



ANGEL TREE - Once again this year, Zion will be participating in the Salvation Army Angel Tree program, headed by the Service Ministry Team. Hanging on the tree in the Narthex are tags listing the gender and age of a local child whose family is without the means to provide gifts at Christmas time. Please take a tag off the Christmas tree and return it **attached** to an **unwrapped** toy by **Sunday, December 1st**. Help us to make all children feel the sheer joy of Christmas this year!

FAMILY SPONSORSHIP – Zion Lutheran Church will be sponsoring two families from our local community who would otherwise not have a very merry Christmas this year. Please see the sign-up sheet on the board next to the Parlor and sign up for any items you would like to donate. **Items may be dropped off at the Information Booth or in the office by December 15th**. Items donated should be wrapped and labeled for who the gift is for (i.e. *Mom, Girl age #, etc.*).

“Prepare the way of the Lord”

Family Event – Advent Wreath Making – Start Advent out right by making a wreath to use during the Advent season. **Sunday, November 24th, 11:15 AM (following service)**- Snacks will be provided. Sign up in the Narthex by November 10th so supplies can be purchased. If you have a wreath form from a previous year to bring along, remember to soak it for 24 hours beforehand.

DECORATING THE CHURCH – On **Sunday, November 24th 11:00 a.m.** As the saying goes, many hands make light work. Join us to prepare our church for the Advent & Christmas Season. This is a fun activity for all ages. Pizza will be provided. Sign up on the Narthex bulletin board.

HANGING OF THE GREENS - **Saturday, November 30th** and **Sunday, December 1st** services will be the Hanging of the Greens to celebrate the First Sunday of Advent.

COOKIE WALK – Saturday, December 14th – Come out to Zion from **2 - 4 p.m.** to purchase homemade cookies for your next holiday event!

CAROLS FOR A CAUSE– Saturday, December 14th, 7:00 p.m. Please come join us for our annual Carols for a Cause. The purpose of this event is to raise money for Olivia’s House, which is an organization to help support grieving children. The concert includes a variety of performances.

OUTSIDE SERVICE – Tuesday, December 17th, 6:30 p.m. Join us around the firepit for a service with holy communion and singing of Christmas carols. Bring chairs and blankets and enjoy the provided hot chocolate while celebrating the birth of Jesus.

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS PLAY SERVICE -Sunday, December 22nd-10:00 a.m. Join us for worship as we conclude our Advent season and begin our Christmas celebration with the children presenting their Christmas play. Come watch the magic happen all over again.



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE – 7:00 p.m. – Join us for worship filled with Christmas music, a Christmas message and Holy Communion. The service will conclude with the lighting of candles and singing Silent Night. This service will also be livestreamed.

110th ANNUAL CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE – 10:00 p.m. - Zion was the first church in York to hold a Christmas Eve candlelight service. The tradition continues as the Christmas story comes to life through music, song, scriptures and the Sacrament of Holy Communion. In keeping with tradition, the service will also include the lighting of individual candles while singing together, “Silent Night.”

