ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

December 22, 2024

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AS WE GATHER:

Who is Jesus? That's the question we're asking this Advent, using Matthew 1 to guide us. Who is Jesus? It's the most important question that we can ever ask. Today as we ask the question Who is Jesus? Jesus is the Son of Mary. Meaning what? With Jesus and Immanuel, we are given all of God's love, grace and mercy!

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES

4:00 pm - Family Service with Birthday Cake
7:00 pm - Blended Celebration Service
9:00 pm - Communion Service
CHRISTMAS DAY

9:00 am—Communion Service <u>SUNDAY, DEC. 29th</u>

9:00 am—Blended Service

JOIN THE SIMONSONS for a Christmas day open house from 1-5. There will be food, games, video games and movies. Stop by for a minute, come for an hour or stay all afternoon! For more information—contact Shelly at 605-370-1296 or gzuzfreaks@outlook.com.

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed on Thursday and Friday. It will also be closed on New Year's Day.

A NEW YEAR'S EVE Service will be held on Tuesday, December 31 at 6:30 pm at Faith Lutheran Church (601 N. Cliff Ave.). Pastor Greg will be delivering the message. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

GET YOUR HY-VEE GIFT CARDS 5% of every sale comes back to support Zion's Youth programs. Stop in the Atrium today or the office during the week to purchase the cards for holiday giving! You can even buy gift cards with your Hy-Vee gift card!

<u>THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR</u> this morning are given by Kathy Haack in loving memory of her husband, Terry and her son, Michael. We thank Kathy for providing the flowers for our services today.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Our Wednesday Programs will start again on January 8th. Get ready for Suppers, Owl, Hoot, Confirmation, Middle School and High School Youth, Bible Studies, and Choir.

THE CLARION is in the mail and online (www.zionlutheransf.com) and has information about activities here at Zion all the way through the month of May!

THE 2025 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 Lisa in the church office. Please don't start using them until January!

<u>BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS:</u> are offered today in the Atrium between services and every fourth Sunday of the month. Thank you to the nurses in our congregation for providing this valuable service!

<u>THE NEW PORTALS of PRAYER</u> for January through March are available this morning in the back of the church and in the East Entryway.

THE RUTH GUILD LWML has a nice selection of boxed Christmas Cards for sale. The payment box is on the wall next to the cards.

