

Last Sunday's Attendance	38
Last Sunday's Offering	\$1,864
Difference to Weekly Budgeted Offering	<\$540>
Offering YTD	\$101,710
Difference to Offering YTD	<\$8,874>

Pastor Joseph is ordinarily available, in the office, from 9a-12pm each weekday

We Want To Pray For You! - If you have a prayer need and would like us to pray for you, please fill out a pew card and place it in the offering plate. If you need immediate prayer please speak with Pastor Joseph after worship.

Study Ahead

November 30th - 1st Sunday of Advent - Cleansing (John 13:1-20)
 December 7th - 2nd Sunday of Advent - Betrayal (John 13:21-30)

Contact Us

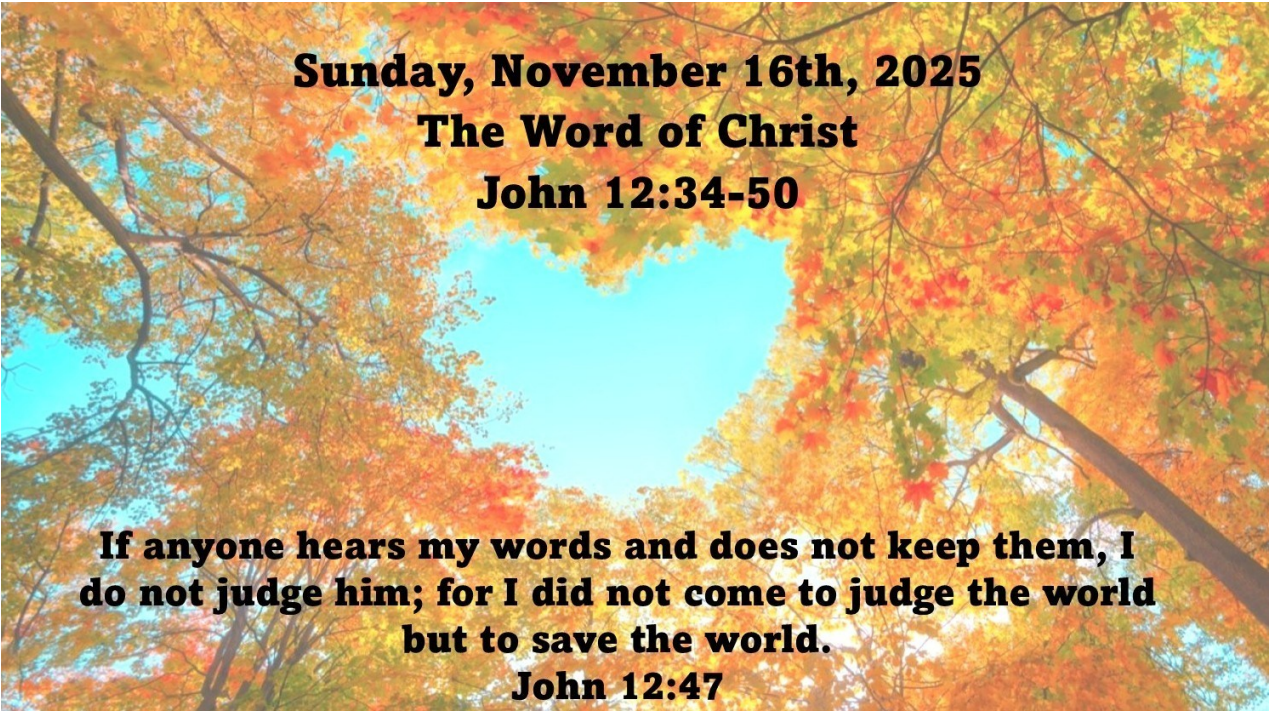
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Church Staff

Senior Pastor: Rev. Joseph Yerger
 Office Manager: Carey Slater
 Office Assistant: Carrie Troyer
 Children’s Ministry Director:
 Jenn Bacquet
 Kitchen Manager & Nursery:
 Sonya Francis
 Music Director: Bernice Holeman
 Preschool Director: Shawn Wade

Ruling Elders

Tucker Bacquet
 Ben Troyer
 Dana Woodring
Deacon Assistants
 Diann Barnett
 Dana Constance
 Leslie Lancy
 Bonnie Standridge
 Judy Swartzmiller
 Carrie Troyer



Reverend Joseph Yerger

A Sanctuary of Worship
A School of Religious Education
A Church Home with Open Doors



Welcome to Mansfield 1st Presbyterian!

Order of Worship: November 23rd, 2025

Please take a moment to fill out pew pads



Call To Worship: (Psalm 34:1-3)

Pastor Joseph Yerger

***Hymn of Praise:**
Acolyte:

#214 He Has Made Me Glad (x2)
Silas Sellards

***Prayer of Adoration:**

Judy Swartzmiller

Call to Confession: (Psalm 34:9-14)

Judy Swartzmiller

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

(All)

O LORD, we give You thanks and praise because Your steadfast love endures forever. You provide for everyone, by Your common grace, but You especially provide for Your people, as Your beloved children. You satisfy our needs and You have shown us mercy. Be gracious to us again, O LORD, and forgive us of our transgressions and sin. Forgive our disbelief. Forgive our lack of trust. Forgive us when we ignore the assurance given by Your Holy Spirit. When we repent of our sin, help us to seek Your face. Call us into Your presence and grant us the courage to approach Your throne and to receive Your freely offered grace. Let us remember You and give You thanks for all of Your goodness, now and forever. **AMEN**

Silent Prayers & Confessions:

Judy Swartzmiller

Assurance of Pardon: (Psalm 34:15-17)

Pastor Joseph Yerger

***Song of Response:**

#813 Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

Offertory:

Bernice Holeman
#170 Give Thanks

**Please stand as you are able*

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE AT MANSFIELD 1ST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH AT 6PM

This is a family friendly event, where children are welcome.

A traditional Christmas Eve worship service of "Lessons and Carols". We will alternate between Scripture and song and conclude with the singing of "Silent Night" and the lighting of personal candles as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, "the Light of the World".

"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone." Isaiah 9:2



**Please, come and worship the King of
kings with us!**



Sermon Notes

Whenever we see a reference to “the Jews” in John’s Gospel, remember that John intends the Jewish religious leadership and **not all ethnic or religious Jews.*

***Song of Response:** #815 Doxology

***Prayer of Thanksgiving:** Pastor Joseph Yerger
Children May Be Released to Kids Own Worship

Hymn of Preparation: #169 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Prayers for God’s People and the Lord’s Prayer (All)
Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. **AMEN**

The Word of God**
The Scripture Reading: John 12:34-50, Romans 10:5-13
Sermon: The Word of Christ

***Affirmation of Faith:** (The Apostles Creed) **(All)**
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

***Sending Song:** #597 Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated

Benediction: Pastor Joseph Yerger

**Please stand as you are able ** Found on page 845 &889 in the pew Bible.*

This Week at Mansfield 1st Presbyterian Church

Sunday, November 23rd	9 am	Sunday School
	10 am	Worship Service
	11:20 am	Coffee Hour & “Hanging of the Greens”
Monday, November 24th	1 pm	Quilting
Thursday, November 27th	Happy Thanksgiving - Office Closed	
Friday, November 28th	Office Closed	
Sunday, November 30th	9 am	Sunday School
	10 am	Family Worship Service
	11:20 am	Coffee Hour
	11:30 am	Handbell Practice

Carols Around the Table - Join December 14th after worship for lunch and singing of Christmas Carols. Please sign up in the Narthex.

Handbell Choir Practice: November 30th at 11:30am
December 6th at 9am
December 7th at 11:30am

Hanging of the Greens TODAY- We decorate the church for Christmas after worship TODAY

Caroling to friends of our church, December 17th at 5pm - We will be caroling to several members and friends of the church who are homebound. Please consider joining us to help us spread some joy and love during this Christmas season.

Congregational Meeting - December 7th to approve a change in Pastor Joseph’s Call Package.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Praise

Meyer - cancer free
For all those that God has put in our lives to help us, love us & pray for us
Our American Freedoms
Our Freedom to worship the LORD

Prayers of Petition

Healing for Jim Standridge
Healing for Sally Wyatt, hip surgery
Healing for Jan Smith
Healing for Deb Roof, knee replacement
Healing for Ms. Vivian Stevens
Healing for Theresa Plutko
Healing for Carolyn Heydinger, knee replacement
Healing for Blane Young, 15y.o, stage 4 cancer
Healing for Diana Hammer, after several falls
Healing for Janis Gibbs
Healing for Laura, aortic aneurysm
Healing for Vicki, cancer in cheek & neck
Healing for Becky Miller, after surgery complications
Healing for Xander, 8 year old with brain cyst
Family and friends of Winkie Bings, in mourning
Mary Driver, medical testing
Beth Gillamd, back issues

Angie Hunter & Eurobrass
Nik Stevens
Sid Hall
Joe Hayes
Mandy Cordle
Pam White
Creta Barber
Bernice Holeman
Frank Daniell
The Schuch Family
Richard & Emily, family/relationship struggles
The Family of Charlie Kirk
Pastor Matt Timmons and family, in mourning on the passing of his mother
Danielle, early stage dementia
Sue Wiles, heart issues & recent Leukemia diagnosis
Family of Marjorie and Rayferd Roy, in mourning
Our Preschool & Staff
Richland Pregnancy Services
The Thomassen Family
For the establishment of a Reformed Classical School in Richland County
For the healing of political, social, and moral divisions in our nation
The Mansfield Salvation Army, for wisdom in stewardship, clarity in direction, and faithfulness in service

Ye Younger Gift Shoppe Child Registration Form



Saturday, December 6th
9:00 am to noon

Kids PreK through 6th Grade

*Share in the spirit of Christ's gift of love to us
and make gifts for your whole family!*

Please complete the bottom portion and put in the offering plate
or return to Jenn Bacquet by **Sunday, November 23rd.**

Child's Name and Age _____

Parent/Grandparent's Name _____

Emergency Contact Information _____

Allergies _____

Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. 85. Death being the wages of sin, why are not the righteous delivered from death, seeing all their sins are forgiven in Christ?

