

Special Gifts to Zion Church

In Honor of:

My Lil Sister, Sadie Grace Thomas Love, Colton
Lillian McAteer by Rick and Judy Payne
Chad Payne on his 40th birthday Love, Mom
My son, Timothy Langley on his birthday December 30 Love always, Mom

In Memory of:

Wink McAteer by Rick and Judy Payne
Mike Payne by Judy
Richard "Joe" McAteer by Wanda Murphy
In loving memory of Mike Payne by Judy

Special Gifts to Building Fund

In Honor of:

Becky H. and Jack Steele on their anniversary by Darlene Hallman
Ellen Walters by Carolyn Massey, Barbara Catoe and Tommy Knight
Makenzie and Lee Hall by Barbara Hall
EmmaGene Wright by Carolyn Massey
Jamison Craig by Ken & Lib Preslar
EmmaGene Wright on her birthday by Darlene Hallman
Joseph and James by Papa Jack and Mae Mae

In Memory of:

Jamie Craig by Ken & Lib Preslar

In Lieu of Christmas Cards, a donation was made to the Building Fund in honor of my church family—Merry Christmas!
By Libby Morris

Zion Family,

Thanks so much for the food, the gift bag, visits, calls, and most of all for your prayers. The kindness and love you show means so much. God Bless you all ~ Love, Jo Anne Smith

Hope you all have a good Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thanks for what you all do each year!! ~ From Jennifer Dodds, Jenne Kendrick, Sharon Ellis, & Evelyn Johnson (residents at Lancaster Disability and Special Needs)

Hope everyone there will have a Merry Christmas and a Happy and healthy 2019. ~ Ernest Sweat

As most of you know, our UMW sell Rada knives to benefit their mission outreach. We will be placing an order soon. If you have a particular knife you would like to order or if you would like to look at a catalogue, please let Libby Morris know.

This Week at Zion

Friday, January 4

8:00 am Walking Club

Saturday, January 5

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group

Sunday, January 6

9:30 am Coffee & Donut Fellowship

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Morning Worship

5:00 pm Jr./Sr. High classes

6:00 pm Chancel Choir practice

Monday, January 7

8:00 am Walking Club

Tuesday, January 8

8:00 am Walking Club

7:00 pm United Methodist Women's Meeting

Wednesday, January 9

8:00 am Walking Club

Thursday, January 10

8:00 am Walking Club

6:00 pm Weekly Chicken Bog Meeting

Friday, January 11

8:00 am Walking Club

Saturday, January 12

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group

General Fund Expenditures: November 2018

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| US Treasury (federal withholding) | 438.62 |
| Hazel Robinson (bus gas) | 42.76 |
| Southern Carpet Care (sanctuary carpet) | 376.00 |
| Quill (kitchen) | 53.55 |
| Wycliffe Bible Translators | 333.34 |
| Rural Garbage | 135.00 |
| Pastor Jarrell (travel, cont ed, youth) | 230.98 |
| Keli Thomas (kids & youth) | 231.06 |
| David C. Cook | 774.34 |
| Comporium | 229.69 |
| Cokesbury | 82.89 |
| Staff Salaries | 5183.07 |
| SC Conf Direct Billing | 2087.88 |
| People Facts | 416.20 |
| Three Boys Lawn Service | 500.00 |
| US Postmaster | 225.00 |
| Quill (kitchen) | 204.699 |
| Wilson Tire (bus tires) | 874.80 |
| Wespath | 44.50 |
| Door Specialties | 170.00 |
| State Farm Ins (buses) | 262.02 |
| Duke Energy | 628.90 |
| LCWSD | 257.52 |
| LCNGA | 109.38 |
| Wells Fargo (svc chg) | 2.00 |
| The Home Depot | 77.76 |
| Hobby Lobby (candles) | 38.46 |
| Rite Aid (lights) | 21.38 |
| Custodial | 712.00 |
| Quill (kitchen 30.23, ofc 200.21) | 230.44 |
| PaPa John's Christmas tree farm | 200.00 |
| Cokesbury (literature) | 21.98 |

Building Fund Expenditures: November 2018

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| Reliance Trust (mortgage) | 5616.57 |
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Fund Balance Report as of November 30, 2018

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| General..... | 15,263.49 |
| Building..... | 38,818.48 |
| Altar Cloths/Banner..... | 275.00 |
| Bus..... | 8,031.96 |
| Children..... | 3,114.73 |
| Legacy Funds (Bldg/maint.).... | 28,359.03 |
| Miscellaneous..... | 3,954.81 |
| Needy..... | 306.43 |
| Tony Neal..... | 9,376.30 |
| Youth..... | 1,487.54 |



Zion United Methodist Church

1665 Zion Road
Lancaster SC 29720

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| LANCASTER, SC 29720 NON-PROFIT ORG. |
| BULK RATE PERMIT NO. 17 |

Church Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 9:00AM - 1:00PM
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Visit our website: www.zionumc.com

Scripture Focus this week: Isa. 60:1-6, Ps. 72:1-7, 10-14, Eph. 3:1-12, Matt. 2:1-12. You are invited to continue reading the suggested lectionary Scripture to prepare for Sunday's sermon.

