

REJOICE WITH JOY UNSPEAKABLE

and full of glory.

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Zion Evangelical Church

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9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study

10:15 - Worship

Pastor: Darrell Weber

CCLI License # 1636898

Organist: Mrs. Mary Lu Bretsch

The 2nd Sunday of Advent - December 10th, 2023

PRELUDES

“Sing We Now of Christmas”

arr. Wilbur Held

LIGHTING CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS / GREETING ONE ANOTHER / RINGING BELLS

LIGHTING ADVENT CANDLE OF PEACE

The Alex & Paige Pellmann family

Praising FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT!

* PRAISE SONG *“Sing We the Song of Emmanuel”* Video by Matt Boswell & Matt Papa

Sing we the song of Emmanuel, This the Christ who was long foretold
Lo in the shadows of Bethlehem, Promise of dawn now our eyes behold
God Most High in a manger laid, Lift your voices and now proclaim
Great and glorious Love has come to us, Join now with the hosts of heaven

Come we to welcome Emmanuel, King who came with no crown or throne
Helpless He lay the Invincible, Maker of Mary now Mary's son
O what wisdom to save us all, Shepherds sages before Him fall
Grace and majesty what humility, Come on bended knee adore Him

Gloria, Gloria, Gloria, Gloria

Go spread the news of Emmanuel, Joy and peace for the weary heart
Lift up your heads for your King has come, Sing for the Light overwhelms the dark

Glory shining for all to see, Hope alive let the gospel ring
God has made a way He will have the praise, Tell the world His name is Jesus
(2 times)

Gloria, Gloria, Gloria, Gloria, Gloria, Gloria.

* CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) from Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:5-10

Pastor Since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, JESUS the SON of GOD, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.

People We have a high priest who is able to sympathize with our weaknesses,

Pastor We have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are — yet was without sin.

People Let us approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy & find grace to help us in our time of need.

Pastor CHRIST didn't take upon HIMSELF the glory of becoming a high priest. But GOD said, YOU are MY SON; today I have become YOUR FATHER.

People HE says, “YOU are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek.”

Pastor During the days of JESUS' life on earth, HE offered up prayers and petitions with loud cries and tears to the ONE who could save HIM from death, and HE was heard because of HIS reverent submission.

People Although HE was a SON, HE learned obedience from what HE suffered.

Pastor Once made perfect, HE became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey HIM.

People And was designated by GOD to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek.
Amen!

Confessing Your Sins to the LORD!

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

JESUS, my high priest, I come to YOU confessing my sins. Forgive me where I have sinful desires, spoken cruel words to family members, have evil thoughts about friends, or committed wrongful acts against my neighbors. Forgive me also for the sins which I now confess to YOU in silence.

(please pray in silence)

Dear JESUS, I ask for more than forgiveness, I ask to be change to be more like YOU. For I pray, trusting in YOU alone. Amen!

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

from Hebrews 7:25

Consequently, HE is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to GOD through HIM, since HE always lives to make intercession for them.

* RESPONSE

"Gloria in Excelsis DEO"

Chorus of # 184 – 2 times

Glo - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis DE - O! (2 times)

Listening to the LORD!

READING OF GOD'S WORD

Psalm 110 (p 529)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Gesu Bambino"

Lisa Hascall

Mary Lu Bretsch, Handbells. Patti French, Accompanist

SERMON

"CHRIST the Priest"

Praying to GOD!

JOYS/CONCERNS

We Thank YOU / Hear Our Prayer, O LORD!

INTERCESSORY / THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts and debtors)

Our FATHER who art in Heaven, Hallowed be THY Name. THY Kingdom come, THY will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For THINE is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, forever, Amen.

OFFERING

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

Paul Manz

December Mission is Salvation Army area shelters. Envelopes or checks (with note on the memo line) designated "Salvation Army", will support this work, Please give generously.

* RESPONSE

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Chorus of # 199 – 2 times

O come let us adore HIM (3 times), CHRIST the Lord!

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Going out to Serve GOD!

* COMMITMENT HYMN

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

#178

* BENEDICTION

from Jude 24-25

Now to HIM who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of HIS glory with great joy, to the only GOD, our Savior, through JESUS CHRIST our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen."

