

Advent

*A Season of Hope
& Expectation*

DECEMBER 2ND, 2018
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*Zion United Methodist Church exists to celebrate God's grace
and witness for Jesus Christ. As you worship, open your heart.
God has a word for you today!*

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ADVENT CANDLE RITUAL	John & Cynthia Shabb <i>"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"</i>	#196
*INVITATION SONGS	<i>"O Come, All Ye Faithful"</i> <i>"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"</i>	#234 #211
WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE	<i>(Please sign the registration)</i>	
*RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP		
*CALL TO WORSHIP	<i>People of Faith, prepare for the coming reign of Christ!</i> As we gather to pray and sing and listen, a spirit of anticipation and hope fills us. <i>The days are surely coming, says our God, when justice and righteousness will prevail.</i> May our worship illuminate our hearts and minds, freeing us to respond joyfully to God's call in the days to come.	
*HYMN OF PRAISE	<i>"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"</i>	# 203
*OPENING PRAYER	Almighty God, as we come together this day, open our ears to hear, open our eyes to see, and open our hearts to love, that we may come to know your ways and follow your paths. Help us grow in love for one another, and for all creation, as we prepare for the coming of the one, the true source of our salvation. Amen.	
CHOIR ANTHEM	<i>"Emmanuel Is Coming"</i> By Nancy Price and Don Besig	
JOYS AND CONCERNS		
PASTORAL PRAYER		
INTERCESSORY PRAYER		
THE LORD'S PRAYER IN UNISON		
OFFERTORY	<i>"Peace"</i>	by Michael McDonald
DOXOLOGY		
*OFFERTORY PRAYER		
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE		Cynthia Shabb
SCRIPTURE	<i>Isaiah 9:2, 6-7 - 11:1-2</i>	#489
MESSAGE	<i>"Hope"</i>	Connie Sherwood
HYMN	<i>"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"</i>	#216
*BENEDICTION		
*CLOSING SONG	<i>"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"</i> <i>(vs. 1&2)</i>	#213
SENDING FORTH		

THIS WEEK AT ZION (DECEMBER 2ND – DECEMBER 8TH)

SUNDAY, December 2nd

9:00 a.m. – Worship Leaders Prayer Meeting

9:15 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

TUESDAY, December 4th

9:00 a.m. – UMM Breakfast at Denny's

WEDNESDAY, December 5th

6:30 p.m. – The "GATHERING"

6:30 p.m. – Youth Group

7:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, December 6th

6:00 p.m. – Finance & Stewardship Committee

7:00 p.m. – Administrative Council

SATURDAY, December 8th

9:00 a.m. – Zion UMW Holiday Goodies (Cookie Walk)

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, December 9th

9:00 a.m. – Worship Leaders Prayer Meeting

9:15 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

MONDAY, December 10th

7:00 p.m. – Trustees Committee

TUESDAY, December 11th

9:00 a.m. – UMM Breakfast at Denny's

WEDNESDAY, December 12th

5:30 p.m. – Confirmation

6:30 p.m. – The "GATHERING"

6:30 p.m. – Youth Group

7:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

THANK YOU CONNIE!

Our thanks to Connie Sherwood for filling in for Pastor Chang this morning.

ZION COOKIE WALK

The Cookie Walk will take place on **Saturday, December 8th at 9:00 a.m.** All members are invited to bring cookies to sell and buy other goodies for themselves. **Hope to see you there!**

SPECIAL ADVENT SUNDAY MORNING ADULT CLASS

Come join us in the narthex at 9:15 a.m. each Sunday during Advent for a special, combined adult class: *We Await the Coming Christ*. **Next Sunday's class is about our preparations for Christmas and will be led by Alicia Fadley.** Can't make it to all four weeks? No problem! Each week's class stands alone, so come when you can and take advantage of this special opportunity to gather with other members of our church family.

SING-ALONG MESSIAH

The Sing-Along Messiah will be held **Friday, December 14th at 7:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Catholic Church.** Come out to listen and/or sing along.

IF YOU NEED A QUIET PLACE FOR YOUR CHILD
OUR NURSERY IS LOCATED IN THE UPPER WEST WING

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVE

PASTOR.....	Rev. Chang H. Yi
MINISTERS.....	The Congregation
COORDINATOR OF CONGREGATIONAL CARE	Cathy Perry
CHOIR DIRECTOR.....	David Perry
PIANIST.....	Cathy Perry
ORGANIST AND CHOIR ACCOMPANIST.....	Hannah Krueger
LAY LEADER	Deb Glennen
LAY READER.....	Wayne Seames
CHURCH SECRETARY.....	Debbie Merrill
CHURCH CUSTODIANS.....	Allison Taylor and Hannah Krueger
NURSERY CAREGIVERS.....	Kayle Bresher and Sussanna Kjenstad

ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 25TH, 2018

Worship – 79 SS – 29 GATHERING – 8

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 25TH, 2018

REGULAR OFFERING.....	\$ 1,230.25
CONFERENCE APPORTIONMENTS.....	\$ 25.00
SUNDAY SCHOOL.....	\$ 12.00

(Figures include auto-draft giving)

OCTOBER FINANCIAL REPORT

TOTAL FUNDS COMING IN.....	\$ 10,954.51
TOTAL FUNDS GOING OUT.....	\$ 20,546.77
CHURCH APPORTIONMENT PAST DUE.....	\$ 21,459.00

PRAYER MARKER FOR DECEMBER 2ND – DECEMBER 8TH, 2018

LIFT IN PRAYER

Chuck, Ute, and Ingrid Adams
Jone Barnick
Amy Bugbee
Tim & LeeAnn Carlson
Gwen Crawford
Gerri Eck
Carrie Hanson
Maria Williams Kennedy
The Krueger family
Wayne & Dorothy Rowe
Virginia Stewart and
son-in-law, Ron,
JoAnn White
Our Shut-ins

BIRTHDAYS

12/02 Jone Barnick
12/05 Mike Matthew

ANNIVERSARIES

None

JOYS

The volunteers at Zion
Love Feast served 197 guests
and 15 BP were taken
Connie Sherwood and Wayne
Seames