

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF March 8, 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 Services at 8 & 10:30 AM
- ~Sunday School for all ages at 9 AM
- ~ 20:30/Adult Discussion Combined Sunday School- 9 AM in the fellowship hall
- ~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
- ~Volunteer Clearance Seminar 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM, fellowship hall
- ~Youth Group 6-8 PM, fellowship hall/kitchen

THIS WEEK

- ~Woven Threads at the Abel Home, Mon. March 9th at 6:30 PM
- ~Eastertide Worship Ministry Team meets in the conference room Tue. March 10th from 9:30-11 AM
- ~York Association Community Outreach Meeting in the conference room Tue. March 10th at 7 PM
- ~Book Discussion of "Casting the First Stone" at Panera Bread on Wed. March 11th, lunch 11:30 AM, discussion 12 PM
- ~Family Worship Service in the sanctuary, Wed. March 11th at 5:30 PM
- ~Lenten Dinner in the fellowship hall, Wed. March 11th at 6 PM provided by 20:30 Group, soup and grilled cheese
- ~Worship in the sanctuary, Wed. March 11th at 7 PM, presented by Clyde Snyder
- ~Adult Choir Rehearsal Wed. March 11th from 7:45 - 9 PM
- ~Outreach to Pleasant Acres Fri. March 13th from 10-11:30 AM at Elm Springs Apts.

NEXT SUNDAY

- ~Worship Services at 8 & 10:30 AM
- ~Sunday School for all ages at 9 AM
- ~ 20:30/Adult Discussion Combined Sunday School- 9 AM in the fellowship hall
- ~Children's Choir Practice - room 5, 10-10:30 AM
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM worship service
- ~Council Meeting immediately following late worship
- ~J-Walkers Youth Group 5-7 PM, fellowship hall, dinner provided

Our Monthly Mission for March is Mt. Zion's Good Samaritan Fund. The Good Samaritan Fund is Mt. Zion's fund to help local people in need. In just the past two weeks, your pastors have had four people come to our church door in need of food assistance. This harsh winter, everyone's fuel and electric needs are great, especially for those who have the least among us. Currently we have about \$200 a month to help people. The need is great, this monthly amount we try to stay with is quickly depleted and some are turned away. Your gifts, once each year help to replenish this fund. Thank you for your generosity!

Northeastern Food Pantry- During the month of March, the food pantry is in need of the following items: **cereal, peanut butter and soup.** All donations of food, personal care and laundry supplies are appreciated!! Barb Krier will be delivering items to the food pantry on March 30th. Thanks to all of you for supporting the food pantry mission!!!

Lenten Adult Sunday School Class Offering ~ David Bradnick and Pastor Danielle are teaming up during the season of Lent to continue with a discussion and study of spiritual disciplines (as described in the book Celebration of Discipline). You need not to have read the book to come. Simply bring yourselves and a willingness to think about how we can be better connected to God. Classes are Sundays during the 9 AM Sunday school hour in the fellowship hall beginning today.

March Forth for Literacy. During the month of March we will be collecting gently used or new books for elementary age children. Picture books or early reading books would be appreciated. Please no adult books, text books or encyclopedias. We have also printed a reading calendar for March to use with your children to encourage reading activities at home. Thank you, the Mission Core.

J-Walkers Meeting-- J-Walkers is the new youth group forming for 3rd through 6th graders at Mt. Zion. Join us for our first gathering on Sunday, March 15th from 5-7 PM. Dinner will be provided. If you are interested in helping or need more information, please contact Pastor Danielle. Youth are welcome to bring their friends with them.

There is one day left to place your order for the Ridgerunners delicious Easter Candy. Please put your order on the sign up sheet in the Narthex by **tomorrow.** 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.

Woven Threads: During Lent we will be meeting on Monday nights due to the mid-week Lent services. Our next meeting is March 9th, at Janet Abel's home starting at 6:30 PM. All women are welcome to join!

Easter Eggs ~ Mt. Zion's Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for 3/29/15 from 2-4 PM. We are in need of your help stuffing the eggs. Bags of 25 eggs can be found in the narthex, please take and return them by 3/22/15. Please use nut-free candy only. Chocolate is acceptable, just not Snickers or Reese's, or anything that has nuts in it. Thank You!

EASTER EGG HUNT! **Calling all children for the Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, March 29 from 2 – 4 PM! Please sign up in the side narthex if you plan to attend with your child/grandchild!** Different age groups will be hunting for eggs on the church grounds (or inside if the weather is not cooperating) and snacks and drinks will be available. The youth and other volunteers are asked to stay after the 10:30 AM service that day to help set up and then hide the eggs. Pizza and soda will be served to anyone helping to stuff / hide the eggs. For questions, please contact Elaine Bevivino at 840-6397 asap. We hope to see everyone there for a fun time!!

