

Zion Goshert's United Church of Christ

December 19, 2021

Welcome to everyone joining us today for Worship.

Bruce Farrell, Pastor

Jean B, Secretary

Tara Z, Accompanist

This week's Lectors: Neil B

Next week's Lector: Susan F

THIS WEEK at ZION GOSHERT'S

Today	10 a.m.	4 th Sunday of Advent. Waiting to be Satisfied
Wednesday	9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Pastor's office hours
Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Voices of Zion rehearsal: join us for Christmas music
December 24	7 p.m.	Christmas Eve worship; see below
December 26	10 a.m.	Carols from around the World

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have prayer requests, please contact the pastor.

Our shut-ins: Joyce, Pauline, Kenneth, Ida, June, Loretta

Health concerns: Joe, Tina, Nancy, George, Jean, Trey, Betty, Tim, Deb, Karen, Roger, Rick, Chrissy, Katherine, Eric, Sherry, Kenneth, Rick, Rick, Linda, Hadassah, June, Neil, Christopher, Paul, Martha, Mona, Alex, Roma & Larry, John, Kathryn, Chris, Owen, Dave

Bereavement: The families of Tessa, Tom, Russell, and Wayne

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

UPCOMING WORSHIP

- ❖ December 19 4th Sunday of Advent: Waiting to be Satisfied ~ Joel 3, John 4
- ❖ December 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Celebration: Voices of Zion mini cantata and special music: Love's Arrival ~ Titus 3 and Galatians 4
7pm
- ❖ December 26 Carols from around the world: John 3:16
- ❖ January 2 New Year's Communion. Installation of new Deacons and Elders
Rev. Rick Luciotti preaching, our member and the Penn Central Coordinator as part of the pastoral transition.
- ❖ January 9 Pastor Farrell's retirement Sunday. Pastor Farrell preaching. Rev. Tony Fields representing the Lebanon Association

EVENTS

You're invited to a catered Retirement Luncheon

in honor of Pastor Farrell to celebrate 43 of pastoral ministry.

Sunday, January 9, after morning worship

at Gear's Lutheran Social Hall (around the corner from church)

RSVP: please sign up in the narthex or contact Jean B.



ZG Youth Group

And the last Sunday of each month. 7th – 12th graders. Bring your friends and family!

Last Sunday of the month

CONGREGATIONAL NEEDS



Lector

Today

One more lector is needed for Christmas Eve worship. Please see Pastor Farrell.



Pastoral Search Committee.

Volunteers are still being sought. We want the members to be representative of the congregation. Let any Consistory member know of your interest.



Video Volunteers

Sunday worship services

Looking for additional rotating volunteers for live and recorded video of Sunday worship services. For more information, see Jason D.



Worship

Weekly beginning January 9

The church has chosen to use supply preachers for the time being. These people will usually give a sermon title/theme, scriptures and occasionally will suggest certain songs or hymns. S/he will not create and format a liturgy with music and prayers, etc. Templates and training are available. This work takes four to six hours a week. It is sent digitally on Saturday and print copies are needed. See President Neil B.



Announcements

Weekly beginning January 9

A volunteer is needed to type the announcements each week. These will need to be printed by this person or another. They are sent digitally on Saturday. Templates and training are available. This work takes 30-60 minutes each week. We have not resumed creating a slide show of announcements. See President Neil B.



Video Data Projector (VDP)

Weekly beginning January 9

A volunteer(s) is needed to format the slides for the screen each week. This important work decreases barriers for some, enabling them to participate in worship. That person or a separate person is needed each Sunday to run the VDP. Templates and training are available. Neither of these jobs are difficult. Making the slide show takes about one hour each week in addition to setting up by 9:30 each week and attending worship. See President Neil B.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Poinsettias

Today

Please let Jean B. know today if you would like a poinsettia that you may pick up after it graces the sanctuary of Christmas Eve. \$5.25



Giving envelopes

Please pick up your own pack as well as those for other relatives or neighbors.



Church flowers

Now that we're back in church, don't forget that you may sign up in the narthex for church flowers.

THANK YOU'S



Decorating of Sanctuary for Advent and Christmas

Thanks to those decorated for Christmas to give us visual reminders of this blessed event.



LCCM noon meal

Thank you to those who participated in the meal preparation December 4 and especially to Rebecca G for coordinating the effort.



Children's Christmas program: Thanks to all who participated and had a leadership role especially to Gloria B



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Michelle M.	Monday	Christina H.	Thursday
Jesus	Saturday	Harper D.	Saturday

SAVE THE DATES

January 16: Brothers' in Grace
 January 23: Bryan Smith from Lebanon County Christian Ministries
 January 30: Rev. Joel Jackson preaching

INFORMATION

- **Worship bulletins & announcements** are 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 it.
- **For pastoral care:** call/text 717-222-1401 or e-mail bruce.d.farrell@gmail.com.
- **Pastoral day off:** Fridays
- **Announcements:** Send information to Jean
- **Lectors:** If you are not able or available, please procure your own substitute or contact Susan Farrell. Let the pastor or Susan know.

WORSHIP WITH US EACH SUNDAY AT 10AM

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.