



## **Zoar Baptist Church**

**Dr. Danny West, Interim Pastor (dwest@gardner-webb.edu)**  
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**Janice Rudisail, Administrative Assistant (Janice@zoarchurch.com)**

*We welcome you to worship this morning, we are glad that you're here! Our vision at Zoar is "To see our church and community transformed as we become more like Jesus Christ and lead others to Him." We hope that you find the worship service to be meaningful, spirit-led, and reflective of this vision.*

### **December 20, 2020 – 3rd Sunday of Advent**

Prelude -- Lyn Carroll

Welcome and Prayer – Dr. West

Call to Worship – Lindy Bryson

Announcements – Larry Gamble

Advent Video

Lighting of the Advent Candle – Dr. West

Sermon – “Keeping Time With the Wisemen” – “The Journey” -- Matthew 2: 1-12

Closing Hymn – Precious Promise – Vickie Whitfield

Benediction – Dr. West

Remain standing for the “Hallelujah Chorus”

Postlude – Lyn Carroll

Adult SS Lesson – Rick McDaniel

Kids SS Lesson – Lynn Winecoff

*Please join us for virtual Sunday School beginning at 8:30 am on Sunday morning on Facebook Live at [www.facebook.com/zoarchurch](http://www.facebook.com/zoarchurch).*

*Followed by our on-campus worship service at 10:00 also live-streamed on Facebook.*

*The links will be below the live video feed. You can also find us on our website at*

<http://zoarchurch.com/home/sunday-school-lessons>

<http://zoarchurch.com/home/recent-sermons>

DVD's of the services will be available. Please let the church office know if you would like a DVD copy of the service.

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**Services note: Services note:** We will continue to regather each Sunday with our Sunday School Lessons being virtual at 8:30 on Facebook and the website and then gather on campus at 10:00. We ask those who attend the on-campus service to practice all Covid-19 guidelines. This service will also be live streamed on Facebook.

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**Your Giving:** *Please remember your gifts to the church enable us to continue our ministry efforts to our members and the community! Thank you for your faithfulness! Remember you can drop off your envelopes at the church or safely give on-line at [www.zoarchurch.com](http://www.zoarchurch.com) and scroll down to the "Donate Now" button!*

**Contributions: Week of December 6-- \$4,420.00; Online giving \$175.06;**

**TOTAL: \$4,595.06**

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**ZOAR POST OFFICE** – We encourage the use of our post office boxes directly behind the sanctuary in the hallway to deliver Christmas cards to each other this year!! It would be great if you donated the postage to Lottie Moon!! If you need assistance locating a family's box or can't find yours, please alert one of the deacons! They will be happy to help!

## **Retirement Announcement for Janice Rudisail**

After almost 36 years of serving as our Administrative Assistant, Janice Rudisail has decided to retire December 31<sup>st</sup>. While we will miss her as a staff member here at Zoar, she certainly deserves to enjoy her retirement. We are extremely grateful for her many years of dedicated service.

Under the current circumstances, it is not possible to have a retirement party or reception to honor her for her service. We will place a table in the hallway of the church to allow anyone who desires to leave her a card or gift. The church will also recognize her retirement with a gift. Congratulations, Janice!

NOTE FROM PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Janice Rudisail has decided to retire affective December 31<sup>st</sup>. The Personnel Committee will be accepting applications until Sunday December 27<sup>th</sup>. Please review the general responsibilities of the Administrative Assistant position below.

The Administrative Assistant is directly responsible to the pastor for organizing the tasks and functions of the church office. In addition to general office duties, the administrative assistant will be responsible for assisting all staff and church leadership in the tasks of ministry. Knowledge of Microsoft Word, Microsoft Publisher and general booking skills are desired.

If you feel you are qualified and would like to apply for this position, please submit your resume by mail to:  
Attention: Personnel Committee  
Zoar Baptist Church  
1740 S. Lafayette St.  
Shelby, NC 28152

You can also drop your resume off at the church office. Please place your resume in an envelope marked  
Attention: Personnel Committee

Thanks.  
Personnel Committee  
Ken Gantt – Chairman  
Larry Gamble  
Dean Ledford  
Amelia Poston  
Melody Gamble

**Prayer list: Please keep Janice or Danny updated.**

**HOMEBOUND MEMBERS**

Peggy Allen, Yancey Ellis, Bea Meacham—**Call or email the church office if you would like their addresses**

