

## Zion Lutheran Church

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### Announcements, Prayer Concerns and Calendar Sunday, December 3, 2017

#### LUTHER QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*“So it happens that faith alone makes a person righteous and fulfills the law”*

#### WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

The attendance on **November 26th** was **30** at **8 am** and **32** at **9:15 am**. Average attendance through **November 26th** is **41** at the first service and **46** at the second service (post opening). Average Sunday attendance through **November 26th** is **73**.

#### ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by **Deena and Larry Salvatore** in honor of Joan Silverman's birthday; **Ron and Jane Moore** in Memory of Jane's mother, Elizabeth Boorman, and Barry Moore, Ron's brother.

#### OCTOBER GIVING NUMBERS

- **October** Actual Giving was **\$17,161** vs. **October** Budgeted Giving **\$19,318**.
- **YTD** Giving is **\$170,679** vs. Budgeted **YTD** Giving **\$173,988**.
- **Average** monthly giving to date was **\$17,092**; **Average** needed to achieve budget is **\$17,866**; **Average** needed to achieve breakeven is **\$21,464**.

#### COLLEGE CONNECTION CARE PACKAGES

Thanks to all who contributed to the filling and packaging of our **College Connection** care packages. Zion will make the day of **24** Zion college students and one who is serving in the military – all of whom are away from home! Special thanks to **Lori Prussack**, and **Kerri Bataille** for all their efforts. Our next “College Connection” will be in February, 2018, and if you would like to help or can sponsor a **Thrivent Action Team** grant for the shipping, please contact **Kerri** at **kbataille5@gmail.com**, or **Laura** in the office.

#### 2018 GIVING ENVELOPES

If you have donated significantly in the past, are a member or a family with children in Sunday school, **2018** “Giving Envelopes” have been printed for you. The envelopes

are available in the Narthex, and we would appreciate it if you could pick these up as soon as possible. Thanks!

### **2018 STEWARDSHIP DRIVE**

Please remember to return your **2018 Pledge Cards** and **Time and Talent Sheets** to the collection box in the Narthex. The image of the Luther Rose that we have created is beginning to return to full color. We hope that we can eventually see the entire image of the window once more in full “technicolor”! **Please see the December LVL for more information on our Stewardship Campaign.**

### **BIBLE STUDY THIS TUESDAY**

The **Tuesday Bible Study Group** will meet this coming **Tuesday, December 5th** at **12:00 pm** at **Pezzo Pizza**, in Long Valley, for lunch before our study begins at Zion at **1:00**. The group will continue until **December 19<sup>th</sup>** when there will be a one week Christmas break (**no Bible Study on December 26<sup>th</sup>**).

### **STAMPING ANGELS THIS TUESDAY**

Come join the “**Stamping Angels**” this **Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>** from **6 pm to 9pm** in **Fields Hall** to make **5** beautiful and detailed cards for **\$15**. Keep four and donate one to the church! Please contact **Jance Denzler** at [jance.denzler@experian.com](mailto:jance.denzler@experian.com) for more information.

### **NO CONFIRMATION CLASSES THIS WEDNESDAY**

Just a reminder that Confirmation students will not meet again until after the New Year, on **Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Enjoy the holiday break!

### **RETURN GIVING TREE DONATIONS BY TODAY**

Please remember to return your gifts for **Market Street Mission** to the Narthex today. Old Farmers Road School in Long Valley is also collecting gift cards for some local families in need. Donations to their effort would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact **Maryellen Zwingle** or **Sarah Scudese**.

### **COMMUNITY TREE LIGHTING TODAY**

Join us for a wonderful holiday celebration as we host the **Annual Community Tree Lighting** here at Zion **today** at **5pm**. The tree lighting ceremony and concert will be followed by a reception in Faith Hall prepared by the **Garden Club of Long Valley**. The **Long Valley Junior Women’s Club** will feature the **Holiday Happenings Gingerbread House Contest** entries and winners. If you have any questions or can help with set-up and clean-up see **Pastor Dan**.

### **SPONSOR A WREATH FOR LVCAP**

You can help the **Long Valley Community Assistance Program (LVCAP)** by donating **\$20** to sponsor a wreath that will adorn the white fences in our township as a reflec-

tion of your generosity. An informational poster and stamped donation envelopes will be located in the Narthex throughout the holiday season.

