This Week...

10:30 a.m. ~ Worship Service, Family Ministry Sunday:

11:30 p.m. ~ Fellowship Time

(Yvonne, Jayne, Alison Ann, Phyllis)

07:00 p.m. ~ Sanctuary Choir Wednesday:

02:00 p.m. ~ Choir Ministry—Prince Edward Home Thursday:

Sunday School

This week children will be studying Lesson #12 The Strongest Man Fails the Test.

The Big Picture- Ignoring God's instructions always leads to trouble. Big Picture Verse- "Blessed are they who keep his statutes and seek him with all their heart." Psalm 119:2

Sometimes we think we can get away with doing wrong, like Samson did. But disobeying God always causes problems. God loves us and knows what is best for us. That's why we obey Him! Follow Along at home—Discussion questions:

1. What was Samson like? (Strong, Chosen by God for a special job.) 2. Why is it important to follow God's instructions? (God's instructions tell us how to love and obey Him. They tell us important things about how to live.)

First Place For Health Group

Beginning on January 20th, a first Place For Health Group will begin at Zion Church with Kelley MacQueen. This will be an exciting time as being part of a group like this is said to be transformational - not only physically, but also emotionally, spiritually and mentally.

The group will meet Tuesdays at 12 noon upstairs for 75 mins for 9 weeks. Each week, we weigh in (privately), memorize scripture verses, go through a 9 week Bible study, and encourage each other to take steps toward whole-person wellness guided by practical tools, healthy habits and encouragement from God's word.

There will be a sign up sheet as there is a limit of 15 in this small group. So don't miss out if this announcement is calling your name!

If you would like to donate please use the **OR Code.**

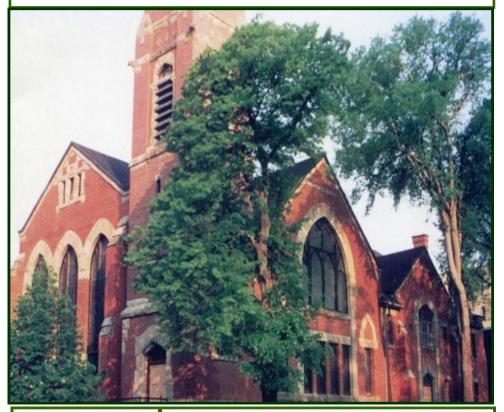


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Parking on Sunday: In addition to street parking you may park in the lots of the Polyclinic – opposite the Prince St. Church entrance (access from Hillsborough St.) or in the Fitzroy Parkade (access from Fitzroy St.) on the main floor. Zion's website – www.zionpres.org

Zion Presbyterian Church

January 4th, 2026—10:30 a.m.



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"To Know Christ and to Make Him Known"

Welcome to Zion Church! We are glad that you have come to worship God. Our praise and prayers are the right response to God who has created us in His image. Through faith in Jesus Christ we are redeemed and the Holy Spirit helps us to live pleasingly to Him. Enter with reverence, joy and expectation.

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January 4, 2026—10:30 a.m.

Prelude
Welcome
Announcements
Call To Worship

Hymn #808 "Come In, Come In New Year" (vs 1,3,4)

Prayer of Adoration and Confession Lord's Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

Music Ministry "Child of Peace" Wilma

Responsive Reading:

Isaiah 60:1-9—Joan Cumming

Hymn "Child In The Manger" (vs. 1,2,3)

Offering

Doxology "Praise God From Whom"
Children's Story and Children's Blessing

Ministry of Music:

"Because of Bethlehem"

Anders & Sanctuary Choir

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 2:1-12

Meditation on the Scriptures

Message

"Away From The Manger"

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn "Another Year To Dawning" (vs., 1,2,3)

Benediction Postlude

The last day for accepting donations for 2025 will be this morning, January 4, 2026 (cheques must be dated for 2025)

Offering Envelopes for 2026 are now ready in Dianne's Office

If you would like envelopes please call the office 902-566-5363



Believe

It's one thing to KNOW the story of the Bible. It's another thing to LIVE IT. BELIEVE is an exciting Bible-reading experience that will anchor you in the core teachings of Scripture (10 key beliefs of the Christian faith), ground you in living out your faith (10 key practices of being a Jesus-

follower), and inspire you to live in newness of faith (10 key virtues of a person who is becoming more like Jesus). Learn with your church family (following along each Sunday) and with others on the journey (being part of a small group) how to **THINK, ACT**, and **BE** more like Jesus. Books can be purchased now for \$10 and a there will be a few different options to be part of a small group. Know what you believe and how it shapes your life.

If you are interested in hosting a Bible Study in your home, please reach out to Kirk or Allyson.

Bible Study starts: Tuesday, January 13

6:30 pm - Social Time and 7 pm Bible Study.

Thursday, January 15

9:30 am—Social Time and 10 am Bible Study.

THINK - What do I believe? ACT - What should I do? BE - Who am I becoming?

Prayer Requests

There is a **Prayer Request Box** at the back of the church for you to write your prayer concerns, there are now blue prayer cards in the pews or you can email admin@zionpres.org and have the Prayer Group join you in prayer. *All requests are kept in confidence.*

The Gathering

The Gathering Newsletter for January is now available for pick up in the racks at the back of the Sanctuary.

Our Daily Bread Devotional

Our Daily Bread Devotionals (large print) for January, February and March are in and are in the racks at the back of the Sanctuary.