I THESSALONIANS 5:5

YE ARE ALL THE children of light.



Zion Evangelical Church

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9:00 am Sunday School/Confirmation/Bible Study

10:15 am Worship

Pastor - Darrell Weber CCLI License #1636898/20459364

Organist - Mr. Clark Ferry

The 3rd Sunday of Advent - December 17th, 2023

PRELUDES

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS / GREETING ONE ANOTHER / RINGING BELLS

LIGHTING ADVENT CANDLE OF JOY

The Michael & Jodi Notter family

Praising FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT!

* PRAISE HYMN

"His Name is Wonderful"

Video - Chris Tomlin

* CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

from Isaiah 9:6-7 For to us a child is born, to us a SON is given, and the government will be on HIS shoulders.

People HE will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty GOD, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Pastor

Of the increase of HIS government and peace there will be no end.

People HE will reign on David's throne and over HIS kingdom.

Establishing & upholding it with justice & righteousness from that time on and forever. **Pastor**

People The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this.

Confessing Your Sins to the LORD!

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Dear Wonderful Counselor, Mighty GOD, Everlasting FATHER, Prince of Peace, we confess that our own human self-government brings anxieties and troubles upon the earth, rather than YOUR intended Divine Order and Peace. Forgive us for our sins which contribute to these troubles on earth as we pray now in silence.

(please pray in silence)

Gracious and loving Lord God we lift our hearts and voices to you in adoration and praise. Thank you for the many names of Jesus that teach us of the saving work and loving nature of our Savior and Friend. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

from Matthew 6:33

Seek first HIS Kingdom and righteousness and all these things will be yours as well. "Gloria in Excelsis DEO" Chorus of #184 - 2 times

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

Praying to GOD!

JOYS/CONCERNS

* RESPONSE

We Thank YOU / Hear Our Prayer,

O LORD!

INTERCESSORY / THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts and debtors) Back Cover of Hymnal 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

December Mission is Salvation Army area shelters. Loose Cash, envelopes or checks (with note in 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

Hear GOD Speaking Thru Our Children!

His Name is Jesus!

See the insert

Going out to Serve LORD GOD Almighty!

* COMMITMENT HYMN "Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)" Video - Chris Tomlin

* BENEDICTION

Our promised Savior is born, and we are made children of God! May the peace of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be with you today and every day. 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 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.

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

Community Bulletin Board

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

We have 6 poinsettias remaining to order! \$8.00 per flower. Forms can be found in the Church Office or the December Visitor. 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.

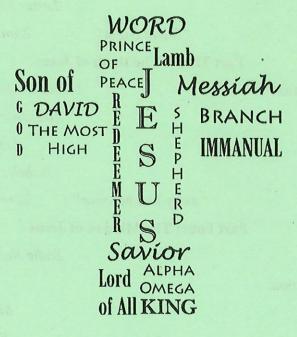
Sisters in Faith/Cre8tive Souls would like to challenge everyone to share one card per week with someone. The cards will be: thank you, thinking of you, praying for you, etc. This person can be part of our congregation, community, or beyond. We would like for you to prayerfully consider who could use 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".



His Name Is Jesus!

Zion Sunday School Christmas Program

December 17, 2023



His Name Is Jesus!

Introduction:		Josephina Riemann		
Song:	There Is Something About That	Name" Congregation		
	Part One: Waiting for Jes	sus		
Immanuel:	Caleb Doerr, Micah Doerr			
Messiah:	Isab	Isabelle Wolfmeier, George Wolfmeier		
Branch:		Katelyn Allen, Caleb Gruenewald		
	Part Two: Jesus, a Son			
Son of God:	Oli	ivia Wolfmeier, Isabelle Wolfmeier		
Son of David:	Josephi	Josephina Riemann, Alessandra Riemann		
Son of the Most High:		Lester French, George Wolfmeier		
Song:	"Silent Night"	Zion Sunday School Children		
	Part Three: The Birth of J	esus		
Christmas Story Narration:	Oli	ivia Wolfmeier, Caleb Gruenewald		
Lamb:	DIANE TO TOW	Alessandra Riemann, Sadie Notter		
Prince of Peace:		Lester French, Ella Weaver		
Word:		Isabelle Wolfmeier, Caleb Doerr		
Song:	"Away in a Manger"	Zion Sunday School Children		
	Part Four: The Mission of	Jesus		
Savior:	Sovicos	Sadie Notter, Alessandra Riemann		
Christmas Story Narration:		Jacob Doerr		
Shepherd:		Micah Doerr, Sadie Notter		
Redeemer:		Ella Weaver, Jacob Doerr		