* SUNG BLESSING

"Go Now in Peace"

Don Besig & Nancy Price

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid. GOD will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know HE will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.
GOD will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.**

* POSTLUDES

"People Look East"

Robert A. Hobby

Community Bulletin Board

Chair Yoga led by Joyce Herman - Fridays, Zion's Fellowship Hall, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Don't forget to order your Poinsettias! \$8.00 per flower. Forms can be found in the Church Office. Please have your form in by **December 13th**. Thank you!

MCC Christmas Concert - **Sunday, December 17th**, 7:00 p.m., Zion Evangelical Church. Join us for a festive night of your favorite Christmas songs!

St. James CCW 2024 QUILT-A-RAMA! Tickets are \$25.00 each with each winner going back into the barrel after each monthly drawing! For additional info please call Kathy Gass 618 971-6208.

Sisters in Faith/Creative Souls would like to challenge everyone to share one card per week with someone. The cards will be: thank you, thinking of you, praying for you, etc. This person can be part of our congregation, community, or beyond. We would like for you to prayerfully consider who could use a card to let them know that they are thought about, prayed for, cared for or you wish that they would come join us at church, bible study, etc. Other persons who could use a card, police, firefighters, and servicemen, anyone who you feel could use a card. We will provide cards with envelopes or you are more than welcome to use your own cards. If you are willing, we would also like to hear back if you receive a response from someone whom you have shared a card with that their life was impacted in some way. Please sign the cards as an individual and include - "A Member of Zion Evangelical Church".

Calendar of Events for Zion Evangelical Church

Sunday, December 10 - Advent #2

Sunday School/Conf 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service.....10:15 a.m.
 Sunday School Christmas Party at The Weber's..... 5:00 p.m.

Monday, December 11

Preschool 8:15 a.m.
 Council Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 12

Z Team8:30 a.m.
 Garden Place Bible Study1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 13

Preschool 8:15 a.m.
 EA Council10:00 a.m. —

Thursday, December 14

Quilting 9:00 a.m.
 Garden Place Worship 2:00 p.m.

Friday, December 15

Preschool 8:15 a.m.
 Chair Yoga10:00 a.m.

Saturday, December 16

Sunday, December 17 - Advent #3

Sunday School/Conf 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service.....10:15 a.m.
 Sunday School Christmas Program10:15 a.m.
 Millstadt Community Choir Christmas Concert..... 7:00 p.m.

Council Duties

Sunday, December 10

Charlotte Mehrtens
 Sherry Wynn

Sunday, December 17

Richard Hoffelmeyer
 Darren Doerr

December 3, 2023

Giving: \$4,670.00 Attendance: 77



Food Pantry - Our food pantry list for the month of December is: canned meat, pasta side dishes, pickles, and peanut butter. The month of January is: cake mixes/frosting, canned meat, Jello or pudding, and laundry supplies.

Can Tabs for Ronald McDonald House -- Congregation Member Eric Wolfmeier is a Firefighter in Belleville. His Firehouse is collecting can tabs, keys, and money for the Ronald McDonald House. Please drop off any you collect at the Church. Amanda will have a receptacle labeled for these. Thank you for helping out.



December 10, 2023
In the Hospital

PRAYER REQUESTS

Steve & Gerry Albert
Bruce Alberter
Emily Alberter
Donna Altemeier
Arik Barnes
Linda Barth
Wanda Basse
David Becherer
Marilyn Beil
Roche Beine
Trish Bell
Cindy Berlelsmann
Roberta Billhartz
Terry Boling
Ginger Bourn
Lindsay Bourn & Family
Baby Levi Boyle
Joyce Brand (Janice Seidlitz's Mother)
Shirley Brandenburger
Steve Crook
Colsen Davinroy
Roger Davis
Sheila Davis (Jessi Doerr's Mother)
Family of Maria DeJesus Mejia
Ann Dietrich
Melissa Dietrich
Bill Ditch
Annie Dulle
Brad Dye
Mark Eckman
Mark Emring
Linda Eurgil
Mike French
Fritz Fritzingler
Lynn Gass
Brenda Goudey
Mary (Boerke) Graham
Greg
Pearl Griebel
Baby Adalyn Harres

Carol & Jim Haury
Rich Heitz
Debbie Hoef
Willie Holdener
Charlotte Hoock
Mary Hund
Gary & Sharon Jones
Judy Jones
Steve Jones
Joyce Kasper
Nick Kassebaum
Jeff Kistner
Billy Klopmeier
Scott (Barbra Knoth's Son)
Jim Kostelac
Elizabeth Koval
Tom & Renee Kreher
Kathy Kuehner
Family of Jessica LaDuke
Lucille Lang
Richard Madden (Kathi Trent's Brother)
Erin Mahoney
Charlotte Mehrtens
Lance Morris
Anna Belle Muskopf
Dean Norrenbem
Andrea Nunnally (Bill Savering's Niece)
John & Karen O'Donnell
Jim O'Saben
Doris Obernagel
Baby Ariela Oliver
Pat Parrish (Wayne Jones's Sister)
Janet Pauketat
Stephanie Poletti
Lois Potter
Bruce Reece
Lucille Reece
Lyle Reuss
Dottie Rickard (Adam Hubb's Grandmother)
Rich Riemann

Donna Ritson
Family of Jim & Susan Savering
Lucille Schewe
Jan & Cindy Schneider
Mitch Scott
Janice Seidlitz
Nancy Smith
Shelly Smith
Mike Speichinger
Sharon & Edgar Stallmann
Mary Stevenson
Lisa Taake
Steve Tade
Ray Teliczan
Mike Toenjes
Rich Trent
Elizabeth Tubbs
Baby Ty
Lacey Grace Valentine
Mark Vandermyde
Bill & Donna Ward
Mary Weldele
Joan Wilkins
Jeffrey Willey
Jim Wilshire
Cruie Wilson
Bart & Kelley

JOYS

To add a name to our prayer list, please locate a communication card in the pews. Provide the name, address, phone, and reason for the prayer request - place the card in the offering plate or give it to an usher. You may also contact the church office. Members of our prayer team will pray daily for everyone on our list. (Contact Barbara Hohlt for more information (476-1750)). Names will be left on the list for one month unless you contact Barbara Hohlt or the church office.

SERVING OUR COUNTRY Sgt. Anthony Hanson, Jr., Kenny Wolf, Brandon Lester, Kory Klein, and Michael Barnes serving overseas; Erin Green, Adam Stern, Joe Morris, Austin Stumpf, and Derek Ferguson in the Middle East; Kasey Davis serving in Europe; Peter Blades serving in Kuwait; Samantha Glaeser, Jesse Eimer, Jason Parrish, Chris Lewis, Sharon Wirth, Robin Davis, Al Wirth, Tristen & Stefan Cashwell, and Joshua Trent serving in the States. Families of Service men and women in Afghanistan who lost their lives in the terrorist attack.

Cabin Fever Retreat

Open to all Ladies of the Community

Saturday, January 20, 2024

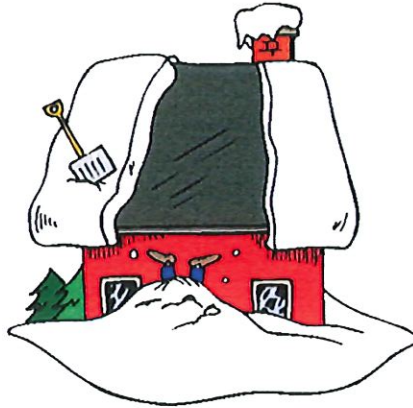
9:00 - 2:00 PM

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\$ 15 - includes breakfast,
lunch, and activities



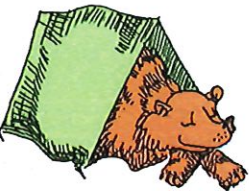
Start the New Year treating yourself to a day just for you!

- Winter Themed Inspiration
- Old Hags Doing New Hacks
 - Health Tips
 - Make & Take

Casual attire. Join us for a relaxing day of fun and fellowship!

Call Amanda in the Church Office to RSVP by January 15, 2024

Pay in advance or at the door



Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Reservations due by January 15th

Please send check (payable to Sisters in Faith) to:

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