

Zion Goshert's United Church of Christ

December 6, 2020

Directions for worship at the end of these announcements.

Welcome to everyone joining us today for Worship.

Bruce Farrell, Pastor
Jean B, Secretary

Roberto M, Music Director
Tara Z, Accompanist

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

<i>Sun. Dec. 6</i>	<i>10 a.m.</i>	<i>Second Sunday of Advent: A Savior Made Known</i>
Wednesday(s)	9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Church office hours
<i>Sun. Dec. 13</i>	<i>10 a.m.</i>	<i>Third Sunday of Advent: A Savior Made Known</i>
<i>Thurs. Dec. 24</i>	<i>4 – 4:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Christmas Eve: Candlelight Parking Lot Worship via FM radio</i>

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have prayer requests, please contact the pastor.

Our shut-ins: Dorothy, Joyce, Pauline, Kenneth, Janet, Emma, Ida, Joann

Health concerns: Carl, Jean, Trey, Tim, Nancy, Rick, Eric, Sherry, Donald, Barb, Melissa, Kenneth, Tom, Maggie, Wayne, Suzanne, Shannon, Neil, Christopher, Paul, Ron, Martha, Ken and Lorraine, Jason, Dick and Sis, Linda, Mona, Roma, Brian, Kay, Lisa, Ann

Bereavement: The families of Gwen, Deb, Dennis, Sarah, Rudy

Other: Edward, Grace S., Jen T., Kathy S., Tina, Ginny

Medical field and first responders: Susan, April, Rachel, Chelsea, Courtney

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship for Advent and the Christmas Season A Savior Made Known

- ❖ Today. Gabriel's Announcement
- ❖ December 13 and 20: Mary Sings then Zechariah Speaks
- ❖ Christmas Eve: The Angels Proclaim.
- ❖ Christmas Concert on December 27. Send recorded submissions from adults and children to Pastor Farrell

Congregational Meeting

December 13 after worship via Zoom

Virtual if you have the internet and at church if you don't. A link to the Zoom event will be provided by email to members. You do not have to have a Zoom account to participate and vote. Copies of the budget are available today at church and will be sent by email later this week

Consistory nominations

Beginning January 2021 for 3 years

We are still looking for more nominations for two elders and two deacons. Let anyone on Consistory as soon as possible. You may express your own interest in these positions.

2021 Giving Envelopes: These are available for pick up on Wednesdays during office hours or on Sundays.



LCCM noon meal

Saturday, December 26

We are preparing the noon meal for distribution. We need the help of a limited number of people to keep to pandemic restrictions, but more needy people are coming. You must sign up with Rebecca G.

Advent Children' Books with stickers

Please pick them up if you haven't received one. Extras are available for \$2.

2020 Zion Goshert's Christmas ornaments

Give an ornament; get an ornament (actually you'll get one even if you don't give one).

Give an ornament: each family (or person) is asked to make an ornament to decorate the tree in church – anything you like. Put your name on it and even especially your picture. It can be of any material.

Get an ornament: each family will receive an ornament to mark this historic year of faith and faithfulness.

They will be available by 11/22 in church or during office hours. Twenty extras are available for \$3 each.

Thanks for the Children's Christmas Program

Many thanks to the families who participated, to Gloria and Pastor Bruce for organization and distribution, to Rebecca for video production, to Amanda, Allison, Elsie, Tracy, Kacy, Gloria & Barb for decorating the sanctuary, to John S for the tree and to Jason B for its transport.

1604 Mount Zion Road



We bought this property adjacent to our church in August.

Now we need to pay for this long-term faith effort. We have reached about \$125,000 of \$210,000.

A thermometer poster representing giving toward the project is on display in the narthex.

Please give special consideration to giving as we approach the end of 2020.

Needed! Worship song compiler

Weekly, now through March 31, 2021

We use CCLI (Christian Copyright Licensing International) to license certain songs we sing in worship.

Periodically, they require a song compilation so the composers can be paid. The compiler will receive a

worship bulletin by email, then cut and paste the CCLI songs into one document. This is a legal requirement.

Please let Pastor Farrell know if you are willing to take on this task.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Trevor H.	Sunday	Willard D. & Richelle B.	Thursday
Elsie S.	Monday	Myrtle H.	Friday

INFORMATION

- **Worship bulletins & announcements** sent each week to all whose email address is in the church directory. Please add info@ziongosherts.org to your contact list to make sure you receive the email. Thank you!
- **For pastoral care:** call/text 717-222-1401 or e-mail bruce.d.farrell@gmail.com.
- **Pastoral day off:** Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to Friday 6:30 p.m.
- **Announcements:** Send information to Jean B
- **Lectors:** If you are not able or available, please procure your own substitute and let the pastor know or ask him for help.

GIVING

We continue to do ministry and have expenses during the pandemic. Thank you for your continued giving.

You may bring your offering to worship or Wednesday office hours. You may give via [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly).

You may mail your check (not cash) to the church or to Jessica N

Joe M (see Church Directory) is Zion Goshert's contact person if you need help setting up [tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly).

DIRECTIONS FOR WORSHIP DURING THE PANDEMIC

We are currently having worship in the sanctuary, on Facebook, and the phone.

If you have access to one of latter two alternatives, please consider using one to mitigate risks.

Announcements and the worship bulletin will be available at church and via email and computers.

In the Sanctuary

1. An effective mask properly worn is required at all times when you are inside the church for all those two years old and over.
2. Seating will be designated to keep six-foot distancing (i.e. every other pew).
3. Do please sit with your pandemic pods.

On Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ziongoshertsucc/> live or when you have time.

On the telephone: 717-202-4403 Please note: if you receive a busy signal, keep calling back.