

The Annual Holiday Food Fair is today @ 10 am and 5 pm. All are welcome to shop and share in cinnamon rolls during fellowship! All proceeds will be divided between new kitchen countertops and Social concerns money for Pastor Kim to give away.

The Christmas tree in the narthex contains ornaments from ELCA Good Gifts. If you are looking for a way to give a gift twice, this is a great idea. Not only can you give a gift to the one you love, but also share the gift of an animal with a family in need somewhere around the world! Just take an ornament and follow the directions to order on line, or if you need assistance, talk with Diane in the office.

ADVENT/ CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Dec. 18	7 pm	Midweek Worship, "Holden Evening Prayer"
Dec. 22	9 am	Sunday Advent Lessons and Carols Worship
Dec. 24	5 pm	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service with children in mind
	10 pm	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Dec. 25	10 am	Christmas Festival Worship with Holy Communion
Dec. 29	9 am	Sunday Christmas Lessons and Carols Worship

The 150th Anniversary committee could use your help! Here are some suggestions:

- * Pick up some save the date postcards and send to family and friends who may not be members
- ◆ Write a devotional <https://forms.gle/xQQnPjdDSc6KmcxAA>
- ◆ Written or verbal family stories
- ◆ St John Confirmation pictures from 1909, 1910, 1912, 1914, 1916, & 1941 & Zion Confirmation picture from 1915
- ◆ Donate to our anniversary projects, a wildflower memory garden @ the cemetery, new Bibles & ELW hymnals and/ or a new digital baby grand piano for the sanctuary.

YOUTH AND FAMILY

- ◆ **Sunday School today @ 10:15 am. Class resumes on Jan 5.**
- ◆ **7-8th Confirmation class will not meet again until January 15 @ 5:15 pm.**
- ◆ **Next 7-12 Youth group will be Wed, Dec 18, 5:15-7 pm.**

The SS children are donating their offerings to Toys for Tots. Our goal is \$500. We have currently raised \$555!

SS Christmas program is today @ 4 pm and will be live-streamed. A soup and sandwich supper will follow. Please have your children here by 3:45 pm.

Opportunities to Serve This Week at ZSJ:

Today (12-15)	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion & SS Children Sing
	10:00 am	Holiday Food Fair
	10:15 am	Fellowship/ Sunday School
	4:00 pm	SS Christmas Program
	5:00 pm	Xmas Program Supper
		Holiday Food Fair
Monday (12-16)		NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
Wednesday (12-18)	8:30 am	ZSJ Piecemakers
	5:15 pm	7-12 Christmas Party
	6:00 pm	Handbell Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Midweek Advent Worship
	7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday (12-19)	2:00 pm	West Fork Food Pantry
Next Sunday (12-22)	9:00 am	Advent Lessons & Carols Worship
	10:15 am	Fellowship



Welcome to worship at ZSJ this morning!

- ◇ Please sign the attendance sheets in your pews.
- ◇ Spark leaflets and activity bags for children are available from the ushers. When returning your bags, please put them in the designated spot for cleaning.
- ◇ Our bulletins and inserts can now be downloaded from our website onto your personal portable device: www.zionstjohn.org
- ◇ Hearing devices are available from the ushers.
- ◇ Our teddy bears in our midst worship with us and are meant to be loved and cuddled. When it is time, they will be sent to another place to share our love of Jesus with others in need!
- ◇ Free devotional materials are available on the usher's table & the display in the Narthex.
- ◇ Electronic giving is available on the church website, use the "donation" tab on the homepage or download the "Vanco Mobile" app on your phone.

Please keep in your prayers: Cindy R, Sarah P, Ray R, Christy M, Louise K, Carolyn R, Pat H, Jon S, Steve & Sue K, Patty B, Keely S, Marcy M, Maddie P, Crystal B, Drew H, Doug D, Dusty M, Cheryl R, Kay R, Dean D, Cliff C, Bishop Steven U, Sawyer A and the family of Doris M.

Thank you to the Latham family for helping with the Advent wreath lighting this morning!

Midweek Advent worship continues on Wed, Dec 18 @ 7 pm. The Holden Evening Prayer Service is a beautiful candlelight service that brings peace during a very busy time of the year! Come and find the true meaning of Christmas!