ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF January 25th, 2015

Please silence all cell phones and games when entering the sanctuary. Thank you! This weekly announcement sheet will now be included on Mt. Zion's website.

TODAY

- ~Worship Service at 8 and 10:30 AM
- ~Sunday School for all ages at 9 AM
- ~Cooks On the Road Meal Planning at 9 AM in the conference room
- ~Jubilation Rehearsal 9:10 9:55 AM
- ~Children's Choir Practice room 5, 10-10:30 AM
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM Worship Service

THIS WEEK

- ~Game Day Fellowship Hall, Tue. Jan. 27th from 9 AM 3 PM
- ~Woven Threads Wed. Jan. 28th 6:30-8 PM at the Abel Home
- ~Preschool Hand Bell Choir Practice Thur. Jan. 29th 6:30-7 PM
- ~Choir Practice Thur. Jan. 29th 7:30-9 PM

NEXT SUNDAY

- ~Worship Services at 8 & 10:30 AM
- ~Service of Healing offered after services
- ~Sunday School for all ages at 9 AM
- ~Children's Choir Practice room 5, 10-10:30 AM
- **~WOW Kids** during the 10:30 AM Worship Service
- ~20:30 Planning Session for Lenten Dinner, 11:30 AM 1 PM in the parlor
- ~Single's Lunch at Round the Clock Diner, 12 PM
- ~Youth Group 6-8 PM Fellowship Hall/Kitchen

Our <u>Monthly Mission</u> for January is the **Bell Family Shelter**. Located on E. Market St., this shelter is the only family emergency shelter located in York. Other agencies provide emergency shelter for men or women, but Bell allows families to stay together. Additionally they provide financial counseling and assistance to get employment so families can become self-sufficient. Your gifts are greatly needed and appreciated!

Northeastern Food Pantry -- During the month of January, the food pantry is in need of the following items: fruit (plastic or cans), tuna, beef stew, soup, veggies (except peas, corn & green beans) and peanut butter. All donations of food, personal care and laundry supplies are appreciated!! Barbara Krier will be delivering items to the food pantry tomorrow. Thanks to all for supporting the food pantry mission!!!

WOW Kids—WOW (Worship Our Way) Kids is a program for the younger children of our congregation to participate in during the 10:30 worship service. After the children's message, the kids go downstairs for a lesson and snack. There is no sign up process – simply bring your child and we'll do the rest!

The Mission Core Team would like to provide needed items for residents at Pleasant Acres. We are asking for the support of this congregation to donate items on the following list:

Sweat pants and sweat shirts for women and men - all sizes especially extra large, underwear and tee shirts for men - all sizes, underwear and sleeveless tee shirts for women - all sizes, casual shirts and tops for men and women - all sizes, small personal electric fans, batteries - AA, AAA, and C, large piece puzzles (100pc), large print reading books, postage stamps, craft and art supplies. Please place your donations in the blue tote located in the narthex. Thank you in advance for you continued support and generosity.

Messy Church is having its first service of the new year on Friday, Feb. 6th from 6 to 7:30. All are welcome to join us for this evening of storytelling, music, dancing, crafts, games, dinner, and general messiness! While all are welcome, please know that this service gears its activities and worship experience specifically towards the needs of children and their families- so a sense of humor, love of children, and comfort with organized chaos is a must!

Book Discussion – Wed. Feb. 11th to discuss "*The Letters*" by Luann Rice and Joseph Monninger. Join us for lunch at 11:30 am at Panera Bread on E. Market St. and discussion at noon.

Congregational Meeting – Sun. Feb. 15th at 9 am in the sanctuary to receive the 2014 Annual Reports and an update on the progress with the audio-visual upgrade.

Lent begins, Ash Wednesday, February 18th. We will offer the Imposition of Ashes and Communion at 3 PM in the sanctuary and again at 6 PM, followed by dinner. Sign up to attend the dinner in the side narthex. Mid-week services will begin on Feb. 25th through Mar. 25th.

Mt. Zion is hosting a workshop for the York Association on Sat. Feb. 21st from 9 am to noon. The Community Outreach Committee is offering several opportunities to focus on 2015 – The Year of the Children and Youth Jubilee to address issues of literacy, hunger, the environment and child safety. Information will be offered regarding new Pa. Child Clearance directives, and ways to promote literacy individually and communally as a church in our community. All are welcome!

Place your order for the Ridgerunners delicious Easter Candy on the signup sheet in the Narthex no later than **March 8.** The candy is \$10 per pound with a selection of Peanut Butter Eggs, Coconut Cream Eggs, Raisin Clusters and Peanut Clusters. The candy will be ready for pick up on Sunday, March 29th.

Volunteers Needed for Candy Making. Put on your apron and join the Ridgerunners for a fun day of making Easter Candy on Thursday and Friday, March 26th and 27th beginning at 8 am. No prior experience is needed. Please bring along a Pampered Chef small scoop if you have one. Please sign up in the Narthex. Point of contact for volunteers is Lana Fritz at 755-4065 before 9 pm, or email at: ljf424@comcast.net

Woven Threads is a discussion and Bible study group that will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 6:30 PM at Janet Abel's home. They will be using the guide, "Unglued: Making Wise Choices in the Midst of Raw Emotions" by Lysa Terkeurst. We welcome all of you to come to the next discussion on Wednesday, January 28th!

