

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF August 23, 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 AM & 10:30 AM
- ~Summer Sunday School for children grade 6 and under at 9 AM in PreK/K Room
- ~First Year Confirmation Parents Meeting at 9 AM in the 5th and 6th grade classroom
- ~Octoberfest Planning Meeting at 9 AM in the conference room
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM worship service
- ~Children's Handbell Choir Performs at the 10:30 worship service
- ~Go Green Sunday at Mt. Zion & Hayshire UCC from 2pm to 4 pm

THIS WEEK

NEXT SUNDAY

- ~Worship Service and Blanket Sunday at 8 AM and 10:30 AM
- ~Blessing of the Backpacks and Blankies at 10:30 AM worship
- ~Worship Core Planning Session at 9 AM in the fellowship hall
- ~Cooks on the Road travels to Ronald McDonald House immediately following late worship
- ~Faithful Families group meets after late worship until 1:30 PM in the fellowship hall
- ~Youth Car Wash Fundraiser following late worship until 3 PM at the Fire Hall on Sherman Ave.

Our *Monthly Mission* for August will be split between the Hoffman Homes for Children and Youth & Homewood Home at Plum Creek. Both are UCC related institutions in our area. Your gifts help provide in some cases clothing and activities for the youth. Thank you for your support of these local agencies!

Blanket Sunday Offering ~ Sun. Aug. 30th. We will receive your gifts in this special all church offering. \$5 provides a blanket like the one on the sanctuary wall to homeless shelters, in times of natural disaster and to refugees. Please give generously so we can blanket the world with love!

Thank you for all of the donations of school supplies for the Salvation Army and the Central York School District that were collected during the month of July!

Northeastern Food Pantry- During the month of August, the food pantry is in need of the following items: juice (full size bottles or juice boxes), & jelly. We do not need to collect jello this month. Barbara Krier will pick up all of the donations Sunday, August 23rd after the early service. Thanks to all of you for supporting the food pantry mission!!!

Mt. Zion is Streaming! The early Sunday services are now posted on the Mt Zion website at <http://www.mtzionucc.org/services-online.html>, with both a live feed (but only during the actual service, of course) and past services for some of the last few Sundays (8/16, 8/9, 7/26, & 7/19). The streaming works to PCs, tablets, and smart phones. Comments and feedback are welcome.

"Go Green Sunday" –TODAY - August 23rd from 2 pm to 4 pm. An Eco-Friendly, Free Family Event at Mt. Zion U.C.C. and Hayshire U.C.C. This is an outreach opportunity for Mt. Zion. We will have free food, crafts and activities for children and a shredder truck to recycle paper and documents, free to all! Hayshire will host the recycled art show, offer free food and show how to make a cooker from Dollar Store items and make a s'more. We will need people to help direct traffic and serve as welcome team for the event. Please mark your calendars to help/attend this outreach event as we begin a new program year!

Blessing of the Backpacks and Blankies ~ Sunday, August 30th at the 10:30 worship service. Join us as we pray for the schools and bless the blankets and backpacks!

Compassion York Food Run - If you weren't able to help with *Cooks on the Road*, but would like an opportunity to serve our community, the next **Compassion Food Run** is scheduled for Sun., Sept. 6th. The sign-up sheets for helpers and food are in the side narthex. Thank You!

2015-2016 Worship Ministry Teams are being formed! Sign up to plan services for October, November or Advent in the side narthex.

Sunday School Beginning! A reminder that Sunday school for all ages begins once again on Sunday, Sept. 13th. We will also present Bibles to our third graders and 7th graders on that Sunday during worship.

Save the Date! Youth Group Car Wash ~ On Sunday, August 30th, the Youth Group will be hosting a Car Wash and Bake Sale Fundraiser at the Fire Hall on Sherman St. from 11:30 AM until 3:00 PM. Please stop by and have your car cleaned, and if you are able, offer a donation towards their fundraising efforts to attend the National Youth Event next summer. The youth will offer tithe a portion of their proceeds.

Oktoberfest Committee Meeting has been scheduled for TODAY, Sun., Aug. 23rd at 9 AM in the conference room. Please contact Tom or Carol Bair at: tcbair@comcast.net if you have any questions.

