

# **January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **for the East Kootenay Lutheran Parish**

EKLP serves the communities of Cranbrook, at Mt. Zion Lutheran;  
Elkford, at Immanuel Lutheran; Fernie; and Kimberley.

**We are CARED FOR AND CARING IN JESUS' NAME.**

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YouTube at "East Kootenay Lutheran Parish-AFLC"

### **Services**



**Praise God!**

**We are holding Sunday services at Mt Zion (Cranbrook) at 10:00 am; and at Immanuel (Elkford) at 3:00 pm.**

**Please Note:** *Our face-to-face worship services at Trinity (Fernie) are on hold until further notice. Please join with either our Cranbrook or our Elkford congregations. Please visit our website [www.eklutheran.ca](http://www.eklutheran.ca) for updates on all our locations & inspirational resources.*

## **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**



**East Kootenay Lutheran Parish Council**  
**Meeting: Being held at Mount Zion**  
**Church, Cranbrook BC at 10:00 am on**  
**January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026.**

**Pastor John's Last Service before Medical Leave  
Will be Jan 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026.**

Dear Pastor,

On behalf of the entire congregation, we would like to extend our heartfelt wishes as you begin your medical leave. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you each day.

Throughout your time with us, you have shown unwavering dedication and compassion. Your guidance has been a source of strength and inspiration for many. While your presence will be deeply missed, we trust that this period of rest will bring you renewed energy and peace.

If there is anything we can do to support you or your family during this time, please do not hesitate to let us know. We look forward to welcoming you back when you are ready, and in the meantime, we will continue to uphold the values and spirit you have fostered within our community.

Wishing you a smooth recovery and a restful break. May God's grace be with you always.

With warm regards and prayers,

The Congregation

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## **Pastor Gordon will be Leading the Services for January 2026.**

We are delighted to welcome you back, Pastor! and we look forward to being inspired by your wisdom, and compassion once again. May your filling in for Pastor John Attwood till His return bring blessings to our congregation.

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### **MT. ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

➤ **January 4<sup>th</sup> is the last chance for offerings in for the 2025 Tax Year.**

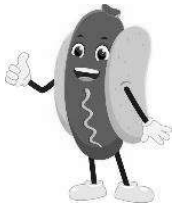


➤ **Prayer Meeting:** Beginning on January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 1:00 pm.



➤ **Women's Bible Study:** Beginning on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 1:00 pm

➤ **In January Mt. Zion will be holding one Communion Service:** January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Pastor Gordon will be leading the Service.



➤ **Hot Dog Sunday will be Held on January 18<sup>th</sup>.**  
➤ **Food Bank Donations would be appreciated on January 18<sup>th</sup> as it is a slow donation Month.**

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### **Services**

January 4 – Mt. Zion 10:00 am Service of Praise

January 4 – IMM 3:00 pm Communion Service

January 11 – Mt Zion 10:00 am Communion Service

January 11 – IMM No Service

January 18 – Mt. Zion 10:00 am Service of Praise

January 18 – IMM 3:00 pm Service of Praise

January 25 – Mt Zion 10:00 am Service of Praise

January 25 – IMM No Service

### **Scripture Readings – Sundays**

#### **January 4<sup>th</sup> “Second Sunday after Christmas”**

Jeremiah 31:15-20, Revelation 14:1-4

#### **January 11<sup>th</sup> “First Sunday after the Epiphany”**

1 Kings 8:6–13, Romans 12:1–5

#### **January 18<sup>th</sup> “Second Sunday after the Epiphany”**

Exodus 33:12–23 or Amos 9:11–15, Romans 12:6–16 or  
Ephesians 5:22–33

MAY I NEVER  
FORGET ON  
MY BEST DAY,  
THAT I STILL  
NEED GOD AS  
DESPERATELY  
AS I DID ON  
MY WORST.