

WHAT'S COMING UP!

Advent Devotionals | Now through Christmas

Advent devotionals are back! To receive text notification of these posts, text zpcdevo to 317.768.0600 or visit zpc.org.
+ Sally Bias [sallyb@zpc.org; 317.873.6503]

Thinking Biblically: The Nativity & Cherished Christmas Carols | Sundays Dec 3, 10, & 17 | 9:15-10:20 am | Room 208

During Advent, we will ponder Matthew and Luke's accounts depicting our Lord's birth, and then consider traditional carols. We will give thought to the scriptures, and the histories of those who joined word and music together, forming those carols we annually enjoy.
+ Stan Johnson [stanjohnson7@icloud.com]

2nd Half Adventurers | Tuesday, Dec 12 | 11:30 am-1 pm

Join 2nd Half Adventurers for lunch and a Christmas sing along with our covenant children at Noah's Ark. Sign up on Church Center.
+ Barb Luther [barbarawluther@gmail.com; 317.513.6945]

Year-end Stock Gifts

Thank you for your generous gifts in 2023! ZPC uses Fidelity Investments for stock gifts. If you choose to make a year-end stock gift, we thank you, and ask that you notify the ZPC Finance Office about the gift by email or phone.
+ Nancy Gruesser [nancyg@zpc.org; 317.873.8137x1002]

CHRISTMAS EVE *Services*

- 10 am One Worship Service
Regular children's programming
- 5 pm Christmas Eve Service | Sanctuary
Childcare available for birth-age 4
- 7 pm Christmas Eve Service | Sanctuary
and Livestream
Childcare available for birth-age 4
- 9 pm Christmas Eve Service | Sanctuary

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHILDREN & STUDENTS

SUNDAY

- 9 am **Little's** [Birth-K] **Bigs** [1st-4th Grades]
- 9 am **Youth Inquirers** [6th & 7th Grade]
- 10:45 am **Little's** [Birth-K] **Bigs** [1st-4th Grades] **MSM** [5th-8th Grades]
- 4:30-6 pm **HSM** [9th-12th Grades]

ADULTS

SUNDAY

- 9 am Enneagram Class
Chapel
- 9:15 am Thinking Biblically [Carols]
Room 208

MONDAY

- 9:30 am Intercessory Prayer
- 6:50 pm Women's BSF

WEDNESDAY

- 7 pm Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

- 6:30 am Men's Thursday Morning Bible Study

- 9 am Loose Threads
- 5-6 pm Food Pantry

FRIDAY

- 12-2 pm Food Pantry

DECEMBER

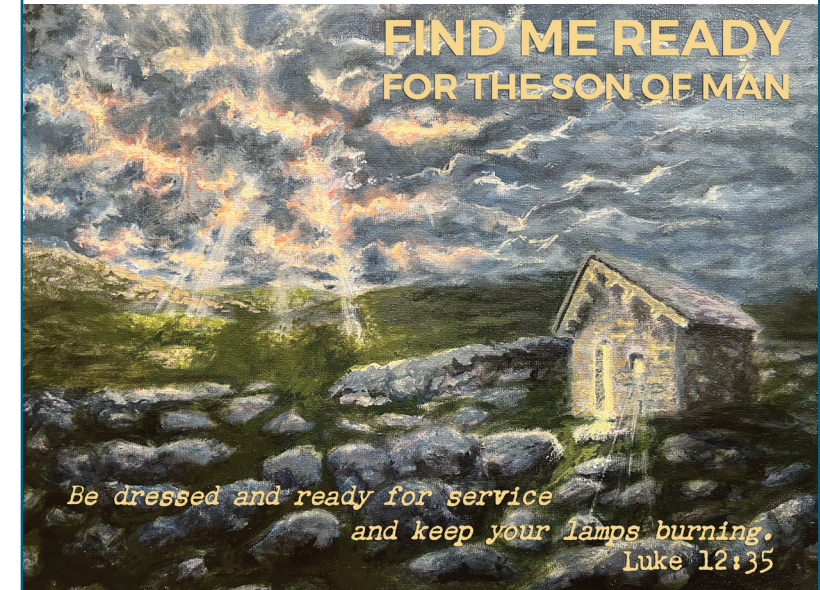
- 10 **Shepherd Totes Due & Tote Packing**
• 12-3 pm | South Gym
- 12 **2nd Half Adventurers**
• 11:30 am-1 pm
- 14 **Prayer for Middle East and North Africa**
• 7:45 am | Chapel
- 15 **MOPS/The MomCo**
• 9:30-11:30 am | Chapel
- 17 **Christmas Cantata**
• 9 & 10:45 Services
Back to Bethlehem
• 4:30-7 pm
Freebirds Christmas Party
• 7:30-9:30 pm | Wendt's
- 24 **Christmas Eve Services**
• 10 am | Worship & Livestream
• 5, 7, & 9 pm | Sanctuary
- 25 **Merry Christmas!**
• ZPC Offices closed
- 29 **Middle School Party Hour**
• 6-8 pm | Youth Center
- 31 **One Worship Service**
• 10 am | Sanctuary & Livestream
High School Ministry Black Tie Bowling
• 12:30-3:30 pm | Woodland Bowl

JANUARY

- 1 **Happy New Year**
ZPC Offices closed
- 9 **Starting Anew**
• 10 am-12 pm | Chapel
- 11 **Prayer for Middle East and North Africa**
• 7:45 am | Chapel
- 14 **Blood Drive**
• 9 am-2 pm | Gym
- 19 **MOPS/The MomCo**
• 9:30-11:30 am | Chapel
- 18 **Great Banquet**
Community Gathering
• 7-8:30 pm | Sanctuary

WELCOME TO ZPC. WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Sunday, December 10, 2023
9 & 10:45 am



New here?

We would love to get to know you! We encourage you to **stop by the Welcome Center to pick up a gift!**

This allows us the opportunity to connect with you and deliver a yummy treat!

Join us in the Gathering Space after the service for donuts and coffee.



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Sunday, December 10, 2023
9 & 10:45 am

Message: Malachi 3:1-4
Rev. Dr. Jerry Deck
Senior Pastor

Prayer:

We would love to pray for you and have you join us in praying for our church, community, and world. To submit a prayer request or to access our prayer calendar, please visit zpc.org/prayer.

- Prayers of comfort for Lynn and John Schwarz in the death of John's brother Jeff.
- Prayers of healing for Noah's Ark teacher, Evelyn Walker.
- We celebrate with James and Lindsay Crowley (and Grandpa Tim Millar) in the birth of Sophie Jane.
- Prayers for the families we are supporting this Christmas through ZPC's Community Assistance Ministry and Shepherd Totes.
- Prayers of peace for the conflict in Israel.

Notes:

Giving [6.1.23-12.3.23]:

Year to date offering:	Year to date budget:
\$ 1,234,735	\$ 1,336,275

Ways you can give:

- text any dollar amount to 84321
- on the Church Center App
- online at zpc.org/give
- mail in a check
- drop off in boxes by Sanctuary doors

Worship Attendance [Sunday, Dec 3, 2023]:

In person: 414	We encourage you to print a name tag each Sunday morning.
Livestream: 195	They help us build community and take attendance.

SERVING UPDATES

CAM Christmas help update

The ZPC Community Assistance Ministry served 48 families this year, with a total of 155 children. Each family received \$50 per child to help with Christmas gifts. Forty-six of the 48 families received a laundry basket filled with household items and food for a holiday meal complete with a turkey or ham as well as some snacks donated by the Zionsville Food Pantry. The Mission Commission donated \$3,000. ZPC Littles colored cards for each family. ZPCers donated 41 laundry baskets filled with household items, 23 gift cards (totaling \$17,000), and \$4,035 in cash. Thank you to all who participated!

Operation Christmas Child Update

ZPC distributed 250 Operation Christmas Child boxes and received 257 boxes back! When boxes were dropped off, they were prayed over and the ZPC congregation was given many thanks. We are looking for a new coordinator for this ministry. Contact Gary and Allyson if you're interested.
+ Allyson & Gary Ball [goballz7@hotmail.com; 317.691.0538]

OUR GRATITUDE ABOUNDS!

ZPC Pastors, Staff, Session Members, and Generosity Team are in awe of your generous hearts! Over 120 households have returned 2024 Commitment Card, helping us plan for the coming year! If you have not yet completed your card, we'd love to have you do so. Cards are available at the Welcome Center or complete one online.

Likewise, if you would like to pledge to the Catching the Wind Property Campaign, you may still do so! How exciting it will be to see God's vision for building his kingdom unfold in the coming year! Catching the Wind updates are on the screen in the Gathering Space. You, our fellow ZPCers, have given SO generously and selflessly!

Finally, this time of year often brings to mind thoughts of how to "Leave A Legacy," which will forever be a GIFT to ZPC's mission-driven future! If you are doing estate planning, designating ZPC as a benefactor of the financial gifts God has given you is such a purposeful way to honor him and set an example of generosity for the children, grandchildren, and believers who follow you! Contact our Finance Office or Sharon Pierce with questions.
+ Sharon Pierce [sepierce0324@gmail.com; 317.625.2500]

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Shepherd Totes | Due Today | 12 pm Tote Sorting | Today | 12-3 pm

In Shepherd Community Center's neighborhoods, 8 out of 10 kids rely on school for all of their meals. Fill a tote or provide a donation to keep these children nourished over winter break. Then help us pack totes and prepare them for delivery. These are great family-friendly service opportunities!
+ Marissa and Tim Cope [marissac@zpc.org; 219.863.0315]

Support the Zionsville Food Pantry through Dec 30

Help end hunger in our community. Purchase donation cards in \$10 increments from Whitestown Meijer to provide food for the Zionsville Food Pantry. **Meijer will match donations through December 30 and double match any donations made on Saturday, December 16.**
+ Catherine Coscia [ctcoscia@gmail.com]



Back to Bethlehem

Sunday, Dec 17 | 4:30-7 pm

Cost: \$5/person or \$20 max/family

All are welcome for a community event! Go Back to Bethlehem through a walking tour. Hear about the birth of Jesus through story telling and song.

Afterwards, join us for family activities and snacks in the Gathering Space.

Register at zpc.org or Church Center.

+ Becky Woods [beckyw@zpc.org; 317.873.6503]