

### Isaiah 51:4-6

"Listen to me, my people; hear me, my nation: Instruction will go out from me; my justice will become a light to the nations. My righteousness draws near speedily, my salvation is on the way, and my arm will bring justice to the nations. The islands will look to me and wait in hope for my arm. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, look at the earth beneath; the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment and its inhabitants die like flies. But my salvation will last forever, my righteousness will never fail.

### Jude 20-25

But you, dear friends, by building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life. Be merciful to those who doubt; save others by snatching them from the fire; to others show mercy, mixed with fear—hating even the clothing stained by corrupted flesh. To him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy—to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.

### Mark 13:24-37

"But in those days, following that distress, 'the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.' "At that time people will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And he will send his angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the heavens. "Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that it is near, right at the door. Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. "But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come. It's like a man going away: He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge, each with their assigned task, and tells the one at the door to keep watch. "Therefore keep watch because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back—whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn. If he comes suddenly, do not let him find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to everyone: 'Watch!'"

## ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Marengo, Illinois

"With Great Boldness . . . Tell Everyone What He Has Done"



# Be On Guard! Stay Awake

Mark 13:24-37

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Marengo, Illinois; 815-568-6564; [www.zionmarengo.net](http://www.zionmarengo.net)

## Zion's Mission Statement:

Proclaiming Jesus Christ through Preaching, Teaching and Reaching

Pastor: *Rev. Dr. Glen W. Borhart*

Associate Pastor: *Rev. Jonathan M. Ripke*

Interim Co-Principals: *Dan Bertrand & Merri-lynn Seaburg*

Music Director: *Karina Keating*

Ministering to Each Other: *All Members*

### ✦ WELCOME ✦

A warm and cordial welcome to all! Your presence is a blessing to us and we are happy that we can all join together in worshiping our Lord and in celebrating His triumphant resurrection. We invite you to lift up your hearts with joy and thanksgiving with us. And please do come and worship with us again!

### ✦ PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP ✦

Oh God, all good things come from You. By the inspiration of Your Spirit lead us to think of those things that are right and help us to practice them in our lives; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## ✦ Last Sunday of The Church Year ✦

### November 24, 25, 26

6:00 PM, 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 6:30 PM—Service of Prayer & Preaching — LSB Page 260

Hymns: *LSB 663, 516, 534*

Organist: *Sat/Sun Karina Keating – Mon Lisa Hasseldahl*

Sermon: *"Stay Awake!"* Pastor Ripke

Sermon Text: *Mark 13:24-37*

## Mark 13:24-37: "Stay Awake!"

Mark 13:37: [Jesus said], "What I say to you, I say to e\_\_\_\_\_ : W\_\_\_\_\_!"

Greek word is flexible enough to cover both "Watch" and "Stay a\_\_\_\_\_!"

A large f\_\_\_\_\_, with something big still to come: W\_\_\_\_\_! Stay awake!

The story of J\_\_\_\_\_ and His disciples in Mark 14:

⇒ As Jesus went to pray in the G\_\_\_\_\_ of G\_\_\_\_\_, he said to Peter, James, and John: "Keep w\_\_\_\_\_!" (14:34)

⇒ And yet they fall a\_\_\_\_\_ (14:37, 40)

⇒ The rest of the story happens very quickly...list one or two of the events leading up to Jesus' crucifixion here: \_\_\_\_\_

Watch! S\_\_\_\_\_ awake!: words for us today as we think of Jesus and when He will \_\_\_\_\_ again.

⇒ The particular day or hour of Jesus' coming is a \_\_\_\_\_, known only to God the Father. (13:32)

⇒ The end times are not a time to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_: Jesus knows exactly what He will do (see 14:27)

⇒ You have Jesus' own promise and it will not fail: "Heaven and earth will p\_\_\_\_\_ away, but my w\_\_\_\_\_ will never pass a\_\_\_\_\_." (14:31)

Two major temptations of the devil when we think about Jesus' return:

1) That you will be so \_\_\_\_\_ that you will trust anything other than Jesus.

⇒ Jesus gives us an eternal peace and comfort: "I am the resurrection and the life" (Jn. 11:25)

⇒ Answer the devil with the words of Jesus from Mark 14:31:

\_\_\_\_\_

2) To make you believe the end will n\_\_\_\_\_ come, or at least not in my lifetime.

⇒ Makes one believe they can live as "I c\_\_\_\_\_."

⇒ Jesus' words as a caution: "W\_\_\_\_\_! S\_\_\_\_\_ awake!"

How easy it is to fall a\_\_\_\_\_!: the disciples know the truth of this.

The Resurrection accounts often include s\_\_\_\_\_, or eyes opened. Write down two of them here: \_\_\_\_\_ (Mk. 16:6-7; Mt.

28:10; Lk. 24:31; Jn. 20:18; Jn. 20:20; Jn. 20:27)

Jesus will return, in the same way that He ascended into heaven (Acts 1:11): so we too must w\_\_\_\_\_ and s\_\_\_\_\_ awake!

Jesus—Grant us Your g\_\_\_\_\_ to do it!

## Weekly Church Calendar

### Sunday

8:00 AM .....Worship  
 9:15 AM .....Sunday School  
 9:30 AM .....Bible Study–Pastor Ripke  
 9:30 AM .....Bible Study–Pastor Borhart  
 10:30 AM .....Worship

### Monday Scrip Due

4:30 PM .....7th & 8th Grade Public  
 .....Confirmation  
 5:30 PM ..... Ron Ham  
 ..... Counting Team  
 6:30 PM .....Worship

### Tuesday

9:00 AM..... Reading Partners

### Wednesday

6:00 PM .....Adult Handbells  
 7:00 PM .....Adult Choir

### Saturday

7:30 AM .....Men's Bible Study  
 6:00 PM .....Worship W/C

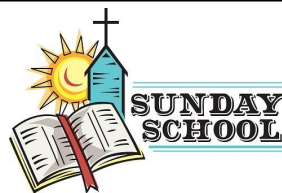
## Board of Directors

**Position Available:** Secretary for Board of Directors; Full training and mentoring provided Skills

**Required:** Computer skills

**Time Commitment:** 1 hour per month 3rd Tuesday from 7-8; 1 hour every 3 months on the 4th Monday after church.

This is a great opportunity to get involved and serve our Lord and the mission of Zion! Please contact the church office if interested.



All children age 3 through high school are invited to Sunday School on Sunday mornings.

9:00 AM Cookies & Punch

9:15 AM Opening Songs

9:30 AM Sunday School

## Bulletin Announcements

- ◆ **Due: Wed. @ Noon**
- ◆ E-mail submissions 100 words or less to [sandy.hauschildt@zionmarengo.net](mailto:sandy.hauschildt@zionmarengo.net)
- ◆ Typed/neatly printed announcements can be dropped off in the office.
- ◆ All submissions must include name, phone, and start/stop date (max. three weeks).
- ◆ Announcements are subject to approval, may be edited, and must be Zion related, reflecting the mission of the church and school.

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## Zion Lutheran Church

Weekend of November 25, 2018  
 Information Bulletin

### Adult Bible Studies

9:30-10:15 AM

⇒ "A year to read and study the whole Bible" Taught by Pastor Borhart, will meet in the School Library.

⇒ Pastor Ripke will begin his Bible Study, "Letter of the Day".

### Coffee Hour

This week's coffee hour is being hosted by **The Ettner Family**

Next week's is being Hosted by the **The Personnel Committee**

### Door Collection

A door collection for Social Action will be taken as you exit services this weekend.

### Altar Flower

From the Altar Guild

### New in the Narthex

December Newsletter

### Last Week's Attendance

Total – 475

Sat. 6:00 PM .....50  
 Sun. 8:00 AM .....156  
 Sun. 10:30 PM ..... 80  
 Mon. 6:30 PM .....189

### Next Week's Greeters — December 1, 2, 3

6:00 PM ..... Steve & Merri-Lynne Seaburg  
 8:00 AM ..... The Bakley Family  
 10:30 AM ..... Kristina & Hannah Clausen  
 6:30 PM ..... Matt & Lisa Smith

## Special Prayers

Lenny Zwieg

Elaine Fick

Leaetta Schultz

Bev Haase-Rehab

Holly Jasinski

Those who mourn:  
**Kristie Fitzsimmons**–Daughter of Marian Stohlquist & sister of Jackie Kamholz & Kent Stohlquist

**Families affected by the Wild fires in California**

### At the Font

**Morrison Jeremiah Kaleta**  
 Son of Jeremy Kaleta and Emilie McLeod

will be baptized in the chapel after the 10:30 AM worship service.

### Beginning Today

Pastor Ripke will be leading a Bible study, "Letter of the Day". The study will look at the Epistle reading assigned for the day, with application to everyday life. All are welcome!

### SCRIP Orders

Monday, November 26th

## Thank you

It is with heartfelt appreciation and gratitude that we wish to thank everyone for their kindness, prayers and words of encouragement following the death of our mother, Carol Block. Special thanks to both pastors, the choir, and bell choir for such a beautiful service. Also to the Ladies Aid who prepared and served the meal for family and friends. Sincerely,  
The family of Carol Block

## McHenry County Right to Life

The Northwest Herald Signature Ad is sponsored by McHenry County Right to Life. Lutherans for Life will be collecting your signatures for this Ad, which is displayed on or nearest to Jan. 23, 2019. The Ad is simply a positive witness that we stand, believe and protect the rights of the unborn. A Sample Ad is on the narthex counter. Please fill out the foam Deadline to let your voice be heard for this opportunity is December 1st. Contact Genny Hertel with your questions 815-568-8425

## Lunch Helper (Assistant)

Zion is in need of **substitutes** for the Cook Assistant (not the head cook). **This is a paid position.** please contact the school office at 815-568-5156.

