

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

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# WeeklE-Newsletter: January 19 THIS WEEK AT ZION

Friday, January 19

Saturday, January 20

#### Sunday, January 21

- \* The altar flowers are sponsored by Robin Ginther in honor of her mother.
- \* The communion elements are sponsored by the Gundel families to the glory of God, along with their prayer that the love of our Savior Jesus Christ will continue to surround the precious family of Zion during the coming year.

Worship – 9:00 a.m. (In-Person & Livestreamed/Recorded)

Livestream/Recorded Link:

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Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Bible Study Class - Parlor

Wired Word Class – Zone & Zoom (Link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266</a>)

#### Monday, January 22

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

#### Tuesday, January 23

Bible Study – 9 a.m. (Parlor) Scouts – 6:30 p.m. (Classrooms, Social Room) Zion Muzik Team – 7 p.m. (Parlor)

#### Wednesday, January 24

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Social Outreach – 6 p.m. (HotZ)

#### Thursday, January 25

Choir -6:00 p.m.

Friday, January 26

Saturday, January 27

#### Sunday, January 28

Worship – 9:00 a.m. (In-Person & Livestreamed/Recorded)

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No Wired Word Class

## ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

#### STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



As we start 2024, we know we are truly blessed. We usually do not see at ourselves as "rich or poor." However, as we move forward to spread God's message, we must look at the Widow's example and ask whether we are doing enough to meet God's and Zion's Vision.

Let us ponder: What percentage of my

income am I called to invest in God's mission through Zion? How is God calling me to use the resources entrusted to my care?

We all have to ask whether we are doing enough. If we answer that honestly and take action, we will get to December of 2024 and say "Job Well Done!"

→ The When John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist Church, first became a Christian, his salary was 30 pounds per year. He lived on 28 pounds and made two available to the church. When his salary increased to 50 pounds, he lived on 28 and made 22 available to the church. When it increased to 100 pounds, he still lived on 28 but made 72 available to the church.

The message of the "Wesley Way" for today is clear and challenging.

#### FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you for the 43 pounds of food items donated to the pantry in December. In December 1,543 people were served which included 417 children, 765 adults, and 361 seniors. Requested items for the month of January are canned fruit, canned soup, canned red beets, and cereal.

#### **FELLOWSHIP OUTING**

The men's fellowship group again is sponsoring a visit to Penn State to see the Nittany Lions men's basketball team in action against the Indiana Hoosiers. The game will take place on Saturday, February 24th at Bryce Jordan Center. Tip-off is at noon. Tickets are \$15/person and can be gotten from Dave Dumeyer. (BTW, this is NOT limited to the men of the church—anyone is welcome!) There is a



sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Tickets are limited, so sign up as soon as possible. Deadline to order tickets is Sunday February 18th. "WE ARE..."

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

\* The Wired Word: In the Zone and on Zoom [Link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266</a>] NO CLASS NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 28!

\* The class that meets in the parlor has begun a study of the Gospel of Mark, the gospel assigned to CY 2024. Mark is the first gospel recorded and the shortest (a mere sixteen chapters). So far, we have learned a great deal about the author and his background and began our study of Mark using a video of a gospel recitation by famous British actor Alec McCowen. We have covered the first six chapters to date and will finish the remaining ten over the next two weeks. Anyone wishing to learn more about the gospel we will use over the rest of the year may join us each Sunday at 10:15.

The class will also be taking up the next season of "The Chosen" later this spring. That discussion will be led by Jeff Thompson. More info to come!

#### **JOYFUL NOISE**

Through January, this outreach offering will go to Day of Smiles! This non-profit collects money for different local organizations to help bring smiles to those in need throughout the year.



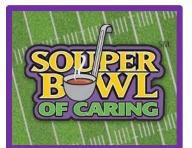
#### PRAYER LIST REMINDER

ALSO, in an effort to keep the Prayer List as up to date as possible, please let the office know if anyone can be removed from the current list. If there is anyone who should be added, please let the office know that too.

#### HOSPITALIZATION AND PRAYER LIST REMINDER

If you or someone you know from the church has been hospitalized or is having a procedure and want the pastor, the prayer team, or the congregation to know, please call or email Pastor Tim or the church office. The hospital doesn't always notify us anymore so please don't assume they have!

