

The Spirit of Zion

Zion United Church of Christ
Union, Missouri



January 2024

No. 1



Annual Reports Due

In order to get the Annual Reports ready for the February 19th Congregational Meeting, we are requesting that chairpersons of ministry teams, boards, and fellowship groups have their 2022 written reports in to the church office **no later than Monday, January 22nd**. You may also email your reports to cthompson@zionunion.org.

The following ministry teams/boards/fellowship groups, etc. should submit a written report to the church office: Church Council, Finance, Leadership Development, Pastoral Relations, Properties, Security, Called to Care, Chancel Area, Family Ministries, Green Team, Help Thyself, Historical, Hospitality, Loops of Love, Outreach, Quilting Circle, Rummage Sale, Stewardship, Worship Arts, Zion Fellowship, & financials, Pastor's Report, Music Director, Minister to Youth & Families, Operating Fund Financials, & Memorial.



Congregational Meeting – Sunday, February 18th

Our congregation will gather for our Congregational Meeting and the celebration of our ministry together on Sunday, February 18th following the worship service.

The Church Council is asking that if any member(s) of the congregation have any concerns that they would like *considered* at the annual meeting they should submit a written request to the church office by Monday, January 22nd.

Please join us this year for our meeting and let us prayerfully consider these matters before us.

2023 Giving Statements

Giving Statements for 2023 will be mailed in January. Please watch for them in the mail.

Join Us for LOGOS!

LOGOS is back! The first TWO Wednesdays of each month we will reimagine a VBS from our past! Join us from 5-7:30 p.m. for music, bible stories, games, crafts, and a family style meal. Everyone is welcome for the Family Meal that is served at 6 p.m. LOGOS is an Intergenerational Ministry and means 'The Word of GOD'.

Serving Christ in January

Ushers:

Jan. 7 & 14

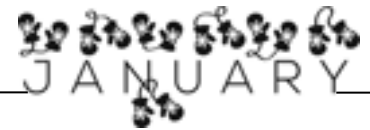
Skip & Pat Buehrle

Jan. 21 & 28

Wayne Bean, Bruce
Templer*

(*designates Head Usher)

Sound System Tech: Ken
Rohrbach



Zion United Church of Christ
115 S. Washington Ave.
Union, MO 63084
636-583-2814

www.zionunion.org

9:00 a.m. Worship

(No Childcare)

Rev. Nicholas Knoblauch,
Pastor

(knoblauchnicholas@gmail.com)

Fern Dewert,

Church Council President

Connie Thompson,

Adm. Assistant

(cthompson@zionunion.org)

Alysha Petry, Minister to
Youth & Families

(apetry@zionunion.org)

Mandy Frick, Coordinator of

Elementary Youth

Karen Stafford,

Music Director

(kstafford@zionunion.org)

Brenda Herring,

Church Organist

Joy Bradley, Church Custodian

Thank You and Welcome!

We wish to thank Jane Wilson (6 years) and Dan Mossoney (6 years) who served so faithfully as members of our Church Council. Thank you!

The following were elected to serve on the council for the next three years: Paul Brinker (1st term), Barbara Cox (1st term), and Susan Merlino (1st term). We look forward to their gifts and insights in the coming year as they join current council members: Donna Bocklage, Kathy Reed, Fern Dewert, Bruce Templer, Brad Parker and Maxine Harrison. Please keep the council in your prayers in the coming year.



Zion Fellowship – January 2024



On Sunday, November 26 – Advent Event – after the church service, we served donuts in the lower commons. Then, several people worked together on various decoration projects to prepare the church for the Advent season. After most of the decorations were done, we furnished a pizza lunch with drinks and desserts in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you to all who helped, and to those who donated the food.

On Sunday, December 17, we had 10 people meet at Zion at 2:20 and carpoled to the First Presbyterian Church, in Kirkwood. We attended a wonderful Christmas Concert (A Celebration of the Oxford Book of Carols) at 4:00 p.m. The concert was free, but a free-will offering was taken. After the concert, we enjoyed a meal at Joe Boccardi's Italian Restaurant, in Eureka. Thank you to Fern D. for setting up this event.

Saturday, January 20, 2024 – We will have an All-church Family Game Night in the Fellowship Hall at 3:30 p.m. If you have a game that others might enjoy playing, bring it along. Also, bring a favorite appetizer to share. We won't be able to play everyone's game, but we can narrow it down to a few.

Check the monthly Newsletters, also the weekly Bulletins, for any change of event dates/times that might occur. **Anyone** is welcome to join us for these events. If you have any questions, please contact Fern Dewert (President), Carl or Jane Ridder (Vice Presidents), Ruth Parker or Bruce Templer (Treasurers), or myself.

- Sharon TenEyck, secretary



Help Thyself Meals

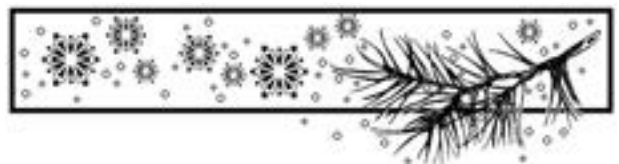
The season of giving is always and ever.....we will continue to have meals available for those who would enjoy or benefit from the helping hands of our volunteers for the availability of HELP THYSELF MEALS. Please check them out in the freezer in the kitchen in the Lower Commons. They are for you. Also enjoy the cookies and desserts that are available as well. Any questions, suggestions or donations please contact: Kathy Young (314-580-3105), Carol Rohrbach (636-583-3659), Ann Hartley (636-346-5921) or Dorothy Mitana (636-239-1296).

Called to Care Team Request

The Called to Care Team is asking that if you or someone you know would like a visit from the team or our pastor, please contact the church office. If you or members you know are in nursing homes, homebound, or staying close to home please contact the church office. Our mission is to minister to and care for the entire community of Zion Church, whether able to be present in worship or not. Thank you!

Mark Your Calendars! Souper Bowl of Caring!

Youth will collect money and canned goods for the Little Free Pantry and the Union Food Pantry on Sundays, February 4 & 11.





Beloved Zion,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. New Year's blessings be upon you and your home. Still lingering in the glow of candlelight service, a new year is upon us. It is filled with hope and optimism, which will wax and wane throughout the months ahead. Christmas always gives me hope. Its timeless truths clear the static of my mind and heart, and I leave the candlelight service confident, that in our messy and broken world, the God who took on flesh was born. In the incarnation, we are reminded, that this world has always been worth redeeming. So as the calendar year turns over, our lasting hope in the Christian faith is not found in waiting for Christmas to come again. Our lasting hope is made by not letting the work of Christmas end. Or as Howard Thurman¹ once said,

“When the song of the angels is stilled,
when the star in the sky is gone,
when the kings and princes are home,
when the shepherds are back with their flocks,
the work of Christmas begins:
to find the lost,
to heal the broken,
to feed the hungry,
to release the prisoner,
to rebuild the nations,
to bring peace among the people,
to make music in the heart.”

Rev. Dr. Thurman's words remain true. For those of us determined not to let another Christmas come and go before we get to work. The magic of the candlelight service doesn't end when the flame is blown out. The magic of Christmas is lost when we let the fire of hope, peace, joy, and love grow cold in our hearts. So may your new year be filled with the blessings of Christmas, and whatever you do, don't let that fire go out.

Blessings,
Rev. Nicholas Knoblauch

Pastor Drop In Hours:
Monday & Wednesday mornings
Email: knoblauchnicholas@gmail.com
Appointments upon request:
Church Office (636) 583-2814
or sending an email

*Worship
Opportunities
In January*
9:00 a.m. Worship

Sunday, January 7

***The Baptism of Christ
Sacrament of Communion***

Sunday, January 14

***The 2nd Sunday
after Epiphany***

Sunday, January 21

***The 3rd Sunday
after Epiphany***

Sunday, January 28

***The 4th Sunday
after Epiphany***

Did You Know?

Would you like to be able to give electronically to Zion Church and know that your donation is secure? Besides online banking the other option is on Zion's website - www.zionunion.org at the top left corner of the page a red "click here for Online Giving" button. Just follow the easy to navigate instructions!

Up to Date Info?

Does the church have your **updated contact and household information** (change of address, college students moving out, etc.)? If you are not sure, give the church office a call at 636-583-2814 or email cthompson@zionunion.org. Thanks for keeping us up to date!

