

The Messenger

November 13, 2024



There will be an Anniversary Committee meeting in the lounge **Nov. 18th at 1:00 pm**

If you are interested in this special event please plan to attend and bring suggestions.

All are welcome to attend.

Isobel

Choir practice

November 22 - Zion 1:30 pm

November 29 - St. Andrew's 1:30 pm

Zion United Church
Sunday worship — 11:00 AM

St Andrews United Church
Sunday worship — 9:30 AM

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
November 20, 2024**

Men's Breakfast

Men's Breakfast will be held on **Friday, Nov. 15** at Zion Hall.

The coffee is ready at 8 am and the food which is cooked by volunteer fellows is served at 8:30. All men are invited to come to this time of food and fellowship.

If you have not attended before but would like to join us, please let Wayne Kiefer know so he can buy adequate food. Call him at 250-546-8195. Thanks.

Zion Coffee Hosts,

Greeters & Table setup helpers

Please sign up on the lists by the Church entry.

We are sorely lacking in coffee hosts/table setup. Thanks for your help!



Askew's Cards

Looking ahead.

Have you thought of using Askew's gift cards as Christmas gifts ? They make great tokens of appreciation too.

We always have a supply of \$20, \$50 and \$100 cards at church on Sundays. If this isn't convenient, give Eleanor Kiefer a call at 250-546-8195 to place an order.

Thanks for helping Zion increase our fundraising as we make 7% on your purchases, and we keep our shopping local when we can..

Once again it's time to think of Xmas Hampers and our 'Advent' project for this year.

1) **Xmas hampers** are once again a donation of money.

Put it into an envelope and mark it "hamper" Hand it in with offerings. Put your name on the envelope. Cheques should be made out to Zion UC and marked hamper.

The Food Bank has already started buying and we'd like your donation by Dec. 1stNov. 24th would be even better but.....A post marked cheque would work!!!!

2) **Our Advent Project** is mitts, scarves, socks and/or winter hats.

Apparently the bin has a good supply of 'almost' new'... Whatever you give is always appreciated. The clothes line will go up by Dec. 8th. Thank you all for your support.

I'm not above complaining about the cost of things these days and then I look around me..... I have shelter. I have food. I have transportation. I can pay my bills. We are so very, very fortunate and blessed. Let's give help where we can and prayers when we can't.

Suzanne



Cookies for Light Up

For those who have done or are planning to bake some cookies for Light Up could you please have them to the church hall by 3:30 p.m. November 22nd.

Thanks so much.
Marj Bailey/Rod Gilmer
Co-chairs Zion Council

Upcoming events taking place in the advent season

1) **Enderby...Xmas Tea & Bake Sale:** Sat. Nov. 23 from 12 to 2:00 pm...if they need help they'll let us know.....no more than 2 people.

2) **Dec. 1, 2024 : Service at 10:00 am Communion and Decommissioning Service, in Enderby.** Zion to provide a spaghetti luncheon following the service. **PLEASE NOTE SERVICE @ 10:00 AM !!!**

Hati has asked that there be 4 people serving communion....2 people serving the bread with 2 more going behind them serving the wine. We may or may not be asked to help serve.

3) **Carol Festival, Enderby on Dec. 8, @ 2:00 pm:** regular after church coffee time to follow...we may be asked to help.

4) **Dec. 14, Church walk** (6 to 8 pm.) ending at **St. Andrews** for tea & coffee time.
Once again we may be asked to help....sweets and cleanup.

5) **BLUE XMAS SERVICE** no date as yet but, **tentatively a JOINT SERVICE.**

6) **DEC. 29 JOINT SERVICE at ST. ANDREW'S @ 9:30 am.**

This will be the last service held at St. Andrew's and it will be " choose your favorite hymn" so come prepared to SING !!!

LORRAINE & I THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE NICE TO HAVE A POT LUCK but, considering the time it might be better to think about a brunch. All thoughts on the matter most welcome !!

Lorraine and Susan



This Sunday November 17 at Zion –

Melodia Singers and Kampana Bells Gift of Music.

