ANNOUNCEMENTS Uproving County

December 21 & 22, 2024

SATURDAY EVENING SCHEDULE

5:30 – Gathering, Come As You Are

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

8:00 a.m. – Traditional: Words, Hymns, Liturgy 9:00 a.m. – Faith Formation

10:00 a.m. – Community Service with Communion

Advent 4

Attendance for last week's services			
Weekend Worship	234 26		
Faith Formation	26		

Zion Financial Report: Nov 2024				
* not council approved				
	Monthly	YTD	YTD	
	Operations	Operations	Budget	
Receipts				
(Giving)	\$35,310.19	\$420,088.07	\$406,856.08	
Expenses	\$38,412.88	\$514,198.59	\$488,167.67	
Surplus/Deficit	-\$3,102.69	-\$94,110.52	-\$81,311.59	
*NOTE - Church Only				

Herald newsletter is available via hard copy in the Narthex on the table by the office. Digital copies are posted on our website at http://www.zionyork.org/herald/



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SUNDAY FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Sundays ~ 9:00AM

Adult Bible Study Devotion & Dialogue

Each week, we will read and discuss the Gospel from the week's lectionary. Join us as we delve into the scriptures!

Youth Faith Formation

Youth ages 3 years to 12th grade join us for a full year of fun and learning with your friends.

Adult Study Life with Jesus

We are currently studying and discussing the comparison between James and the Sermon on the Mount. In December, we will transition to discussing the Advent Booklet. All adults are welcome to join us in the choir room whenever you're able! (Located past the bathrooms, first door on the left, across from the nursery.)

Nursery Available Sundays ~ 10AM Story time is also available in the

nursery following the children's sermon.

WEEKDAY OPPORTUNITIES

Lunch Bunch

December 18 ~ noon

Join Pastor Kevin at Friendly's located at 423 Loucks Rd, to connect with like-minded individuals, share your thoughts, and deepen your understanding in a welcoming and supportive environment.

Gather & Grow January 13 6:00 PM

Gather & Grow will be taking a hiatus in December. Women, join us January 13th in the fellowship hall for a pot luck for a time of fellowship and to make plans for 2025!

Men's Huddle January 16 ~ 7:00 PM

Men, join us in January at a restaurant to be announced for a time of fellowship, food, and faith as iron sharpens iron. Pastor Kevin will be leading us in a bible study. Questions contact Matt Engleman or Walt Marriott.

Book Club

January 22

For the month of January we will be reading *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon, a historical fiction novel about a midwife in 18th century Maine who investigates a murder and becomes involved in a scandal that threatens her community. Join us in the Parlor to discuss *The Frozen River*.

Noisy Offering December 29 ~10:00 AM

A Noisy Offering is a fun and interactive way to collect donations. You are encouraged to drop coins, bills, or other contributions into metal buckets. Let's create a loud noise unto the Lord! Funds raised will go to Oliva's House, a local non-profit center that specializes in aiding children and their families with grief and loss.

Tortilla Weekend January 18 & 19

Zion provides 5 children in Guatemalan orphanages with fresh fruits and vegetables. This fundraiser is to raise money for this mission. The total cost to sponsor these children is now \$1,825 for the year. With your help, we can continue to provide these children with the nutrition that comes with eating whole foods.

Please come out for fresh corn tortillas and toppings (chicken (Sat.), eggs (Sun.) guacamole, salsa and cheese) and prayerfully consider making a free will donation to help the children of Guatemala.

Donations will also be accepted through the Love envelopes, just write fruits and veggies on the envelope before placing it in the offering plate.

Live*Learn*Love (York Tutoring Program) Meals

The Service Team is looking for people to provide a meal on February 10/11 and April 7/8 for 10-20 people. If you are interested in assisting or would like further details please contact Tim & Karen Mechler at karenandtimmechler@comcast.net.

Mentors

The program is seeking 1-2 mentors for Monday evenings. This would be starting Jan. 7th. You would be mentoring a very nice young man (a 2nd grader from the STEAM Academy). Anthony attends very regularly and is lovely to work with. Could you be his mentor? Contact Shari Young with questions and/or your interest at ycltutoring@gmail.com or 717-586-9310.

