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December 2012

Dear Mary Ann,

Reconsider the Rush.

The Christmas rush leads to stress for many people. But author Burton Hills viewed the madness from another perspective.

"Eventually, the hour comes when the rushing ends and the race against the calendar mercifully comes to a close. It is only now, perhaps, that we truly recognize the spirit of Christmas.

It is not a matter of days or weeks, but of centuries... (more than) twenty of them now...

Worship Schedule

**8:30am Traditional
Worship
Adult Bible Study**

**10:00am
Contemporary Worship
Kids Sunday School**

green room
(Youth Worship) is on
the 2nd & 4th Sundays

12:00pm
Spanish Service

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centuries - (more than) twenty of them now since that holy night in Bethlehem. Regarded in this manner, the pre-Christmas rush may do us greater service than we realize. With all its temporal confusion, it may just help us to see that by contrast, Christmas itself is eternal."



Giving made easy!



Did you know that everyone at Zion tithes? Yes, that's right. According to the 30 Day Church Challenge bible study we all tithe...but maybe it's to Starbucks, Home Depot, or the bills and not the church.

There is now an easy and convenient way to make sure that the first 10% of your income goes to doing God's work.

[Click here](#) to learn more. Everyone who signs up during the month of December will

be entered into a drawing for an iPad. (You must sign up for monthly donations.)

Christmas Boutique

Gifts for everyone at the Zion Christmas Boutique!



Stop by this weekend for homemade crafts and one of a kind items for everyone on your list. There's a yummy snack bar and on Saturday there'll be a bounce house for kids. (weather



permitting)

Hours are:

November 30th
3:00 -7:00 pm

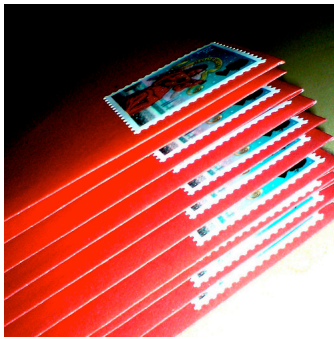
December 1st
8:00am - 4:30pm

December 2nd
8:30am - 1:00pm

Zion Christmas Boutique



LWML Christmas Card



During December there will again be the LWML Christmas card in the narthex. This year's card was created by Dimple Smick.

By signing your name to the card you are extending Christmas greetings to your friends at Zion, and saving the cost of cards and postage. If you care to leave a donation to "ZION LWML" those funds will help support the LWML projects, which are listed by the card. We wish you a joyous and Christ-centered Christmas.

Advent by Candlelight



The Annual Advent by Candlelight will be Tuesday, December 4th at 7:00pm.

Please join us for a wonderful evening, on Tuesday December 4 at 7:00pm. The program for the evening will be the PHOENIX CLUB CHOIR. They will be performing in English and in German.

This is a wonderful way to prepare your heart and mind for the coming season. If you would like to come please sign-up after 8:00 church or before the 10:00 church. Question call Debbie Violette at 714-637-4632

WOW's GROUP



A gracious invitation has been extended to the WOW'S to attend a "**pre-Christmas**"



luncheon at Shirley West's home. We'll meet at church at 11:00am to car-pool to Shirley's home in Buena Park.

Following the luncheon, we've planned to have a **"cookie exchange!"** Each member is to find her favorite recipe and bring twenty four (24) of the cookies for the exchange. Imagine the nice variety of

cookies we'll have to start the Christmas season! Any questions - call Helen. (562-690-6136)

Zion Seniors



"O come all ye faithful" and hungry to this month's Zion Seniors meeting.

You'll enjoy a delicious potluck with the ham provided by the Burnette's.

You'll hear the yule tide carols sung by Zion's school children and then enjoy rousing renditions of carols led by Neola Merriman. Monday, December 17th 11:30am in the Zion Room.

International Ministry



One of the ways Zion can further its ministry is to extend this to international students. Zion will have students from one of the Asian Countries attending our school to experience American Culture from January 28-February 17.

We are looking for families to host students in their homes. Responsibilities include a bed, transportation to and from Zion each day, and breakfast and dinner. A different group of students will be here each week. We are looking for families to host for 1, 2, or all 3 weeks. Host families are paid \$35.00 per night, per student. If you and your family are willing to open yourselves to a new experience and share your home please complete the host family registration form available in the school office and return to Julie Kangas or Yvonne McLellan in the school office.

Christmas Food Box

It's that time again to start collecting the Christmas Food Boxes! Boxes will be distributed to needy families in the Anaheim community. You may pick up an empty box in the Church, School Office, ECEC and SAC. Please consider filling one or more boxes with the following items:

Non-Perishable Items Only!

- 1 Bag of Rice
- 1 Bag of Pinto Beans



- 1 Can of Beans/chili
- 2 Cans of Vegetables
- 2 Cans of Fruit
- 1 Boxed Powdered Milk
- 1 Box Cereal
- 1 Box Granola Bars
- 2 Cans Soup/Top Ramen
- 1 Jar Peanut Butter
- 2 Boxes Mac n Cheese
- 1 Pkg Juice Boxes
- 1 Package of Spaghetti Noodles
- 1 Jar/Can of Spaghetti Sauce
- 2 Cans of Tuna
- 1 Package Pudding Mix (non-refrigerated)
- 1 Box Instant Oatmeal
- 1 Pkg Beef Jerky



School Families will receive three participation hours per box donated. Maximum of 6 hours (2 boxes).