Melodia Singers and Kampana Bells are both having their weekly rehearsals at Zion, and as a special thank you Melodia Singers including two members of Kampana Bells will offer “O Lux Beatissima” (O Blessed Light) as a Gift of Music in our worship service.

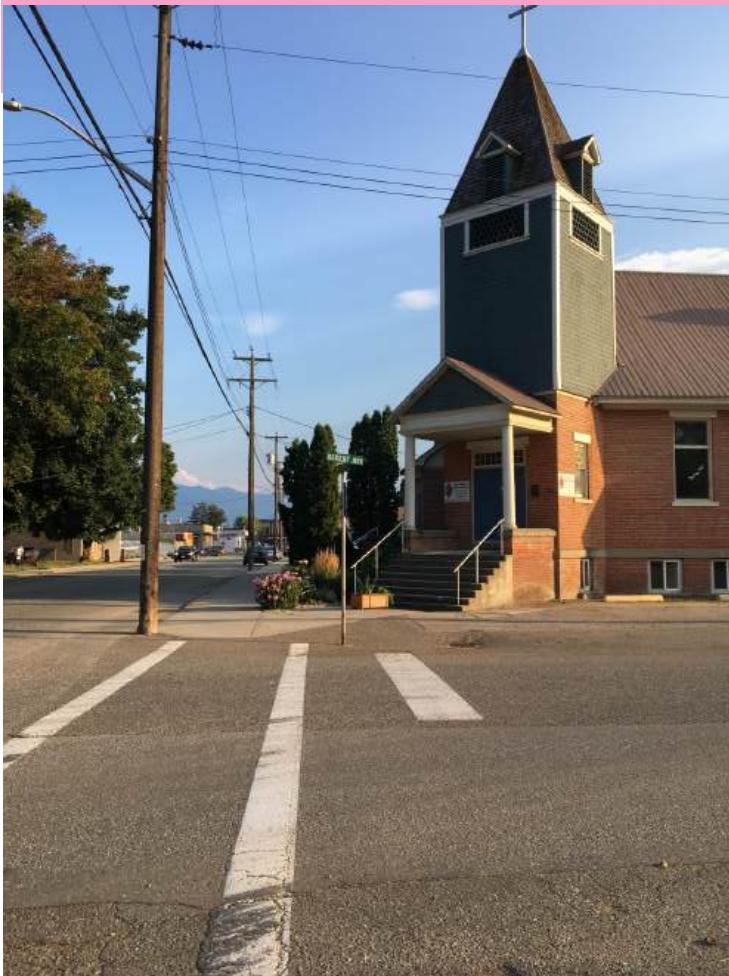
You are all invited to attend their Christmas Concert “A Hometown Christmas” on December 7 at 1:00 pm or 4:00 pm. Tickets are available from Penny Kirk or Leona Harrison.

Zion Hall & Sanctuary Rentals for the fall:

Sunday	AA	7-8 pm
Monday	Melodia Choir	6:30 to 8:15 pm – Sanctuary
Tuesday	Cubs	5-00 -7:30pm
Wednesday	Book Nook	10 a.m. to noon – starting in September
	Breakaway	2 – 4 pm (starting after Thanksgiving)
	Beavers	5:00 -7:30 pm
Thursday	Kampana Bells	6:00 – 9:00 pm
Friday	Men's Breakfast	(3 rd Friday of the month)
Saturday	mid- October – Little Kickers	date & time to be determined

Zion Special Events

Dates	Event
November 16th	Coffee House 2 – 4 pm
November 22nd	Christmas Light Up (hot chocolate & cookies?)
Dec 15 th	Christmas Concert with the Kampana Bells and Rockin Mamas. We will be having a bake sale that afternoon as well.
Jan. 24, 2025	Variety Evening



Further info from St Andrew's

Carol Fest at Saint Andrew's on Sunday, December 8 at 2:00 pm.

This is a free, family-friendly event and a great way to get into the Christmas Spirit. If you would like to come perform, please talk to Lindsay, but ALL are welcome to come and sing along and tap their toes! Donations to the Food Bank will be gratefully accepted.

Enderby Church Walk takes place on Saturday, December 14 at 6:00 pm. This is a candlelight walk (but you are welcome to drive if you don't want to or can't walk).

It begins at the Enderby Evangelical Chapel, moves to St. Ann's Catholic Church, then to St. George's Anglican Church and finally to St. Andrew's United.

At each church you will be treated to a reading from part of the Christmas story, plus you get to sing a carol or two. After the walk is over, you are invited

down to our dining room for hot chocolate and goodies.

I am looking for non-speaking actors; I could use 3 kings (not necessarily men, we're equal opportunity! ?), a John the Baptist and a Mary and Joseph. John the Baptist will lead the walk from the Evangelical Chapel to St. Ann's. Mary and Joseph will lead the walk to the other churches. The 3 kings will be at St. Andrew's. Also accepting anyone who'd like to sing with the choir. If you're interested at all, please speak to Lindsay.

December 1 is a joint communion service at St. Andrew's at 10:00 am.

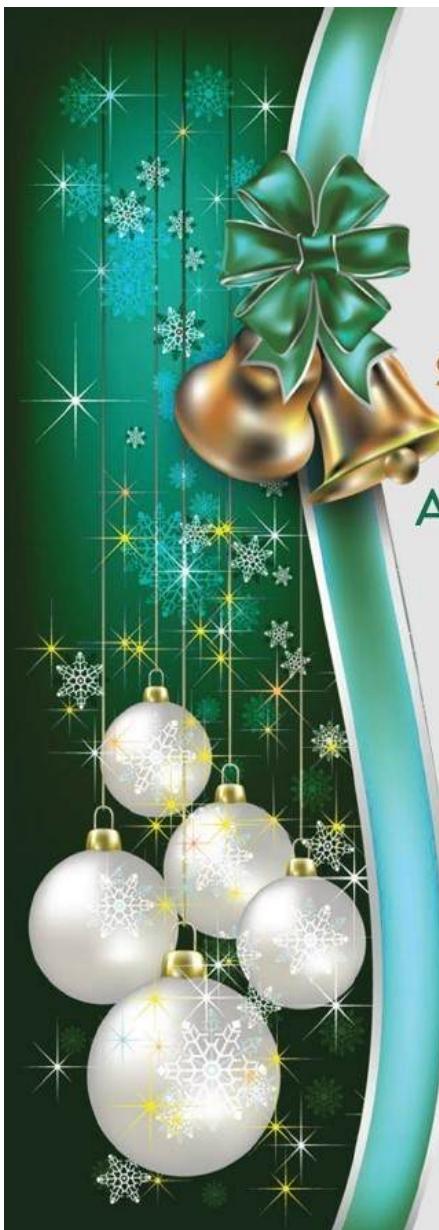
This is also our decommissioning service, and all members, adherents and public are invited to join us.

December 29 is a joint hymn sing service at St. Andrew's at 9:30 am.

Keep an eye out for information on the Blue Christmas service and Christmas Eve services.

Peace and light
Lindsay





Melodia
Singers

Sat., December 7th, 2024
1PM & 4PM

A Hometown Christmas

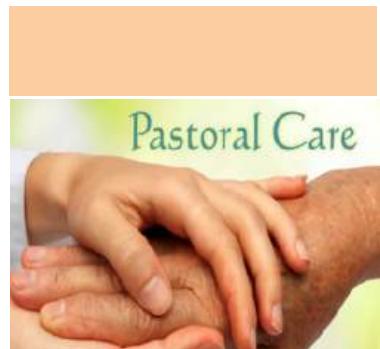
Director: Terry Logan
Accompanist: Anita Couch

Featuring Kampana Bell Ensemble
and Children's Christmas Choir

There will be a raffle draw!

Armstrong Bible Chapel
2145 Rosedale Ave

TICKETS
Adults \$20 | 17-19 yrs \$10 | 16 and under Free
Buy at Shepherd's Hardware
Chamber of Commerce
Melodia choir members
or at the door



Pastoral Care, the caring of one another in a structured form, and informally, is an important part of who we are at Zion United Church.

Everyone experiences the ups and downs of life in their own unique way. Please consider reaching out to a Pastoral Care team member if there are any areas of support needed.'

Rev. Hati Mvundura, Isobel Kay, Pam Krazanowski, Wilma Koersen, Suzanne Skinner.