

Zion Lutheran Church LCMS

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THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

November 27, 2011

TODAY'S SERMON

"The Lord Needs It"

Mark 11:1-10

GOOD MORNING: We welcome all worshipers in the name of Jesus Christ. May the glad tidings of God's grace to us in Jesus Christ strengthen, comfort and enrich you in your faith.

Pastor Kenny: We have been blessed by Pastor Kenny's service among us these past nine years and we ask that the Lord continue to hold him in His hand and guide him in the future. Pastor's address is 809 Surrey Lane, Petoskey, MI. You may contact him on his cell phone, 231-838-1296. Pastor's e-mail address is pastorkenny@att.blackberry.net Linda Kenny's address is 2063 Rhettisbury, Carmel, IN 46032.

Pastor Kenneth Bernthal has graciously agreed to serve as our pastor during this transition time and he will be with us next Sunday. We will provide updates to the congregation as we proceed in discussions with the Michigan District. In an emergency you may contact Pastor Bernthal at his home 989-448-8217 or on his cell 231-675-1606.

Flowers on the Altar: The flowers this morning are given by Carl and Lori Luepnitz in gratitude for all our blessings.

Advent Services: The first Advent Service will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 30th at 7:00 pm. Three additional Advent services will be held on Dec. 7th, 14th and 21st.

Christmas Service Schedule: Christmas Eve Services on Saturday, December 24th will be held at 7:00 pm and 9:00 pm. On Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25th there will only be one service at 10:30 am.

Sharing Tree 2011: It's time to begin working on Zion's Sharing Tree Project for 2011. We want to help those who are struggling in these tough economic times with gifts of food, clothing and children's toys. There are details about how you can help on the flyer in your bulletin.

FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE		LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE		LAST YEAR'S ATTENDANCE	
2010 Offerings	\$281,849	2011 8:00 am	56	2010 8:00 am	54
2011 Offerings to date	\$267,787	2011 10:30 am	82	2010 10:30 am	105
2011 Budget needed to date	\$273,540	2011 7:07 pm	32	2010 7:07 pm	25
		2011 Attendance	9,018	2010 Attendance	10,542

SERVING US THIS WEEK

ELDERS Bob Manning 8:00 am
 John Paulsen 10:30 am
 Carl Schneider 7:07 pm
GREETERS Jim Washburn 8:00 am
 Jack & Susan George 10:30 am
NURSERY Lydia Pugh 10:30 am
CHILDREN'S CHURCH No Children's Church 8:00 am
 No Children's Church 10:30 am

NEXT WEEK

Bob Manning 8:00 am
 Fred Geuder 10:30 am
 Carl Schneider 7:07 pm
 Cliff & Annette Rosebohm 8:00 am
 Mert & Irene Roberts 10:30 am
 Lydia Pugh 10:30 am
 No Children's Church 8:00 am
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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT ZION

Sunday 8:00 am Worship
 10:30 am Worship
 6:30 pm Youth Group
Monday 6:30 pm Community Dinner
 7:07 pm Worship
 7:00 pm AA
Tuesday 6:45 am Men's Bible Study
 11:00 am Hospital Ministry
Wednesday 10:00 am Women's Bible Study
 6:00 pm Handbells
 7:00 pm Worship Service
 7:45 pm Choir
Thursday 8:00 am Bible Class
Friday 11:00 am Hospital Ministry

Children's Church: We welcome back children and teachers to our Children's Church worship time. After the children's sermon, children are invited to learn more about Jesus and our Christian faith downstairs in the Katie Luther Room. If you have questions about the Children's Church program, please contact Susan Hitts at 231-548-5774 or Greg Frey at 231-348-3038.

Confirmation: No class today but we will resume next Sunday, Dec., 4th at 5:00 pm.

Thank You: The Youth Group would like to thank everyone who purchased wreaths and greens this year, and they particularly want to thank Dan and Vicki Finkbeiner for their work picking up and preparing the greens for sale. The group also wants to thank those who purchased 2012 calendars and the Mary Martha Society who gave them extra support in this project.

Preschool Book Sale: McLean & Ealin Booksellers will be downstairs Tues. Nov 29th and Fri, Nov 30th during preschool hours to sell books to our Preschool parents and anyone else that may be interested in buying gift books. Preschool receives a percentage of these sales.

Monday Night Dinner: To help support this ministry cash donations are always welcome and members are encouraged to donate a dessert or salad. We ask that you do not leave food without first calling Sandi Ferguson at 526-0062.

Needs A Ride: We are looking for folks to bring Fred and Jean Koehler to church for the 10:30 am Worship Service on Sunday mornings. The Koehlers live at 1934 East Mitchell Road and are no longer able to drive. We have posted a signup sheet on the bulletin board and ask that members let us know which week would be convenient for them to help in this way.

