

MT. ZION UCC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF 12.17.23

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

December 17 (Sun) Third Sunday of Advent
Christmas Cantata in-person & streaming, 10:30AM
Kids Sunday School during worship, 10:30 AM
Church Council Meeting in 4th-6th grade classroom and on Zoom, 11:45 AM
J-Walkers Cookie Baking & Christmas Specials, 4:00-7:00 PM

December 19 (Tu) Book Study in the Parlor, 10:00AM

December 21 (Th) Great Expectations Bible Study in Room 5, 9:30 AM
Choir Christmas Party, 7:00 PM

December 24 (Sun) Fourth Sunday of Advent
In-person & streaming worship service, 10:30AM
Kids Sunday School during worship, 10:30 AM

Christmas Eve

Christmas Eve Service, 3:00 PM

Family Christmas Eve Service, 7:00 PM

Christmas Eve Service, 10:30 PM

Dial-in Number for 10:30 AM Service:
888-719-1054

Christmas Eve Day Service

10:30 AM

Festive Attire Encouraged



On Sunday, December 24, we will celebrate the 4th Sunday of Advent in one service at 10:30 AM in order to prepare for the Christmas Eve services later in the day. Oh, and in case you haven't guessed, we're encouraging festive dress for that service!

Sponsorship Tree



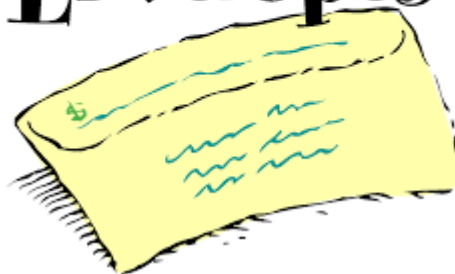
Sign up online or take a leaf in the back narthex



ttsu.me/sponsorship

The annual sponsorship tree is up! These are gifts above and beyond your regular giving to support specific programs. You can simply take a leaf off the tree, sign it, and place it in the basket provided. Limited sign-ups are also available online.

Offering Envelopes



Your offering envelopes for 2024 can be found in the side narthex! You can pick them up on Sundays during worship or stop by the church during office hours to pick them up! Please wait to use your 2024 envelopes until after January 1st of next year. Thank you!

Also, In order for Robin to prepare the 2023 giving statements, she needs to receive all contributions for 2023 by Sunday, December 24th. We sincerely thank you for all of the support you extend to our church.

Christmas Eve

3 PM: Communion & Candlelighting
7 PM: Family Service & Candlelighting
10 PM: Communion & Candlelighting

or join us online @ www.mtzionucc.org/streaming

Our Christmas Eve services are scheduled for Sunday, December 24. The 3 PM and 10 PM services will be our traditional services. The 7 PM service is our family service. All services will include candlelighting.

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Undergoing Treatment: *Jen Kerchner*
Nancy Schwartz
Ted Trout-Landen
Robin Everhart
Sharon Baines

Recuperating: *Ted Trout-Landen*
Rick Hogentogler
Delores Diehl

Hospice Care: *Red Arnold*
Eva Wolfe

MT. ZION MISSIONS



The Monthly Mission for December will go towards the UCC's Christmas Fund. This fund cares for active and retired UCC clergy and provides emergency grants, supplementation of small annuities and health premiums, and Christmas "Thank You" checks each December to lower income retirees. Envelopes can be found in the pews and in the back and side narthex.

NEW YEAR'S EVE CHRISTMAS CAROL COUNTDOWN
 Sunday, December 31st @ 10:30 AM



December 31st is New Years Eve Sunday. We plan to celebrate the day together in one service at 10:30 AM. We'll worship by counting down our favorite Christmas carols. Ballots will be available during Advent so that you can nominate your three favorite carols to be included in the hymn sing.

2023 FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

2023 Financial Report (Jan-November)		
Total Income	Total Expenses	Diff
\$302,187.22	\$297,924.24	\$4,262.98

Amount needed to make budget each month:	\$32,661.50
Total Income for the month of October	\$27,131.59
Total Income for the month of November	\$21,909.56

Weekly Attendance	
Date	Attendance
November 19, 2023	32 (8 AM in-person) 62 (10:30 AM in-person) 48 (streaming)
November 26, 2023	17 (8 AM in-person) 67 (10:30 AM in-person) 48 (streaming)
December 3, 2023	30 (8 AM in-person) 59 (10:30 AM in-person) 54 (streaming)
December 10, 2023	21 (8 AM in-person) 68 (10:30 AM in-person)



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