

Welcome!



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Our Mission: Empowered and Inspired by God to bring others to Christ.

Christ the King Sunday
November 23, 2025 ~ 9:00 am
The Liturgy of Word and Sacrament

Jeremiah's promise of the execution of "justice and righteousness in the land" finds ironic fulfillment in the execution of Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews. It appears utterly contradictory that a king should be crucified with a criminal. This victory appears for all the world as humiliating defeat. Yet through the gate of death Jesus opens the door to paradise.

**Congregation please stand*

The Pre-service Music

~ The Gathering ~

*** The Confession and Forgiveness**

BLESSED BE THE HOLY TRINITY, † ONE GOD, WHO FORGIVES ALL OUR SIN, WHOSE MERCY ENDURES FOREVER.

Amen.

LET US CONFESS OUR SIN IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD AND OF ONE ANOTHER.

Please kneel if able.

FAITHFUL GOD,

you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.

HEAR THE GOOD NEWS: GOD THE FAITHFUL ONE LOVES YOU, † IN CHRIST JESUS YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN, AND BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT YOU ARE SET FREE.

Amen.

*** The Gathering Hymn**

"Crown, Him with Many Crowns" No. 170 Stanzas 1,2,3,5

*** The Greeting**

BELOVED OF GOD, CALLED TO BE SAINTS: GRACE, MERCY, AND PEACE BE WITH YOU ALL.

And also with you.

*** The Kyrie Eleison** (*music on page 57 of LBW*)

IN PEACE, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

(Sung) **Lord, have mercy.**

FOR THE PEACE FROM ABOVE, AND FOR OUR SALVATION, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

Lord, have mercy.

FOR THE PEACE OF THE WHOLE WORLD, FOR THE WELL-BEING OF THE CHURCH OF GOD, AND FOR THE UNITY OF ALL, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

Lord, have mercy.

FOR THIS HOLY HOUSE, AND FOR ALL WHO OFFER HERE THEIR WORSHIP AND PRAISE, LET US PRAY TO THE LORD.

Lord, have mercy.

HELP, SAVE, COMFORT, AND DEFEND US, GRACIOUS LORD.

Amen.

*** The Hymn of Praise** *“This is the Feast” (LBW pg. 60)*

(Refrain) **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. *(Refrain)*

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are his. *(Refrain)*

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing and honor, glory and might, be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. *(Refrain)*

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. *(Refrain)*

*** The Prayer of the Day**

THE LORD BE WITH YOU

(Sung) **And also with you.**

LET US PRAY:

O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

~The Word~

The First Lesson Jeremiah 23:1-6

Today's reading builds on the common, ancient Near Eastern metaphor of the king as shepherd. Judah's unjust rulers have caused their people, their "flock," to be scattered. Nevertheless, God will raise up a new and righteous shepherd who will rule a restored Judah.

(After the reading)

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 46 Tune *“Oh God, Our Help in Ages Past”* No. 320

God is our refuge and our strength, Our helper ever near.

THEREFORE WE WILL NOT FEAR, THOUGH THE EARTH BE MOVED AND THE MOUNTAINS FALL INTO THE OCEAN DEPTHS; THOUGH ITS WATERS RAGE AND FOAM AND THE MOUNTAINS TREMBLE AT ITS TUMULT.

The Lord of hosts is at our side; To shelter us from fear.

THERE IS A RIVER THAT BRINGS JOY TO THE CITY OF GOD, THE HOLY HABITATION OF THE MOST HIGH. GOD IS IN THE MIDST OF THAT CITY; IT WILL NEVER BE DESTROYED; AT EARLY DAWN HE WILL COME TO ITS AID.

God is our refuge and our strength, Our helper ever near.

NATIONS ARE TERRIFIED, KINGDOMS ARE SHAKEN. GOD HAS SPOKEN, AND THE EARTH SHALL MELT AWAY.

The Lord of hosts is at our side; To shelter us from fear.

COME, BEHOLD THE WORKS OF THE LORD, WHAT AWESOME THINGS HE HAS DONE ON EARTH. HE MAKES WAR TO CEASE IN ALL THE WORLD; HE BREAKS THE BOW, AND SHATTERS THE SPEAR; HE BURNS THE SHIELDS WITH FIRE.

God is our refuge and our strength, Our helper ever near.

"BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD. I WILL BE EXALTED AMONG THE NATIONS; I WILL BE EXALTED IN THE EARTH."

The Lord of hosts is at our side; To shelter us from fear.

The Second Lesson Colossians 1:11-20

An early Christian hymn praises the mystery of the political, personal, and mystical Christ, the one who was present at creation and is eternally reigning with God.

(After the reading)

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Thanks be to God.

***The Gospel Acclamation** *(ELW p. 172)*

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah. Halle, Halle, Hallelujah.

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

*** The Holy Gospel St. Luke 23:33-43**

Amid scoffing and slander from those who sarcastically call him Messiah and king, Jesus reveals that to be Messiah and king is to give one's life for others. Here he uses his power to welcome a despised sinner to paradise but puts his own death into God's hands.

(Before the Gospel)

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE THE 23RD CHAPTER:

(Sung) Glory to you, O Lord.

(After the Gospel)

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD

(Sung) Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

Pastor Cindy White

***The Hymn of the Day**

“Now Thank We All Our God”

No. 534

*** The Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*** The Prayers of Intercession**

GATHERED WITH ONE VOICE, WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH, THE WORLD, AND ALL WHO ARE IN NEED.

A brief silence.

WE PRAY FOR THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD, ITS LEADERS, AND ITS MISSION TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS OF HEALING AND RESTORATION. INSPIRE US TO EMBODY THE BELOVED COMMUNITY IN WAYS THAT FAITHFULLY WITNESS TO THE HOLY SPIRIT. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

WE PRAY FOR THE TREMBLING MOUNTAINS AND GLAD STREAMS OF CREATION. PRESERVE AND RENEW YOUR COASTLINES, DEEP SEAS, FORESTS, AND GRASSLANDS. GUIDE ALL WHO TEND FLOCKS OR CARE FOR CREATURES OF ALL KINDS. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

WE PRAY FOR LEADERS AND ADVOCATES IN GOVERNMENT, CIVIC LIFE, AND PUBLIC SAFETY. SUPPORT EQUITY ACROSS THE GLOBE, AND HEAL DIVISION WITH ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRUTH. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

WE PRAY FOR ANY WHO ARE HUNGRY, LIVING IN POVERTY OR DESPERATION, WEARY IN BODY OR SPIRIT, OR SICK ESPECIALLY PAM, BETTY, WALTER, FORREST, STEVE, CHRISTINE, EDDIE, GEORGE, JAN, AND ALL OUR MEMBERS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND. COMFORT ALL IN NEED OF YOUR TENDER CARE. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

WE PRAY FOR THIS PART OF THE BODY OF CHRIST GATHERED AROUND WORD AND SACRAMENT. BRING US INTO AUTHENTIC COMMUNITY WHERE ALL AGES ARE VALUED AND EXPERIENCE GOD'S FAITHFULNESS TOGETHER. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

WE GIVE THANKS FOR ALL WHO HAVE DIED IN FAITH. MAY WE REMEMBER THEM FAITHFULLY UNTIL WE ARE GATHERED WITH YOU IN THE PARADISE YOU PROMISE. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

GOD OF GRACE AND MERCY, (PLEASE SHARE ANY PERSONAL PRAYER PETITIONS) HEAR OUR PETITIONS THAT WE SPEAK OUT LOUD AND THE ONES THAT WE HOLD IN OUR HEARTS. HEAR US, O GOD,

Your mercy is great.

WE OFFER THESE AND ALL OUR PRAYERS TO YOU, O GOD, TRUSTING IN YOUR GRACE AND UNYIELDING LOVE; THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, OUR LORD.

Amen.

* **The Peace of Christ**

THE PEACE OF THE LORD BE WITH YOU ALWAYS.

And also with you.

The Recognition of 1st Holy Communicants

JACOB BADDICK

JACKSON FAUST

AXEL MATALAVAGE

ELIJAH TIRPAK

~The Meal~

The Offering and Offertory

Zion members, please use your envelopes for contributions so that your offering may be officially recorded. Please mail your envelopes to Zion Lutheran Church 101 N. Greenwood Street Tamaqua, PA 18252 or visit ziontamaqua.com for our Vanco option.

* **The Offertory Procession** Tune: *"God, Whose Farm is All Creation"*

God, whose farm is all creation, take the gratitude we give;

Take the finest of our harvest, crops we grow that we may live.

Take our plowing, seeding, reaping, hopes and fears of sun and rain,

All our thinking, planning, waiting, ripened in this fruit and grain.

*** The Offertory Prayer**

LET US PRAY: GOD OF HEALING AND HOPE, YOU BLESS THOSE WHO ARE HUNGRY, PROMISING TO FILL THEM WITH GOOD THINGS. FULFILL THAT PROMISE THROUGH US AND THESE YOUR GIFTS. NOURISH US WITH THE ABUNDANCE OF YOUR FEAST AND UNITE US INTO THE BLESSED BODY OF JESUS CHRIST OUR SAVIOR, NOW AND FOREVER.

Amen.

*** The Great Thanksgiving**

*** The Preface and Sanctus** *(music on page 68 of LBW)*

THE LORD BE WITH YOU

(Sung) **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 him thanks and praise.

IT IS INDEED RIGHT.....THEIR UNENDING HYMN: *(ELW NO. 193)*

(Sung) **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:**

Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

*** The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

HOLY, MIGHTY, AND MERCIFUL LORD, HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR GLORY.....POUR OUT UPON US THE SPIRIT OF YOUR LOVE, O LORD, AND UNITE THE WILLS OF ALL WHO SHARE THIS HEAVENLY FOOD, THE BODY AND BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST, OUR LORD; TO WHOM, WITH YOU AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, BE ALL HONOR AND GLORY, NOW AND FOREVER.

Amen.

*** The Lord's Prayer**

JESUS, REMEMBER US IN YOUR KINGDOM; AND TEACH US TO PRAY:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

*** The Invitation to the Holy Meal**

THERE IS A PLACE FOR YOU AT THE TABLE OF GOD. COME, RECEIVE THE FOOD THAT DOES NOT PERISH, A TASTE OF LIFE ETERNAL

*** The Agnus Dei "Lamb of God" *(ELW No. 195)***

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

The Distribution

All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the Sacrament are welcome to commune when we celebrate the Lord's Supper. Zion members, please complete a Communion card once a year for our records.

*** The Post-Communion Blessing**

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST STRENGTHEN YOU AND KEEP YOU IN HIS GRACE.
Amen.

*** The Post Communion Canticle** (*music on page 72 of LBW*)

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*** The Post Communion Prayer**

LET US PRAY: GOD OF FIELD AND FLOWER, WHEAT AND GRAPE, YOU HAVE NOURISHED US WITH THE BREAD OF HEAVEN THAT GIVES LIFE TO THE WORLD. STRENGTHENED BY THE BODY AND BLOOD OF YOUR SON, SEND US OUT TO GATHER YOUR GOOD GIFTS FOR ALL WHO HUNGER AND THIRST, AND EMBOLDEN US TO LOVE AND SERVE IN CHRIST'S NAME.
Amen.

The Senior Choir Anthem “Hallelu! Sing and Give Thanks” – Kern

~The Sending~

*** The Blessing**

THE LOVE OF GOD THE SOVEREIGN STRENGTHEN YOU, GOD THE SON SAVE YOU, AND GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT ANOINT YOU FOR THE WORK AHEAD. THE HOLY TRINITY BLESS YOU + AND GRANT YOU A FAITHFUL AND COURAGEOUS HEART NOW AND FOREVER.
(*Sung*) **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

*** The Dismissal**

GO IN PEACE. SHARE THE HARVEST.
Thanks be to God.

*** The Sending Hymn**

“Rejoice, the Lord is King”

No. 171

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First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹ Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD.
² Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³ Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply.

⁴ I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: “The LORD is our righteousness.”

Second Reading: Colossians 1:11-20

¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.

¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Gospel: Luke 23:33-43

³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ [[Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.”]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!” ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!”

³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” ⁴² Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom.” ⁴³ He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

November 30, 2025 readings are: Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122
Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:36-44

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

November 22-23, 2025

**If you need assistance, please see one of the ushers in the back of the church; Large Print Bulletins are available. Grape juice is available in the tray for those who wish not to partake of the wine. Please Silence your cell phones during service. A Family Room is available for use during or after services, located across from the office. A changing station is available for your convenience in the restroom across from the Family Room. We respectfully ask that you refrain from taking photos during the service. Opportunities are always available after the service. Welcome visitors, please sign our guest book. Thank you.*

GIFTS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

THE ALTAR CANDLES are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of my parents and brother by Martha Zellner

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of Marlin Tirpak by David Tirpak

THE BULLETINS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of Marlin Tirpak by David Tirpak

ORGAN FUND DONATIONS are given to the Glory of God and

In loving memory of Margaret Clark by Sandy Ferris Scott

Please remember the following in your prayers: Pam, Betty Ann Waidell, Walter Weston, Forrest, Steve Ristila, Christine Zimmerman, Eddie Smith, George Weaver, Jan McRoberts, and all our members who are homebound.

A reminder that both a record of communion AND a record of contribution is necessary to maintain voting active member status. Please remember to complete a communion card and to use your offering envelopes. Thank you, Church Council

Welcome!!

Parish office phone number and fax is 570-668-2180.

Parish office email address is zionlcof@verizon.net

Parish website is www.ziontamaqua.com

Parish Office Hours- Monday & Wednesday: 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Tuesday & Thursday: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Zion's 2024 Church Council officers: Michael Haspe, President, Brian Lawfer, Vice-President, Amanda Hascin, Secretary, Dave Gensure, Treasurer, and Ann Marie Hadesty, Financial Secretary. Other members of Council include Arlene Derr, Glenn Fritzinger, Thomas Graham, Carol Hartung, Brittany Scalfani Mary Ruth Taylor, Michelle Valentine; and Shelly Woodring; if you have suggestions or concerns, please seek out a member of Council so that we can promptly address the needs of the congregation.

This Week in Our Church



SUNDAY, November 23, 2025, Christ the King Sunday

- 9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament/ 1st Holy Communion
- 10:15 Christian Education
- 11:00 Confirmation Class

MONDAY

- 5:45 Property Meeting
- 6:30 Council Meeting

TUESDAY

- 7:00 Community Thanksgiving Service/ Trinity UCC

THURSDAY

Office Closed

SATURDAY

- 6:00 Saturday Evening Worship

SUNDAY, November 30, 2025, The 1st Sunday in Advent

- 9:00 The Service of Word & Sacrament
- 10:15 Christian Education
- 11:00 Confirmation Class
- 10:15 Advent Breakfast

Supporting Zion's Ministries

"Empowered and inspired by God to bring others to Christ"

Received 11/9/25 in support of Zion Ministries:

From our gifts	\$6,924.00
From Thrift Store	\$853.00
From Endowment (other)	\$0.00
From Culinary	\$0.00

Received for Endowment: \$350.00

Received for Capital Campaign: \$5,073.00

Received year-to-date for Zion's mission/ministries:

From offering/gifts/memorials:	\$117,377.89
From Thrift Store:	\$7,240.30*
From Endowment:	\$22,905.00
From Culinary:	\$15,280.00

Year-to-date total for Zion's mission/ministries: \$162,803.19

* Thrift Store donates half of income to Outreach total income - \$14,480.60

Thank you for your gifts. Your gifts allow us to share the word of God and the love of Jesus with our congregation and our community.

Upcoming Events

ASAP – Newsletter Deadline

November 23 – Christ the King Sunday/ First Holy Communion

November 25 – Community Thanksgiving Service/ Trinity UCC

November 30 – 1st Sunday in Advent/ Advent Breakfast

December 5 & 6 – Blessings Thrift Store

December 7 – Annual Fiscal Meeting

A Community Thanksgiving Service will be held at Trinity UCC, 22 Lafayette Street, Tamaqua on Tuesday, November 25, 2025 at 7:00 pm. Everyone is Welcome! Sponsored by the Tamaqua Ministerial Association.

Zion's Blessings Thrift Shop is on Friday, December 5th from 9 am to 5 pm and Saturday, December 6th from 9 am to 2 pm. The sale features gently used clothing for all ages, toys, books, and general household items. Come take a look! Limited Take-Out Menu. Thank you all for your continued support!

Donations needed for the upcoming Advent breakfast: 15 Lb. Yellow potatoes, 5 lb. bananas, and 4 lb. red or green grapes. Donations are needed by Friday, November 28th. Contact Mary Ruth with your donation: 570-668-4451 or frautay208@aol.com Thank you in advance.

1st Holy Communion - This year 4 young people have participated in the preparatory classes for First Holy Communion: Jacob Baddick, Jackson Faust, Axel Matalavage, and Elijah Tirpak. They will receive their first Sacrament of Holy Communion today. May you always know the peace of Jesus, the light of his love, and the joy of his life within you.

Reminder: If you have sponsored Altar Flowers or Candles, please **fill out the sponsorship information forms next to the sign-up sheets. Please do not put your sponsorship information on the sign-up sheet.** The information is needed for the bulletin and the Florist. If payment for the sponsorship is not received prior to the date, the information will not be printed in the bulletin, **please pay and fill out a form when you add your name on the list.** Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sunday Church Advent Breakfast – November 30, 2025, from 10:30 am to 12:00 Noon. A Time of Fellowship – Join us as we begin the Advent season with a special breakfast hosted by the Culinary Crew. Menu: Scrambled eggs, sausage or bacon, and toast. A free will offering will be accepted. Hope to see you there!

CHRISTMAS 2025 - Christmas poinsettia plants will decorate the Church on Christmas Eve. Plants ordered through the church office are \$10.00. December 8th is the last day to order your plants. **This is a firm deadline; no orders will be taken after that date. Order forms are available by the bulletin board.** Please return the form with all monies no later than December 8, 2025; all checks should be made out to Zion Evangelical Church. All Plants and Monetary Christmas memorial gifts will be listed in the handout on Christmas Eve. Monetary gifts should be in the church office **NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 15th.**

Annual Fiscal Meeting Announcement - The Annual Fiscal Meeting will be held on Sunday, December 7, 2025 immediately following the service. The agenda items will be restricted to the establishment of a 2026 budget, and the election of Church Council members. The meeting will be brief but your participation is **Very Important** as a quorum needs to be met. Copies of the budget will be available in the Gathering room.