

GOD IS GOOD...ALL THE TIME!

OFFICE HOURS

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SUNDAY MORNING:

9:00 AM Worship

9:30 AM Sunday School

9:45 AM Adult Bible Study

10:30 AM Worship

TUESDAY

6:00 PM Worship

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 2: LIPY gift buying
event at Zion/Oxford

December 4: 7:00 PM

Making Sense of the Cross

December 6, 13, 20: 6:30 PM

Choir Rehearsals

December 9: 4:00 PM

Blue Christmas Healing Service

December 10: 6:00 PM

Stephen Ministry

**December 11: 7:00 PM Church
Council**

December 16: LIPY @ Lutheran
Healthcare Center

December 24: Christmas Eve
Worship @ 4:00 and 6:00 PM

December 25: Christmas Day
Worship @ 10:00 AM

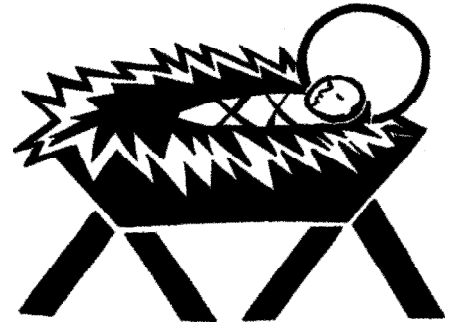
(No 6:00 PM worship)

December 30: One worship
@ 10:00 AM

December 31: Office Closed

Zion Lutheran Church DECEMBER 2012

*"And she gave birth to her firstborn son
and wrapped him in bands of cloth,
and laid him in a manger,
because there was no place
for them in the inn."
(Luke 2:7)*



Dear friends in Christ,

Each year as we celebrate again the wonder that is Christmas – the presence of God come among us as a baby, I wonder what it was like on that first night so very long ago. What must it have been like, to lay a newborn in the manger? To place a tiny child into a rough animal feedbox filled with scratchy hay? To have given birth in a stable, so far from home? The quiet beauty that we see in the Nativity now, that scene that is so familiar to us now was rough and strange to Mary and Joseph. But that uncomfortable manger held the Christ child. The manger held Glory; the stable housed Love.

Our lives might feel quite a little rough around the edges sometimes, and not quite what we were expecting or hoping for. Yet the Christ child comes for us too...Jesus comes to enter into our lives, to bring us Love, to shine Glory in our hearts. Jesus is the long-awaited promise, the fulfillment of our hopes and dreams.

God is always with us – as the babe-in-a-manger, as the dying-one-on-the-cross, offered to us in Holy Communion and present in the fellowship we share together as believers.

Please join us on Christmas Eve at 4:00 or 6:00 PM, and Christmas morning at 10:00 am, as we gather in worship to sing, pray and rejoice together in joy and wonder at the birth of Jesus, God-in-our-midst, the Word made flesh. May this coming year fill you and yours with hope and grace and may you be comforted by the unfailing Love of our God, who is always with us.

In the peace of the Christ child, Pastor Nancy

IMPORTANT REMINDER!

In case of emergency hospitalization or death – the best, and quickest, way to reach Pastor Nancy is by calling 508-499-8787. By calling this number, you can reach Pastor Nancy immediately.



A big thank you to all who donated funds to purchase turkeys for families at the Oxford Food Shelf.

The need was great, and your generous donations helped to buy 190 turkeys.

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

December 24, 2012: Christmas Eve Worship

4:00 PM Children's Pageant and Holy Communion Worship
(All children welcome to be in the pageant)

6:00 PM Traditional Candlelight/Holy Communion Worship

December 25, 2012: Christmas Day Worship 10:00 AM

(No 6:00 PM evening worship)

Sunday, December 30, 2012

One Service at 10:00 AM No Sunday School or Adult Ed

December 31, 2012

Office Closed

January 1, 2013

Office Closed - *No Tuesday evening worship service*

Sunday, January 6, 2013

Epiphany Festival Choral Worship

Featuring youth and adult choir One Service at 10:00 AM
No Sunday School or Adult Ed.

January 8, 2013

Tuesday evening worship resumes at 6:00 PM

Sunday January 13, 2013

Regular Worship Schedule Resumes

9:00 AM and 10:30 AM Worship Services

Sunday School 9:30 AM Adult Education at 9:45 AM



"Blue Christmas Service"

Service of Hope and Healing

Sunday, December 9,

at 4:00 P.M.

"Blue Christmas" is a brief, informal, candlelit service for those who find that the holidays are not always joyous.

If you find the Christmas season to be painful or lonesome, please join us for a quiet service of hope and healing.

Light refreshments and conversation will be available following the service.

Extra invitations for this service are posted on the Stephen Ministry bulletin board for your use to invite others for whom this service would be helpful.



ADVENT MIDWEEK WORSHIP

Join us for Mid-week Advent services – a quiet pause amid the hectic holiday season
Tuesdays at 6:00 PM
December 4, 11 and 18.—
Dinner Church - a light dinner and communion candlelight worship – all-in-one. Prepare your heart and soul for the coming of the Christ Child. If you can bring a soup or salad, please sign up on bulletin board.

Dear congregation members and friends of Zion,

We write to you as your congregation council to thank you for all your support in this past year. Many of you serve God in a variety of ways here at Zion and in the community in worship, evangelism, property, social service, Christian education, hospitality, visitation and Stephen ministries, and more. All of our efforts together are needed so that Zion can continue to be a visible sign of God's healing presence in this community.

At congregational meeting in November we passed a budget that we believe will allow us to do good and exciting ministry in the coming year. Our plans are prudent but hopeful.

Right now, our finances are, like many of yours, a little tight. Our operating budget is slim, the cash reserves are low, while the need for our ministry continues to grow. We write to ask you, as you are able, to consider increasing your giving a little more this year. And, if you have not yet pledged an amount for next year, we encourage you to do so. It helps us to plan our spending if we have good estimates of giving.

Please know that all of our gifts, large and small, work together so that we can do God's Work with Our Hands in this place.

In faith, **The council of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church**



WORSHIP LEADER OPPORTUNITIES

There are lots of opportunities for worship leaders to help out during the many worship services we have during the Christmas season.

We will need extra readers for Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, the Lessons and Carols service on December 30th and the Epiphany Festival Choral service on January 6th.

We will also need ushers, communion assistants, greeters and acolytes. Please sign up on the bulletin board for any roles you are willing to serve in.



MAKING SENSE OF THE CROSS: COFFEE AND CONVERSATION ABOUT THE CENTRAL SYMBOL OF OUR FAITH.

Join Pastor Nancy for a series about how we make sense of the Cross. At each session, we will watch a brief video presentation by David Lose, Professor of Biblical Preaching at Luther Seminary. Then we will consider the issues and questions he raises and discuss their importance in our faith life. **Join us for the next session, Tuesday, December 4th at 7:00 PM. Come even if you missed the previous sessions.**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JESUS!

We at Zion Lutheran Church are celebrating your birthday as we participate in giving to those in need.

Through our Angel Trees, we help area children, young mothers, and the elderly celebrate Christmas. Through the Oxford Food Pantry, we help feed the hungry in our community. Through our Blue Christmas service, we help those who are poor of spirit and need your loving arms to rest in.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to spread the love that you have given us so freely to those among us who need to be shown your love. Help us to find more opportunities to give generously. We ask you this in your name, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. **Your Stewards at Zion of Oxford**

Please remember that in order for the Stewardship Committee to know who needs to receive 2013 envelopes, you need to return your Commitment Card.

Thank you, Your Stewardship Committee



CHOIR NEWS AND SCHEDULE

The choir is always looking for new members. Anyone is welcome to join the choir. The rehearsal and singing schedule through Christmas is printed below. Rehearsals are **6:30-8:00 PM** on Thursday evenings in the church basement. Talk to Chris Costello.

DECEMBER

Rehearsals: December 6, 13, 20 **6:30 – 8:00 PM**

Sing during service: December 9, 2

warm up 9:45 AM

Special singing at Christmas Eve Worship

December 24, 6:00PM, warm up 5:30 PM

Choir members are needed to support the singing on Sunday December 30th as there will be a Lessons and Carols service. Your voices placed throughout the congregation will be important on this day.

Questions? Please feel free to speak with me before or after services, or call my home (508) 943-1424.

In Peace and Harmony, Chris Costello



COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Would you like to be part of a caring ministry to members who cannot be physically present at church services? Bread and wine from our regular worship can be sent home with prepared lay members to share as an extension of our weekly Holy Communion meal. A brief training session will be held for interested persons. Please speak to Pastor Nancy, or sign up on the bulletin board if you are interested.



FED AND FORGIVEN

Introduction to First Communion course to be offered again this fall....

Not sure if your child is ready for Holy Communion? They can participate in the Intro course and then we can assess their readiness. Open to all...Kids can also come for a refresher or to continue to deepen their understanding of how Jesus comes to us all in the Sacrament. Talk to Pastor Nancy and we will figure out a good time for all who are interested.

EDUCATION NEWS

October 28th, children in 3rd through 8th grade received Bibles as a gift from the Church during the services. The Bibles that were given are the same Bibles used during Sunday School and Confirmation classes. These are great books for the children because they encourage these young minds to read. The pages are full of questions to think about, the back contains stickers to "mark up" your bible – flagging things you like, things you don't like, and things you don't understand. Our classroom leaflets go along with these Bibles so teachers (grades 3-6) will be able to mail home leaflets if a child misses class. We hope to see your children in class, but when they can't be with us I hope they look forward to the mail they will receive!

On November 4th the children helped stuff "Comfort Dolls" which will be distributed around the world to Children with AIDS. The dolls and the children who will be receiving the dolls received a blessing during the 10:30 service that same day.

I can't believe we are preparing for Christmas!

This is what our Advent Season will look like:

12/2 class lesson "A Good Ruler" Jeremiah 33:14-17

12/9 class lesson "Zecharia" Luke 1:68-79

12/16 class lesson "John the Baptist" Luke 3:1-18

12/23 class lesson "Jesus is Born" Luke 2:1-20

12/30 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL One service at 10:00 AM

1/6 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL – One service at 10:00
(children singing in Church)



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

All children invited and welcome to participate in the Christmas Pageant **Christmas Eve at 4:00 PM worship.** Arrive at 3:30 to get a costume! This will be a 'walk-on' pageant --- all who want to participate are welcome. There may be a brief rehearsal at Sunday School the previous week, but it is not required to participate on the 24th. Adults wanted to help with getting the kids ready and doing some costume design (angel wings, sheep ears, etc...) Sign up on bulletin board if you can help.

TIME TO GET TO KNOW YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN A LITTLE BETTER!

Interview with Christopher Murray

What is your name? Christopher Murray

How old are you? 9

How old were you when you joined Zion Sunday School? I don't remember, my mom thinks I was 3

What do you like best about Zion Lutheran Church? I like Coffee Hour the best

What is your favorite thing about Sunday School? Arts and crafts

What is something you like to do to help at Church? I like to help collect the offering

What is something you like to do to help others? I try to be nice to people

What is one interesting thing about yourself that you would like to tell others? I like to write short stories.



DECEMBER LIPY EVENT (Lutheran Inter Parish Youth)

December 2nd from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM Annual Gift Shopping and Wrapping event hosted here at Zion Oxford. Cost is **\$25 (\$20 for gifts, \$5 for supper)**. We will gather at Zion and go to Walmart to shop for gifts for kids from financially needy families in Worcester.

December 16th from 2:30 to 6:00 PM. Christmas Caroling at the Lutheran Health Care center in Worcester. We will sing Christmas carols for and with the residents and then have a party with cookies and snacks.

We need to know who is coming to both of these, so please respond to Pastor Nancy, or on the LIPY facebook page if you are planning to attend. Don't forget - you must submit a 201213 signed permission slip and health form to attend LIPY events.

LIPY-CM

Youth in grades 7-12 are invited to all LIPY events. You **MUST** turn in completed 2012 Covenant and Medical forms before you can attend LIPY events. (Forms are available on the Youth bulletin board in the hallway.) You can also join the LIPY Facebook group to be updated on activity plans. Talk to Pastor Nancy if you have any questions.



"GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN!"

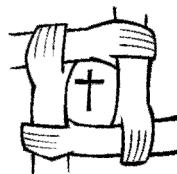
Several years ago, we took a group of teens with us to sing Christmas carols for the residents of the Lutheran Home. As we began our witness of song, many were being "shy" and "hesitant" about their singing. They softly mumbled their way through the first carol with only a mild sense of "Joy to the World". After the first "pitiful" attempt at singing a carol, I whispered to the kids, "SING! SING! Let your voices be heard!" Gradually the more courageous singers pulled the others along. In the end, the hearts of some of our frail elderly folks were brightened with the sounds of Christmas and with the sight of children who cared about them. The simple act of coming and singing made a difference! It was a great witness!

There is probably no time during the year when we have more opportunities to tell others about our faith or give loving witness than in the pre-Christmas days. We might do it with our singing of Christmas carols, but there are other ways to give **WITNESS** too. The **cards and notes** we send are a witness both in their "message" and in their thoughtfulness. The **caring acts** of mercy and our **gifts** for others are a witness of love. And, of course, **our invitations** to family and friends, neighbors and co-workers may open the door for some to hear again God's good news.

In this special season, let us not be "shy" or "hesitant". **SING! SHARE! INVITE! WITNESS! BRING A FRIEND!**

Like the psalmist we can we can find ways to proclaim: **"The Lord has done great things for us and we are filled with joy!"** (Psalm 126:3)

KOB (Ken Bean) for Evangelism



Doing mission together

SOCIAL MINISTRY NEWS

Thank you to all who contributed for the purchase of turkey baskets to be distributed by the Oxford Ecumenical Food Shelf. \$320 was donated. Also, it has been great to see our collection boxes overflowing with many varieties of canned beans.

The Crop Walkers for Zion, Pastor Nancy, Sue Schade, Pam and David Olsen, and Richard and Paula Clark were the "feet" to support our contributions and on-line pledges totaling \$459. Twenty-five percent of that money stays at our local food pantry.

As Advent begins, our outreach endeavors increase. Giving trees will be placed on tables in the narthex. If you select a tag from the Florence House or the Worcester Project AIDS tree, your gifts must be returned by **December 9**. Please return your presents with the gift tags on them. Florence House gifts should be placed in gift bags; Project AIDS gifts should be unwrapped. Gifts for the elderly can be wrapped in whatever fashion you prefer and should be returned by **December 16**.

On Monday and Tuesday, December 3 and 4, all are welcome and encouraged to join in our "blankets of love" workshop. The project is fun for anyone, ages 10 to 110! **We will start at 6 PM on Monday and 7:00 PM after worship on Tuesday**. Please bring a sharp pair of scissors. No sewing is required. If you want to choose your own fleece, you will need two coordinating one yard pieces. Many hands will make light work!

As always, the social ministry team thanks you for your continued generosity that enables our lights to shine out into the community and the world. We wish you a blessed Christmas.

Paula Kilian Clark

LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES OF NEW ENGLAND FOSTER PARENT OPPORTUNITIES

Each year, more than 300,000 children in the United States need foster families. Lutheran Social Services provides highly personalized supports for foster families who can parent a child in need. Our program provides the highest level of support and services to foster families, including 24/7 emergency on call support as well as generous financial reimbursement, training, networking and respite opportunities. In accordance with our mission to serve and care for people in need, we work with foster children and families of all backgrounds and beliefs.

The ultimate goal of LSS foster care is to help children to reach their potential as members of society by learning positive skills to help them increase their self-esteem, recognize their own innate value as persons, restore their trust in other people, and help them to build and maintain lasting relationships with their foster families and beyond.

Free, no obligation information sessions

Last Thursday of the month 5:30-6:30 PM

891 Montello Street, Brockton, MA 02301 Call 24 hours in advance to save your place 508.580.6716 ext 0



NOTES FROM
THE NOVEMBER 14, 2012
CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Knute Ogdren opened the meeting with meditation and prayer, then showed a video highlighting improvements that are being made to improve the facilities at Calumet and replace the camp minibus. Our council will determine how we will support Calumet at a future meeting.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Evangelism: The October 28 Open House was successful. Tours of the church and outdoor chapel were conducted, the choir performed a beautiful concert and refreshments were served. Thank you to all our bakers. Cecelia Jalbert will continue to represent Evangelism at Council, but Pastor Bean will become the chairman again.

The Financial Secretary reported contributions of \$9840.25 for the month of October.

The Treasurer reported a checking account balance of \$2029.45 and listed total income at the end of October as \$106,082.62.

Stephen Ministry is planning a blue Christmas service on December 9, 2012. The service will be advertised locally. Also, a new class for Stephen ministers will begin in January.

Christian Education reported that "comfort dolls" made by the Sunday school children were blessed at services and will be sent to children who need a bit of cheering up.

Building/Property Committee sends out thanks to everyone who pitched in for the fall clean-up. Upcoming projects include energy conservation and stained glass window maintenance.

Worship Committee will place a Christmas tree which will be decorated with warm apparel to protect the homeless during the upcoming season. After Advent, the mittens, hats, scarves etc., will be delivered to a local homeless shelter.

Social Ministry plans to place giving trees in the Narthex to serve the young families at Florence House, Project AIDS Worcester, and a local nursing home. On December 4 and 5th, blankets of love will be made as additional Christmas gifts.

In her report, **Pastor Nancy** informed us that LIPY's December gathering will be at Zion. A gift buying/wrapping activity for at risk youth in Worcester is planned. Also, Bishop Hazelwood will be worshipping with us on April 14, 2013!

