

Special Gifts to Zion Church

In Memory of:

Gene Hodge & Ed Everall by Claudia Hartley

Special Gifts to Building Fund

In Honor of:

Ellen Walters by Mary P. Knight

Jack Steele, JoAnne Smith & Mike Vick by Ralph & Beth Craig

In Memory of:

Ruby Steele by Mary P. Knight

Shoeboxes for Seniors in Lancaster County

We are collecting shoeboxes for Seniors! This shoebox for Seniors project is sponsored by the Lancaster County Council on Aging and gifts will be distributed to the approximately 400 seniors that are served in Lancaster County. If you would like to donate a gift bag, please place your donations in a Christmas gift bag and place in the vestibule by **Sunday, December 9**. Suggestions for shoebox items are: scarves, toboggans, gloves, socks, lap blankets, lotion, powders, deodorant, shampoo, Vaseline, toothpaste, toothbrush, Efferdent/Fixodent, chap stick, towels, washcloths, soap, dryer sheets, dishwashing detergent, Kleenex, paper towels, toilet tissue, cookies, sugar free candy, microwave popcorn, fruit cups, pudding, shoehorn, claw grabber (to get cans off high shelves), crossword puzzle books, word search books, stamps, envelopes, ink pens/pencils, cards (get-well, sympathy, & birthday) for seniors to send to others.

The Adult /Family Ministry invites you to New Hope Baptist Church for their Singing Christmas Tree, Live Nativity, Luminary Walk, & Refreshments on Monday, December 10 at 6pm. Anyone interested in going, please contact Beth Craig.

All women of the church are invited to our Christmas party and meeting on Tuesday, December 11 at 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall. The turkey and ham are being provided and everyone is asked to bring side dishes to share in the meal. Also, spouses are invited!

The Jr & Sr High Youth will be sorting Christmas Cards for our congregation. Please Drop your Christmas Cards into the collection box in the vestibule prior to December 16th to ensure all are sorted and delivered prior to Christmas. ***Donations may be made to the Youth Fund in lieu of Christmas Cards /Card Sorting***

General Fund Expenditures: October 2018

US Postmaster (newsletter postage & stamps)	350.00
Hazel Robinson (bus repairs/gas)	229.09
Wilson Tire (bus tires)	1023.84
SC Conference Treasurer (apportionments)	3172.06
SC Conference Treasurer (Epworth budget)	500.00
Hope in Lancaster (budget)	200.00
Comporium	233.80
SC Conference Direct Billing	3987.76
Terminix	210.00
Simplified Office Systems (annual svc contract)	782.14
Three Boys Lawn Service	500.00
Wycliffe Bible Translators	333.34
Rural Garbage	135.00
People Facts	21.29
Cokesbury (literature)	165.83
Oriental Trading (Christmas)	208.41
Judy Humphreys (community meal)	360.02
William Baker (piano tuning)	105.00
US Treasury (federal withholding)	438.58
Staff Salaries	5167.67
Christian Service (food pantry)	300.00
Billy Sweatt (bus gas)	30.00
Quill (kitchen 72.07, ofc 171.65)	243.72
The Upper Room	95.50
Pastor Jarrell (travel & cont ed)	168.64
Southern Mutual Ins	2444.75
Wespath	44.50
LCNGA	93.08
LCWSD	262.06
Duke Energy	1292.80
Oriental Trading (craft night)	87.89
Cokesbury	33.98
SC Dept of Revenue (state withholding)	240.73
Custodial	712.00
Keli Thomas (kids & youth)	73.87
Quill (ofc 97.19, kitchen 92.84)	190.03
Wells Fargo (service Charge)	29.00
Building Fund Expenditures: October 2018	
Reliance Trust (mortgage)	5616.57

Poinsettias may be placed in the church on Sunday, December 16, and Sunday, December 23. If you wish to place a poinsettia, please purchase them and bring to the church on the 16th. If you would like to place the flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, please give this information to the church office by Tuesday, December 11. Thank you!

Our deepest love and sympathy are extended to the family of Ruby Steele in her death on November 17, 2018

This Week at Zion

Friday, November 23

8:00 am Walking Club

Saturday, November 24

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group

Sunday, November 25

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Morning Worship

No play practice or Jr/Sr High classes

6:00 pm Chancel Choir Practice

Monday, November 26

8:00 am Walking Club

Tuesday, November 27

8:00 am Walking Club

6:00 pm Chrismon Tree Decorating for Advent

Wednesday, November 28

8:00 am Walking Club

Thursday, November 29

8:00 am Walking Club

7:00 am Senior Adult outing to Carolina Opry

Friday, November 30

8:00 am Walking Club

6-8 pm Kids of Zion Craft Night

Saturday, December 1

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group

Zion United Methodist Church

1665 Zion Road
Lancaster SC 29720

Address Service Requested

**U.S. POSTAGE
PAID**

LANCASTER, SC 29720
NON-PROFIT ORG.

**BULK RATE
PERMIT NO. 17**

Church Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 9:00AM - 1:00PM
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Pastor's email: lmjarrell@umcsc.org
Church Secretary email: zionoffice@comporium.net
Financial Secretary email: zionumc@comporium.net
Visit our website: www.zionumc.com



Scripture Focus this week: 2 Sam. 23:1-7, Ps 132:1-12, Rev. 1:4b-8, John 18:33-37. You are invited to continue reading the suggested lectionary Scripture to prepare for Sunday's sermon.

NOTE: The pastor will not be in the pulpit on Sunday, November 25th. Rob Wood will be leading us in worship.