### **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT/CONGREGATIONAL DINNER NEXT SUNDAY**

Please join us on **December 10th at 4 PM** to watch the Sunday School Christmas Pageant . The title of this year's Christmas Pageant is **"Christmas is Canceled"**. Students have been practicing their lines during Sunday School. The Dress Rehearsal is this coming **Saturday, December 9th from 10am to 12pm**. It is recommended that all students attend the dress rehearsal in preparation for pageant day. All costumes will be handed out at the dress rehearsal– there is no need for you to purchase any costumes. If there are any students that play an instrument and would like to entertain the congregation before the start of the pageant, please let **Marge Scudese** and **Laura Hamilton** know so that their name can be included in the Christmas Pageant program. The players will need to be at the church by 3:30 pm on the day of the pageant.

We invite you to stay after the play and enjoy a **Congregational Pot-Luck Supper** in Faith Hall. **Sign-up sheets are located on the board in Faith Hall.** For questions on all thing Christmas Pageant, please see **Marge Scudese**.

### **CHRISTMAS CANTATA**

The **Zion Senior Choir** will present a **Christmas Cantata Service** on **Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 AM**. Come join us and hear the music of Christmas. The Cantata contains a fresh arrangement of carols and beautiful new songs to capture the spirit of Christmas. For more information contact **Marilyn Hibler**.

#### **Worship Assistants**

Please let **Laura Hamilton** in the office know if you cannot, or don't want to serve in the slot you have been assigned. You may also contact **Malainie Hibler** with questions about worship assistants at **best-omaha@live.com**.

#### **Coffee Hour Hosts/Hostesses:**

**December 3:** Vi Muriello; **December 10:** TBD; **December 17:** TBD; **December 24:** TBD; **December 31:** TBD.

#### **Eucharistic Ministers:**

**December 3:** Linda and Gale Tucker; **December 10:** TBD; **December 17:** Judy and Brian Bumpus; **December 24:** TBD; **December 31:** Linda and Gale Tucker

#### **Singers:**

**December 3:** Ann Rahmann and Malainie Hibler; **December 10:** Christine Stabile and Linda Tucker.

Please contact **Vi Muriello** if you can volunteer to help with Coffee Hour at **gingermom123@aol.com**.

<b>December Worship Assistants—8:00 AM</b>
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<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>Communion Assistant</b>	<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Greeters</b>
<b>3</b>	Joe Seewald	Catherine Stabile	Jeff Naglestad	Ryan and Christine Stabile	Emily and Diane Rochotte
<b>10</b>	Linda Tucker	Emily Wallace	Sue Koeppen	Bob Meling and Barb Schulz	Dave and Kerri Bataille

**Note:** *There is no 8:00 am service, Sunday, December 17, 24 and 31.*

<b>December Worship Assistants—9:15 AM</b>
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<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>Communion Assistant</b>	<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Greeters &amp; Presenters</b>
<b>3</b>	Yeong Jan	Zion Member	Craig Dise	Annie Clay and Brian Bumpus	Marianne and Craig Dise
<b>10</b>	Brian Bumpus	Zion Member	Larry Salvatore	Malainie Hibler and Yeong Jan	Dottie Weis
<b>17</b> Cantata	Craig Dise	Zion Member	TBD	Malainie Hibler and Yeong Jan	Marcia Davidson and Cathy DiLello
<b>24</b> Christmas Eve	Malainie Hibler	Zion Member	Burt Horner	Larry Salvatore and Helga Schwartz	Linda Tucker and Ann Rahmann
<b>25</b> Christmas Day	TBD	Zion Member	TBD	TBD	TBD
<b>31</b> Lessons and Carols	Reinhard Schwartz	Zion Member	Paul Litwiller	TBD	Dottie and Bob Weis



