of new insurance plan. It is suggested to increase “music” by \$1500 with an intention to hire guitar and keyboard support for Praise services.

Board nominations: We still have a NEED for people to serve. Congregational members are encouraged to be active participants in the daily support of Zion’s congregation.

New Business:

Website/Facebook: We have a need for someone with computer skills to help keep our websites up-to-date. We will advertise this need in the bulletin/newletter.

Next Church Council Meeting is: November 20, 2017.

Adjournment: Motion by Guski. Second by Ladd. MMC. The meeting was closed with *The Lord’s Prayer*.

Respectfully submitted: Alice Ellis

Making a Difference

There is a little story that comes from a book called the Star Fisher. Picture if you will an early morning along a California beach. An elderly man is walking along the edge of the water and stops occasionally, picks up something, and then tosses it into the ocean. He then walks a few steps more, picks up something, and tosses it into the ocean. A young jogger is running along and has been watching the man. Finally his curiosity gets the best of him and he stops and goes over to the old gentleman and asks: "Excuse me, what are you doing?"



The man answered: Well, I am saving the life of these star fish. The storm washed them ashore last night, the sun will be up in thirty minutes, and then they will all die. I am throwing them back into the water to save their lives.

The jogger was a bit astounded. Old man, he said, don't you know that you have thirty miles of beach ahead of you and that millions of those star fish were washed ashore last night. What possible difference do you think that you are going to make. The old man took another step picked up a star fish, and with all his might hurled it into the ocean, then turned to the jogger and said: "Well, son, I guess I made a difference in that one's life."

Where else have we heard a similar story.

NOVEMBER Servers for Worship Services

Our Servers for our Worship Service are very important. We ask that if you are unable to serve on your designated date, please find someone else to take your place. We really appreciate your help in this matter!! If you would like to be added or taken off one of our lists please contact the office. Greeters and Ushers should arrive 20 minutes before services start. Thank-you to all who serve.

November	Elders	Acolytes	Ushers	Greeters
Wed. 1	Randy Spangle			
Sun. 5	Scott Thimm John Pruss	Emily Dickrell Daniel Truchon	Jerry Frisco Warren Draeger	Brian & Linda Klobucher
Wed. 8	Andy Pruss			
Sun. 12	Randy Spangle Darryl Warren	Logan Esala Lilly Truchon	Pat Colgrove Mike Cashman	Vyskocil Family
Wed. 15	Scott Thimm			
Sun. 19	Andy Pruss Doug Warren	Emily Dickrell Faith Dickrell	Carson Honkala Don Moreland	Honkala Family
Wed. 22	Randy Spangle	Trista Bolz Adeline Bauer	Ron Schwiesow Alan Sunie	Sunie Family
Sun. 26	John Pruss Darryl Warren	Logan Esala Austin Vyskocil	Jake Pruss Jim Johnson	Pat & Katie Colgrove
Wed. 29	Doug Warren	Emily Dickrell Adeline Bauer	Adam Hinch Kyle Sapper	Lori Landry
Sun. Dec. 3	Scott Thimm Randy Spangle	Lilly Truchon Daniel Truchon	Chuck Chronis Todd Vyskocil	Thimm Family
Wed. Dec. 6	John Pruss	Trista Bolz Austin Vyskocil	Jim Hebert	Jim Johnson



Altar Guild—November
Shannon Esala 292-0711
Gail Anderson 682-3196
Diane Beiersdorff 278-3291

There is a calendar on the bulletin in the hallway where you can sign-up for flowers for any occasion or remembrance.

Contact Linda Klobucher for further information at 715-746-2064



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
No Wednesday service on Dec. 27th			1 Confirmation 4-5:30 Worship 6:30pm	2 <i>Men's Break-fast Bible Study 6am</i>	3	4
 Time change 5 Mite Sunday Worship 9:00am	6 10:00am Bible Study	7 LFOJ Chapel 11:00am	8 LFOJ Chapel 11:00am Confirmation 4-5:30 Worship 6:30pm	9 <i>Men's Break-fast Bible Study 6am</i>	10	11
12 Elders Mtg. 7:45am Worship 9:00am Bible Study 10:15am Sunday School 10:15 Trustees Mtg.	13 10:00am Bible Study Dartball at Sanborn Methodist	14 Sewing Circle 1:00pm	15 Confirmation 4-5:30 Worship 6:30pm	16 <i>Men's Break-fast Bible Study 6am</i> Winkel - Ashland	17 <i>Newsletter Reports Due</i>	18 LWML 10:00am
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