

WEEK OF JANUARY 3RD, 2016

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

STATS

HOW GOD'S PEOPLE RESPONDED TO THE LORD'S GOODNESS December 24, 2015

Unified Envelopes	\$3,389.53
Loose	\$345.00
Called Workers	\$620.00
Meditations	\$140.00
Total:	\$4,494.53

December 25, 2015

Unified Envelopes	\$778.93
Loose	\$1.00
Children's Christmas Service	\$10.00
Facility Improvements	\$500.00
Total:	\$1,289.93

December 27, 2015

Unified Envelopes	\$5,952.93
Loose	\$45.50
Children's Christmas Service	\$10.00
Facility Improvements	\$500.00
One in Christ	\$200.00
To Zion Lutheran School	\$20.00
Charity	\$30.00
Total:	\$6,792.63

HOW THE LORD STRENGTHENED HIS PEOPLE THROUGH THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

Thursday, December 24, 2015

Attendance: 229

Friday, December 25, 2015

Attendance: 51

Sunday, December 27, 2015

Attendance: 169

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Sunday, January 3

8:00 am
9:00 am
9:15 am
9:25 am

10:30 am

Monday, January 4

9:00 am
7:00 pm

Tuesday, January 5

7:00 pm

Wednesday, January 6

Thursday, January 7

6:00 pm

Friday, January 8

Saturday, January 9

Sunday, January 10

8:00 am
9:00 am
9:15 am
9:25 am
10:30 am

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

Worship
Coffee Hour
Sunday School
Adult and Youth Bible
Classes
Worship

Odd Job Club
Bible Information Class

Sunday School
Teachers' Meeting

Public School
Catechism

THE BAPTISM OF JESUS

Worship with Holy
Communion
Coffee Hour
Sunday School
Adult and Youth Bible
Classes
Worship with Holy
Communion

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWS

CHRISTMAS TREE FOR LIFE: In the church entry is a special Christmas tree. The tree is decorated with star shaped ornaments with gift suggestions for helping out the families served at the Flint and Saginaw Pregnancy Counseling Centers. Please choose whichever ornament(s) you like, purchase the item, and place it in the collection box in the Mother's room by TODAY, January 3, 2016. Gift cards or checks, payable to Pregnancy Counseling Center, can be given to Terry Barancik. The volunteers at the PCC will combine your gifts of love with God's Word to help meet both physical and spiritual needs of the families who come to us for help. If you have any questions, please contact Terry Barancik at 989-845-7777. Have a blessed New Year!

POWERPOINT CLICKERS NEEDED: For every church service, a PowerPoint is made and displayed on the screen so the congregation can follow along with the service if they prefer that to the bulletin. However, there needs to be a person moving the PowerPoint along with the service. Our number of PowerPoint Clickers is getting low and we are in dire need of volunteers to click for the services. You would only be clicking about once a month and there are no computer skills or knowledge needed, you just need a working thumb. It is a very simple task, but volunteers are needed to carry out this task. If you would like to volunteer for PowerPoint clicking, please call the church office at 989-845-3006 or talk to Pastor Thomford or the church secretary. Your help would be very greatly appreciated!

THANK YOU: “Thank you very much for the generous congregational and individual gifts given to us this Christmas. They are very much appreciated. May the Lord grant our congregation members and their families and friends a blessed New Year!”
- The Zion Lutheran Church and School Faculty

MEN ALIVE: Men Alive is a group of Christian men who encourage one another to live their lives in service to our Savior. They sponsor an annual conference for men, and this year it will be held on February 20, 2016 at DoubleTree Hotel in Bay City from 7:15 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. The theme is “Be Strong and Courageous” with keynote addresses and workshops on that topic. The cost is \$40 for young men (ages 14-22) and \$60 for all other men. The deadline is January 20, 2016. Registration materials are in the office, or you can register online at www.menalivebalm.org. Email all questions to revrdstarr@yahoo.com.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY: In late February, we will be hosting a 9-week course open to the public which will help young and old to better understand insurance, investing, our unnecessary reliance on debt, and how your family can truly be at peace with their finances. Contact Matthew Augustine at 1-920-327-9613 for more information or register online via ZionLutheranWELS.com

PREGNANCY COUNSELING CENTER MEETING: The Pregnancy Counseling Centers of Saginaw and Flint would like to invite you to their annual meeting on Sunday, January 31st at 3:00 p.m. This meeting will take place at St. Paul's Parish Center (2745 W. Genesee, Saginaw). This meeting will consist of topics such as year-end activity reports, election of new directors to the Board, the meeting of clients, etc. There will be a potluck and fellowship afterwards.

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT: What are you doing on Saturday, January 23, 2016 at 5:00 pm? Hopefully coming to a Euchre tournament at Zion Lutheran Church! You can even win prizes at this tournament. This event always proves to be a great time and all are welcome, so invite your friends to come play on January 23rd!

THANK YOU: “Thank you for all of your prayers and cards this past year. Our family has a hereditary lung problem. This has come forth. Of course, my lungs have been abused. Shame on me. Prayers are a gift that costs no money. Even two-year-olds can give the gift of prayer. It's the best gift and costs no money.”
- Sonia Frank

BOOKS FOR SALE: There are a couple of books for sale in the church office. The first book is titled *Forgive Us Our Sins: Homosexuality in the Light of God's Truth*. This book was written by Scott Barefoot, who has spoken at our church before, and Richard Starr. It discusses Scott's journey as he fell into the gay lifestyle for a decade and how the Holy Spirit worked in his heart to lead him away from that sinful path. The second book is titled *WELS & Other Lutherans* which describes what has been happening doctrinally in recent years with major Lutheran church bodies. If you would like to purchase one or more of these books, please stop by the church office. If you have any question, please contact the church office at 989-845-3006.