



**Zion
Mennonite
Church**

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9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Sunday In-person Worship at 10:30 AM

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Pianist – Marion D.

Worship Leader – Emily R.

Song Leader – Elaine D.

Advent 3

Prelude

Gathering Song VT #11 *Mountain of God*

Welcome

Call to Worship

Oh God, our God, I cry out to you.

**Asking, when will I start rejoicing
that you are coming?**

Will I trust your faithfulness to your creation?

Can I be patient enough to trust in your time,
instead of my own?

God, what am I waiting for?

Prayer

Theme Song SS #15 *Hope is a Candle* v.1,2,3

Candle Lighting from Isaiah 35:1-10

The Lord our God will come and save us.

We will let go of our fears.

God will strengthen the weak hands
and make firm the feeble knees.

We will find our strength in the Lord.

The redeemed shall walk in the way of the Lord.

***We shall see the glory of the Lord,
the majesty of our God!***

Songs of the Season HWB #174 *Bless'd be the God of Israel*

HWB #182 *Oh, how shall I receive thee*

Blessing of the Offering

Announcements, Opportunities, Sharing

Prayer (HWB #731)

Song VT #734 *For Those with Whom Our Lives are Bound*

Scripture Readings **Psalm 146:5-10**

Matthew 11:2-11

Shirley E.

Sermon *Kept Waiting by Fear*

Zach Stefaniuk

Response Song SS #26 *Helpless and hungry*

Benediction

Sending Song HWB #517 *Open my eyes, that I may see*

Postlude

Thursday noon Advent service and lunch

at Christ the Redeemer

Friday Care Homes 1:30 pm The Bentley

2:30 pm Willow Creek Manor

Saturday 5 pm Zion Christmas banquet

“Tickets” are \$22 to Margaret D. by TODAY.

The Special Project is Camp Elim.

Pray for:

- our shut-ins and those with ongoing health concerns and their caregivers
- those grieving the loss of loved ones and those struggling with transition of some kind
- those with sudden health issues
- our Leadership Team / Executive
- Swift Current Ministerial: New Life Seventh Day Adventist Church
- Mennonite Church Sask: **As we look forward to 2026, we recognize that it will be a year of transitions.** Please pray for the staff and volunteers of Mennonite Church Saskatchewan as we manage this time of change. Your financial support will help us as we hire a Faith Development Minister to work with our youth and young adults.
- Ukraine / Russia
- a just peace in the Middle East
- MCC at work around the world in the name of Christ

Advent Giving Tree

No need to stop giving but Dec. 21 will be the last Sunday to drop off **food or coins for Mental Health** so that the food can be brought to them before Christmas. Thankyou for your generous giving.

Turkey and ham dinner at 1:30 pm at the church on
Christmas Day. Sign up sheet in the foyer.

Office holiday hours

Zach December 23,24 January 2

Grace December 23,24,30 January 2

Advent/Christmas Events

November 30 **First Sunday of Advent, soup special lunch**

December 4, 11, 18 **Advent noon services**
at Christ the Redeemer church

December 4 -- 3 pm **Zion Women in Mission** Christmas
gathering (and project)

December 7 -- 3 pm **SC Oratorio Choir** concert at Zion

December 18 -- 7 pm **Melodies of Christmas**
at First United Church

December 20 -- 5 pm **Zion Christmas banquet**
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December 24 -- 7 pm **Christmas Eve Candlelight** service