

# **Old Zionsville United Church of Christ**

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# December 2024

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# From Pastor's Desk...

Advent begins on Dec. 1 this year; it always begins on the Fourth Sunday BEFORE Christmas.

The observance of Advent was begun in France during the Fourth Century, A.D. For many centuries it was strictly observed. Every Christian was required to attend church services and to fast daily. Can you imagine that happening in our fast moving commercialized society today?

Like Lent, Advent was intended as a time of solemn and sober thought about one's sins, leading to repentance. Even if Advent does not now require of us such rigid discipline, it is still pretty difficult for us to observe the season according to its purpose because we are in process of getting together all of the outward necessities of Christmas - including parties, cards, shopping, etc.

Once the color of Advent was violet which expresses dignity, royalty and repentance. In more recent times, the color blue has been used for Advent as a symbol of hope. Despite its original intended solemnity, Advent is a time to celebrate Hope and Joy.

Probably the original mood of Advent will never be recovered but maybe we can at least avoid being swept away entirely by the flood of the secular aspects of Christmas as we keep at least some semblance of the true preparation for the celebration of Jesus' birth.

Join us each Sunday in December to share in the Advent journey. Christmas Eve services will be held at 3 p.m. (carols, candles and communion) and 7:30 p.m. (choir, candles, and carols).

May peace and joy be yours this holiday season.

Lori Esslinger

(original article prepared by The Rev. Merrill Ressler in December of 1995)



Monday, December 2 – 10:00 a.m. ATF Sort and Store

Sunday, December 8 – 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Second Sunday Treats 10:15 a.m. Worship, White Gift Annual Congregation Meeting and Cemetery Association Meeting after Worship Soup & Sandwich Orders Are Due

Monday, December 9 – 10:00 a.m. ATF Sort and Store

Saturday, December 14 – 9:30am-12:00pm ATF Giveaway

Sunday, December 15 – 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship, Loose offering goes to Pastor's Discretionary Fund 12:00 p.m. Sunday Brunchers at the Merc

Monday, December 16 - 10:00 a.m. AFT Sort and Store

Thursday, December 19 – 3:00-5:30 p.m. Pick Up Ordered Soup & Sandwiches

Sunday, December 22 – 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship, Baptism

Tuesday, December 24 – 3 p.m. Christmas Eve Service 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Service

Sunday, December 29 – NO SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:15 a.m. Worship, Hymn Sing



### Looking Ahead

Sunday, January 5 – 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Communion Worship

Sunday, January 12 – 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Second Sunday Treats 10:15 a.m. Worship

Sunday, January 19 – 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship, Loose offering goes to Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Sunday, January 26 – 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship



Annual Congregation Meeting - Sunday, December 8, 2024 immediately following worship. At this time, we will discuss the budget, elect new Consistory members and consider any other business that may come before the congregation. Our Consistory is looking to fill four spots this year. If you would like more information, please speak with Kathy Latshaw, Sharon Trexler or Pastor Lori. Terms are 2 years and on the job training is provided. Previous

experience is not necessary however if you would like to sign on to serve again, that is terrific. Each member of the church may serve after not having been on Consistory for one year. Thanks in advance for your prayerful consideration. The **Cemetery Association Annual Meeting** will also be held on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

### **OZUCC Mission Statement**

The mission of our Church is to be a congregation devoted to our community where we experience and share the loving presence of God by teaching the Good News of Jesus Christ, by celebrating God's Word in the Bible, and through loving service to all people.

# News from the Cemetery...

Cemetery Association Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, December 8 immediately following the Church Annual meeting.

# News from Choir...

Choir rehearsals will be held on some Wednesday and some Thursday evenings. If you would like to sing with the choir, please contact Carolyn Rhoads for a schedule and more information about our choir.

# News from Christian Ed.

**Sunday School** is open to all children who would like to participate. Children can start at the age of two or when they are potty trained. Classes are held in the lower level of the church. If you have other questions about Sunday School, please speak with Pastor Lori, Susan Jacobs or Deb Schoenberger.