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The Social Outreach team is bringing back the Souper Bowl food drive this year! As in past years, you are invited to bring in canned goods—particularly soup and fruit—on Sunday, February 11! There will be two big soup pots in the narthex, labelled with the teams who are playing the Super Bowl later that afternoon!

Place the canned goods in the pot labelled with the team who you are cheering for to win the big game! Canned goods will then be donated to the Pantry.

In addition, there will be containers to put monetary donations! These contributions will also go to the Pantry.

There are still a few weeks leading up to the game but it's not too early to start stocking up on canned goods.

#### 2024 CHURCH DIRECTORY

Copies are available on the ushers' table in the narthex and in the back hallway on the window ledge across from the choir room!

#### 2023 GIVING STATEMENTS

2023 statements are now in church mailboxes! Thank you to everyone for your generous gifts throughout the year! Zion is truly a blessed congregation.



# **UPCOMING EVENTS**



Chicken & Waffles: THIS SUNDAY, January 14,12 Noon-2 p.m. @ Nawakwa; RSVP by 1/10

Spend a Sunday at camp with a delicious home-made chicken and waffles dinner.

And bring your sleds (if there's snow)!



➤ Winter Fun Days: THIS SUNDAY, January 14 and February 18, 1-5 p.m. @ Kirchenwald

Bring your family and friends to enjoy an afternoon on Kirchenwald's award-winning toboggan run, ice-skating on the

lake, or drinking hot chocolate in the lodge.





Lenten Day Apart: February 24, 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. @ The Wittel Farm; RSVP by 2/16; \$15 (includes program cost and meals)

Begin your Lenten journey to Easter by joining us for a day apart.

# PRAYER LIST

**FOR HEALING** 

Dick Olson Cindy Blough **Bob Shirk** Tom Grzybowski Jess Barcaro Sam King Bill Grove Connie Alsedek Joe Adams Mary Zimmerman Marvin Ruch Kate Donnan Judie Ingersoll Joan Mays Holly Hoover **Barb Williams** Kay Crawford **Dolly Overly** 

John Hay

Bob Steinmetz (Brother of Diane Gerlach)

Dave Wauls

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Tim or Anne know if anyone can
be removed from this list.
Similarly, if you or someone else
would like to be added to it,
please let us know that as well.

James Marks (Grandson of Thelma Pearson; Nephew of Dennis & Marie Dezort)

Renee Willamon (Friend of Pat Landis)

Ed Illick (Husband of Pastor Pam Illick)

Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)

Brook Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)

Jeff Long (Nephew of Rick & Deb Long)

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

Jack Taylor (4-year-old son of the niece of Deb Grube)

Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)

### FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Thelma Pearson

Lucy Davis

Deb McCartney

George Potts

Ruth Burkett (Mother of Deb Long)

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

Ed & Dotty Sites (Parents of Cathy Benedict)

Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer)

Peggy & Rick Dolly (Relatives of Barb Williams)

#### FOR PROTECTION FOR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

**Evan Benedict** 

Christopher Wright

Chris Andrew

Thom Whitesel

Ryan Stitzel

Doug Kautter

Justin Gorlaski

Tyler Duke (Great Grandson of Jan Reeves)

Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)

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

#### IN CELEBRATION

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

22<sup>nd</sup> – Emma Baumgardner, Dolly Overly

25<sup>th</sup> – Anna Benedict

27<sup>th</sup> – Millie Gundel

# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! 28<sup>th</sup> – Dave & Dottie Wauls

**CONDOLENCES** to Deb Grube and the extended family on the death of her father, William Hartman on January 15.

#### MINISTRY LEADERS

Ministers Members of the Congregation Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown **Pastor** Music Director John Landis Parish Administrator Anne Rankin Worship Technology Assistant David Albin Lay Ministry Assistant Diane Gerlach Council President Kim Paternoster Council Vice President Denise Haun Sextons Brian Bourassa (a.m.) Tom Miller (p.m.)

# WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

Worship Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.
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Bible Study Video Series Class (Parlor) Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. (Except 12/31)
Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom) Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. (Except 12/31)
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<sup>\*</sup> The Stewardship slide is adapted from A Litany Prayer for Aleppo by Michael K. Marsh by Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown