

ZION EVANGELICAL

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Sunday Worship Schedule

Sunday School 8:15am
Coffee/Fellowship 9:00am
Worship* 9:30am
Children's Sunday School is in
session again.

LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Communion is 1st and 3rd
Sundays unless announced
beforehand.

Clothed in Compassion is a
free clothing program open the
1st and 3rd Saturday of each
month year round from 9:00 am
to noon at old church basement.

Café Compassion is a free
breakfast open to the
community and served the 1st
Saturday of the month year
round from 8:30am to 10:30 am
at the new church.

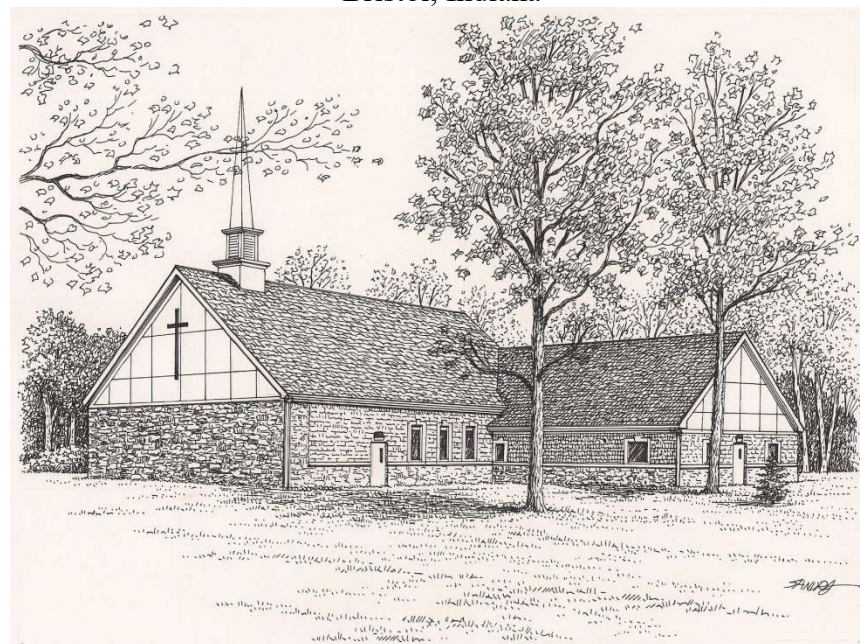
Choir is practicing twice a
month to present special music
throughout the coming months.
Plan to join them and make
some beautiful music.

Zion's Mission

We are a family of Christians
who choose to worship, to learn,
to witness, and to care by
reaching out and sharing
ourselves through the Good
News of God the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Bristol, Indiana



December 1, 2024 – First Sunday of Advent
9:30 am Worship Service

Pastor Karen Strietelmeier

Pastor Nancy Bennett

Sharon Miller – Administrative Assistant

Ushers/Greeters -Elaine Wolkins, Jan Coffman

Pianist -Becky Goodman

Worship Assistant—Chris Harrison

Technology Team—Dan Teall

Welcome Guests! Everyone please sign the registration folder located at the end of the pew, and then pass to your neighbor. Nursery for infants & preschoolers is down the hall just past the restrooms. Just a reminder, we have a family restroom for those of you with babies and small children. Hearing aids for the service are available at the sound booth. Offerings may be placed in the aisle boxes.

* Indicates Please Stand

GATHERING

I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in shall not thirst. John 6:35

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS (Worship Leader) WL

PASSING OF THE PEACE (WL)

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

(Let us return to worship)

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING (WL)

(one purple candle is lit in the Advent wreath)

(P) Pastor: The name of the city of David, the little town of Bethlehem, means “House of Bread.” It was the birthplace for Jesus our savior, who called himself the Bread of Life. We light the first candle on our Advent wreath remembering that Jesus, the living Bread from heaven, came to offer himself as the perfect sacrifice for our sins.

© Congregation: **Jesus, Bread of heaven, feed us now and forever.**

MEDITATION MUSIC MEDLEY

Kelsey Smith, 5th grader (student of Becky Goodman)

“The Little Drummer Boy” “Ode to Joy” “Silent Night”

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (Pastor) SCREENS

GATHERING SONG

Angels We Have Heard On High ELW 289

GREETING (WL)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

(Let us pray)

PRAYER OF THE DAY (WL)

Almighty God, with mighty acts of power, you set your people free from slavery in Egypt and led them through the wilderness to the promised land. Even though they complained against you, you graciously fed them with manna, bread from heaven. In grace and mercy, you sent your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to set us free from our slavery to sin. Jesus is the true and living Bread from heaven, who came to give himself for the life of the world. In him, we have forgiveness and peace. By faith, we feed on this heavenly Bread through the study of your Word and through the gift of Jesus’ body and blood in his holy Supper. Bread of Heaven, feed us now and forever! **Amen.**

HYMN

Break Now the Bread of Life ELW 515

(Please be seated)

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

December 1, 2024

Needed monthly: \$13,245

Received October offerings: \$11,204

YTD Shortfall: \$11,633

Mercy Chefs: \$274

Church Needs:

Toilet Paper

Thank you to the congregation for the success of our Hunger Auction last Sunday. Your generosity is so appreciated. The following outlines the outcome:

Auction: \$4597

Quilt Raffle: \$285

Food Free will: \$70.00 CURRENT GRAND TOTAL: 5,080

New Week’s Volunteers:

Offering Counters TODAY: Jim Kensinger, Amber Teall

Sunday, December 8: Lois Bostian, Lyn Hisey

Refreshments, December 8: Sue Davila, Amber Teall

Readers, December 8: Lynn Shelley, Lyn Hisey

Altar Care, December 8: Lyn Hisey

Children’s Sunday School, December 8: Lana Stutsman

Major Change in office schedule: Due to doing pulmonary rehab for the next 18 weeks this is the new office schedule for Sharon starting next week:

Monday and Wednesday and Friday (Same) 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

I’ll be off on Tuesdays instead of Fridays.

On Thursday I will be working from 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Thank you for your understanding. Sharon looks forward to this part of her recovery.

In November, the budgeted \$50 from Social Ministry will go to our traditional November event: World Hunger Auction. All the money raised will go to feed hungry people (half locally to The HUB and half to ELCA World Hunger). You can donate cash or check to Zion throughout the month, just be sure to indicate that the donation is intended for the Hunger Auction.

Sunday Advent Services begin on December 1, 8, 15, 22 at 9:30 a.m.

Theme will be “The Word Made Flesh.”

Wednesday night Advent Services are on December 4, 11, and 18th at 6:30 p.m. Theme is: “Awaiting the Already.”

Christmas Eve Service is on December 24 at 5:30 p.m. A very special service is being planned.

PRAYER CONCERNS

December 1, 2024

To make a Prayer Request complete a yellow prayer card, or contact Nancy Teall at 848-9135 or the Church Office at 848-4880 or office@zionbristol.org.

Health Issues

Pastor Karen, home recuperating and doing therapy. Received good report from doctor and continue to pray for her progress.

Bill Owen, Ruthann Owen's son, is having health issues. Prayers for strength and healing and peace.

Dave VanZile, surgery went well. Continued prayers for healing and comfort.

Phil Ooley Family and Friends, close friend of Amber Teall's dad, Mike Johnson, Phil who was 66 years of age passed away a week ago Wednesday. Prayers for family and friends for comfort and peace

Kent Schreck, Katie Teall's dad, is home and doing well. Lung issue has been resolved and his pacemaker was part of the issue. Continued prayers for healing.

Ross Reitz, friend of Jill Tevlin, diagnosed with cancer and has heart issues. Pray for good medical decisions, strength and success in treating him.

Sue Johnson Filley, friend of Sue Davila, diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. She is scheduled for testing and choosing a treatment plan soon. Pray for a successful treatment and strength.

Mike Dandino, classmate of Sue Davila, off ventilator but still on heart machine. Pray for his family. Prayers for healing and comfort.

Helga Maria Richards, home and doing well. She has therapy for her stroke at home. Pray for continued healing.

Austin and Miranda Francis, friends of Dave and Katie Teall, expecting second child in December; baby has heart issue and will need surgery sometime after birth. Prayers for a healthy delivery and treatment.

Trudi and Ed McNulty, both have some health issues they are dealing with currently. Prayers appreciated.

Paul Hoffmeister, prayers for strength, comfort and healing.

Mike Griggs, continued prayers for health issues.

Jill Tevlin, continued prayers for healing, strength and comfort.

Marsha Frey, continued recovery from stroke.

Jason Potsander, continues the battle with pancreatic cancer. He has been fighting this disease for some years now. Prayers for his family, too.

Zion Mission & Ministry

If you would like to have prayer with the pastors for any reason, please contact them or the office. This can be done in the chapel right after worship service with small group of prayer warriors.

Those unable to worship with us: Ann Congdon, Shirley Yoder, Mike Griggs and any others.

All military personnel at home & abroa

CHILDREN'S SERMON Sally Middleton

OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 16:1-7 (WL) SCREENS

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING Colossians 3:15-17 (WL) SCREENS

Word of God. Word of Life

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING John 6:27-35 (Pastor) SCREENS

The holy gospel according to John

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ

(Please be seated)

SERMON

Pastor Nancy Bennett

*HYMN OF THE DAY

Let Us Break Bread Together

ELW 471

THE APOSTLES CREED (WL)

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PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING (WL)

OFFERING PRAYER

Creator God,

you made the whole world,

even the farthest stars,

and you draw near to feed us.

We praise you for these gifts of bread and wine.

Strengthen us with this food

that we may live in expectation

for the advent of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS (Pastor)

SCREENS

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(Pastor)

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PREFACE

SANCTUS *You Are Holy*

ELW 525

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

SCREENS

INVITATION TO COMMUNION
COMMUNION
COMMUNION HYMNS

What Child Is This ELW 296
Angels We Have Heard On High ELW 289
It Came Upon A Midnight Clear ELW 282
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (v 1-4) ELW 257
*POST COMMUNION *Thankful Hearts and Voices* ELW 204
POST COMMUNION PRAYER (Pastor)

Generous God,
we thank you for the gift of life,
for the bread of salvation.
We thank you for coming among us,
for leading us into peace.
We thank you for showering us with mercy,
for sending us into the world.
Come, Lord Jesus, and go with us
as we feed the hungry in your name.
Amen.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

"Amazing Grace" and Bible Memory Verse – Colossians 7:14

BLESSING (Pastor)

P: Jesus said, "The bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

C: Give us this bread always.

SENDING HYMN

Go Tell It On The Mountain ELW 290

DISMISSAL

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all.

Amen

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THIS WEEK
December 1, 2024

(All events are at the church unless indicated elsewhere)

Sunday, December 1 8:15 am Adult Sunday School
9:00 am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30 am Worship Service
10:30 am Pictures for Christmas Eve Service
3:00 pm Piano Recital (Becky Goodman's piano students) and light refreshment

Monday, December 2

Tuesday, December 3

Wednesday, December 4 9:00 am Quilting
6:30 pm Advent Service

Thursday, December 5 9:00 am Men's Group

Friday, December 6

Saturday, December 7 PEARL HARBOR DAY
8:30 am to 10:30 am Compassionate Cafe
9-12:00 noon Compassionate Clothes Closet



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Amber Teall December 2
No anniversaries this week!