Part Five: The Promises of Jesus

Alpha and Omega: Alessandra Riemann, Lester French

Lord of All: George Wolfmeier, Katelyn Allen

King: Micah Doerr, Isabelle Wolfmeier

Song: "Hallowed be thy Name" as recorded by Babbie Mason

Zion Sunday School Children & Meaning of Names Presentation

Jesus: George Wolfmeier, Olivia Wolfmeier

Closing: Josephina Riemann, Josie Doerr, Wyatt Notter

Program Coordinators: Kelly Riemann & Stacy Woehlke

Zion Sunday School Participants:

Katelyn Allen* Caleb Gruenewald* Josephina Riemann*

Jocelyn (Josie) Doerr Drew Kish Ella Weaver*

Micah Doerr Caleb Kish Olivia Wolfmeier

Caleb Doerr* Wyatt Notter George Wolfmeier

Jacob Doerr* Sadie Notter Isabelle Wolfmeier

Lester French Alessandra Riemann

*Designates Confirmand or High School Student

We extend our gratitude:

- to our performers and their families for working with us on our 7th and final Sunday School Christmas Program.
- to our Sunday School teachers and our Board of Christian Education for letting us record during class time.
- to our sixth grader and her parents on her final Sunday School Christmas program. Thank you for your many years of hard work.
 - o Alessandra Riemann
- to our confirmands and high school students for helping narrate this year's program.

Blessings and Merry Christmas! Kelly Riemann & Stacy Woehlke

**All scripture from the New International Version

**Program adapted from:

"His Name is Jesus!"

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Calendar of Events for Zion Evangelical Church

Sunday, December 17- Advent #3	
Sunday School/Conf	9:00 a.m.
Worship Service	10:15 a.m.
Sunday School Christmas Program	
Millstadt Community Choir Christmas Concert	7:00 p.m.
Monday, December 18	
Preschool	8:15 a.m.
Preschool Christmas Program	10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, December 19	
Z Team Christmas Breakfast	8:00 a.m.
Z Team	8:30 a.m.
Garden Place Bible Study	1:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 20	
No Preschool	
Z Team Christmas Party	6:30 p.m.
Thursday, December 21	
Quilting	9:00 a.m.
Friday, December 22	
No Preschool	
Chair Yoga	10:00 a.m.
Saturday, December 23	
Sunday, December 24 - Advent #4, Christmas Eve	
Sunday School/Conf	9:00 a.m.
Worship Service	10:15 a.m.
Christmas Eve Service	

Council Duties

Sunday, December 17 Richard Hoffelmeyer Darren Doerr Sunday, December 24 Richard Hoffelmeyer Mary Lou Peter

December 10, 2023

Giving: \$15,479.00 Attendance: 65



Food Pantry - Our food pantry list for the month of December is: canned meat, pasPartry ta 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 17, 2023 In the Hospital Shirley Brandenburger - Memorial 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

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 Fritzinger

Marilyn Gallagher (Linda Hopfinger's Aunt)

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 Klopmeyer

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 Grand-

mother)

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 Vanderrnyde
Bill & Donna Ward
Mary Weldele
Joan Wilkins
Jeffrey Willey
Jim Wilshire

Crue 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, Michael Barnes, Erin Green, Adam Stern, Joe Morris, Derek Ferguson, Kasey Davis, Peter Blades serving overseas; Samantha Glaeser, Jesse Eimer, Jason Parrish, Chris Lewis, Sharon Wirth, Robin Davis, Al Wirth, Tristen & Stefan Caswell, 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

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Name:			
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Address:

Phone number:

Reservations due by January 15th

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

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