The last day for Summer Sunday School will be August 30th. We had so much fun listening and learning about our favorite Bible stories. Parents come join the fun with your child for Sunday School September 6th from 9-10 AM in the fellowship hall and watch a movie with snacks. Regular Sunday School will start September 13th.

Have you shared your Flat Jesus pictures? -- Flat Jesus is back and we want to know-- where will he go with you this summer?!? Copies of Flat Jesus are available in the side narthex or you can download him from the website at www.mtzionucc.org under the "Children's Ministry" tab. You can submit your pictures to Pastor Danielle (via email or in person) or you can upload them to facebook and tag Mt. Zion, or you can upload to Instagram and use the hashtags #flatjesus #mtzionucc. No matter your age, Flat Jesus can travel with you! At the end of the summer, we will have a slideshow detailing all of his travels! **Please turn in your Flat Jesus pictures by August 24th. Thank you!**

Service Opportunity! Mt. Zion is seeking dedicated individuals to serve as Sunday school teachers for the 2015-2016 program year. At this time, we are specifically looking for an additional teacher to join the existing team of teachers in the PreK/K and 1st-3rd classes. If you would be interested in serving as a teacher in these classrooms, please contact Pastor Danielle. Thank you!

Are you resuming group meetings or practices? Contact the church office ! If you have schedules for your group, (bible study, choir, etc.) please submit them to : mtzionuccyorkpa@comcast.net as soon as they are available. In order to have your information printed in our weekly announcements, it needs to be received by 10 AM on the preceding Tuesday of the event start date. Schedules will also appear on our online calendar and if possible, in the E-Spirit as well. Thank you!

We are seeking Acolytes! 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. The first available date to sign up is Sunday, September. 13th. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to be in touch with Pastor Danielle.

Faithful Families Group- As a continuation of the Love and Logic group that began during Vacation Bible School, Mt. Zion will be offering a four week series that continues with the themes of Love and Logic and also includes a week of discussion around incorporating faith into home life. These sessions, which will take place after late worship on August 30, Sept. 6, 13, and 20 from 11:45-1:30 will be a time for parents to talk about their experiences raising children and teens and engage in topical discussions around developing positive relationships with our kids. The sessions are free, but contributions towards lunch and childcare would be appreciated. Even if you were not a participant in the Love & Logic courses during VBS, you can still participate! Please also sign up even if you cannot attend every week of class! These discussions will be facilitated by Matt Grimes and Pastor Danielle. You can sign up in the side narthex or email Pastor Dani at pastordani@comcast.net.

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 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. Flower arrangements cost \$14.75 & bulletins cost \$15.00. Thank You!

Through our new audio-visual upgrade we now have a new hearing assistance system called **Listen Technologies**. If you would like to use a receiver, please check with the volunteers at the sound booth at the rear of the sanctuary.

Cards and well wishes to Carol & Leon Hartman's grandson, Aiden, can be sent to:
Aiden Fowler : 970 Park Ave., Woolrich, PA 17779

Date	Attendance	Current Receipts	Ave. Weekly E-tithing	Total Received for Current	Weekly Budget for Current Exp
July 26, 2015	101 members + 27 guests	\$1,852.00	\$2,862.69	\$4,714.69	\$4,765.08
August 2, 2015	133 members +16 guests	\$2,823.00	\$1,551.15	\$4,374.15	\$4,765.08
August 9, 2015	142 members + 13 guests	\$2,045.00	\$1,551.15	\$3,596.15	\$4,765.08
August 16, 2015	138 members +12 guests	\$3,435.00	\$1,551.15	\$4,986.15	\$4,765.08

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

Hospitalized: George Sipe

Undergoing Treatment/Therapy: Leon Hartman, Glenda Chilcote, Fran Spangler

Recuperating: Deb Barshinger, Ken Barshinger, Guy Wenck, Tim Snyder, Jeanne Bowman

THIS WEEK:

8 AM Worship Tech: Ken Dunbar

8 AM Welcome Team: Joan Masimore, Amy Roser, Deb Barnes, Natalie Behrends, and Jodi Graham

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Bonnie Dull

10:30 AM Welcome Team: John, Robin, and Carly Schriver, and Tom Mulligan

10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

NEXT WEEK:

8 AM Worship Tech:

8 AM Welcome Team: Coordinated by Debbie Butcher

10:30 AM Worship Tech:

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10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

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