A. The righteous shall be delivered from death itself at the last day, and even in death are delivered from the sting and curse of it;^s so that, although they die, yet it is out of God's love,^t to free them perfectly from sin and misery,^u and to make them capable of further communion with Christ in glory, which they then enter upon.^w

s. 1 Cor. 15:26, 55–57, Heb. 2:15, John 11:25–26

t. Isa. 57:1–2, 2 Kings 22:20

u. Rev. 14:13, Eph. 5:27

w. Luke 23:43, Phil. 1:23

Q. 86. What is the communion in glory with Christ, which the members of the invisible church enjoy immediately after death?

A. The communion in glory with Christ, which the members of the invisible church enjoy immediately after death, is, in that their souls are then made perfect in holiness,^x and received into the highest heavens,^y where they behold the face of God in light and glory,^z waiting for the full redemption of their bodies,^a which even in death continue united to Christ,^b and rest in their graves as in their beds,^c till at the last day they be again united to their souls.^d Whereas the souls of the wicked are at their death cast into hell, where they remain in torments and utter darkness, and their bodies kept in their graves, as in their prisons, till the resurrection and judgment of the great day.^e

x. Heb. 12:23, Acts 7:55, 59

y. 2 Cor. 5:1, 6, 8, Phil. 1:23, Acts 3:21, Eph. 4:10, Luke 23:43

z. 1 John 3:2, 1 Cor. 13:12

a. Rom. 8:23, Ps. 16:9

b. 1 Thess. 4:14, 16

c. Isa. 57:2.

d. Job 19:26–27

e. Luke 16:23–24, Acts 1:25, Jude 6–7



**Welcome Visitors! We are glad that
you are here! Please stop by our
visitor station in the Narthex after
worship to find out more about us.**



Caroles Around the Table

Join us Sunday, December 14th after worship for a delicious lunch and a time of fellowship and singing Christmas Carols together.



Caroling to friends of our church

December 17th at 5pm, we will be caroling to several members and friends of the church who are homebound. Please consider joining us to help us spread some joy and love during this Christmas season. We will meet in Westminster and caravan together to the first destination.

Dress warm as we will be outside for several of the stops.

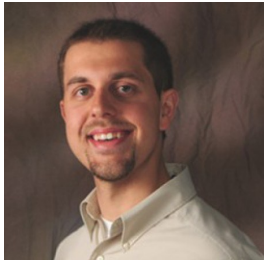


Pray for our sister congregations in THE Presbytery of Ohio
Zion Reformed Church
2082 E. Old Main St.
Winesburg, OH 44690

We're not perfect people. We're sinners. But as Christians, we're redeemed sinners. We are forgiven and reconciled with God because our identity is found in Jesus Christ. By faith, we are so united to Him, that when God sees us, He sees the manifold perfections of His own divine Son. God accepts Christ's perfect life as our life. He accepts Christ's death for sin as our death. And He accepts Christ's resurrection life as our new life in Him. What makes us who we are and unites us as a church is the unbreakable union we enjoy with our Savior, Jesus Christ. Our history dates back to the founding of Holmes County in 1825 and Winesburg, Ohio in 1827. In order to spread the good news of Jesus Christ and to serve the predominately German Christians living in the growing area, Zion Reformed Church was established on September 9, 1832 (then called the Evangelical United Zion Congregation). Today, we still gather for worship in the same building that was completed in 1871. And while Zion has undergone many transitions over the ebb and flow of our history, we continue to celebrate the same Gospel of Grace that we did at our founding over 180 years ago.

Meet the Pastor: Brett Barkley

Brett Barkley was born and raised in North Carolina where he studied philosophy and religion at North Carolina State University. It was there he met his wife Katie whom he married in 2005. After college, Brett studied at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, KY where he earned his Master of Divinity. He served as Director of Evangelism & Youth and an elder at Seventh Reformed Church in Grand Rapids, MI from 2010 until he accepted a call in 2013 to pastor Zion Reformed Church (PCA) in Winesburg, OH. Brett, Katie, and their 6 children are delighted to be part of the Zion church family; together with them spreading the Gospel of Jesus in Holmes County and abroad.



Please pray for:

- ♦ For Pastor Brett and family as they travel to see family in North Carolina
- ♦ Prayers for safety and perseverance for a very packed week.
- ♦ Prayers as they wrap up the year and finalize plans for 2026.
- ♦ Praises for the numerous children expected over the coming weeks. One family just had their baby this week.