¹ The poem "The Work of Christmas" is from Howard Thurman's The Mood of Christmas and Other Celebrations and is used by permission of Friends United Press. All rights reserved.

Christmas Gifts Given

Poinsettia Gifts Given:

In memory of loved ones by Kirk & Sallie Hancox.

In memory of Elmer Holtgreve & in honor of Brandon & Lindsey Titter & Katelyn Meyer by Bernice Holtgreve.

In honor of our grandchildren, Abigail, Blake, Camden, Hannah & Natalie Dewert by Bill & Fern Dewert.

In honor of our children by Gary & Karen Stafford.

In memory of our parents & in honor of our family by Skip & Pat Buehrle.

In honor of Grandma & Grandpa Dewert by Abigail, Blake & Camden Dewert.

In memory of Glenn & Dixie Van Leer by the Van Leer family.

In honor of dearest friends & family by Faith Groenke.

In memory of Greg Stevens & Josh Camden our husband, daddy & friend by Jean & Adam Stevens, Laurel, Amelia & Archer Camden.

In memory of Vera & Allen Peters by Jeff & Alvera Heeger.

In memory of my parents Gus & Lorainne Berghorn by Sandy Bailey.

In memory of loved ones & in honor of Bill & Lisa Ley & family and Jim & Lorie Hagl & family by Wayne & Ellen Brinkmann.

In memory of Hugo & Lucille Viehland by Brenda Viehland.

In memory of Albert & Erna Berger by Paul C. Berger.

In memory of loved ones by Margy Schowe & family.

In memory of E.A. Stierberger by Sandy Stierberger.

In memory of Bob Hansen by Wayne & Carol Bean.

In memory of Clarence & Amelia Peters by Pauline Peters King & family.

For peace, love & health for the world by Susan Merlino

Benevolent Donations for the Little Free Pantry/Union Food Pantry:

In memory of Elmer Holtgreve & in honor of Brandon & Lindsey Titter & Katelyn Meyer by Bernice Holtgreve.

In memory of my grandparents by Brenda Viehland.

In memory of loved ones & in honor of Bill & Lisa Ley & family and Jim & Lorie Hagl & family by Wayne & Ellen Brinkmann.

In memory of Greg Stevens & Josh Camden our husband, daddy & friend by Jean & Adam Stevens, Laurel, Amelia & Archer Camden.

In honor of dearest friends & family by Faith Groenke.

In memory of Clarence & Amelia Peters & Pauline Altholz by Pauline Peters King & family.

In memory of our parents & in honor of our children & grandchildren by Dave & Linda Hall.

In memory of Arline Stahlman & Alan Freiermuth by Keith & Marilyn Stahlman.

In memory of loved ones by Linda Kroeter & family.

In memory of Arline Stahlman by Tim, Annette, Travis & Nicholas Stahlman.

In honor of the Zion UCC Council for steering us through the Covid pandemic by Jim Doehring & family.

In honor & memory of our parents by Brad & Louise Parker.

In honor of loved ones by Ken & Carol Rohrbach.

In honor of our children & their families by Mr. & Mrs. Alan TenEyck.

In memory of loved ones by Joyce Mantels.

In honor of our new door entrance workers by Carl & Jane Ridder.

In honor of my family by Sue Leicht.

In memory of loved ones by Vicki Hooper.

In honor of my family by Delores Musket.

In memory of loved ones by Bill & Fern Dewert.

In memory of our parents by Gary & Karen Stafford.

In memory & honor of our families past & present by Armin & Norma Klemme.

In memory of Mary Ann Klenke by Melodie Klenke.

In memory of our parents & in honor of our family by Skip & Pat Buehrle.



Kid & Youth

JANUARY 2024

News



YOUTH Ministry

7th-12th grade youth

Meet in the High School room every Sunday from 10 AM to 11 AM.

SAVE the DATES

CONFERENCE YOUTH EVENT

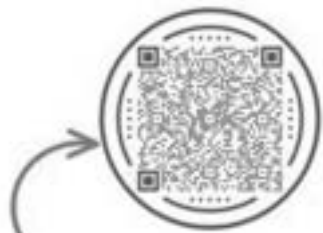
at Camp MoVal for all 9th-12th grade youth.