Visitors on 12/23: Eric and Tammy Lewis, Landon, Bethany, Jesse and Madison.

Visitor on 12/30: Eric Broughton

2019 Offering Envelopes are available in the church vestibule or in your Sunday School classrooms. As in years past, assigned numbers are not necessary. Please take as many boxes as you feel your family needs.

Coffee & Donut Fellowship: Join us for donuts, biscuits, coffee, juice, and milk on **Sunday, January 6 at 9:30 am in the fellowship hall.**

The Jr./Sr. High Sunday evening classes will resume this Sunday, January 6th. The Kids of Zion class will resume mid January.

ATTENTION All Jr/Sr High Youth interested in attending Revolution 2019! Please contact Keli Thomas at 803-287-5785 regarding signing up and details! The Revolution trip for 2019 will be a Day trip- No overnight stay for this year! **The final date to sign up and pay your \$25 registration fee per attendee will be Sunday, January 6.**

The 2019 Zion informational directory is currently being updated and will be printed next week. If you have any address or telephone changes that the church office needs to be made aware of, please contact Tonya by **Monday, January 7th.** Please email changes or updates to zionoffice@comporium.net or call the office at 285-3864.

All women of the church are invited to our United Methodist Women's meeting on Tuesday, January 8 at 7:00 pm in the fellowship hall. We will install our officers and Dianne Sweatt will lead the Prayer and Self Denial program. We will receive a special Prayer and Self Denial offering, please come prepared. A nursery will be provided.

Last Week's Record

Prayers: Are you praying for our church?

Presence:

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| Present for 12/23 Sunday School | 79 |
| Present for 12/23 Morning Worship | 143 |
| Present for 12/30 Sunday School | 63 |
| Present for 12/30 Morning Worship | 110 |

Gifts:

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| Needed each week for General Operating Expenses, this includes TFLC mortgage | \$5899 |
| Received 12/23 for General Fund | \$3123.75 |
| Received for Building Fund | \$416 |
| Received for Community Meal | \$60 |
| Received for Epworth Children's Home | \$120 |
| Received 12/30 for General Fund | \$4698 |
| Received for Building Fund | \$876 |
| Received for Epworth Children's Home | \$120 |
| Received for Chicken Bog Bake Sale | \$30 |
| Received for Facility use | \$50 |

Serving Zion UMC this Sunday

Liturgical Color: White

Flowers: Jack & Becky H. Steele

11:00 am Nursery: Diane Rape, Nancy Rape, & Peggy Knight

Children's Church volunteers: Courtney & Nancy Ackerman

Ushers: Randy Cauthen, Jimmy Neal, Tom Salisbury, & Sonny Curtis

Worship Opening and Closing: Steve McDonald

Sunday Evening Program Volunteers:

Kids: No Classes

Jr/Sr High: Angie Wood & Brooke Collins & Claudia Hartley

Musings ~ Roads

I want to start the year off with a poem and thought. The poem, *The Road Not Taken*, by Robert Frost:

*Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;*

*Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,*

*And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.*

*I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.*

Each of us came to the end of this year by a road. Some of us lead by God on a path straight and true; some of us by paths through less than hospitable grounds; and some of us, most of us, by a combination of these two. My thought is simple, how you walk, where you walk, makes all the difference in where you go. As we start the new year, what road will you travel by?

Pastor Michael

It's Chicken Bog time again!!! Our first weekly planning meeting will be on Thursday, January 10 at 6:00 pm in the TFLC.

Every one is invited to join us as we prepare for our upcoming Chicken Bog fundraiser which will be on Friday, February 22. We need everyone's help to make this event a success so please join us!

Community Meal: Invite family, friends, neighbors, and those you meet who could benefit from a good meal to join us on **Wednesday, January 16, at 6:00 pm in the TFLC.**

All men of all ages are invited to our United Methodist Men's breakfast on Sunday, January 20 at 7:45 am in the Men's Rec. Bldg. Join us for breakfast, a devotional, and business meeting.

Our Prayer List as of Monday

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