

# Weekly Announcements December 14 & 15

**ADVENT DEVOTIONS ARE OUT** Please see the table in the hallway for individual devotions as well as family devotion options.

**FINANCES** are running slightly behind last year at this time. Please prayerfully consider if you might be able to do more to support our ministry.

## HELP NEEDED

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS** needed for Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings at 8am. Please talk with Pastor Seeber or call the church office if you would like information on how you might help.

**SOUND BOARD** assistants are needed. We will train you! We need a few more people to learn how to help in this worship ministry.

**USHERS** needed for both 8am and 10:30am services. If you can help with this ministry, please contact Fred Bierlein at 269-806-1430 or Ken Lundquist 269-327-3235.

**IF ANY OF OUR MEMBERS** have a background in accounting, finances, human resources, or running a small business and are interested in sharing those gifts in ministry here at Zion, please speak with Pastor Seeber or call the church office.

**ADVENT MIDWEEK DINNER** starts at 5:15 in Gathering A. During Advent we will have a selection of soups available. The soup on the menu for Wednesday, December 18th will be **Vegetable Beef and Loaded Potato Soup**. Please join us for this meal prior to the Advent service.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL ADVENT PROJECT VIDEO**...is available on Zion's website. To view this video, go to the following link: <https://www.zionkazoo.org/family-life> And then follow the instructions to 'click below to view video of Sunday School Advent Project video'

## **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS OVER THE HOLIDAYS:**

Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th	9am—12pm
Christmas Day, Dec. 25th	Closed
December 26th	Closed
New Years Eve, Dec. 31st	Closed
New Years Day, Jan. 1	Closed

## YOUTH NEWS

Middle School Christmas Party TODAY!!—Dec. 15th, 11:30 –1:30. Bring an unwrapped toy to donate to a needy family. We will have lunch and play some games.

**NO CLASSES**—Sunday, December 22nd and December 29th.

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES RESUME** on Wednesday, January 8th.

## SAVE THE DATE

### **Chili Cook-Off**

January 19th, 11:30am—2pm

**HELPING HANDS DUE TODAY** Helping Hands are due this weekend (12-15-2019). If you still need to turn in your present(s) call the name on the back of your tree, and tell them you have this present(s). Then turn in your present(s) as soon as possible. Thank You!

**ALTAR MINISTRY....** Cindy Krill needs help decorating the Sanctuary on Friday, December 20th at 10am. If you have any questions, please contact Dee Wentzel at 269-731-5540.

**LAST ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICE** will be on Wednesday, December 18th. Services are at Noon and 6:30pm. The theme this year is "It is Time to Wait! How Then Shall We Wait?"

## **Advent Midweek Service**

**Noon and 6:30**

**December 18th**

## Christmas Services

**Family Christmas Eve Worship Service**

**6:30pm**

**Christmas Eve Service 11pm**

**Worship & Communion**

**Christmas Day 10am**

**Worship & Communion**

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Sunday	8:00am	Worship / Communion
<b>Advent 3</b>	9:15am	Sunday School/ Adult Classes
	10:30am	Worship / Communion
Monday	1:00pm	Zion Women's Book Gp.
	6:30pm	Board of Directors Mtg.
Tuesday	10:00am	Pastor Brelje's Bible Class
	7:00pm	Bells
Wednesday	Noon	Advent 3 Worship Service
<b>Advent 3</b>	5:15pm	Soup Supper
	6:30pm	Advent 3 Worship Service
Thursday	7:00pm	Choir
Saturday	2-4pm	Prayer Shawl @ Biggby
	5:30pm	Worship / Communion
Sunday	8:00am	Worship / Communion
<b>Advent 4</b>	10:30am	Worship / Communion

## 2020 OFFERING ENVELOPES are out!!

Please pick up your envelopes in hallway soon. If you are interested in contributing electronically, please contact Monica at 382-2360 or [Monica@zionkazoo.org](mailto:Monica@zionkazoo.org).

All contributions received and dated through December 29, 2019 will be recorded on your 2019 contributions statement. Contributions received December 30th and later will be recorded on your 2020 statements.

**VISITORS...**If you are not on our mailing list, give us your email on the fellowship pads or call the church office. We would love to include you in our newsletter mailings. Newsletter is also available monthly on our website...[zionkazoo.org](http://zionkazoo.org).

**BIRTHDAY CARD REQUESTS.....**Our longtime member, Carl Kasdorf is turning 90 on Christmas Eve this year. His daughter, Connie Cota, is requesting we send cards to him for this special birthday. If you are interested, you can send them to: Carl Kasdorf, C/O Connie Cota, 6694 West D Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49009.

**KALAMAZOO LOAVES & FISHES** is in need of **Cooking Oil** for the month of December. Please put your donations in the gray tubs under the church office window.

## Bible Readings for December 22

First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-16

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Second Reading: Romans 1:1-7

Gospel Reading: Matthew 1:18-25

## Fiscal Update for fiscal year June 1, 2019 – May 31, 2020

Offerings received week of 12/08/19:	\$ 15,273
Needed to meet weekly budget:	\$ 15,619
Offerings received year-to-date:	\$ 364,932
Needed to meet year-to-date budget:	\$ 376,923

## December 21 & 22, 2019 Worship Support

### HEAD USHERS

(8:00) Mark Schwerin (10:30) Brandon Hamilton

### GREETERS

(5:30) Bruce & Kathy Huston

(8:00) Ted & Lucy Maxson

(10:30) Wayne & Elaine Skalnican

### COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

(5:30) Dee Wentzel

(8:00) Ken Toy, Jon Tomer, Cyndi Bremer

(10:30) Mark Meyer, Dan Seng, Linda Seng

### CANTOR

(8:00) Dennis O'Brien

(10:30) Danielle Field

### ACOLYTES

(8:00) Evan Schoonbeck, Bella Frazier

(10:30) Aiden Woods, Ian Carlson

### LECTOR

(8:00) Carolyn Daenzer

(10:30) Rollie Preuss

### ALTAR MINISTRY

(5:30) Elsie Autry, Joanne Miller

(8:00) Lynne Gerfen, Lucy Maxson

(10:30) Dee Wentzel, Melissa Noseworthy

### SOUND

(8:00) Mark Schwerin

(10:30) Neil Segerdahl

### COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

Benno & Carol Rosin