February 17-19, 2024

This event will feature guest speaker Marcus Engel.

You don't want to miss it!

DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 6



Scan to Register

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

Youth will collect money and canned goods for the Little Free Food Pantry and the Union Food Pantry on February 4 & 11.

REGIONAL YOUTH EVENT

for 6th-12th grade youth

July 17-24, 2024

at Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois

FAITH QUEST

Pre-School & Kindergarten

First Grade - 6th Grade

(Meet in BIBLE MAX THEATRE)

Every Sunday from 10 AM to 11 AM

January 7 – Advent Workshop

January 14 – Christmas Program Rehearsal

January 21 – Christmas Program at the 9 AM Worship Service

January 28 – Advent Workshop



Thank you to everyone who supported the giving tree and donated items for the winter warming packs.

All the gifts were happily received.

Thirty winter warming packs were prepared during the Advent Workshop and shared throughout our community. Special thanks to the hand-knitted items that help provide warmth to our community!



Join us the **FIRST TWO WEDNESDAYS** of **EACH MONTH** for an

OUT OF THIS WORLD

evening full of Games, Bible Story, Dinner and Lots of FUN!

5 PM to 7:30 PM

This month's theme:

God's out-of-this-world love helps us to be faithful.

For children Kindergarten – 12th Grade

REGISTER ONLINE at zionunion.org









FAMILY STYLE DINNER at 6 PM

A minimum of \$5 donation suggested to help support Zion's LOGOS dinners.

Everyone is invited!





Puzzle!




Use the grid to discover what James 5:13-18 advises when challenges loom.

	A	F	L	P	T
	C	H	N	R	W
	E	I	O	S	Y
					

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Answers: Pray in faith. Pray for each other. Pray earnestly.



Notes from the Music Director

Happy New Year! I would like to celebrate the growth of Zion's Music Ministry in a year when we are rebuilding Zion Ringers and introducing Joyful Noise, our children's music ministry. What a blessing! Another beautiful blessing was the voices of our congregation singing in praise together, as well as the guest musicians we have had this year: Theo Bockhorst, the UHS Saxophone Quartet, Kurt Bauche's brass ensemble, our Christmas brass quartet, and Danny and Liz Pace.

As I thought about what to write for New Year's, I decided to see if there were any hymns that pointed to new beginnings. Several were listed in my Google search for New Year's, but most were unfamiliar. However, I was struck by the words of Frances Havergal. She included this poem in her New Year's greeting cards in 1874. Subsequently, the words were set to the melody, *Aurelia*, written by Samuel Wesley. (You might recognize it as the melody to *The Church's One Foundation*.) This poem seems appropriate for Zion's ongoing growth and ministry:

*Another year is dawning, dear Father, let it be
In working or in waiting, another year with Thee.
Another year of progress, another year of praise,
Another year of proving Thy presence all the days.*

*Another year of mercies, of faithfulness and
grace,*

*Another year of gladness in the shining of Thy
face;*

Another year of leaning upon Thy loving breast;

Another year of trusting, of quiet, happy rest.

Another year of service, of witness for Thy love,

Another year of training for holier work above.

Another year is dawning, dear Father, let it be

*On earth, or else in Heaven, another year for
Thee.*

Blessings,
Karen



Zion Church Council Meeting — November 2023

Zion United Church of Christ Council met on Monday, November 20, 2023 at 7:00 pm. The following were in attendance: Jane Wilson, Dan Mossoney, Fern Dewert, Kathy Reed, Donna Bocklage, Brad Parker, Bruce Templer, Barb Cox, Connie Thompson, Rev Nicholas Knoblauch, and Maxine Harrison. Bruce Templer opened with prayer. Jane Wilson called the meeting to order.

Consensus items were approved as amended.

- Minutes of October Church council were amended "renewal of \$150,000.00 CD--\$50,000.00 put into Money Market at Edward Jones and earmarked for back door."
- Minutes of November Congregational Meeting were amended "Pastor's cash base \$57,830.00 changes the package for a total of \$112,848.00"
- Pastor's Report
- Minister of Youth and Families report
- Financial reports for October
- Time/Date of next council meeting- December 18, 2023-6:30 pm in the lower commons.

