Opportunities to Serve This Week at ZSJ:

Today (12-21)	9:00 am 10:15 am	Advent Lessons and Carols Worship with Holy Communion Fellowship
Wednesday (12-24)	5:00 pm	Christmas Eve Candlelight
YEARS WALKING WITH CHRIST	10:00 pm	Worship with children in mind Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship with Choirs
Thursday (12-25)	10:00 am	Christmas Festival Worship with Holy Communion
Next Sunday (12-28)	9:00 am 10:15 am	Christmas Lessons and Carols 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: Ray R, Christy M, Jon S, Sue K, Keely S, Marcy M, Crystal B, Doug D, Dusty M, Cheryl R, Patricia S, Steve H, Wendy J, Lori M, Karla C, Zayne F, Jim M, Crystal C, Jeri B, Sharon S, Kay R, LaVonne C, and Kay E.

Thank you to the Lauffer family for helping with the Advent Wreath lighting.

Coats, gloves, hats, mittens, scarves, boots and other items can be left on the clotheslines in the park as part of the Share the Warmth campaign.

The Women of ZSJ have boxed Christmas cards for sale in the narthex. Prices range from \$5–6 per box.

\$160 was donated from the Pennies for Poverty jar for the West Fork Wishes. Thank you to all for your loose change!

Help the WF Food Pantry fill the shelves for the holidays and after by participating in the Reverse Advent Calendar. Each day add an item to a box and then bring it to the Food Pantry in December or January! Here are some suggestions or create your own!

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Dec 1	cereal	Dec 2	peanut butter
Dec 3	baked beans	Dec 4	boxed potatoes
Dec 5	mac and cheese Dec 6	canned	fruit
Dec 7	canned tomatoes	Dec 8	canned tuna or chicken
Dec 9	cake or brownie mix	Dec 10	canned applesauce
Dec 11	canned sweet potatoes	Dec 12	juice
Dec 13	jelly	Dec 14	crackers
Dec 15	rice	Dec 16	ketchup, mustard, pickles
Dec 17	packaged pasta Dec 18	spaghet	ti sauce
Dec 19	chicken noodle soup	Dec 20	tomato soup
Dec 21	canned corn	Dec 22	canned peas
Dec 23	canned carrots	Dec 24	canned green beans

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.

YOUTH AND FAMILY

- ❖ SS class resumes on January 4 @ 10:15 am
- ❖ No 7-8th Confirmation class until January 14.

SS offering project for West Fork Wishes totaled \$1100.00, over twice our goal! Thank you to all who donated!

Bowling for soup will be on January 11 to support the WF Food Pantry after the holiday season. Everyone needs to bring 2 or more nonperishable items. Bowling will be at Dumont Community Bowl. Meet at the church at 1:15, returning @ 4:30. Transportation and bowling are provided! Sign up on the sheet on the narthex bulletin board.