Submitted by Paula Clark



**ZION'S CHRISTIAN
CARE LIBRARY**

The Christmas Collection
by Max Lucado, is our featured book for December. This book features three complete stories – An Angel's Story, The Christmas Candle and the Christmas Child. The book is best explained by the foreword - "In the mystery of Christmas, we find its majesty. The mystery of how God became flesh, why he chose to come, and how much he must love his people.

Such mysteries can never be solved, just as love can never be diagrammed. Christmas is best pondered, not with logic, but imagination.

This book contains Christmas imaginings. Since its release in 1998, God has used it to stretch minds and warm hearts. My earnest prayer is that it does both for you." by Max Lucado. I found this book to both stretch my imagination as well being heart warming and inspirational. Please feel free to check this book and others in Zion's Christian Care Library.

Carol Weinhardt



Sometimes the holidays are not joyous....

The joy of Christmas can turn into a time of painful loneliness and emptiness for those who have suffered a loss or who are going through a difficult time. But help is available. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide confidential, one-to-one, Christian care. They will listen, care, encourage, pray with and for you, and support you through the holidays and as long as your need persists. If you or someone you know is hurting, find out more about Stephen Ministry by talking with one of our Stephen Leaders: [Pat Bean, Jackie Bonneau, Susan Pierce, Pam Olson].

Our Stephen Ministers are there to care!

**ELCA DISASTER RESPONSE
HURRICANE SANDY**

NOVEMBER 2012 www.elca.org/disaster

From the Caribbean to the northern Atlantic coast of the United States, millions of people have evacuated their homes and communities due to Hurricane Sandy. Strong winds and torrential rains have led to flooding and mass destruction. The storm has claimed the lives of at least 84 throughout the United States and the Caribbean.

The storm sent trees crashing down and left neighborhood streets looking like rivers. While destruction on the Eastern coast is devastating, please also remember the damage of Hurricane Sandy in the Caribbean as millions are feeling the impact of this storm.

We need your help. The ELCA is a leader in disaster response. Working through our local affiliates and global church partners; we stand ready to respond. Your gifts will help our church meet the immediate needs of those affected by providing food, water and shelter. And we will continue to help for as long as we are needed.

Please give today. Your gift, designated for "Hurricane Sandy," will be used entirely – 100 percent – in response to this disaster. You can designate your gift for Hurricane Sandy – where the need is greatest, or you can donate gifts specific to the United States or Caribbean. Thank you!

Yes, I want to help!

q ELCA Disaster Response: *Hurricane Sandy – Caribbean* \$ _____ *IDG0080*

q ELCA Disaster Response: *Hurricane Sandy – U.S.* \$ _____ *DDG0079*

q ELCA Disaster Response: *Hurricane Sandy* \$ _____ *DDG0078*

Name _____

Address _____

City State ZIP code _____

Email Address _____

Give through your congregation or send your check directly to: **ELCA Disaster Response, 39330 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694-9300** write "*Hurricane Sandy*" or "*Where Needed Most*" on your check's memo line.



PEACE NOT WALLS

Peace Not Walls is an ongoing ELCA campaign calling for efforts toward a viable, contiguous Palestinian state; a secure Israeli state at peace with its Arab neighbors; and a shared Jerusalem with equal access and rights for Jews, Christians, and Muslims. You can find ways to support our Palestinian brothers and sisters at:

<http://www.elca.org/Our-Faith-In-Action/Justice/Peace-Not-Walls.aspx> .



HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATES

Help us to keep in touch with you. Email Karen your updated address and phone number at: admin@oxfordzionchurch.org.



JANUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please email any newsletter submissions on or before **December 15th**.

**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
FINANCIAL RESULTS
OCTOBER 31, 2012**

We took in \$9,840.25 thousand in Oct and we spent \$10,944.19 thousand in Oct
Expenses exceeded income by \$1,103.94 dollars-- resulting in a deficit for October

For the year, we took in \$106,083 thousand and spent \$119,461 thousand through the month of
October. For the year, Expenses exceeded income by \$13,379. dollars.

For the 10 months of 2012, Revenue is \$19,605 under budget and Expenses are \$6,226 under
budget.