Discussion Agenda:

Update on outside lighting-light over the office door has been replaced. Thoughts on additional lighting--possible spotlight at the corner of the Church on Washington or Ameren to install a dusk to dawn on pole in the area. Will let Property make the plan.

Bid on grass mowing--Brad Parker spoke with a possible service and got a quote. Will speak with the members on Property and the current people who are mowing.

Installation/Decommissioning of council members to be at the December 10th service.

Christmas Eve service--No communion. Notice of the service will be on the website and posted on Facebook.

The council accepted the offer from Union RXI for the sale of the lot on Springfield, formerly

rented by the district, for \$215,000.00. The School district will pay all closing costs and asked for a written contract. Jane will ask Daryl Hartley for assistance.

Move and second to place the Amended budget in the bulletin for one Sunday. Vote passed.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer in unison.

- Maxine Harrison, Church Council Secretary (approved by the Church Council on December 18, 2023.)



Little Free Pantry and Union Food Pantry

Thank you for the great support in keeping the Little Free Pantry going! A list of the most needed items is posted on the bulletin board in the lower commons. Monetary donations can also be given – contact the church office.

Likewise, there is also a list of items most needed for the Union Food Pantry posted on the bulletin board in the lower commons with a barrel for your donations. Or you may also give a monetary donation to support the Union Food Pantry.

“These Days” Devotional Books

Did you know that Zion every quarter receives “These Days” devotional booklets? The devotionals offer each day a spiritual reading along with a short scripture and prayer. These are free and can be found in the literature rack in the upper commons or if you would like one mailed to you please contact the church office. The booklet is a wonderful resource to use in your daily Christian life. Enjoy!

Our Church's Wider Mission

Sharing is an essential part of what God calls us to do as the people of God's Church. We are called to share our joys and concerns. We are called to share our time and talents. The church was founded with sharing at its core.

In the United Church of Christ, one of the ways we are invited to share is through our offerings to **Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM)**. OCWM is the way that the United Church of Christ helps distribute services, resources, and expertise to all within our faith community who have need.

The Financial support our church shares, through OCWM, gives us the opportunity to have a common funding source that helps us all to do those things that we could not do as effectively by ourselves. OCWM helps OUR church BE the Church.

Chicago, United, Eden Seminaries Support (CUE)

The Mission of Chicago, United & Eden Seminaries is to:

- strengthen the relationship between our churches and our seminaries
- further the mission and work of these seminaries
- provide financial support for our seminaries.

We live in challenging times and we recognize the vital impact of our seminaries as they:

- prepare leaders for church and society
- increase theological thought and scholarship
- provide multiple resources to the local churches.

The CUE Regional Seminary Support Program brings together over 2,000 United Church of Christ churches in mid-America, local church ministries and the seminaries of Chicago, United, and Eden.

If you would like to give a monetary donation to CUE, please make your checks payable to Zion UCC and in the memo portion indicate “CUE”. Thank you!



Prayers Requested

Health and Healing:

David Pehle	Jim Doehring
Phyllis Olson	Carolyn Donoho
Frank Fazzari	Charlotte Ellison
Sondra Jackson	Fletcher Simons
Kevin Vorderbruegge	Norma Kern
Carol Bean	Jerry Ellison

Darlene Farrell (sister of Charlotte Ellison)
Roger McDaniel (brother-in-law of Larry & Betty Clark)
Sharon Waldrop (friend of Jim Doehring)
Mitch Angell (friend of Jerry & Charlotte Ellison)
Tammy Wettling (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
Mike Matthews (friend of Carolyn George)
Linda Barnhart (sister of Fern Dewert)
David Borgmann (brother of Fern Dewert)
Shirley Brand (friend of Gerry Hoelscher)
Chuck Lomas (brother in law of Jerry Ellison)
Eric Heitman (nephew of Jim Doehring)
Heather Gooch (great niece of Charlotte Ellison)
Myrt Dunigan
Carol Mossoney (mother of Dan Mossoney)
Bob Truel (husband of Shirley Truel)
Josh & Tricia Pardee-Jacka (friends of Charlotte Ellison)
Cindy Roach (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
Liz Klemme (daughter/sister of Armin, Norma & Phil Klemme)
Glenda Foster (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
Vanessa Dobsch (niece of Charlotte Ellison)
Mary Dobsch (sister of Charlotte Ellison)
Aubrey Reed (granddaughter of Charlotte & Jerry Ellison)
Doris Feth (mother of Phyliss Fink)
Wayne Herring (father of Matt Herring)
Beverly Elliott (mother of Mike Elliott)
Nancy McKenzie (sister of Vicki Hooper)
Bill Stolle (friend of Jim Doehring)
The Henle family (family of Susan Merlino)
Jerry Glastetter (friend of Hettie Becker)
Rosemary Cowan (Delmar Gardens of Creve Coeur)
Shirley Thompson (mother-in-law of Connie Thompson)
S (Karen Stafford's CASA buddy)
Chris Branch (niece of Gerry Hoelscher)



