

The Messenger

January 24, 2024

Pastoral Care is at the core of Christian Ministry.

From the New Testament Book of Acts 20:28 we have the following scripture.

"Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood."

At Zion United Church, Pastoral Care is the ministry of care, support, and presence offered by the Minister, the Pastoral Care Team, and members of the congregation. At ZUC we demonstrate care for God's people in a variety of ways, including:

- Offering spiritual guidance and support for those attending church, as well as visitations for those unable to come to church
- Maintaining "check-in" contact with members of the congregation with cards, phone calls, email, or home visits
- Hospital visitations, and bereavement support & follow-up
- The driving of church members to a medical appointment, or other needed destinations
- Taking food to someone who is ill or going through a difficult time
- Engaging with someone who is new to the church
- Receiving of prayer requests for family members, friends, or oneself
- Promoting, and modelling, a culture of inclusion at our church so that no one feels 'alone in a crowd'

Zion United Church

Sunday worship — 11:00 am

St Andrews United Church

Sunday worship — 9:30am

If you have announcements to be included here please email them to:

ckooyman@shaw.ca

It would be helpful if announcements for The Messenger are sent to the above address before Wednesday.

Next Messenger will be

January 31, 2024

Over the past year, the PCT has formally consisted of Rev. Hati, Isobel Kay, Pam Kranowski, Mona Ball, Suzanne Skinner, and Wilma Koersen. We recognize, though, how all of the ZUC family are participants in our Pastoral Care ministry in numerous ways. We are reliant on the congregation to share a concern or celebration with us, or to inform us if someone is ill, in hospital or crisis. Working together, we strengthen the community and spirit of our church.

Blessings,
Wilma J Koersen
Pastoral Care Chairperson



POTLUCK LUNCHEON

(INTERNATIONAL THEME)

Sunday, Feb. 4th, 2024 following joint communion service (11:00AM) at ZUC:)



POTLUCK LUNCHEON

Join us for great food and fellowship



An afternoon was enjoyed by all in attendance at the recent Coffee House of Jan. 20th'.

Photo by Catherine M.

Shrove Tuesday

Pancake Supper

Zion United Church Hall

2315 Pleasant Valley Blvd

Tuesday, Feb. 13

Served from 5:00 to 6:30

pm

Cost \$10 per person, kids 6 and under free. Includes unlimited pancakes, along with sausages, fruit, dessert and beverages. All are welcome.

Louise

**Askew's
Cards**



Attention Askew's card users.

I recently found out that some clerks at Askew's are offering to re-fill your cards when they are used up.

PLEASE DO NOT DO THAT ! Zion will not earn 7% interest as we have in the past when you have the store fill them.

Just leave them with the clerk and I have been assured that these cards are not thrown in the garbage but they are sent away to be cleaned and re-filled and then recycled. Get your cards at church on Sunday or call Eleanor at 250-546-8195.

Bible Study

A Lenten Bible Study will be held from Feb 14 - March 20 at 1 p.m. in Enderby at St. Andrew's Church.

This study will be of the scripture readings for the following Sunday and lends itself to Drop in participants who may not be able to attend every week.

We anticipate having another Bible Study in the fall at Zion, Armstrong.



MACKENZIE CAMP AGM

On Saturday, March 2, 2024 at 4 pm the Annual General Meeting of the MacKenzie Camp Society takes place at St. Andrew's United Church, 1110 Belvedere Street, Enderby, BC V0E 1V0. Light dinner will follow. For information, please email maccamp@shaw.ca or phone 250-838-6293.



Beware of falling snow from roofs. Take care.



Penny

Worship times:

From now until the end of JUNE the worship times will be:

St. Andrew's, Enderby. 9:30 a.m.

Zion, Armstrong 11:00 a.m.

except: The first Sunday of each month will continue to be a joint service with alternating hosts.

Feb 4 - Zion 11 a.m.

March 3 -St. Andrew's 9:30 a.m.

April 7 - Zion 11 a.m

May 5 - St. Andrew's, Enderby 9:30 a.m.

June 2 - Zion 11 a.m.

Louise

Zion Finance Update - Year End 2023

Church Operations:

Total Operating Income	\$93,917 (\$15,253 more than 2022!!!)
Total Operating Expenses	\$100,901
Operating Deficit	(\$6,984) vs. YTD projected Deficit (\$22,804)

Church Building Fund:

Building Fund Balance January 1	\$14,910
2023 Designated Revenue	\$14,153
2023 Renovations & Painting	\$16,686
Replace Hall Roof	\$18,805
Building Fund Balance December 31 2023	(\$6,428)

A stellar year for contributions – local offerings up \$5,025, and building fund offerings up \$11,000 compared to 2022. Increased fundraising and hall rentals account for the additional \$10,000 in operating revenue. Hopefully we will see the same success in 2024.

Thanks to all for your generous financial donations, as well as your gifts of time and energy.

Zion Finance Committee