

## ***New Zion Evangelical Congregational Church***

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### **First Sunday in Advent, December 2, 2017**

Welcome and Announcements

#### **ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING**

Meekness and Majesty video  
Advent Candle Lighting Jacob Balsamo  
Bell Ringing Isaac Balsamo  
\*Call to worship Hymnal 242, God With Us  
\*Hymn 244 Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus  
\*Hymn 245 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

#### **KNOW THAT THE LORD, HE IS GOD**

Scripture John 1:1-18  
Message Christ Before Christmas  
Volunteer Choir Hymn 282 What Child is This?  
\*Hymn 253 Silent Night  
Thank You from Franklin Graham(video)

#### **SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS**

Sharing Time and Prayer  
Receiving Offerings and Tithes as we pass attendance registers  
\*Hymn 270 Joy to the World  
\*Benediction  
\*Postlude

Ann Brown is providing child care for children under age five in the church basement today.

Our family Christmas dinner will be at 5 pm this evening. "Poinsettias" is the theme. Each family should bring a dish to share. Meat is provided.

ACTS will meet Tuesday, December 12 at 6:30 to plan for our carolling and our anniversary event in January.

We will spread God's good news by carolling on Saturday afternoon, December 16.

We will be having communion on Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24.

In January, 1898 New Zion church was dedicated. On January 7, 2018 Bishop Bruce Hill will be with us to celebrate the beginning of our fourth forty years. Save that date.



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