Bea Meacham The Retreat of Gaffney 101 Park Court Suite 311B Gaffney, SC 29341
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**MEMBERS**

\*Eddie Winecoff, Atrium Shelby, covid  
Jane & Tommy Willis, recovering from injuries from a bad car wreck  
Clyde Humphries, recovering from surgeries, began radiation on November 25th  
Ann Hamby, pneumonia  
Joe Dean Estep, Hospice at home, Shelby, also pray for Jeanette & Elaine  
Micki Hamrick  
Terry Bradley, kidney disease  
Barbara Rogers, pain from gum surgery; shingles, loss of her mother  
Andrea McSwain, terrible back pain  
Ernie Rogers, waiting for surgery to be scheduled  
Kelly McDaniel, continuing treatment for cancer

Mike Webber, continuing health concerns  
Dick & Amelia Poston  
Debbie Dover  
Rachel Oakes, fell  
Andrew Ledford  
Nancy Brewer, home  
Dan Jolly, Jr., recovering at home  
Brinda Lewis, prayers for family  
Ramon Espinoza  
John Tesseneer  
Marlene Willis  
Pastor Search Committee & Worship Leader Search Committee

**FRIENDS AND RELATIVES\***

\*Terry Gold, former worship leader here at Zoar, Covid  
Stephanie Dover Boone, lung surgery  
Elaine Estep, covid  
Miley White Brockman, recovering from breast cancer surgery  
Jeanne West, Pastor Danny's wife, home, awaiting tests  
Edith Early, friend of Debbie Dover's sister, surgery for detached retina  
Josh Marlowe, Martha & Dean's son-in-law, recovering from surgery  
Vicki Moon, friend of Debbie Dover, in hospital, trouble breathing and swelling  
Kay Webber Crawley, mastectomy  
Jill Hamrick Martin, daughter of Rhonda Newton's neighbor, kidney transplant  
Kim Cantrell, Kim Tesseneer's sister-in-law, back surgery  
Laurie Klum, Eddie & Lynn Winecoff's niece, cancer treatments  
Andrea Beacham, recovering from Covid-19  
Matt Lee's mother, Kay Urfer  
Carol Condrey, recovering from knee surgery  
Kami Weaver, moved to top of transplant list  
Harry Cantrell  
Alex Carroll  
Sawyer Raines, grandson of Amelia & Dick Poston and son of Juleigh & Matthew Raines; Stage 1 NEC (intestinal disease)  
Madeline Parker, Kim Tesseneer's sister's mother-in-law  
Lynn Hamrick, home from Hospice  
Elizabeth Coffey  
Mandy Hollifield, daughter-in-law of Eckels & Sybil, cancer has returned  
Judy Davidson, niece of John & Ray McSwain  
Military personnel, 1<sup>st</sup> responders, and Law Enforcement and their families

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**Community missions:** If you or someone you know has a need for medicine pickup, transportation, clothes or food, please contact the mission action team by calling the church office or emailing [missions@zoarchurch.com](mailto:missions@zoarchurch.com). Also, if you know of a student who does not have internet access for school and needs it, please contact the mission action team.

## Your Mission Actions for the Holidays

Blessings continue! ..... Your Mission Action Committee has the following opportunities for us to bless others this holiday season!

- **Baskets for Seniors** - the opportunity to fill holiday baskets for a neighborhood in our area! (see below)
- **Food Ministry** - We are getting food boxes thru the mission camp and distributing them to folks in our church and the community. We need food donations for our food closet (see list in bulletin)
- **Ringing the bell** for the Salvation Army at Ingles in Boiling Springs - If you would like to participate please see list on trophy case in hallway or email [missions@zoarchurch.com](mailto:missions@zoarchurch.com) ASAP.
- **Thanksgiving Meal at the Mission Camp** – Thank you to all who prayed, donated money or your time for this event!!
- **David and Hannah Mora** – We are collecting donations to help the Mora’s recover from the devastation of Hurricane Eta & Iota. If you would like to make a donation, please use the DONATE button on the church’s website home page ([www.zoarchurch.com](http://www.zoarchurch.com)) and on the drop down menu pick David and Hannah Mora, or put your donation in an envelope and mark it DAVID AND HANNAH and drop it off at the church office. We will be collecting donations thru the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of December.
- **Lottie Moon Offering** – Don’t forget our foreign missionaries – all monies given go directly to the foreign mission field.



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### NOTES FROM BRITTNYE:

**Backpack Food Program:** Thank you all so much for your continued support of our backpack food program. Without you all we would not be able to fill 10 bags each week with even more food than we supplied last year! 2020 has looked a bit different and has caused children to be home more and due to that, the amount of food they are in need of has increased. Without fail every week you have dropped off more than enough food for what I needed and I am forever grateful.

If you do not have an assigned food item and you want to drop off as you can here are some items that we use as "extras": popcorn, fruit roll ups/gummies, individual bags of cookies, little Debbie cakes, and/or candy. These are items that I do not have every week but on occasion someone will donate and I can add them in our bags as a nice surprise. If you are out and about and would like to donate something special feel free to do so. OR if you see something you think would be a fun surprise to add into our bags for that week, I would be happy to take it. Again, thank you for all that you do for our backpack ministry!



## Children's Church is

### B.A.C.K!!!

How many of you have missed this????????? I know I have! I cannot **WAIT** to see your little ones back in children's church!!!

Time: **10:00-11ish (during worship service)**

Location: Drop off in the FLC building. We will be having class in the FLC gym.

Details: In order for your child to come to children's church we must do it safely. Before your child is allowed in the FLC gym you will be asked a series of health questions, your child's temperature will be taken, and a mask is required. If a child has a fever they will not be allowed to stay. We do ask, if you have been around anyone that has covid-19 or is sick in any way, that you stay home and worship with us virtually. We are excited to get back into church with our kids but we **MUST** do it safely. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to call or email me. [brittnye@zoarchurch.com](mailto:brittnye@zoarchurch.com)

***\*\*If you do not feel comfortable sending your child back to children's church at this time, I completely understand. I will be hosting a zoom meeting on Sunday evenings at 7:00 p.m. for any child that has missed children's church. IF I know ahead of time that your child will not be in attendance, I can mail out to them the activity/craft that we will be doing each week. Our weekly zoom meeting will cover the same curriculum that the children covered in person. That way no child is being left out. If this is something that you would like to do please email me and let me know so I send you the zoom code. \*\****

### THANK YOU NOTES:

Zoar Church Family, the family of Marshall Bradley wishes to thank you for all your prayers, expressions of love and support during our time of need. Your cards, calls, messages, food and

desserts were appreciated and enjoyed by all our families. We felt your prayers and words of encouragement and that sustained us and continues to sustain us knowing you all are there for us. Our Dad was loved by our family and you. He was a great example of a humble Christian servant leader who cared and loved his family and church family. We take great comfort knowing that he is with Jesus in heaven celebrating his reunion with our mother, Frankie, today.

Marshall Bradley Family

We would like to thank the church family for all your thoughts, prayers and cards during the long illness and passing of our daughter Carrie. We really appreciated it.

Steve and Joanne Smith and family

### **MEMORIAL GIFTS:**

Contribution in memory of Carrie Upshaw by Steve and Joanne Smith, Shannon, Shawn and Ryan

Contribution in memory of Marshall Bradley by Dean & Martha Ledford

Contribution in memory of Marshall Bradley by Rick & Kelly McDaniel

Contribution to Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in memory of Tommy dover, Tom Duncan, Marshall Bradley, Jeanette Bonner and Carrie Upshaw by Ann Hamby

### **2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES**

2021 offering envelopes are available for pickup on the bench at the breezeway entry.

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 <i>Roger Crowe Katelyn Janda *Mr. &amp; Mrs. John McSwain</i>	3	4 <i>Isaac McDaniel</i>	5 <i>Jennifer Toney David Jenkins</i>
6 <i>Luke Whisnant</i>	7 <i>*Mr. &amp; Mrs. Rick McDaniel</i>	8 <i>Amanda Janda</i>	9 <i>Roger Ware Corey Shull</i>	10	11 <i>Carlos Cooper Dean Ledford Janice Rudisail</i>	12 <i>*Mr. &amp; Mrs. David Mora</i>
13	14 <i>Terry Bradley</i>	15	16	17	18	19
20 <i>Brenda Cooper Karen Bell</i>	21 <i>Clyde Humphries</i>	22 <i>Ken Gantt</i>	23 <i>Paulette Bradley Audrea Hedgepeth</i>	24 <i>Dennis Shull *Mr. &amp; Mrs. Woody whisnant</i>	25	26
27 <i>Kim Tesseneer</i>	28	29	30 <i>Micki Hamrick' *Mr. &amp; Mrs. Carlos Cooper</i>	31 <i>Ann Hamby Rickie Bradley</i>		