# ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH January 7, 2024

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AS WE GATHER: The Feast of the Epiphany centers in the visit of the Magi from the East. While Christmas has focused on the incarnation of our Lord ... that is, on God becoming flesh ... the season of Epiphany emphasizes the manifestation or self-revelation of God in that same flesh of Christ. The Lord Himself has entered our darkness and rises upon us with the brightness of His true light (Isaiah 60:1–2). He does so chiefly by His Word of the Gospel, which He causes to be preached within His Church on earth ... not only to the Jews but also to Gentiles (Ephesians 3:8–10). As the Magi were guided by the promises of Holy Scripture to find and worship the Christ Child with His mother in the house (Matthew 2:5–11), so does He call disciples from all nations by the preaching of His Word to find and worship Him within His Church (Isaiah 60:3–6). With gold, they confess His royalty; with incense, His deity; and with myrrh, His priestly sacrifice (Matthew 2:11).

#### WEDNESDAY PROGRAMS

5:30 to 6:15 pm - Supper Spaghetti, Tossed Salad, French Bread 6:30 pm - Owl, Hoot, Confirmation Middle School and High School Youth Bible Studies, Choir

THE 2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES are on the table in the back of the church. If you don't see a packet with your name on it, please contact Maxine in the church office.

PLEASE THROW AWAY your old 2023 Envelopes. Many of you have a new number in 2024 and we want to be sure that you get the credit for your offerings.

\*\*\* ANNOUNCEMENT \*\*\* At the December Board of Elders' Meeting, the Elders voted to do away with the Sunday "Minute for Ministry". If you have an event coming up, please have your information to the church office by noon on Wednesdays; or for the Clarion by the 19th of the month. Pastor Greg will still be doing verbal announcements for upcoming events.

FLOWER CHART: The 2024 Flower Chart is posted in the back of the Sanctuary. The price for flowers will remain at \$53.00 for another year. There are only 9 Sundays left to choose from.

**YOU ARE INVITED** to join our Church Choir. If interested, plan to attend our first practice of the New Year, Wednesday at 6:30 pm in the balcony!!



As an <u>LWML EVE GROUP FUNDRAISER</u>, they are selling Valentines Day Candy Bouquets. Presale orders will be taken today and January 14, 21, and 28 at the Welcome Center. Pick up date will be February 11. (They do not deliver to specific addresses.) Cost per bouquet is \$20. Accepting cash and check (made out to Eve LWML Group) payments. Avoid the shopping rush and the high cost of flowers—order your candy bouquets for those you love who have a real sweet tooth.

# \* Church Envelopes

- \* Simply Giving (Automatic Withdrawal)
- \* Text to Give by texting to 605-220-5417

Please contact the church office (605-338-5226) or (zion@zionlutheransf.com) if you have any questions concerning these options.

THE PORTALS OF PRAYER for January—March 2024 are available this morning at the back of the church and in the East Entryway.



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