



DECEMBER 29TH, 2024
FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

*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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PROCESSION OF THE LIGHT
WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

*RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

*INVITATION SONGS *"The First Noel"*(vs. 1 & 2) #245, *"Away In A Manger"* #217,
 "Good Christian Friends Rejoice" (vs. 1 & 2) #224

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Who are the children of God?

All who are led by the Spirit of God

For what does the Spirit guide us?

That we may love the Lord our God with all our hearts, with all our souls, and with all our minds, and our neighbors as ourselves.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"O Little Town of Bethlehem

#230

OPENING PRAYER

God of every nation and people, from the very beginning of creation you have made manifest your love. When our need for a Savior was great, you sent your Son to be born of the virgin Mary. To our lives, he brings joy and peace, justice, mercy and love. May we be reminded of the humble birth of Jesus and raise up our thoughts to him, who is Emmanuel God-with-us. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Little Baby"

*arr. Traci Law
Presented by Kellie Burgess*

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

SILENT PRAYER & REFLECTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER IN UNISON

*DOXOLOGY

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE

Luke 2:1-7

#724

MESSAGE

"And She Gave Birth"

Rev. Jerry Bass

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Mary Did You Know?"

*by Lowry and Greene
Presented by Mandy Bass*

SCRIPTURE

Luke 2:41-51

#725

MESSAGE

"Treasured In Her Heart"

Rev. Jerry Bass

HYMN OF RESPONSE

"What Child Is This" (v. 1)

219

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING HYMN

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

#240

*SENDING FORTH

*PLEASE STAND IF ABLE

THIS WEEK AT ZION

SUNDAY, December 29th

10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

WEDNESDAY, January 1st

Church office closed

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, January 5th

9:15 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

(continued)

MONDAY, January 6th

7:00 p.m. - Trustees

TUESDAY, January 7th

9:00 a.m. – UM Men's group at Perkins

WEDNESDAY, January 8th

1:30 p.m. – Legacy Quilters

7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice

7:00 p.m. – Confirmation Class

THURSDAY, January 9th

7:00 p.m. – Worship Team Zoom

SPECIAL THANKS

A special thanks to Jerry Bass for pulpit supply today, to Yen Lee Loh for filling in as our accompanist, and to Mandy Bass and Kellie Burgess for sharing their musical talent.

EXPLORERS IN SPIRIT ANNOUNCEMENT

The Explorers in Spirit Sunday Morning Adult Class will not be meeting on Dec. 29th or January 5th. The class will resume on January 12th.

INFORMATION UPDATE

If you are new to Zion, or your information has been changed, please take time to fill out an update card. These can be found on the table in the back of the sanctuary.

HEARING LOOP AVAILABLE

The Zion Church sanctuary is equipped with a Hearing Loop system. If you use a hearing aid with T-coil technology please activate it to benefit from this feature.

ZION BUILDING INITIATIVE

Zion's goal is to raise \$300, 000 by January 15, 2025, to support church and parsonage repairs and upgrades. You can contribute in three ways; visit the church website and donate, write a check to Zion United Methodist Church.(please note "Building Improvement" in the memo), or communicate a pledge to the church office.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Your safety is our first concern. Should we need to cancel worship services or other church activities this information will be found on our Zion Church website (www.zion-umc.org) or you may check your local stations at *Television* – WDAY/WDAZ, Channel 8; KVLV, Channel 11 *Radio* – KNOX 1310 AM; KCNN 1590 AM.

THE QUILT OF THE WEEK



The quilt of the week is a twin sized "Angels We Have Heard on High".

IF YOU NEED A QUIET PLACE WITH 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
MUSIC COORDINATOR..... David Perry
ACCOMPANIST..... Yen Lee Loh
LAY READER..... Connie Sherwood
LAY LEADER..... Deb Glennen
CONGREGATIONAL CARE COORDINATOR..... Connie Sherwood
CHURCH SECRETARY..... Gail Sherwood

ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR DECEMBER 22ND, 2024

Sunday Worship – 85 Sunday School – 20 Online - 23

FINANCIAL REPORT DECEMBER 22ND, 2024

WORSHIP SERVICE..... \$ 4,729.00
NARTHEX..... \$ 00.00
APPORTIONMENTS..... \$ 1,000.00

NOVEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT

TOTAL FUNDS COMING IN	\$ 35,296.47
TOTAL FUNDS GOING OUT	\$ 30,582.51
CHURCH APPORTIONMENT PAST DUE	\$ 6,251.72

ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTIONS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT ZION

Other than using checks, you may take advantage of other giving options. You can give online via **Tithe.ly**. Scan the QR code here and follow the directions. For those who prefer **Automatic Bank Transfer** on a regular basis, please contact the church office. Thank you for your generosity!



PRAYER MARKER FOR DECEMBER 29- JANUARY 4

LIFT IN PRAYER

Tim & LeeAnn Carlson
Peter Blay
Christianson Family
Barb Larson and Family
Wally and Carol Mytych
Aileen Sandwick & Family
Dorothy Schoen
The Welsh Family
The Parkinson Family
Our Shut-ins

BIRTHDAYS

01/02 Susan Griffin
01/04 Gail Bass

JOYS

New Zion Family Members
Building Update Projects
Love Feast
Christmas Eve Candlelight
Service