what's coming up!

Str8up Christmas Party

Sunday, Dec 18 | 6:30-10 pm | 6525 N. Grandview Dr, Indpls Straight Up is a young adult and youth outreach program aimed toward developing successful students and leaders in the Indianapolis area. ZPC is holding a Christmas party for Straight Up and we need help with set up, food, games, and activities. Sign up in the Gathering Space or Vist zpc.org/current-opportunities for more information.

> Lisa Paul [lisapaul@outlook.com; 317.873.2892]

Shepherd Christmas Store

Dec 20 | 8 am-8 pm | Shepherd Community Center, 4107 East Washington Street, Indianapolis Shepherd is having its annual Christmas store for parents to shop for their children and is in need of volunteers (of all ages!). Help families shop, load, and wrap gifts. To sign up, visit shepherdcommunity.org/ christmas-opportunities.

> Linda Jackson [lindajackson@indy.rr.com; 317.439.2252]

Jeremiah House Fellowship Dinners

Thursdays January-May | 6-7:30 pm | Jeremiah House Plan, deliver, and share dinner with our brothers in Christ at the Jeremiah House. This is a great opportunity to demonstrate hospitality to members of the ZPC community. Visit zpc.org/current-opportunities to sign up. > Ronnie Jordan [ronniejordan1965@gmail.com;

Second Half Adventurers

January 10 | 11 am-1 pm | Gathering Space | Cost: \$10 Please join the Second Half Adventurers at our first luncheon of the new year. Sign up in the Gathering Space this morning. > Barb Luther [barbarawluther@gmail.com; 317.669.7073]

Save the date Daddy Daughter Dance

Saturday, Jan 21, 2017 | 5-8 pm | Gathering Space & Gym All girls are invited to an evening of dinner, dessert, and dancing! Girls may be escorted by dad, grandpa, uncle, or any other adult. More information at zpc.org. > Lynn Strueh [strueh@tds.net]

ZPC Tech Team

Help is needed on the ZPC Tech Team helping on Sunday mornings with audio and computer/slides. Contact Tim to help with audio and Betsy to help with computer.

- > Tim King [timk@zpc.org; 317.873.8137x1011]
- > Betsy Howden [betsyh@zpc.org; 317.873.8137x1010]

Christmas Services

Christmas Eve Morning | 10 & 11:30 am | ZPC Gym Join us for this often boisterous time especially for young families.

Christmas Eve | 7, 9, & 11 pm | Sanctuary

These services will feature Christmas music, candlelight, and a message. The 11 pm service adds the element of communion. Childcare only available at the 7 pm service.

Sundays, Dec 25 & Jan 1, 2017 | 10 am | Sanctuary We will have one service at 10 am on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

prayer requests

317.992.9501]

- > Prayers of healing for Anthonie Pipkin.
- > Please be with Cheryl, Preston, and Holly Sumners in the death of her husband and their father, Talbott.



welcome to zpc

Called together by God to make disciples and release them for service in our broken world.

Thanks for being here!

Sunday, December 18, 2016 | 9 & 10:30 am









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Church office hours: Monday–Friday: 8:30 am–4:30 pm

worship

Sunday, December 18, 2016

Sage Story | God's Announcement

Scripture: Isaiah 40:1-11

Notes:

Sanctuary Bibles: Bibles are available to use during worship on the shelves as you come into the Sanctuary. Please return them to the shelves when you leave or if you don't have a Bible, you are welcome to take one with you.

Prayer: If you would like someone to pray with or for you, please go to the west alcove by the cross after the service. It would be our privilege to pray on your behalf.

who we are

Our focus is to become and make life-long learners of Jesus through:

- 1. Creating a Caring Community
- 2. Centering Our Worship and Study on Christ
- 3. Encouraging Hands-on Missions

Thank you for coming to ZPC! We would love to get to know you. We encourage you to record your attendance on the welcome pad at today's worship. Please provide your name, address, and contact information. Especially if this is your first time with us, we would welcome the opportunity to connect with you and even deliver a yummy treat!

Join us in the Gathering Space before and after services. Want a name tag? Sign up at the Welcome Center.

the week ahead[zpc.org for more]

2016

Sunday, December 18

ZPCHSM | 6-7:30 pm | ninth-twelfth grades | Youth Center

Monday, December 19

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal | 7-9 pm | Worship Arts Room

Tuesday, December 20

Open Gym | 1-2:30 | Gym

Wednesday, December 21

Open Gym | 1-2:30 pm | Gym

Friday, December 23

ZPC Office closes at noon.

Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve Services | 10 & 11:30 am | Especially for young families | Gym Christmas Eve Services | 7, 9, & 11 pm | Candlelight services; childcare at 7; communion at 11 | Sanctuary

Sunday, December 25 | One worship service at 10 am

Children

Nursery care birth through age 4 will be available next Sunday. Regular children's programming will resume on January 8

Students

Middle School Ministry [MSM] | will resume 1/8/2017 High School Ministry [HSM] | will resume 1/8/2017

Adults

Study with Jim Livengood | will resume 1/8/2017 Christian Spiritual Formation | will resume 1/8/2017

ZPC Financial Update: [6/1/16-12/11/16] **YTD Budget:** \$1,144.299

YTD Budget: \$1,144,299 **YTD Actual Offering:** \$1,004,409

Sunday's Service Attendance: 725

home groups

Home Groups are coming...

Our next 10-week session of Home Groups kicks off the week of January 22 and goes through the week of March 26. Watch for signups in the Gathering Space after Christmas or visit zpc.org/home-groups.

> Contact: Sally Bias [sallyb@zpc.org; 317.873.8137x1018]

ZPC Christmas Cantata Sunday, December 18, 2016

Choral Introit:

A Merry Carol of The Bells

Welcome & Announcements

Reading: The Cry of God's People – Isaiah 64.1-9
Lighting of the first Advent candle

O Come O Come Emmanuel

Reading: The Love of God – Isaiah 42:1-9 Lighting of the second Advent candle Of The Father's Love Begotten

Reading: Hope for God's People – Isaiah 52.7-10 Lighting of the third Advent candle Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Message: God's Announcement – Isaiah 40.1-5 Lighting of the fourth Advent candle

Reading: Shepherds and Angels Sing – Luke 2.8-15 *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

Offering

Rejoice With Joy To The World

Reading: Reflections on His Birth – Luke 2.16-19 *The First Noel*

Benediction

Story adaptations written by Cindy Argentine