Children's Hand Bell Choir - Preschoolers and Kindergarteners get ready! You have been able to see how much fun it is to use Kristal Bells, and now it is your turn to give them a try! Practice dates are Jan. 29th, and Feb. 5th & 12th from 6:30-7 PM in the Hand Bell Choir room. Please contact Travis Pinci at: travispinci1280@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Service of Healing – Sunday, Feb. 1st – following the early and late services for those wishing to participate.

Single's Lunch on Feb. 1st will be at the Round the Clock diner, beginning at noon. Hope to see you there!

20:30 Planning Session for Lenten Dinner – join us on Feb. 1st after the late service in the parlor to plan for the Lenten Dinner on March 11th. Anyone involved in 20:30 is asked to come and help us plan. Please contact Elaine Bevivino at (717) 840-6397 or via email at elaine.k.bevivino@jci.com if you are unable to attend this meeting, and would like to help out on March 11th or provide some food for that dinner. Thank you and we look forward to seeing everyone!

<u>Changes in Child Protection Laws in Pennsylvania</u>- Due to changes in the child protection laws in the state of Pennsylvania, Mt. Zion now requires all volunteers who work with children and youth (even in a one time capacity) to submit a background check and child abuse clearance. Packets of information as well as a volunteer information sheet is available in the side narthex and in the church office. Upon completion of materials, please turn them in to the box in the church office. Information will be kept secure. If you have any questions, please see a member of the child protection task force (Barb Krier, Kathy Sweeney, Mike Miller, and Jess Crowell) or one of the pastors. Thank you for your help in this matter!

We are currently seeking volunteers to serve on the Lent and Easter **worship planning teams.** If you would be interested in working together to create meaningful worship experiences for the Mt. Zion community, please sign up in the side narthex or see Pastors Cathy or Danielle. Worship teams meet 4-5 times in the weeks leading up to the liturgical season, with meetings times determined by group availability. Thank you!

Game Day - We will have game day on Tues. Jan 27th, unless it snows. We will start at 9 AM and finish by 3 PM. Bring a lunch. Hope to see you there!

We are seeking acolytes for February. If your child (or you!) would be interested in acolyting, please sign up on the sheet in the side narthex and please indicate if training is needed. As a guide, children typically begin acolyting around third grade. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to be in touch with Pastor Danielle.

The Church Office has Weis and Giant gift cards available in \$10, \$25, and \$50 denominations. A portion of every card purchased benefits Bell Socialization! Checks should be made out to Mt. Zion U.C.C.

Please consider sponsoring either an altar flower arrangement or our weekly bulletins. It's a great way to send a special message, remember a loved one or celebrate a birthday or event. You are encouraged to take a few minutes upon sign up to complete the form providing the information as you would like it to appear in the bulletin. We are in need of flower sponsors for Feb. 1st and a bulletin sponsor for Feb. 8th. Cost of flower arrangements is \$14.75 and cost of bulletins is \$15.00.

In the event of inclement weather, please check WGAL's (<u>www.WGAL.com</u>) or Mt. Zion's website (<u>www.mtzionucc.org</u>) for changes. WGAL may list church cancellations due to a <u>major</u> snowstorm on television, but it will be at their discretion.

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Date	Attendance	Current Receipts	Ave. Weekly E-tithing	Total Received for Current	Weekly Budget for Current Exp
December 21, 2014	176 members + 17 guests	\$3,856.00	\$2,113.94	\$5,969.94	\$4,560.91
December 28, 2014	109 members + 14 guests	\$8,069.00	\$2,113.94	\$10,182.94	\$4,560.91
January 4, 2015	158 members +12 guests	\$2,108.00	\$2,103.94	\$4,211.94	\$4,765.08
January 11, 2015	136 members + 14 guests	\$2,404.00	\$2,103.94	\$4,507.94	\$4,765.08
January 18, 2015	167 members + 19 guests	\$2,239.00	\$2,103.94	\$4,342.94	\$4,765.08

Special needs prayer chain - please call the church office at 755-6117.

<u>Undergoing Treatment/Therapy</u>: Joey Harvey, Leon Hartman, Paulette Smith, Glenda Chilcote

Recuperating: George DeMers, Sharon Baines, Erin Shiffer, Ted Trout-Landen, Mike Ferree, Betty Spangler

THIS WEEK:

8 AM Worship Tech: Ken Dunbar

8 AM Welcome Team: Carol Bair, Janet Abel, Natalie

Fleming, Amy Roser

8 AM Acolyte: Ellery Wagaman 10:30 AM Worship Tech: Bonnie Dull

10:30 AM Welcome Team: Jon & Barb Waltemyer, Guy &

Marty Wenck

10:30 AM Acolyte: Megan Merritt

10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

NEXT WEEK:

8 AM Worship Tech: Mary Jane Snyder

8 AM Welcome Team: Coordinated by Barb Neff

8 AM Acolyte: All are welcome to sign up! **10:30 AM Worship Tech:** John Schriver

10:30 AM Welcome Team: Coordinated by Barb Neff

10:30 AM Acolyte: Mason Wagaman

10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney