



Zoar Baptist Church

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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 13, 2020 – 3rd Sunday of Advent

Prelude --

Welcome and Prayer – Dr. West

Announcements – Mickey Bradley

Call to Worship – Jalisa Kale

Advent Video

Lighting of the Advent Candle – Dr. West

Special Music – Lyn Carroll

Sermon – “Keeping Time With the Wisemen” – “The Gifts: -- Matthew 2: 11-12

Closing Hymn – Jalisa Kale

Postlude – Vickie Whitfield

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP SERVICE..

Adult SS Lesson – Martha Ledford

Kids SS Lesson – Brittnye Lee

Please join us for virtual Sunday School beginning at 8:30 am on Sunday morning on Facebook Live at 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.

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.

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 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 31st. 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 31st. The Personnel Committee will be accepting applications until Sunday December 27th. 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 church office if you would like their addresses**

<p>Bea Meacham The Retreat of Gaffney 101 Park Court Suite 311B Gaffney, SC 29341</p>

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MEMBERS

*Zoar Baptist Church expressed sympathy to the family of Marshall Bradley

*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*

*sympathy to the family of Carrie Upshaw, daughter of Steve & Joanne Smith
*sympathy to the family of David Clary, son of Avis Clary
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, 1st responders, and Law Enforcement and their families

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. 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 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) 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 2nd week of December.
- **Lottie Moon Offering** – Don’t forget our foreign missionaries – all monies given go directly to the foreign mission field.

Baskets for Seniors

We have been presented with a need for 25 Christmas baskets for the seniors at Marion West/ West Warren Senior Village. We will also be providing for our homebound members. The following items will need to be placed in each basket: You can buy individual items. You don’t have to provide everything in a basket. We will put the baskets together once all the donations are in.

Small hand lotion	Chap Stick
Pack of pens	Toothpaste

Toothbrush

Soap

Slip resistant Fuzzy socks

Large print crossword puzzle/word search book

soft blanket (the church is providing the blankets)

The baskets will need to be delivered by December 11th. If you or your Sunday School class would like to help fill some of the items, please place them in a zip lock bag and put them in the tub in the hallway outside the Sanctuary, or on the front porch of the office. We will be doing this in place of the church wide shoebox packing. If questions, please email missions@zoarchurch.com or call the church office.

We hope you will be willing to help out with one of these projects. Please let us know if you have questions by calling the church office or email us at missions@zoarchurch.com

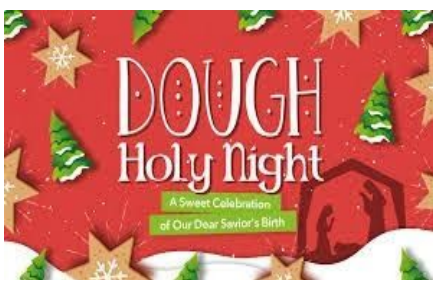
Thanks! Your Mission Action Team



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!



This year we are hosting “Dough Holy Night”—a deliciously fun family experience with the true meaning of Christmas baked in. Together you’ll bake a batch of Christmas cookies and, along the

way, hear the story of the very first Christmas. There's minimal preparation and a video that leads you step-by-step through the entire experience. It's so easy!

This is an ONLINE event sponsored by Zoar Church. That means the video and all supplies are provided by us! How easy is that?! Spots are limited so register your family TODAY! Register NO LATER THAN December 7, 2020. LAST WEEK TO REGISTER!!!!

Supply pick up will be Sunday, December 13th from 11:00-2:00. If you cannot make it that day please let me know so other arrangements can be made.

To register: message us(@zoarchurchkids) here on Facebook OR email brittnye@zoarchurch.com

*you will receive an email back with confirmation that your registration has been received. *



Shelby Middle School Angel Tree

SMS has reached out to us about helping five children this Christmas. These are the children that we sponsor backpacks for each week. They are asking that each person spend around \$50, buying one outfit and at least one thing on their wish list. You do not have to wrap anything. All items are due back to the church no later than December 1st, 2020. If this is something you would like to help with either financially (donating and I will shop for you) or by taking an angel, please email or call me and I will get you all of the necessary information. Thank you so much for your willingness to help.

In Christ,
Brittnye

brittnye@zoarchurch.com

704-718-1479



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

*****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. *****

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Roger Crowe Katelyn Janda *Mr. & Mrs. John McSwain	3	4 Isaac McDaniel	5 Jennifer Toney David Jenkins
6 Luke Whisnant	7 *Mr. & Mrs. Rick McDaniel	8 Amanda Janda	9 Roger Ware Corey Shull	10	11 Carlos Cooper Dean Ledford Janice Rudisail	12 *Mr. & Mrs. David Mora
13	14 Terry Bradley	15	16	17	18	19

<i>20 Brenda Cooper Karen Bell</i>	<i>21 Clyde Humphries</i>	<i>22 Ken Gantt</i>	<i>23 Paulette Bradley Audrea Hedgepeth</i>	<i>24 Dennis Shull *Mr. & Mrs. Woody whisnant</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>
<i>27 Kim Tesseneer</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30 Micki Hamrick' *Mr. & Mrs. Carlos Cooper</i>	<i>31 Ann Hamby Rickie Bradley</i>		