Would you like to purchase a new **Bible** that has an interactive feature that can work with your cell phone, iPad or other electronic device? We presented our confirmands with these Bibles and purchased extras in case YOU or a person you know may like one too. The holidays are coming and this could make a lovely, affordable gift. The cost is **\$16 each**. By setting it up with your device, the program can actually "read scripture to you." So for someone who drives lots or prefers to listen to the Holy Word, this could be very appealing.

The Filament app is very simple to use. You simply scan a page number in the Bible to instantly access study notes, devotionals from famous authors, interactive maps, teaching videos and worship music. If you have a loved one who likes to hear scripture before they go to sleep, this would be perfect for them too.

Please let Pastor Lori know if you would like to purchase any number of these Bibles. There are two cover styles: black and floral, they are zipper case protected, and are very small - about the



size of your hand. Print is small, but these other features bring the Bible to life in a whole new way. See Pastor Lori for more information.

# News from Computer and Media Committee...

If you can't attend worship on Sunday, not to worry! We livestream our service every Sunday at 10:15am on YouTube and Facebook! Both of these options are available on demand, as well... can't watch on Sunday morning? No problem; watch when you can!



To find us on YouTube, you can visit our channel at <u>https://tinyurl.com/bdfpux8b</u>. Or just search for Old Zionsville UCC.



# News from the Evangelism and Membership Committee...

Join in on Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon at Mercantile Club (cash only), 427 Railroad St, Emmaus for **Sunday Brunchers**. There will not be any Lunch Bunch or Supper Club in December. Please RSVP to Linda or Mark Weaver for all events. **All are Welcome!!!!** 



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**Again for 2025, Mark Your Calendars!!!** Picnic Patio tickets have been purchased for an **Iron Pigs Game** scheduled on Saturday, June 21, 2025. Let Linda or Mark know if you would like one or more of these tickets or have any questions.

The next round of GriefCare is scheduled to start on Wednesday, May 28 and run till July 23. There nine sessions and will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6-8 pm.

# News from the Food Pantry...

**The Zionsville Area Food Pantry is open** the **2nd Monday** of the month 4:00-6:00 PM and the **Saturday** of that same week 10:00 AM-12:00 PM. Zionsville Area Food Pantry is located at Zion's Lutheran Church. Their email address is ZAFP5901@yahoo.com and their mailing address is P.O. Box 56, Old Zionsville, PA 18068

# News from the ATF Room ...



If you would like/able to help on Monday mornings with sorting and storing all items received for our Giveaways, we welcome your help and are at the Church on Monday mornings by 10:00 a.m. on December 2, 9 and 16. We will be having another Surprise Giveaway on Saturday, December 14 from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Any questions, call or text Millie Kohler.

Below are our helpers we wish to thank for helping with our Christmas Giveaway in November. Lots of happy people!



# News from the FUN Group...

# Faith Uniting Neighbors

# **Bazaar & Filled Basket Auction**

Thanks to everyone who participated in our 27th Annual Bazaar and Filled Basket Auction in any way. We had 114 baskets again this year...a nice selection, with something for just about everyone. We had a nice variety of vendors and crafters for the bazaar...and a yummy selection for the bake sale! Thanks to your contributions, along with a steady stream of patrons, the Bazaar & Basket Auction was once again a success.

# **Angel Tree**



This year for the Angel Tree we will be collecting **NEW SOCKS** for the **Warming Station in the Allentown YMCA**. The Warming Station provides shelter, food, and a safe place for those experiencing homelessness in our community. It is open from November 15 through April 15 to individuals 18 and older. You will not need an actual angel. You can donate **any size socks for** 

men and/or women.... a collection box will be located outside Pastor Lori's office from November 10 until December 8.

