

Connecting with God; Connecting with Others; Connecting others with God

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WeeklE-Newsletter

HAPPENING THIS COMING WEEK

Sunday, December 6 – Second Sunday of Advent; Poinsettia Order Forms Due

- ❖ The flowers this week are sponsored by Nancy & Rodger Myers in honor of Jaden's 18th birthday.
- ❖ The communion kits are sponsored by Brenda Stover in honor of healthcare workers.

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m.

Live-stream Link: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Wired Word Sunday School Class – 10:30 a.m. [Sign on any time after 10:15]

Class Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266

Monday, December 7

Comforter Ministry -9 - 11 a.m. (Kitchen) Food Pantry -10 a.m. -1 p.m. Property -7 p.m. (Social Room)

Tuesday, December 8

Bible Study -- 9-10:30 a.m. (Connection Zone) Scouts - 6:30 p.m. (Social Room, Classrooms, Basement)

Wednesday, December 9

Food Pantry -10 a.m. -1 p.m.

Thursday, December 10

Community Meal Drive-Thru – 5:00 p.m.

Friday, December 11

Saturday, December 12

Christmas Decorating – 9 a.m.

Sunday, December 13 – Third Sunday of Advent

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMEMBERING OUR SAINTS: Nicholas, Bishop of Myra

Saint Nicholas died on Sunday, December 6 around 342. Little is known about Nicholas, except that he was a bishop in present-day Turkey. According to legend, he was famous for his giving to the poor, and so has become a symbol of anonymous gift-giving. In his spirit, the focus this week will be on compassion and generosity.

ADVENT BANNERS



As we begin preparations for the coming birth of Jesus, the anticipation builds as a banner in front of the Sanctuary is added each week.

The 1st banner has a large, open hand of God with a heart in the middle of the hand and a

swirl descending to us. The idea is that God chooses us in grace and stirs our hearts in love and power.



The 2nd banner has a candle with a heart in its flame and a swirl rising upward symbolizing prayer and commitment to God. This banner represents our turning to God.

ADVENT OPPORTUNITIES

The offer still stands for anyone who would like to share a short story or devotional focusing on any of the advent themes: compassion & generosity, sharing the light of Christ, and hospitality. Please email them to Pastor Sell (<u>prmsell2@ptd.net</u>) or Anne (<u>adminzelc@comcast.net</u>).

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Order forms for sponsoring poinsettias are due on Sunday (12/6). You can find the order form in your bulletin and also on the ushers' table in the Narthex. It has also been emailed. Cost is \$10.

POINSETTIA SPONSOR FORM Cost: \$10 per poinsettia Deadline for Orders: Sunday, December 6 th	
I would like to sponsor poinsettias. Enclosed is	
In honor of	
In memory of	No.
Other occasion:	
Name of Sponsor	一种
Please make checks payable to: Zion Lutheran Church	
Place your sponsor form and payment in the office mail basks member mailbox wall, mail (85 E. Brandt Blvd., Landisville	
You may take your poinsettias anytime after the 10	p.m. service on Christmas Eve.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Currently, there are 2 Christmas Eve services scheduled -- one at 7pm and another at 10pm. Please register for whichever service you would like to attend by Monday, December 14 so a 3rd service could be added if needed. Please email, call, or text to register (<u>adminzelc@comcast.net</u> or 717-945-4585).

CHRISTMAS IN A BARN

All are invited to experience Christmas In A Barn at the Wittel Farm on December 20 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. Be sure to dress warm! Questions? Contact the Lutheran Camping Corporation office (717-677-8211)

AIR FILTRATION SYSTEM UPDATE

The bipolar ionization air filtration system has been installed and doing its job to help keep the air in the Sanctuary as clean as possible. The Property Team hopes that this upgrade to the HVAC system will offer an increased safety and comfort to those coming to in-person worship. Thank you to the anonymous donor who paid for the system.

2021 SPONSORSHIPS

You can now sign up to sponsor flowers, bulletins, and communion elements for 2021. Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex for those who come to in-person worship. If you do not come to the church to sign up, you may still do so by emailing Anne the date you would like to sponsor, what you would like to sponsor, and the occasion for which you would like to have noted in the bulletin.



United in Christ, we are called to love and serve.

