



December 3, 2023- 9:15am
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THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude & Silent Meditation	Jean Mollenbeck
Welcome	Rev. Petri van Rooyen
*Greeting (Unison) Reading of Hymn #607, "The Lord Bless You and Keep You"	
Welcome New Members	Mike and Nadine Goodwin
Advent Lighting	Kendrick and Alli Suntken
Bible Quiz	
Children's Time (fifth grade and younger)	Pastor Petri
Hymn	#112, "Jesus, Name Above All Names"(X 2)
Hymn	#262, "Holy, Holy, Holy"(v1,2)
Scripture Meditation	Galatians 5:22-23
*Hymn	#157, "Away in a Manger"(v1,2)
Call to Worship	Pastor Petri
*Hymn	"I Lift My Hands to the Coming King"
*Prayer of Confession (Unison)	
Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone. Lord, you are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy; there is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let your word abide with us until it has wrought in us your holy will. Amen.	
Special Music	Stephanie Kloetzer and Kimberly Burman

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture	Isaiah 26:1-9
Message	"The Groundwork for Peace"
Prayer of Blessing	
Offertory	
Doxology(#625) and Offertory Prayer	

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

*Hymn	#147, "Silent Night! Holy Night!"(v1,2)
*Benediction	
*Benediction Response	"Amen"(X 2)
Announcements	
Postlude	*Please stand if able.

Welcome to Zion! *With warm hands and joyous hearts please reach out in peace to those around you.*

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR ADVENT READERS AND TO STEPHANIE AND KIMBERLY FOR SHARING WITH US TODAY.

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME TO MIKE AND NADINE!

*Everyone is invited to Fellowship Time following worship.
Please be sure to sign in for the Annual Meeting.*

AUDIO/VIDEO: Jerry/Molly	Next Week – Duane/Kolton
CHILDREN'S TIME: Pastor Petri	Next Week- Shelly
CHILDCARE: RCYF	Next Week – Sammy/Marli
FELLOWSHIP: Consistory	Next Week – Paynes/Hughes

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

WED	6:30PM FM; CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE
THURS	7PM JOURNEY CIRCLE
SUN	9:15am WORSHIP; SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT; SS WELCOME JASON GRUNKLEE

Please keep the following in prayer:

Janell Blau, Blake Miller, Al Muhlenbruch, Brian Lupkes, Angie DeVries
Pastor and Alexandria as they travel to Kentucky

Dayton Drake, brother to McKayla; Jackie, sister to Jeff and Jerry Buseman
Braden and Haley Meints (Grandson of Larry) during their pregnancy
Homebound Members: Darlene Meints and Shirley Ludens

****ANNOUNCEMENTS****

***Zion is BEAUTIFUL for Christmas!** Thank you to the flower committee and to everyone that decorated last Sunday.

***Food Pantry Items:** Accepted today

***ZION'S ANNUAL MEETING: TODAY FOLLOWING THE SERVICE.** NOMINATIONS FOR DEACONS ARE KELLY BENNETT, BETH BRETZ, KEATON BUSEMAN AND MICHAEL HALSNE; NOMINATIONS FOR ELDER ARE DAVE HARMS AND JEAN MOLLENBECK.

***Adult Voices:** Practices are following Sunday services to sing on Christmas Eve. Q: See Karen

SS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM:** PRACTICES ARE ON WED @ 6:30PM. DATES: DEC. 6, DEC. 13. FINAL REHEARSAL: DEC. 17 FOLLOWING SUNDAY SERVICE WITH 3PM PROGRAM. *EVERYONE IS ASKED TO BRING A PLATE OF GOODIES TO SHARE FOR FELLOWSHIP TIME FOLLOWING THE PROGRAM****

***FAMILY MINISTRY:** WED., DEC. 6. 6:30 FREE MEAL – NEED HOSTS, PLEASE

***2024 PRAYER CHAIN:** ANY PERSON WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADD/REMOVE THEIR NAME OR MAKE A CHANGE TO CURRENT CONTACT INFORMATION IN ORDER TO RECEIVE PRAYER CONCERNS BY EMAIL OR BY THE CALLING TREE, PLEASE SEE SHELLY BUSEMAN, 515-571-4034; JSBUSEMAN@GMAIL.COM. PLEASE DO SO TODAY.

***2024 Offering Envelopes:** If you would like to be added to receive a box of offering envelopes or have your name taken off to not receive offering envelopes, please let Marsha or Jesse know TODAY.

***White Gift offering:** Please place your donations in the gunny sack TODAY. Proceeds will be used to provide essentials & gifts for area families currently experiencing financial difficulties.

***Poinsettia order forms are available by the “catch all” box.** Deadline to order and turn in your money is TODAY. Please take home after the Candlelight Service. Q: See Rose M.

***Local Bank Open Houses:** Greenbelt Bank-Dec. 4@ IFalls & Dec. 8@Belmond; First Bank Hampton/Latimer-Dec. 8.

***Season Of Sharing:** If you feel you can help others here at Zion, please purchase 10 gift cards (your choice of denomination) and place 1 gift card in ea. yellow envelope of your 10 neighbors to the right of your mailbox Q: See Eric

***ZION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS:** ANY CURRENT COLLEGE STUDENT MAY PICK UP AN APPLICATION AND RETURN TO A DEACON BY 12-31-23. SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE PAID IN JANUARY.

***FYI:** CANDLELIGHT SERVICE WILL BE HELD AT 6:00PM, DEC. 24.