The following is a comparison of 2012 actual to 2012 budget:

	Oct 2012	Jan-Oct 2012 YTD	Budget YTD 10/12	Over/(Under) Budget
Operating Revenue	\$ 9,840.25	\$ 106,082.62	\$ 125,687.50	\$ (19,604.88)
Operating Expenses	\$ 10,944.19	\$ 119,461.20	\$ 125,687.50	\$ (6,226.30)
Income Net of Expenses	\$ (1,103.94)	\$ (13,378.58)	\$ -	\$ (13,378.58)

Expenses	Oct 2012	Jan-Oct 2012 YTD	Budget YTD 10/12	Over/(Under) Budget
Benevolence	\$ 909.00	\$ 8,266.70	\$ 8,583.33	\$ (316.63)
Pastors Ministry	\$ 5,554.92	\$ 58,469.35	\$ 60,374.17	\$ (1,904.82)
Stephen Ministry	\$ 18.00	\$ 464.88	\$ 791.67	\$ (326.79)
Youth Ministry	\$ 12.75	\$ 1,070.30	\$ 833.33	\$ 236.97
Worship & Music	\$ 2,279.35	\$ 22,773.62	\$ 22,607.50	\$ 166.12
Administration	\$ 1,128.92	\$ 11,952.04	\$ 11,980.83	\$ (28.79)
Property Management	\$ 438.33	\$ 5,164.59	\$ 5,920.83	\$ (756.24)
Insurance & Utilities	\$ 218.12	\$ 7,725.23	\$ 11,220.83	\$ (3,495.60)
Education & Outreach	\$ 241.24	\$ 1,270.45	\$ 2,333.33	\$ (1,062.88)
Evangelism	\$ -	\$ 152.70	\$ 250.00	\$ (97.30)
Hospitality	\$ -	\$ 201.66	\$ 250.00	\$ (48.34)
Stewardship	\$ 143.56	\$ 707.90	\$ 541.67	\$ 166.23
Non-budgeted Expenses		\$ 1,241.78	\$ -	\$ 1,241.78
	\$ 10,944.19	\$ 119,461.20	\$ 125,687.50	\$ (6,226.30)

2012 Operating Budget **\$ 150,825.00**

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE AT 10/31/12 **\$2,092.45**

*Respectfully submitted,
Shirley I. Rossmeisl, Treasurer*



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

It's time to think about ordering poinsettias to adorn our sanctuary for Christmas! Your flower donation given to "*the glory of God*" can be given either in **thanksgiving for a special event** or in **memory of a loved one**. A listing of names will appear in our Christmas Bulletin. The cost for the plants this year is \$13.50 per plant.

Please complete the informational form below and either mail it together with your check to the church office or place it in the offering plate. Please make checks payable to **Zion Lutheran Church** with "*Christmas Poinsettias*" in the memo corner. Deadline is: **DECEMBER 14**. Thank you.

Red Poinsettia	7 1/2" Pot	@\$13.50 each	No. Ordered _____	Total: \$ _____
White Poinsettia	7 1/2" Pot	@\$13.50 each	No. Ordered _____	Total: \$ _____
				Grand Total: \$ _____

(Please Print): **Donated By:** _____

Envelope No. (if applicable): _____ **Phone No.:** _____

In Thanksgiving For: _____

In Memory of: _____

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- Karen Borden 01
- Charlene Howland 01
- Ryan Craley 02
- Dayna Larson 04
- Lauryn Larson 04
- Jen Woods 15**
- George Peterson 08
- Susan LeBoeuf 09
- Pam Olson 09
- Kyle Racine 18
- Barbara Katori 18
- Kevin Plaza 22
- Ronald Teece 24
- Pauline Rizner 27
- Sue Schade 27
- Helena Karp 28
- Erik Larson 30

Prayer Concerns

Bishop H. George Anderson, Pat Bean, Claudia Berti, Patricia Brule, Karen Cole, Chris Costello, Fran and Rebecca Chlapowski, Esther Elliott, Liesl Voosen Fields, Alice Grzlecki, Pam Siegmund Foy, Shirley Kilian, Caroline Lorkiewicz, Dorothy McLellan, John Munsch, Peter Pierce, Liona Pollier, Conrad Redlitz, James Rothenburg, Corrinne Rousseau, Doris Skogland, Mark Sweet, **the family and friends mourning the death of Shirley Cariglia.**

To let the pastor know about a prayer concern or to add a name to the printed prayer list, you can tell Pastor Nancy in person or by email, call or email Karen in the office or use the cards in the pews.



ZION IS ON FACEBOOK

<https://www.facebook.com/ZionLutheranChurch>

"Like" the page to keep updated about what is going on.



If you have moved or will be moving in the future, please let us know so that we can change your address, telephone numbers and emails if necessary. We want to stay current with our mailing information.

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