## We Remember In Our Prayers

**Blessed Are Those Who Die in the Lord:** Mohamed Rasheed Kamaluddin,  
brother of Pearl Tauscher



**Those who are in nursing homes:** Kenneth Winterfeldt

### ONGOING NEEDS:

Amanda Seabeck  
Margie Muller  
Vi Muriello

Courtney Derr  
Anna Secka  
Charlie Burd

Sue Koeppen  
Rachel Sauer  
Annie Clay

Joyce Shakespeare  
Pearl Tauscher  
Barry Blaine

### FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Kevin Dean, nephew of Kerri Bataille  
Sally Young, sister of Rob Johnson  
Rhonda Smith and Vicky McIntyre, sister  
and aunt of Cheryl Fritsch  
Tom LaPointe, friend of Marcia Horner  
Joy Carducci, former Zion member  
Anna Kennedy and Emmett Kennedy  
Norman, family of Judy Bumpus  
Carol Johnson, cousin of Dottie Weis  
Katie Antonaccio, LVCNS teacher  
Carter Manley, Peter Jensen, William von  
Minden, Amy Vincent, family and  
friends of Jeanette Baker  
Emily Mancuso, granddaughter of Betty  
Rush  
Ron Guzinski and Gwen Long, friends of  
Ellen Miller  
Lori Biernacki and family, daughter of Vi  
Muriello  
Barbara Macholz, Mary Beth Bocksel, Jack  
Steffen, family and friends of Jeanne  
Howell  
Joseph Vacca, friend of the Koeppens  
Wilma Weiss and Irma Koeppen, mothers of  
Sue and Doug Koeppen  
The Mancuso Family, Justin Fogarty, Charlie  
and Sue Burd, Karen, and Eleanor  
Smith, former Secretary at Zion, family  
& friends of Betty Rush  
Great-nephew of Barbara Gunderson  
Rennie  
Mary Janeski, mother of Karen Sauer  
Stu Gutman, friend of Yeong Jan  
Allie Henkel and Andy Ellmann, friends of  
Courtney and Corey Derr  
Barbara and Joseph Seewald Sr., parents of  
Joseph Seewald

Trevor & Rebecca Weiss, friends of Reg  
Tauscher  
Michael Derr, uncle of Corey Derr  
Dolores Davidson, sister-in-law of Charlie  
and Marcia Davidson  
Laura Glowincki, friend of Meghan Callow  
William Cross, Mandy Brunkow, the  
Bordner family, Randy, Karen, &  
Sarah, family & friends of the  
Tauschers  
Blanca Oliveras, mother-in-law of Jeff  
Naglestad  
Judy Friend, mother of Diane Domareki  
Ruth Dise, mother of Craig Dise  
William Holloway, brother of Annie Clay  
Ryan Sullivan, friend of Malainie Stoma  
Luke Senner and Jane Lee Forrester,  
friend of the Hiblers  
Wally & David Kreutzer, mother and  
brother of Pam Meling  
Rosalee Carroll, friend of Vi Muriello  
Wayne Carter, Ray & Michele Kramer,  
Susan Robinson, Lori Larsen, Mark &  
Kara Pfunke, Jerry Edelen, friends  
and family of the Horners  
Charlie Noll, friend of Helga & Reinhard  
Schwartz  
Don Winkler, brother-in-law of Rob & Mickey  
Johnson  
Ann Marie Simpson, friend of the Staadas  
Hannelore Seitz, family of the Stabile family  
Bill Friedrich, brother-in-law to Rick Kohler  
Geraldine, Jamie & Joseph Capodiferro,  
Valerie Patitucci, Peter & Linda  
Cooper, Rose Vaz, Gary & Kevin  
Brenner, family and friends of Ed &  
Rose Galandak

*If you have prayers you would like included on this list, or if there are updates needed, please contact the church office.*

### This Week at Zion

**SUNDAY:                   First Sunday of Advent**

**(12/3/17)**                   8:00 AM   Contemporary Worship Service  
                                   9:15 AM   Traditional Worship Service  
                                   9:15 AM   Sunday School  
                                   10:30 AM  Adult Forum  
                                   3:00 PM   Community Tree Lighting Set-up  
                                   5:00 PM   Community Tree Lighting and Reception

**MONDAY:**               7:00 PM   Stephen Ministry

**TUESDAY:**             9:00 AM   LVCNS Christmas Chapel  
                                   12:30 PM  LVCNS Christmas Chapel  
                                   1:00 PM   Bible Study  
                                   5:30 PM   Kids Yoga  
                                   6:00 PM   Stamping Angels

**WEDNESDAY:**         9:00 AM   LVCNS Christmas Chapel  
                                   9:30 AM   Boost Your Mind  
                                   11:30 PM  Adult Yoga  
                                   12:30 PM  LVCNS Christmas Chapel  
                                   12:30 PM  Adult Yoga  
                                   6:00 PM   Pack 136-Den 3  
                                   6:00 PM   Kids4Kindness

**THURSDAY:**           4:00 PM   GS Troop 96086  
                                   6:00 PM   Hand bell Choir Rehearsal  
                                   6:00 PM   Pack 136—Den 6  
                                   7:00 PM   Choir Rehearsal

**FRIDAY:**               All Day    LVCNS Parents Night Out  
                                   8:30 PM   AA Meeting

**SATURDAY:**           8:30 PM   Praise Choir Rehearsal  
                                   10:00 AM  Christmas Pageant Practice

**SUNDAY:                   Second Sunday of Advent**

**(12/10/17)**             8:00 AM   Contemporary Worship Service  
                                   9:15 AM   Traditional Worship Service/New Members/LVCNS  
                                   9:15 AM   Sunday School  
                                   10:30 AM  Adult Forum  
                                   4:00 PM   Christmas Pageant and Pot Luck