# Share the Warmth

Again this year instead of collecting clothing for Share the Warmth, we will be collecting items to warm someone from the inside. All items will be donated to support local food programs, such as the Zionsville Area Food Pantry and Grace Lutheran Church's Food Cupboard.





Beginning in December and through January we will be collecting the following items:

- Soup
- Hot chocolate
- Tea bags
- Coffee (regular and/or decaf --- NOT coffee beans, which need to be ground)

# News from Music and Worship Committee...

**Second Sunday Treats** - Join us for some delicious snacks to boost your energy for Worship, flavorful coffee and fellowship provided by Wendy and Jack Yeakel in the **lower social hall** starting at **9:45 a.m.** on **Sunday, December 8, 2024**.





**White Gift** Service, where we purchase gifts and wrap them in white tissue paper for the Bethany Children's Home, will be on Sunday, December 8. A copy of their Wish List is attached. There is also an Amazon gift wish list: go to: <u>Check out my</u> <u>list on Amazon</u> - for general items needed at Bethany. Your generosity will bring many smiles. Monetary gifts are also accepted to the Faith Fund. Checks may be

sent to Bethany Children's Home, c/o Development Department, 1863 Bethany Road, Womelsdorf, PA 19567.

Bethany can only use NEW items to give to the students living there. This has always been a very meaningful and wonderful part of our Advent celebration.

# News from Social and Aid...

Social and Aid is presently taking orders for **Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup** and **Ham and Cheese Sandwiches**. Orders forms are enclosed with this newsletter. Orders are due on Sunday, December 8 and may be placed by calling or emailing the Church office; calling Annie Souder or placing your order form in Sunday's offering plate. Pick up will be on Thursday, December 19 in our lower social hall between 3:00 – 5:30 p.m. Proceeds will be split between our general fund and Cemetery. Thank you for your support.

# News from the SonShine Group...

**Wooden Crosses** are available for sale. You **can order attachments** to place on the cross you already purchased for **Fall Holidays and the Christmas Season**. Please order now so Richard can have the supplies to provide you with beautiful attachments. You can let Pastor Lori know and she will pass info along to him, or speak to Richard on a Sunday morning. Attachments are \$15 each. A new whole decorated cross costs \$30. Proceeds go to our Building Fund. See Pastor Lori, Lisa Talecki or Richard Yeakel for more details.

# News from the Youth Group...

Youth Group will meet on Friday, December 13 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the lower social hall. All young people are invited to participate. There is something for everyone at Youth Group! Questions? Speak with Pastor Lori or Alyson Miller. If you would like to serve as a leader, speak with Pastor Lori. We could use one more leader at this time. Thanks in advance. See you all there! ©

# News from Windows to the Future...

Congratulations congregation! For the fifth time, the windows annual matching gift challenge has been met! From September through November, \$6,150 was contributed to the \$6,000 challenge. We are grateful to the five challengers for their generosity and to all of our members who supported this year's fund raiser. Since 2020, the challenges have raised \$47,500, 25% of the total restoration cost. With the income from this year's challenge and your continued support, the committee projects sufficient funds to complete the project in the spring. Much to celebrate!

Sunday, December 8, 2024 will be our Annual Congregation Meeting immediately following Worship. We will discuss our Budget for 2025 (copy enclosed) and have election of Consistory members. The Cemetery Association will have their Annual Meeting immediately following (Church Annual Reports are available, call or email the church office to arrange getting your copy.)

### All Four Pennsylvania Conferences Pass Motion Toward One Combined Conference

by Kayla Berkey | published on Nov 19, 2024

On Nov. 9, each of the four United Church of Christ conferences in Pennsylvania passed the same motion requesting authorization from the UCC General Synod for the four to become one. These coordinated but separate meetings were one step further toward the possibility of forming a new, combined Keystone Conference from the **Penn West**, **Penn Central**, **Pennsylvania Southeast**, and **Penn Northeast** Conferences.

After each conference voted separately, they joined a Zoom call to share the results.

"Cheers erupted in the Good Shepherd's pews when the four PA Conference Ministers expressed their results through the Zoom call a little after noon!" reported the Rev. Melissa A. Burkhart, moderator for Pennsylvania Southeast Conference.

#### 'Overwhelming support'

The votes passed with a wide margin in each conference – with each one nearing or surpassing 90% affirmative votes.

"The overwhelming support for the Keystone Conference was evident in our meetings and the celebrations in each Conference," said the Rev. Bonnie Bates, conference minister of Penn Northeast. "As we have discussed the way forward, we are thrilled with the expertise and skills of the congregations and the current leadership and their willingness to share their skills in the formation of the new conference."

Yet conference leaders were intentional to create space for those who voted against the measure. Penn Central Conference plans to hold a vespers service on Nov. 24 to create prayerful and supportive space for those grieving the outcome. "We sought to be respectful of all our voters, recognizing that not everyone was in favor of this, and being mindful that as the body of Christ, we are called to care for one another even if aren't all in agreement," said the Rev. David Ackerman, Penn West Conference Minister. "That said, we have made what I believe is a forward-looking, hopeful decision, and I pray that we will work together to hopefully witness a positive vote at Synod and a robust Keystone Conference beginning in 2026."

# Building the foundation

The idea and **work toward a combined Keystone Conference** has been about two years in the making. Ackerman noted the importance of the trust that has been cultivated in the process to make the case that "Together, We Are Stronger."

"Our Keystone Working Group members have built a foundation on which we can move into the new Conference, and they continue to answer questions and address concerns that arise," said Bates. "I hear from many people in the Pennsylvania Northeast Conference that the leadership of the conferences, the Keystone Working Group, and the conference ministers are trusted – in their research, in their design of systems and in their sharing of information. The trust is making a difference in our moving forward."

# **Moving to General Synod**

Now that the motion has passed in all four conferences, it will be presented as a resolution to the Governance Committee of the UCC Board of Directors for a delegate vote at the <u>2025</u> <u>General Synod in Kansas City</u>.



**General Synod 35 rules and deadlines are approved and announced - United...** Renee DeLuca

Deadlines and information are now available for those who want to submit business to General Synod 35, the next ...

"We will have a lot of work to do in the coming months and, hopefully, if the vote is positive at Synod, years to inaugurate this Conference,"

Ackerman said. "I believe that it will be work that we will be better off doing together than if we tried to continue doing what we were doing on our own. But we will need to be mindful of the challenges and opportunities that are ahead of us and not fail to embrace them as we move forward."

With a note of celebration, he added, "My heart is filled with gratitude for all four of our Conferences and the ways that we have worked together on this. I hope that General Synod both recognizes and celebrates this in July."



Poinsettias orders are due into the office by Monday, December 2. Order forms are included with this newsletter. You have a choice of Red, White or Pink Poinsettias at \$13.00 each. Thank you.



It has been brought to my attention that a **SPAM thing** is going around on email again. **PLEASE DO NOT RESPOND.** I will never ask you to do anything in secret and I will never address you by my full name and title. Those will be your clues that something is fishy about the request. Always feel free to call me and double check anything that feels wrong. It probably is wrong. – Pastor Lori



Need a Holiday Gift? We are selling **Lottery Number Calendars** for January 2025. Each calendar costs \$20 and the number of the day wins! A portion of the proceeds goes to our Mission offering (OCWM) and Calendars are available at church. Please see or call Cheryl Martucci at 610-967-3044 to get yours.

Our **Parking Lot between the church and parsonage** is small. It can be difficult to back out of your space if you park straight in toward the church building and there is someone parked in the handicap spaces along the parsonage lawn. **PLEASE be careful!** Park at your own risk in those handicap spaces. We are working on alternatives and safer ways to park in that little lot. You are always welcome to park in the front horseshoe and along Fountain Road in the several spots there.