## Calling All Early Risers!



Do you wake up around 5 or 6 AM with an urge to do something? Or are you already driving your wife crazy that she wants you out the door? Well, have we got a job for you!! When the weather outside is frightful, the church and school are looking for someone delightful, to help with snow removal. We need help clearing the sidewalks around the church and school. We will provide the snow blowers and salt spreader, we just need your time and talents. If interested please call, Rich Hoey at 630/200-3942. Call right away to reserve your spot to help...I'm sure they'll fill up fast ;)



## College Care Packages!!

This is the last weekend we are collecting items for the college care packages. Please drop off anything you have in the blue bucket in the library area by Monday evening. We will be using a Thrivent Action Team to purchase any items we still need to fill up the boxes and to pay for the postage! Thank you for your help. Watch for other opportunities that we will do to reach out to our college aged members.

## Financial Recap

### GENERAL GIVING:

Weekly Budget \$19,000  
Weekly Nov 18 \$17,009  
YTD Giving Shortfall (-\$22,331)

### BUILDING FUND GIVING:

November Budget \$3,000  
November Received \$2,569

### 2018 GIVING FOR:

Pastor Ferry \$3,131  
Comfort Dogs: \$6,980

### Operational Loan Balance:

Buhrows Endowment \$42,309  
Current Operations \$0.00

## Recycle For the Love Project!

If you have any old Portals of Prayer, Hopeful Living and any other Christian reading material, please put them in the box in the back of the narthex. They will be passed out in the Love Project baskets. Thank you for your support!

## Student in College?

Pastor Ripke would like to connect with members from Zion who are in college right now. Addresses, phone numbers, etc.-- any contact info is great! You can send information to Pastor Ripke at pastor.ripke@zionmarengo.net or talk with him at church.

## Poinsettias for Christmas!

Interested in a beautiful poinsettia? The order forms are on the narthex counter for the poinsettias. Cost is \$8.75 per plant. Final order date is Monday, December 3rd. Please print names and information on the forms. As always, the Altar Guild appreciates your generosity in sharing your poinsettias for the Christmas services!

## Ladies Aid Christmas Luncheon

Ladies Aid Christmas Luncheon will be at 12 PM on Monday, December 10th at Café 20. Price for guests will be \$16. If members want to attend, please call Jeanne Schaeffer at 815-544-1002 or Pat Knake at 815-568-7963. Deadline for signup will be December 2nd.

## Coat Drive

We are, once again, collecting gently used coats in all sizes. All donations are given to The More Center, to be given to our fellow community members who may need them. Your generosity has helped to keep others warm for many a past winter. We will collect the coats, mittens/gloves and hats.

## The Boar's Head Festival

The Boarshead Festival will NOT be presented this year, but will hopefully return. Thank you to everyone who responded with willingness to participate. Your involvement will certainly be appreciated in the future.

## Love Project 2018

On Thursday, December 13th, we will deliver Christmas dinner, household goods, fruit, Christian literature, and gifts for young children for families in need in the Marengo-Union area. We are collecting goods for 100 families! The children at Zion are bringing in specific food items each week. We are looking for sponsors of \$16, for turkey boxes that contain a 12-14 lb. turkey, stuffing, canned fruit, canned vegetable, instant potatoes, gravy mix, coffee, and a dessert mix. We also will need frozen turkey or hams. There is a sign-up sheet in church office if you are interested in contributing or volunteering. If you have medium or large baskets to donate for the fruit, please place them under the tables in the gym hallway. Unwrapped new gifts can be placed in a wrapped box in the gym hallway for children under 13 years old. If you have questions, call Michele at 815-568-5993. Please include this special project in your prayers. Thank you for your support in this outreach. If you have

questions contact  
Becky 815-299-2320 or  
Kim 815-572-1373.

## Love Project

### Week of November 26

Preschool-3rd Grade  
Canned Frosting

4th-8th Grade  
Cake or Cookie Mixes

## Holy Scrap

For over three years Pastor Borhart and others at have been collecting metal scrap and taking it to **Behr Recycling** in Woodstock. Thousands of dollars have been donated to the **Tuition Assistance Fund of our Zion Lutheran School.**

You can bring small items like pop/beer cans, electric wire, tin cans, small appliances and place them in the designated truck or trailer parked by the signs next to the electric pole opposite the front door of the Church. **This collection will take place the first weekend of every month.**

If you ever have larger items, they can be picked up. Call the Church office ([815-568-6564](tel:815-568-6564)) or let Pastor Borhart know. If you take scrap directly to **Behr Recycling**, you can tell them it is for Zion and they will send the money to us. Thank the Lord for this easy way to raise funds to help our young families.