Memorial Gifts Given

In loving memory of *Jim Tanner & Betty Matthews* by Jim Doehring & family.

Salvation Army Bell Ringers – Thank You!

Thank you to the following who helped with the Salvation Army Bell Ringing on Saturday, December 2nd at the Schnuck's location in Union. Huge shout out to the following: Gary Stafford, Donna Bocklage, Ken & Carol Rohrbach, Maxine Harrison, Susan Merlino, Brad Parker, Sandy Bailey, Ron & Pam Griffin, Alan TenEyck, Nora & Terri Becker, Sue Leicht, Bruce Templer, Harvey Mefford.

- Brenda Viehland, on behalf of the Outreach Team

Church Attendance From December

(3 out of 4 Sundays)

Dec. 3 – 115

Dec. 10 – 107

Dec. 17 – 134

Faith Quest/Adult Education Attendance from December

(3 out of 4 Sundays)

Dec. 3 – 18 (youth); 9 (adults)

Dec. 10 – 20 (youth); 7 (adults)

Dec. 17 – 20 (youth); 6 (adults)



EPIPHANY

Church Family Undergoing Cancer Treatment:

Brenda Viehland
Jake McNeil (member of Zion & son of Sarah Davenport)
Ronald Dobsch (nephew of Charlotte Ellison)
Morgan Jones (friend of Connie Thompson & Amy Eads)
Sarah Reed (daughter-in-law of Charlotte & Jerry Ellison)

Cynthia Johnson (friend of Karen Stafford)
 Kim Gallagher (friend of Chris & Dawn Robinson)
 Trish Kennedy (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
 Allen Coffman (friend of David & Shawn Pehle)
 Marissa Schollenberger (friend of Tom & Gayle Williams)
 Donna Eime (friend of Jim Doehring)
 Aaron Dixon (nephew of Dan Mossoney)
 Mike Meyer (friend of Mandy Frick)
 Erica Sterling (friend of Amy Dewert)
 Bill Diestelkamp (cousin of Liz Short & friend of Mandy Frick)

Various Concerns:

Prayer for our country and those actively serving: Aviation Structural Mechanic 3rd Class Hunter Grafrath (currently deployed) (son of Lindsay & Greg Traffas, grandson of Mike & Lynne Elliott)

Congratulations Zion Quilters!

The beautiful quilt that was put together by Darlene Ahmann and quilted by the Zion quilters brought \$1,200 at the annual Friends Foundation Fall Festival quilt auction. (Highest bid!!)

The Friends Foundation is a non profit organization that is dedicated to provide for the needs and enjoyment of the developmentally and intellectually challenged individuals in Warren and Franklin counties.

The organization is 100% volunteer driven. All monies raised go to support their needs to live fuller lives.

Some of the projects funded include: purchased an accessible van, funded therapeutic riding, purchased helmets at Exceptional Equestrian’s Essential household items, lift recliners, sleeper sofa, commercial washers, dishes, bath towels, sheets, and small kitchen appliances, I-Pads for virtual medical and family visits as well as training.