**Annual Reports** can be found at the entrances to the Church. If you are unable to come to the Church but would like a copy please call or email the church office.

**Altar Flowers and Bulletins for 2025**. The church office is in the process of putting together the sponsor list for our weekly Altar Flowers and Bulletins for 2025. The list with names and dates of sponsors is attached. Please look over the list, if you would like to make any changes please call or email the office. **Chancel Flowers** (\$30.00) may also be ordered for any special Sunday. Altar Flowers are \$40.00 for fresh or \$30.00 for silk (with money going to our Windows Fund), bulletins are \$10.00. Thank you!

**In order to be reimbursed**, or to receive credit as a church donation, **original** receipts for labor and materials purchased on behalf of the church must be **received in the office within 60 days of the date from purchase** or by January 5, 2025 for purchases in November and December, 2024.

Do you have **batteries** ready to throw away? Don't throw them away! **Bring them to the church to recycle!**! Staples will accept the following kinds of batteries for recycling and our church will get credit for taking them in. I have small boxes **at the front and ramp doors for your "contributions." Or you can put bags of batteries outside of my office. Thanks!** 

Batteries to recycle by bringing them to the boxes at church:

Lithium ion (Li-Ion) Nickel metal hydride (Ni-MH) Nickel zinc (Ni-ZN) Non-rechargeable lithium Rechargeable nickel cadmium (Ni-Cd) Single-use alkaline Small sealed lead acid (SSLA/Pb)



**Greeters and Liturgist!** Please consider being a Greeter or a Liturgist during Worship. Call the office or email to get your name added to our List. Thank you!

Approved **Consistory Minutes** can be found posted on the bulletin board at the side entrance to the Sanctuary for anyone wishing to take a look!!

**Offering Box** - A secure box is located in the rear of the sanctuary for you to deposit your offering **or** other important papers if you happen to be in the church when the office isn't open. It has been secured to the floor and is locked. It will be opened on a Sunday morning so the offerings in there can be combined with those in worship that day. Thanks for your continued support of our church.



Our Church is now equipped with an **Assistive Listening System**. You provide your own headphones which can be connected to the transmitter which will allow you to more clearly hear the Worship Service or any program being offered in the Sanctuary. See anyone at the sound booth to inquire.

There are two **Bulletin Magnifier Sheets** available for you to use in worship. They are the size of a full sheet of paper and can be found in the side pocket on the sound system. Pick one up and try it out, then return it to the sound system after worship.

**Church Lost and Found Box** – is located on top of the mailboxes next to Pastor's Office. There is always something in it. Check it out and see if you lost anything! Or call the church office.



# Where Hope Is Found

The Lehigh Valley Chorale (<u>lvchorale.org</u>) is thrilled to present our winter program, "Where Hope is Found," on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 2 and 7 PM at Miller Symphony Hall in Allentown. These concerts will feature a

rich array of classic and contemporary choral pieces performed by over 160 singers and 16 instrumentalists, with special guests "The Mosaic Youth Chorus", led by Dr. Joy Hirokawa. This performance will follow a young person's journey experiencing love, grief, joy, resilience, fear, and most of all, hope. This unique concert experience includes opportunities for audience members to connect with community partners that support youth and mental health, including the Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, and the Valley Youth House. This is our largest and most ambitious production to date, and we would love to have you join us!

Tickets are currently available from the Miller Symphony Hall Box Office at <u>https://millersymphonyhall.my.salesforce-sites.com/ticket/#/events/a0SUn000001V1iPMAS</u>

We strongly recommend that you purchase your parking in advance for the dress rehearsal and the concerts, and consider carpooling. Here's why:

• *Disney on Ice* is performing at the PPL Center at the same time as our concerts. The good news is that the Allentown parking decks have special flat-rate event parking on that day and you can purchase your parking in advance online.