2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes for next year have been distributed into church mailboxes in the Narthex. If you attend worship in-person, please pick yours up then. If you do not come to worship, contact Anne to arrange a time to stop by the church office to get yours.

MINISTRY TEAM ANNUAL REPORTS

The deadline to get your ministry team's year-end report to Anne is December 21. If you have questions about this, talk with others on your team or you can ask Anne. Please email your report to adminzelc@comcast.net.



COMMUNION CARDS

If you were not in church last Sunday or if you did not fill out a communion card, please do so today after you commune and place it in the offering plate at the front of the sanctuary next to the baptismal font when you leave at the end of worship. You only need to fill out one card this Advent season, so if you already did it, there is no need to do it again. If you commune at another church and want that in your record at Zion, please have the church send a letter to Zion recognizing that you communed there.

WIRED WORD CLASS

The WW class meets via Zoom each Sunday morning at 10:30. You can sign on any time after 10:15. If you want to hear more about the class, contact Sue W. (swoogle53@aol.com) or Barb G. (bmgerke@gmail.com). The link for the class is: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266

KIDS' CLUB SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS

The Kids' Club Sunday students recently decided to share their "gifts from their hearts" (Sunday School offerings from last year) with the Hempfield Area Food Pantry to help feed the Hempfield community. Thank you to Ava, Colton, Lilly, Maggie, Miriam, and Ruth for your generosity and thoughtfulness! God loves you and calls you by your name!



<u>PRAYER LIST</u>

FOR HEALING

Kathleen Gorlaski

Dave Albin

Richard Olson

Cher Callahan

Thelma Pearson

Sam King

Marvin Ruch

Kate Donnan

Barbara Williams

Dave Wise

Don Heartter

Joe Adams

Judie Ingersoll

Lucy Davis

Bill Grove

Kay Crawford

Holly Hoover

Janet & Harry Musselman

LaVon Harnish (Friend of Jeanette Bomberger)

Michael Williams (Son of Barb Williams)

Homer Dietz (Brother-in-law of Harry Musselman)

Ron Sahd (Friend of Dave Wise)

Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)

Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)

Lesli LaFata (Daughter of Bill & Julia Grove)

FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Betty Stoner

Arlene Miller

Deb McCartney

Marlin Zimmerman

Bette Geibel

Charlotte & George Potts

Richard and Marilyn Heim

Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)

Vaun Hile (Father of Lynda Sherwood) Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer)

FOR PROTECTION FOR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

Christopher Wright

Chris Andrew

Thom Whitesel

Ryan Stitzel

Doug Kautter

Justin Gorlaski

Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)

David Adams (Son-in-law of John & Kathleen Hay, and husband of Liz)

IN CELEBRATION

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

 6^{th} – Jaden Myers

7th – Bradley Green

8th – Ron Crawford

 $10^{\text{th}}-Philip\ Smeltz$

11th – Bill Flood

MINISTRY LEADERS

Ministers Members of the Congregation Pastor Melody Sell Supply Pastor Dir. of Music & Worship Arts James C. Alfieri Anne Rankin Parish Administrator Worship Technology Assistant David Albin Lay Ministry Assistant Diane Gerlach Council President Adele King Council Vice President David Wise Care Team Judy Traup John Hay Finance Parish Fellowship Millie Gundel Sue Wise Personnel **Property** Open Social Outreach Randy Miller Darrell Gerke Stewardship Worship & Music Open **Faith Formation** Open Sextons Brian Bourassa (a.m.) Tom Miller (p.m.

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WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

In-Person Worship Services 9:00 a.m. Christmas Eve 7 p.m. & 10 p.m. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266 Sunday School Class (Zoom) 10:30-11:15 a.m. 9:00 a.m. Live-stream & Recorded Worship http://bit.ly/Zion_Live Church Office 717-898-2911 **Pastor** 570-916-8835 Parish Administrator 717-945-4585 Council President 610-247-1497 Office Email adminzelc@comcast.net Pastor Email prmsell2@ptd.net Council President Email adelel3@aol.com Music Director Email zionlandisvillemusic@gmail.com www.zionhempfield.net Website Zion Lutheran Hempfield Facebook Church Address 85 E. Brandt Blvd. Landisville, PA 17538

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