Everyone is invited to come out and help us decorate the Christmas Tree and prepare our Sanctuary for Advent. Our Worship Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, November 27 at 6:00 pm. All are welcome to join us!

ATTEN: Senior Adults traveling to Christmas Show on Thursday, November 29th. We plan to leave the church at 7 am. We will have lunch at Cracker Barrel and arrive at the Carolina Opry by 12:15 pm.

The KIDS of Zion are seeking volunteers for our annual Christmas Craft night on Friday November 30th. Craft night will kick off with dinner at 5:30! Please contact Keli Thomas 803-287-5785 to see how you can add a little Christmas Cheer to this year's annual event.

Coffee and Donut Fellowship: Join us for donuts, biscuits, coffee, juice, and milk on Sunday, December 2 at 9:30 am in the TFLC.

The Youth are sponsoring luminaries that will line the walkways on the night of our Annual Christmas Program & Church wide Christmas party on Sunday December 9th. You may place luminaries in honor or memory of loved ones for \$2 each. Please pick up a luminary form from the vestibule & submit completed forms & donations to Angie Wood or Keli Thomas by December 2nd. **Luminary orders may also be emailed to thomas_keli@yahoo.com**

Toys for Tots:

Faith Bible Sunday School class will again be collecting toys for needy children thru **December 9.** As you do your Christmas shopping, please don't forget this collection! The list for the toys is long! For questions or suggestions, please call Dianne Sweatt, 285-6021. New or good used items are both appreciated. Donations can be placed in the Faith classroom in the Educational Building.

The Kids & Youth of Zion UMC will present to YOU ~ "The Christmas Express" Sunday December 9th at 5:00 PM in the Family Life Center! We will have our church wide Christmas Party and a special visit from Santa. Everyone is invited to bring sandwiches, chips, cookies, and finger foods immediately following our Program! Mark your calendars and plan to attend.

Last Week's Record

Prayers: Are you praying for our church?

Presence:

Present for 11/18 Sunday School 71
Present for 11/18 Morning Worship 120

Gifts:

Needed each week for General Operating Expenses, this includes TFLC mortgage \$5899
Received 11/18 for General Fund \$2513
Received for Building Fund \$274
Received for Epworth Children's Home \$140

Musings ~A Poem of gratitude

I have always enjoyed poetry as a way of expressing the deeper emotions of the heart. One of my favorite poets has always been E. E. Cummings, as much for his sense of apparent whimsical silliness in writing in all lower-case letters with weird punctuation, sort of thumbing his nose at the rules of the English language. Beneath this however, is a depth of understanding and insight. One his poems I think appropriate for the season is this, *i thank YOU GOD for most this amazing.*

I thank YOU GOD for most this amazing

E. E. Cummings

I thank You God for most this amazing day: for the leaping greenly spirits of trees and a blue true dream of sky; and for everything which is natural which is infinite which is yes

(i who have died am alive again today, and this is the sun's birthday; this is the birth day of life and of love and wings: and of the gay great happening illimitably earth)

how should tasting touching hearing seeing breathing any—lifted from the no of all nothing—human merely being doubt unimaginable You?

(now the ears of my ears awake and now the eyes of my eyes are opened)

Be grateful this thanksgiving season and share that gratitude first with God and then with the world around you.

Pastor Michael

Our Prayer List as of Monday

Gene Blackmon	Virginia Horton	Eva Small
Nancy Blackmon	Kyle Hudson	Horace Small
Marion Boswell	Libby Hunter	Greg Smith
Caleb Catoe	Melinda Hunter	JoAnne Smith
Sue Catoe	Rick Joyner	Freda Snipes
Linda Coker	Henry Ray Knight	Karen Starnes
Sandra Cope	Tommy Knight	Becky M. Steele
Bill Dingler	Lillian McAteer	Jim Thomas
Sophia Dixon	Linda McAteer	Sarah Pauline Thre- att
Angie Dobson	Mary Jane McAteer	Mike Vick
Bill Dunn	Max McDonald	Pat Vick
John Elder	Tammy McMillian	Robert Vick
Billy Estridge	Dessie McWaters	Sandra Walker
Nancy Evatt	Phyllis Morgan	Ellen Walters
Ashley Fort	Rusty Mosier	Qa' Mora Walton
JoAnn Funderburk	Betty Jo Phillips	Randy Williams
Sam Funderburk	Ann Powers	EmmaGene Wright
Steve Ghent	Vicky Pickett	Kim Yost
Travis Gordon	Ann Reed	Our President & Troops
T.R. Grier	Bennie Robinson	
Bucky Hardin	Kathleen Robinson	
JoAnn Hinson	Bonnie Sears	

Serving Zion UMC this Sunday

Liturgical Color: White

Flowers: Mrs. Suzanne Evans

11:00 am Nursery: Claudia & Cierra Hartley

Children's Church volunteers: Angie Wood & Bethany Hayes

Ushers: Max Funderburk, Earl Hinson, Chris Massey, and Tony Broughton

Worship opening and closing: Hazel Robinson

Sunday Evening Program Volunteers:

No Evening Programs

UMM HOBO DINNER FUNDRAISER

Sunday, December 2, 2018

Zion's Thompson Family Life Center

1665 Zion Road, Lancaster, SC

Menu: pinto beans, potatoes, cabbage, pork loin, cornbread, dessert & drink. **Donation:** Adults & youth 12 & older: \$6.00, ages 6-11 \$4.00, under 6 free. **Eat in or take out! Tickets now available from members of the Men's Club!**