• The Arts Walk Deck is half a block away and the flat rate is \$6.90 per event. There are a limited number of public spaces available at this location. The Allentown Transportation Deck is directly across the street and the flat rate is \$9.20 per event.

Purchase parking for our 2 PM concert at <u>https://pplcenter.parkmobile.io/venues/ppl-</u> <u>center/events/229986</u> (the top of the page does say "Disney on Ice 12/14/24 3pm," but that will work for our 2pm concert).

Purchase parking for our 7 PM concert at <u>https://pplcenter.parkmobile.io/venues/ppl-</u> <u>center/events/229989</u> (again, the top of the page does say "Disney on Ice 12/14/24 7pm," but that will be valid for our 7pm concert).

If you have any questions, please contact Beth Massa.



# **Offerings and Donations Received from November 2024**

| General Use\$<br>Benevolence<br>Pastor's Discretionary Fund<br>Windows to the Future | 220.00<br>1.51<br>4,082.00           |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| Utilities<br>Parsonage Rental<br>Parking Lot Maintenance Fund<br>Cemetery            | 40.00<br>1,645.00<br>60.00<br>130.00 |
| General Expenses\$<br>includes gas\$ 93.00<br>includes electric\$ 182.11             |                                      |

**Please remember** there is a third box on your offering envelopes should you wish to give offering toward our Parking Lot Maintenance, Cemetery, Window Fund, Building Repairs or any Property Expenses. Just designate in what area the money should be placed. Thank you.

If you are already signed up to sponsor Altar Flowers and would like us to use our silk arrangement please let the office know **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** so Brenda can cancel our arrangement with Rich Mar Florist for that Sunday. Thank you!

Deadline for material to be included in our January Newsletter is due December 23. Please place all info in the Secretary's mailbox or email to the office at ozuccoffice@ptd.net

#### To add names to our Prayer List please call or email the church office.

Pastor Lori would like to invite any members of the congregation who would like to add some cheer to our **Homebound Members**, to please send them holiday greeting cards. They are always happy to get mail and mail from church friends is the BEST! Thanks to all.

|    | Proposed CHURCH BUDGET FOR 2025                     | 2024 Budget | Oct 2023 -<br>Sept 2024<br>actual | Oct 2024 -<br>Sept 2025<br>Budget |
|----|---|-------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|    | INCOME  | 2024 Budget | actual                            | Budget                            |
|    | TOTAL REGULAR CHURCH INCOME                         | 138,740     | 144,589                           | 142,760                           |
|    | TOTAL BENEVOLENCE SUPPORT CONGREGATION              | 4,500       | 5,031                             | 3,750                             |
|    | TRANSFER FROM MEMORIAL                              | -           | 2,070                             |                                   |
|    | TOTAL MISC. INCOME                                  | 6,000       | 17,454                            | 15,940                            |
|    | TOTAL INCOME  | 149,240     | 169,144                           | 162,450                           |
|    | EXPENSES  |             |                                   |                                   |
| 11 | TOTAL PASTOR'S EXPENSE                              | 44,500      | 43,320                            | 45,000                            |
|    | - Includes Personnel Committee recommended increase |             |                                   |                                   |
|    | CHRISTIAN ED SUPPLIES (SUNDAY SCHOOL)               | 600         | 576                               | 450                               |
|    | TOTAL STAFF EXPENSE                                 | 54,950      | 53,958                            | 56,134                            |
|    | - Includes Personnel Committee recommendedincreases |             |                                   |                                   |
|    | TOTAL CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS EXPENSE              | 4,500       | 5,761                             | 3,900                             |
|    | TOTAL MUSIC & WORSHIP EXPENSE                       | 5,050       | 5,207                             | 4,825                             |
|    | TOTAL BUILDING & GROUNDS OPERATING EXPENSE          | 22,600      | 28,848                            | 29,950                            |
|    | TOTAL OFFICE/COMMUNICATION OPERATING EXPENSES       | 9,150       | 8,208                             | 7,425                             |
|    | TOTAL EXPENSE PROPERTY PROJECTS                     | 5,000       | 725                               | 5,000                             |
|    | - \$5,000 TBD projects - as necessary               |             |                                   |                                   |
|    | TOTAL PARSONAGE EXPENSES                            | 7,800       | 9,504                             | 11,100                            |
|    | MISC EXPENSES                                       | -           | 7,161                             | 6,200                             |
|    | TOTAL EXPENSES                                      | 154,150     | 163,268                           | 169,984                           |
|    | TOTAL INCOME  | 149,240     | 169,144                           | 162,450                           |
|    | TOTAL EXPENSE                                       | 154,150     | 163,268                           | 169,984                           |
|    | NET CASH FLOW                                       | (4,910)     | 5,876                             | (7,534)                           |
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| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday | Saturday                          |
| 1<br>9:00am Sunday School<br>10:15am Communion<br>Worship<br>Poinsettia Orders Due  | <b>2</b><br>ATF 10am                                      | 3  | <b>4</b><br>Choir 7:30pm   | 5  | 6      | 7                                 |
| 8<br>9:00am Sunday School<br>9:45am Second Sunday<br>Treats<br>10:15am Worship<br>White Gift Service<br>Congregation Meeting<br>Cemetery Meeting<br>Soup & Sandwich<br>Orders Due                                 | Scouts 6pm  | <b>10</b><br>Cub Scouts 7pm<br>FUN Group 7pm                               | <b>11</b><br>Pastor Lori<br>Office Hours<br>10am-3pm<br>Finance 7pm  | <b>12</b><br>Office Closed<br>Brenda on vacation<br>Choir 7:30pm | 13     | 14<br>ATF Giveaway<br>9:30am-12pm |
| <ul> <li>15</li> <li>9:00am Sunday School</li> <li>10:15am Worship</li> <li>Loose offering goes</li> <li>to our Pastor's</li> <li>Discretionary Fund</li> <li>Sunday Brunchers</li> <li>12 noon – Merc</li> </ul> | <b>16</b><br>ATF 10am<br>Scouts 6pm                       | 17<br>Consistory 7pm   | <b>18</b><br>Pastor Lori<br>Office Hours<br>10am-3pm<br>Choir 7:30pm | 19<br>Pick up Ordered<br>Soup &<br>Sandwiches<br>3:00-5:30pm     | 20     | 21                                |
| <b>22</b><br>9:00am Sunday School<br>10:15am Worship,<br>Baptism  | 23<br>Office Closed<br>Brenda on<br>vacation<br>this week | 24<br>3:00pm Worship<br>7:30pm Worship<br>UIIN US THIS<br>CHR STMIS<br>EVE | 25<br>MERRO<br>CINSINGS  | 26   | 27     | 28                                |
| <b>29</b><br>No Sunday School<br>10:15a m Worship<br>Hymn Sing  | 30  | 31   |  |  |        |                                   |

# **OZUCC Christmas Poinsettia Order Form 2024**

Please drop your order for poinsettias in the offering plate any Sunday, Stop by the Office, or Mail to the Church on or before Sunday December 1. Cost per 6 1/2" pot is \$13.00. Please indicate how many and which color you would like on the form below. Also please let us know if you want them to be in Memory of or in Honor of. Payments must be enclosed with your order, **checks payable to Old Zionsville UCC**.

|     | Quantit | y     |               |               |
|-----|---------|-------|---------------|---------------|
| Red | Pink    | White | In Memory of: | Presented by: |
|     |         |       |               |               |
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|     |         |       |               |               |
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#### **OZUCC Membership and Evangelism Bus Trip**

Contact: Linda Weaver-

# ANNA'S ADVENTURES **NOAH**

**30th Anniversary** 

# TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2025

Join us for an unforgettable bus trip to experience Sight & Sound's spectacular revival of their renowned show, Noah, celebrating its 30th anniversary season! This incredible production brings the timeless biblical story to life with stunning visuals, powerful performances, and live animals. Whether you've seen it before or are experiencing it for the first time, this is a must-see event that will leave you in awe. Don't miss out on this extraordinary opportunity to witness Noah like never before and create lasting memories with friends and fellow travelers. To make the day even more special, we'll enjoy a delightful lunch at Shady Maple. Reserve your seat now for a journey that promises to be as exciting and inspiring as the show itself!