If anyone would like to make a donation, please note on the check's memo line "Christmas Food Boxes."

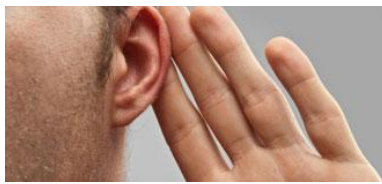
In addition to providing food for needy local families, we also try to make sure that all children in the families receive a gift for Christmas. Toys for children aged 0-11 years of age are provided through our partnership with Toys for Tots but we want to guarantee that all the children aged 12 - 18 years are not forgotten. We have created an 'Adopt a Teen for Christmas' program to provide a gift card for all those in that age bracket. If you would like more Information or want to help, please contact Heather Ryan at [714- 630- 9211](tel:714-630-9211) or heatherr@courtyardanaheim.com. Thank you.

Please bring your **filled** boxes to the church office M - F 8:30-4:00pm or on Sunday mornings and leave in the Church Narthex on or before Sunday, December 9th. The distribution is on Dec. 13th. **Volunteers** are also needed for Dec. 12 & 13th to help fill and distribute the boxes. Please contact Heather Ryan to volunteer. Thank you.

Missed a Sermon, want to listen to one again?



Have you ever found yourself wondering about last Sunday's sermon and wishing you could hear it again?



Well you have two ways to make that a reality. You can listen to Sunday Sermons on the [Zion website](#) and you can request a CD of a sermon by contacting Janet Morita at 714-637-2479.

This is also a great way to share God's word with friends and family.

Children's Ministry

Contact [Mary Ann Fueger](#) for details

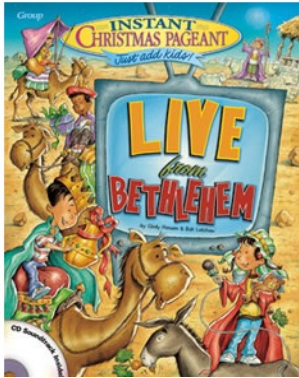
Sunday School K-4th grade



Have you ever wanted to make a difference in a child's life?

You can spend one Sunday a month and change the life of a child right here at Zion Lutheran Church. There are openings at all age levels.

[Email](#) me and find out more.



Christmas Play

Live from Bethlehem!

Three first-century TV reporters are chasing a big story on the census when they stumble upon the story of a lifetime -- the birth of the Messiah!

See their exclusive interviews with Mary and Joseph, the shepherds and from eyewitnesses present at the manger!

Live Wednesday, December 19 at 9:00am and again at 7:00pm. Dinner will be served at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall before the evening performance.

Cooler Ministry



The Cooler Ministry needs your help. This ministry provide meals to families that need a meal due to an illness, loss of a family member, etc. Meals are left on the families front porch in



coolers.

If you are interested in being a part of this ministry please contact the Church Office or Jim Gaye at 714-394-6487 or [email](#).

Thank you to everyone who supports this wonderful ministry, you have blessed many families

Minister to the Homeless of Anaheim



You can join other Zion youth and adults on Saturday, December 8th to clothe & feed the homeless at La Palma Park. Meet in the Zion Kitchen at 7:30am to prepare food and pack up cars.

The homeless are always in need of blankets, jackets, and toiletries items. Come and help prepare a meal for the needy and take it to them along with much other needed items. If

you have items you would like to donate or would like to help please contact before Jason Pridmore at 714-809-5065 before December 5th to confirm your participation.

Ministry Opportunities



Are you hearing God calling you to get involved?

Here are just a few ways that you can get involved around Zion.

Church Cleaning: call Andrew Kuljis @ 714-635-4764

Braille: Wednesdays @ 8:30am (Zion Room)

Thrift Shop: call Julie Bradley @ 714-879-1147.

Volunteers needed to help while regular volunteer staff take summer vacations: Tuesday - Saturdays.

Got a Green Thumb?: Come to the Rose Garden at 7:00am on Monday Mornings.

We are here for you



If you are in need of Pastoral Assistance, a Hospital Call or an Elder Call please contact



one of the following:

Pastor Roger Frick
Deacon Robert Reisch
Jay Eastman
Jim Gaye
Michael Kramer

Deacon Mark Hirzel
Charles Brautigam
Dirk Enloe
Raul Gutierrez
Sam Martlaro

Al Merriam
Tom Tellez
Rudy Villicana

Stephen Stewart
Larry Torgerson
Jason Pridmore (Youth Minister)

Scrip News



It is Christmas Time! Don't forget to order your Scrip for Christmas gifts, grocery shopping and travel. We have a lot to choose from.

Just think if you plan ahead for those projects and purchase scrip Zion could make a fortune. Every card counts.

If Zion makes a \$200.00 profit each week that would be \$10,000 a year. Amazing!

You can buy Scrip after Church on Sundays or in the Church office during the week. Scrip forms are also available in the Church, School Office, SAC and ECEC.

Keep the profits coming, buy Scrip for your everyday needs!
If you have questions regarding Scrip, please call Joy in the church office at 714-535-1169.

Scrip FYI - aka the fine print

1. Scrip orders in by Sunday after the 10:00am service will be filled by Thursday of the same week.
2. School, SAC and ECEC orders must be placed in the tuition boxes by Friday morning to be filled by Thursday of the following week.
3. (Summer and Holiday Schedules may vary.)
4. In the absence of someone selling Scrip on Sunday after the service you attend, you can always drop your order off in the box in the Church office lobby. The Scrip order form is also available on the [Zion Website](#).
5. The tuition rebate has been applied to your May statement if you are among the school families who participated. One family earned \$383 toward their tuition.

Bible Study Opportunities!

Monday Evenings

The second and fourth Monday evenings of each month, consist of Bible Study, prayer, fellowship, and dessert. If you're interested as a couple or single Please contact the



Fox's at 714-226-0905, Kramer's 714-635-2814, Orbison's 714-778-1343 or the Shively's 714-772-4660.

Tuesday Mornings

MOM's Group meets at 8:30am in Cafe 10:31. You can be a part of the bible study "Just Walk Across the Room." Childcare is provided.

Men's Bible study meets at 10:00am in the Susanna Room on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. Coffee and snacks provided.

Thursday Mornings "Brothers in Christ"

Men's Bible Study meets Thursday at 6am in Cafe 10:31.

Saturday Mornings "SisterChicks"

Women's Bible study and fellowship meets Saturday Mornings at 9:30am in the Susanna Room.

Sunday Mornings

Sunday Mornings 9:45am in the Susanna Room. We are continuing our study and discussion of Paul's Letters to the Galatians. Everyone is welcome.

Youth Ministry



You have three amazing opportunities to connect with fellow students and Jason Pridmore, Zion's Youth Minister.

These events are planned for you to grow in your relationship with God and each other. Bring your friends from Zion or other schools. Everyone is welcome.

- College and Young Adult meets on Mondays from 7:00-9:00pm
- Senior High Youth meets on its new night - Sundays from 7:00-9:00pm.
- Junior Hi Youth (7th & 8th grades) meets on Wednesdays from 6:00-8:00pm.

Contact [Jason](#) for more details.

Volunteers Needed



Zion welcomes Julie Bradley as the new Thrift Shop Manager. Stop by and say hi. While there



you can also sign up to volunteer.

To volunteer at the Zion Thrift Shop you can email or call Julie Bradley at 714-879-1147.

Donations are gladly accepted during regular store hours.

Located at:
1109 E. Commonwealth Ave.
Fullerton, CA92831

Only 2 short miles from Zion.

See you at the Thrift Shop!

*YOU can Shop!
YOU can Donate!
YOU can Volunteer!*

Thrift Shop Hours:
Tuesday - Friday 10:00am-4:00pm
Saturday 10:00am- 3:00pm

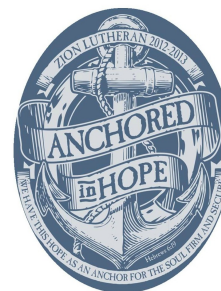


School News



Anchored in Hope

We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm, and secure. Hebrews 6:19



Upcoming Dates:

December

- Saturday & Sunday, December 1 & 2 - PTSL Christmas Boutique
- Saturday, December 1st - ECEC Christmas Program
- Wednesday, December 5th - Advent Service K-3
- Friday, December 7th - Christmas Dance
- Thursday, December 13th - Chick Fil A Spirit Day
- Friday, December 14th - Mid Quarter
- Tuesday, December 18th - SAC Gingerbread Contest Due
- Wednesday, December 19th - Progress Reports Sent Home
- Friday, December 21st - Christmas Caroling

Box Tops for Education

When you clip and return Box Tops to the school we receive money! Yes, it's that easy. Clip off the Box Tops coupon on your favorite General Mills products and return to the school office. We take care of the rest. Zion receives 10¢ or more for each coupon you clip. Ask your family and friends to do the same. Every coupon helps cents turn to \$\$ for our school. So clip, clip, clip, those Box Tops!

ZION STAFF (Click on a name to send an email or call (714) 535-1169 and their extension.)

Church Office Staff

Church Secretary, [Edy Busch](#), ext. 124

Business

Manager, [Sheri Morales](#), ext.125.

Church Staff

Director of Youth Ministry, [Jason Pridmore](#), ext. 128

Director of Children's Ministry, [Mary Ann Fueger](#), ext. 140

Senior Pastor, [Roger Frick](#), ext.123

School Staff

Elementary School Principal, [Julie Kangas](#), ext. 103

Pre-School Director, [Kathy Cavaness](#), ext. 3

School Age Care Director, [Kristin Diehl](#), ext. 136

Bookkeeper, [Marilyn Vance](#), ext. 101

School Secretary, [Yvonne McLellan](#), ext. 100

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