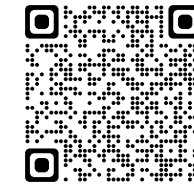
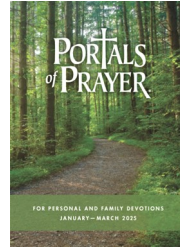


## Start Your Day and Year Off Right

The new Portals of Prayer for **January, February and March** are available in the lobby and Narthex. Linda Clark collects old copies of the Portals, as well as other Christian literature, for donation to others. Please leave them on the bench in the lobby, labeled with her name.



QR Link to Church Website



To everyone who donated to the special Master's Manna collection on Thanksgiving Eve. Because of your generosity, the donation was a whooping **308 pounds!**

Thank you also to Beth Peters who faithfully transports the donations to Master's Manna every month.

## 2025 Officer and Board Elections

Elections will be held at our January Voters Assembly on **Monday, January 20, 2025**, at 7:00 p.m. for our Church Officers. The Nominating Committee is working toward achieving our goal of presenting a full slate of candidates for each of the open positions.

### Positions up for election in 2025 are:

- ◆ President – 2 years
- ◆ Communications Director – 1 year
- ◆ Recording Secretary – 2 years
- ◆ Financial Secretary- 2 years
- ◆ Treasurer – 2 years
- ◆ Music Ministry Chairperson – 1 year

- ◆ Strategic Planning Advisor – 2 years
- ◆ Two (2) Elders – 3 years
- ◆ Two (2) Trustees – 3 years

If you are interested in running for any church office or would like to learn more about the responsibilities and requirements involved with any of the open positions, please speak with Shirley Barillaro (203-265-6860) or Steve Schwink. We will provide you with information relevant to the position you're considering.

We urge you to prayerfully consider serving our Lord in His church here at Zion Lutheran.



*“Blessed with the knowledge of Jesus Christ as our Redeemer and Savior”*

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**The Fourth Sunday in Advent**

**December 21 & 22, 2024**

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# This Week at Zion

## Saturday - December 21

8:30 am Men's Group

4:00 pm Worship

## Sunday - December 22

9:15 am Sunday School / Adult Bible Study

10:30 am Worship & Holy Communion

6:30 pm BSA Drum Group

## Monday - December 23

5:30 pm Preschool Board Meeting

## Tuesday - December 24

4:00 pm Family Worship

7:00 pm Candlelight Worship

11:00 pm Worship & Holy Communion

## Wednesday - December 25

10:30 am Worship & Holy Communion

## Saturday - December 28

4:00 pm Worship & Holy Communion,  
and Master's Manna Collection

## Sunday - December 29

9:15 am Sunday School / Adult Bible Study

10:30 am Worship, and Master's Manna  
Collection

6:30 pm BSA Drum Group

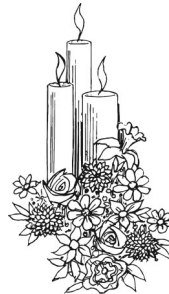
## 2025 Offering Envelopes

are available in  
your lobby mailbox.  
Please let the office know  
if your address info  
on the label is incorrect.

## Altar Flowers and Eternal Lights for 2025

The sign-up lists for next year are posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Envelopes for both are on the lower left corner of the board, under the flower list.

If you're not currently attending in-person services but would like to sign up for next year, please call or email Renee in the church office at 203-269-6847. The office email address is [zion-aa@sbcglobal.net](mailto:aa@sbcglobal.net)



## Prayer Requests from Last Weekend

- We continue to pray for those who have requested our prayers: Cathy, Amy and Kim; Arlene and Sarah; Darrel, Sally and Paul; Ron and Carol; George Vessichio; Bill; Esther; Pete Kennedy, Claire Chamberlain, Janice, and Amy Haupt Shorb.
- For Jeanne Gaudio's cousin Donna.
- For Joe Barillaro, following surgery last Tuesday.
- For younger adults struggling with substance abuse and mental illness.
- For the family and friends of Linda Ruland at her death, that God may bring comfort to those who mourn her departure.



## Christmas Worship

### Christmas Eve

Family Worship  
at 4:00 pm,  
Candlelight Service  
at 7:00 pm,  
Carols and Readings,  
Guitar accompaniment,  
and Candlelight,  
Holy Communion  
at 11:00 pm

### Christmas Day

Worship with  
Holy Communion,  
10:30 am



LITTLE ZION  
PRESCHOOL

## Please Support Our Wonderful Preschool!

### Raise Right Gift Card Fundraiser

Here's a great way to buy Christmas gifts AND  
support the preschool at the same time!

This is a year-long fundraising campaign; the funds raised will help offset family events and special days as well as replace educational materials. If you purchase a gift card (physical or e-card) for a set amount, you are only charged that amount, but the school makes money through a rebate. The amount varies from card (company) to card (company) and there are specials offered throughout the year. If you buy a grocery gift card for \$50, you can use it to buy your groceries totaling \$50. **It will not cost you anything extra!**