Day's Itinerary 8:30am - Depart Perkiomen Tours (875 Main Street Pennsburg) 11:00am - Sight & Sound 1:30pm - Depart for Lunch 2:45pm - Included Smorgasbord Lunch at Shady Maple 4:45pm - Depart for Pennsburg 7:00pm - Approximate return to Perkiomen Tours

Cost Includes Motor Coach Transportation & Driver Gratuity, Show Admissions & Gratuities, Lunch & Gratuity, Bottled Water & Snack.

Last date to register pending seat availability is Friday, February 21st 2025. Reservations are first come, first serve and confirmed upon full payment. Seat assignments are made following reservation confirmation.

To Reserve your seat contact Anna at Anna's Adventures (215) 390-8743. Payment is non-refundable or transferable after the final registration date. Payments can be made by cash or check made payable to Anna Fell.



# **Christmas Wish List**

Thank you for helping create new, positive memories in our youth's lives! Bethany youth are 10-21 years of age. We kindly ask that all items are new and unwrapped. We appreciate age-appropriate gifts with the consideration of parental warnings, modesty and safety.

#### Clothing - various adult sizes S-XXL

bath robes: young women and men • white t-shirts, esp. small and medium • underwear S-XXL • men's athletic shorts • bras • sports bras • gloves • pajamas • low-cut socks •

#### Personal Care/Cottage Needs

unisex comforters • pillows • waterproof mattress covers Twin XL • bed in a bag • bath towels • batteryoperated alarm clocks • bagless vacuums • air fryers • baking sheets and pans • deodorant • conditioner feminine hygiene products • toothbrush covers

#### Recreation

indoor basketballs 29.5 inch • Lego sets: classic cars, super heroes, Star Wars • Nerf guns and ammo Roller blades or skates sizes 4-13 • fishing rods/reels • adult beach volleyballs • footballs • TRX workout bands • badminton racquets and birdies • Olympic weightlifting bar • weights for Olympic bar • yoga blocks • hand wraps or MMA gloves • yoga mats • vacuum cleaner • remote control cars

#### **Music Education**

earbud headphones • mp3 players • drum sticks • clarinet reeds (strength 2.5 and 3) • acoustic guitar strings • ukulele strings • guitar picks • hand percussion instruments • area rug • bean bag chairs Menchey Music gift cards • iTunes gift cards • boomwhackers • hand drums

#### **Art Studio**

wrapped canvases • canvas boards • acrylic paint • premixed acrylic pouring paint • Gesso (White, Black, & Clear) • clear semi-gloss finish spray paint • spray paint • fabric paint • paint pens • tabletop easels • paintbrushes • washi tape • scratch art paper • calligraphy pens and inks • Beads including numbers/letters • Stabilo pencils • rubber stamps & ink pads • Diamond Art kits • jewelry making supplies• beads • bean bag chair

#### **Gift Cards**

Dick's Sporting Goods, Ulta, Amazon, Barnes and Noble, Lowes, Home Depot, Michaels, Wal-Mart, Target, McDonald's, Boyer's and Redner's Markets, Turkey Hill, Giant, Domino's Pizza, Wawa

### Questions regarding gifts? Please call Dana Hoffman at 610-589-6810.

Financial Gifts may also be made to support youth needs throughout the year at bethanyhome.org.

The official registration and financial information of Bethany Home Inc. and Bethany Children's Home, Inc. may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free, within Pennsylvania, (800) 732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.