- Sharon Martindill, on behalf of Friends Foundation

Thank You to December Volunteers

Zion Church acknowledges and appreciates the work done by the following volunteers for the month of December:

Liturgists: Jane Ridder, Alysha Petry, Maxine Harrison, Kirk Hancox, Carol Rohrbach, Ken Rohrbach, Karen Tucker, Lee Parks

Special Music for Worship: Chancel Choir, Zion Ringers, Joyful Noise, Union High School Saxophone Group

Advent Candlelighters: Phyliss Fink & Elsie Saake; Mandy, Jason, Ashley & Lucas Frick; Nora Brinker, Mario & Ana Oltmann; BJ, Danielle, Logan, Drew & Oliver Cooper; Paul, Shanna, Nora & Luke Brinker

Ushers: Jerry Ellison, Dan Mossoney, Susan Merlino, Delores Musket

Communion Stewards: Fern & Bill Dewert, Pam Griffin, Vicki Hooper

Greeters: Ken & Carol Rohrbach, Maxine Harrison, Susan Merlino, Carl & Jane Ridder; Kevin Vorderbruegge; Daryl Hartley; Armin & Norma Klemme

Sound System Techs: Jason Dewert, Alysha Petry

Worship Service Recorders: Blake Dewert, Camden Dewert, Jeff Petry

Newsletter Helpers: Donna Bocklage, Kirk Hancox, Ken Rohrbach, Carol Rohrbach, Karen Tucker

New Address/ Phone Numbers

Jim & Judy Petero, 110 Whispering Meadows Dr., Union, MO 63084



Financial Report for November 2023

	November 2023	Year to Date (YTD)
Income	\$29,445.00	\$289,079.00
Expenses	\$22,011.00	\$280,093.00
Our Church’s Wider Mission (given YTD) -		\$7,989.00
Chicago, United, Eden Seminaries (given YTD) –		\$670.00

January 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 New Year's Day Church Offices will be closed	2	3 12 Loops of Love 5-7:30 pm LOGOS 6:30 Zion Ringers 7:30 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal	4 8 am-12 noon Quilting Circle 6 pm Fellowship Hall in Use	5 7 pm Fellowship Hall in Use	6 Epiphany 
7 The Baptism of Christ/Communion 	8	9	10 9:30a Called to Care 12 Loops of Love 5-7:30p LOGOS 6:30 Zion Ringers 7:30 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal	11 8 am-12 noon Quilting Circle	12 7 pm Fellowship Hall in Use	13 3 pm Fellowship Hall in Use
14 The 2nd Sunday after Epiphany 10:00 a.m. Green Team	15 7 pm Church Council February newsletter articles due	16 1:30 pm Book Club	17 12 Loops of Love 6 pm Joyful Noise 7:30 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal	18 8 am-12 noon Quilting Circle	19 7 pm Fellowship Hall in Use	20 3:30 pm Zion Fellowship Game Night
21 The 3rd Sunday after Epiphany	22	23	24 10 am Feb. newsletter assembled 12 Loops of Love 6 pm Joyful Noise 7:30 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal	25 8 am-12 noon Quilting Circle 	26 7 pm Fellowship Hall in Use	27
28 The 4th Sunday after Epiphany	29	30	31 12 Loops of Love 6 pm Joyful Noise 7:30 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal			

January Birthdays



- 1 - Tammy Broeker
- 2 - Dorothy Parker
Charlee Robinson
- 3 - Lanora Mossoney
Sue Straatmann
- 5 - Jerry Ellison
- 6 - Jim Petero
Alexis Musket
- 7 - Joyce Altholz
- 8 - Danielle Cooper
Dana Post
- 9 - Jeff Petry
- 10 - Gerry Bedwell
- 11 - Andrew Rosenkoetter
- 13 - Braden Pracht
- 14 - Dawn Robinson
- 15 - Nora Brinker
- 16 - Jeff Muller
- 17 - Marcia Van Leer
Frank Fazzari
Clara Koch

- 18 - Sharon TenEyck
Tim Sexton
Ken A. Puls
- 20 - Rosemary Cowan
- 22 - Jane Gulledge
Bill Walker
- 23 - Daryl Hartley
- 24 - Colleen Simons
- 25 - Dennis Harrison
Blake Babbs
- 26 - Debbie Koelling
Teddy Orf
- 27 - Timothy Bauer
Sarah Shi
- 29 - Robert Elliott
- 30 - Austin Helms

February Birthdays

- 1 - Rod Starling
Kim Lutz
- 3 - Andrea Ingle
Jackten Copeland
- 4 - Anne Parker
Richard Young
- 5 - Shawn Robinson
- 6 - Adelaide Narup
- 9 - Megan Soetebier