You can find the weekly announcements at Zion's webpage http://www.zionyork.org/connect/tapology/weekly-announcements/



Youth Groups January 12 11:30 AM ~ Kidz Konnection (K-3) 3:00 PM ~ 456 (4-6) 6:00 PM ~ ZEAL (7-12) Sign up in the Fellowship hall or contact Chuck cbissell@zionyork.org

Nursery Donations Wanted

Zion is looking for some particular types of toys to update the nursery toys. If you have any of the items below, please contact Melissa Doerr at (717) 825-0979 or Katie Strittmatter at (717) 318 -5495 via text or call.

- Bottles, food & clothing for baby dolls
- Coloring Books, Paint books with colors
- Melissa & Doug Playsets
- Little Dolls for wooden playhouse & furnishings
- Dress Up/Pretend Play

Thank You

Due to your generosity, 2 families will have a Very Merry Christmas! Thank you to all those who provided gifts for the two sponsored families.

Carols for a Cause raised over \$700 for Olivia's House, to help them continue on their mission of helping grieving children. Thank you to all those who performed, attended and donated!

Making Jesus Known in Our Community!

Prayer List

Members

*Kevin Drawbaugh Richard Sheibley ^Charles and Mary Dye ^Yvonne Falkenstine ^Gina Campbell ^Louise Chenoweth ^Barb Reed ^Rita Ware ^Lester McMackin ^Brenda Hilty ^Ruth Fishel ^Dolly Hoover ^Karen Kauffman ^Donna Funt ^Mary Jane McCluskey

Family & Friends

*Joe Wilt *Virginia Lorbin Bryan Munchel BethAnn LaManna Liam Henretty Penny Seaks Darin Miller Lucas Haney Suzanne Joye Jacobson JJ Gale Shaw Glenn Wiley Tom Royer Colleen Lavin Roland Mechler ^Connie Hamilton ^Norma Woerner ^Stephanie Beyer ^Dave McNeil ^Joan Turko ^Doug Barbour ^ Phyllis Schafer ^Dick Crock ^Duane Rawson ^Rose Aumen ^Janie Bloom ^Margaret Gallagher ^Ashley Rutter ^Kim Staub ^Scott Wisner

> Grieving *Family and Friends of Dolly Calcagno Family and Friends of John Bitner

> > **Refugees** Afghanistan Families Sudan Family

Military ^Matthew Brandstedter ^Alec Peckmann

Missionary ^Chad Stout Ahannah Cunningham

Prayer requests will remain on the list for four (4) weeks. A new prayer request card may be submitted thereafter. New Request and ^ Long Term

Prayer requests can be sent to zionprays4you@gmail.com

Volunteer to Change Sign

The office is looking for someone to change the road sign a couple times a month. Wording will be provided, you would pull letters for new wording and remove current letters and replace. Then file the unused letters. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Denise at dmo-yer@zionyork.org or (717) 767-4673 during office hours.

Christmas Eve Worship Assistants Needed

Four ushers for the 7PM Christmas Eve service are still needed. If you have any questions, please speak with Pastor Kevin. Sign-up is located on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Christmas Eve Services

7:00 PM

Worship filled with Christmas music, a Christmas message and Holy Communion. The service will conclude with the lighting of candles and singing Silent Night.



10:00 PM

110th ANNUAL CHRISTMAS EVE CAN-DLELIGHT SERVICE. The tradition continues as the Christmas story comes to life through music, song, scriptures and the Sacrament of Holy Communion, and the lighting of individual candles while singing together. "Silent Night."

Refugee Support Needed Afghan Refugee Families in York

We have identified four Afghan refugee families in York who are in need of additional support. Our immediate need is for volunteers to assist with transportation to medical, food, or other appointments. Volunteering involves transporting family members to their designated location only, with no additional responsibilities required. While some family members speak English well, others are still learning, and tools like Google Translate can be very helpful. If you are able to help, please contact Lori Wise at 717-487-4851 or email at lsab1960@yahoo.com.

Sudanese Family in Lancaster

Zion is partnering with other churches (partnership is called Mustard Seed Ministry) to assist a Sudanese family in coming to the USA and establishing a home in Lancaster. The family is currently in the process of approval to enter the country. In preparation for their arrival, Zion is responsible for collecting bathroom essentials. Please scan the QR



code to order their specific needs through Amazon and shipped directly to Lori Wise.

Thank you for your support and willingness to make a difference!