Photo-A-Day Lenten Challenge -- During the season of Lent the Youth Group invites you to join in with them on their photo-a-day challenge. The youth are challenging themselves to take pictures that represent the a different word each day. As they take and post the picture, they will reflect on God's presence in their life. This will be their Lenten spiritual practice, and they would like you to join in with them. There are cards in the narthex with the list of words. You are welcome to email your pictures to Pastor Danielle or you can post them on Twitter, Instagram, or Facebook using the hashtags #mtzionucc and #40faithfuldays.

As we begin this year of our Chop & Peel schedule I am pleased and thankful to let you know we are starting our 25th year of supplying Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen with Beef Stew. This has been made possible by your ongoing and continuous support of this most important mission. The usual signup sheet is in the West Narthex and we will have the Chop & Peel portion on Monday March 30th at 6:00 PM. Hope to see you then for an hour of good work and fellowship, *Nancy Sleeper*

Changes in Child Protection Laws in Pennsylvania- 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 attend the meeting today at 11:30 AM, or April 12th at 11:30. If you still have questions, you can contact a member of the child protection task force: Barb Krier, Kathy Sweeney, Mike Miller, Jess Crowell, or one of the pastors. Thank you for your help in this matter!

We are seeking acolytes for March. 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.

So who's up for a little friendly competition? We've been invited by Chapel Church in Red Lion to play DODGEBALL on Saturday, March 28th. Registration starts at 5:30 and play is from 6-9. A team consists of 8 members and all ages are welcome. If we don't have a group to complete a team, no worries!! Smaller teams will be combined, so all will have an opportunity to play. There is no cost for Mt. Zion members and their guests to play. There is also no charge for anyone who wants to go along to watch/cheer for their team. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Children (with parents), youth AND adults are all invited. We will play with a foam ball, so it is safe for all ages (parental permission is required for everyone under 18 -- keep in mind that if you are there, you run the risk of being hit with the ball.) Please either sign up on the sheet in the narthex OR contact Robin Schriver at 542-4116 or rschriver1@comcast.net. Permission forms can be found with the sign-up sheet. Robin will be in touch to discuss car pooling. Invite your friends! Looking forward to a fun night!

The Mt Zion Cemetery Association will hold their Annual Public Meeting at the Cemetery Office at 3101 Deiningner Road, Springettsbury Township, York, PA on March 28, 2015 beginning at 8 A.M., followed immediately by a Quarterly Meeting. Additional Quarterly Meetings will be held June 27, September 26, and December 12, 2015 beginning at 8:00 A.M. at the Cemetery Office. Interested parties are encouraged to attend. Phone 717-755-4858 for information.

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. Cost of flower arrangements is \$14.75 and cost of bulletins is \$15.00. We are in need of a bulletin sponsor for **March 22nd**. We are in need of flower sponsors for **March 15th** (1 vase), and **March 22nd** (2 vases). Thank You!

In the event of inclement weather, please check WGAL's (www.WGAL.com) or Mt. Zion's website (www.mtzionucc.org) for changes. WGAL may list church cancellations due to a major snowstorm on television, but it will be at their discretion. You may also call the church. Please listen to the message to learn if we have altered our schedule for the day.

Date	Attendance	Current Receipts	Ave. Weekly E-tithing	Total Received for Current	Weekly Budget for Current Exp
February 8, 2015	149 members + 15 guests	\$2,797.50	\$2,128.94	\$4,926.44	\$4,765.08
February 15, 2015	101 members + 20 guests	\$1,482.00	\$2,128.94	\$3,610.94	\$4,765.08
February 22, 2015	CANCELLED	\$155.00	\$2,128.94	\$2,283.94	\$4,765.08
March 1, 2015	117 members + 4 guests	\$3,936.00	\$2,128.94	\$5,639.15	\$4,765.08

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

Undergoing Treatment/Therapy: Leon Hartman, Paulette Smith, Glenda Chilcote

Recuperating: Joey Harvey

Hospitalized: George Sipe

THIS WEEK:

8 AM Worship Tech: Jim Shiffer

8 AM Welcome Team: Ken & Sherry Dunbar, Jim & Sue Shiffer

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Palmer Burke

10:30 AM Welcome Team: Vanessa & Braden Bicher, Paula Beever, Judy Cornelius

10:30 AM Acolyte: Weston Wagaman

10:30 AM Nursery: Tami & Matt Grimes

WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

NEXT WEEK:

8 AM Worship Tech: Jack Herlocker

8 AM Welcome Team: Anne Henry, Deb Herlocker, Jane & Jodi Graham

8 AM Acolyte: All are welcome to sign up!

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Clyde Snyder

10:30 AM Welcome Team: John, Michelle, Andrew & Jackson Kollasch

10:30 AM Acolyte: All are welcome to sign up!

10:30 AM Nursery: Jessica & Neil Crowell

WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney