

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF November 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 & Honoring Veterans at 8 AM and 10:30 AM
- ~Sunday School for all Ages at 9 AM
- ~WOW Kids during 10:30 AM worship
- ~Sacrament of Baptism during 8 AM worship

THIS WEEK

- ~Veteran's Day Wed. Nov. 11th
- ~Book Discussion at Panera Bread, Wed. Nov. 11th, 11:30 AM lunch, 12 PM discussion
- ~Children's Hand Bell Choir Practice Thur. Nov. 12th, 6:30-7 PM
- ~Worship Choir Practice Thur. Nov. 12th, 7:30-9 PM
- ~Outreach to Pleasant Acres at Elm Springs Apartments Fri. Nov. 13th, 10 AM
- ~Fall Confirmation Retreat Nov. 13th-15th

NEXT SUNDAY

- ~Worship Services at 8 AM & 10:30 AM
- ~Sunday School for all Ages at 9 AM, Gospel of John series begins
- ~Congregational Meeting 9 AM, Sanctuary
- ~WOW Kids during 10:30 AM worship
- ~Children's Choir Practice (2nd-6th grade) 10:30-11:30 AM
- ~Council Meeting after late worship
- ~Cooks on the Road to Ronald McDonald House 12-6 PM
- ~Youth Praise Band Practice 4:30-6 PM, Sanctuary
- ~J-Walkers Youth Group (3rd-6th grade) 5-7 PM, kitchen & fellowship hall
- ~MS/HS Youth Group 6-8 PM

Please note: On Sunday, November 22nd, we will have ONE worship service at 10:30 AM. Immediately following worship, there will be a reception honoring Pastor Cathy and her 25 years of faithful service to this congregation and the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We hope that you will join us! For more information about how you might be able to help with this celebration, please contact Debbie Butcher.

Mt. Zion UCC gives thanks and praise to all of our Veterans. We appreciate your service to our country!

Our Monthly Mission for November Hospice & Community Care which is dedicated to providing care and comfort to help patients and families live better at end of life. Thank you for your support!

Northeastern Food Pantry- During the month of November, the food pantry is in need of the following items: canned sweet potatoes, boxes of stuffing mix & paper products. Barbara Krier will pick up all of the donations Nov. 22nd after the early service. These items will be delivered Mon. Nov. 23rd, just in time for Thanksgiving! We appreciate all of you for supporting the food pantry mission!!!

Questions or Concerns relative to the upcoming transition..... Forms are available for pickup on the table in the narthex. Please fill one out and put the completed form in the white box provided. The congregation will receive and update today. Copies today's update will be available on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

Gospel of John Sunday School Class - Would you like to learn more about the life of Jesus? Want to prepare your spiritual well-being for the upcoming Advent season? Do you have questions about Christian beliefs concerning Jesus? If so, join us for a six week series that explores the exciting Gospel of John. This series begins on Sunday, Nov. 15 and meets in the fellowship hall and will be led by David Bradnick. Be sure to bring your bibles.

Come Sing With Us! Singers of all skill levels, including youth 7th grade and up, are encouraged to sing in Mt. Zion's two choirs. *Jubilation* rehearses Sunday mornings and sings at the early service. *Worship Choir* rehearses Thursday evenings and sings at the late service. Schedules are posted outside the choir room.

Book Discussion of "The Longest Ride" by Nicholas Sparks will take place on Wed. Nov. 11th at Panera Bread on E. Market St. Lunch at 11:30 am. Discussion begins at noon. All Welcome!

Sun. Nov. 15th – Congregational Meeting at 9 am in the sanctuary to approve the 2016 budget and elect new members of Council. Council nominations are: Danika Dallam, Stephanie Beyer, Guy Wenck, and Kathy Ensminger. There are agendas available in the narthex if you wish to review the information prior to the meeting.

Council Meeting will be held on Sun., Nov. 15th immediately following late worship.

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. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to be in touch with Pastor Danielle.

Want to be a part of a special Mt. Zion UCC tradition? Join us for "Advent Storytellers!" We are looking for folks to read stories to each Sunday school class throughout Advent (Nov. 29th, Dec. 6th, 13th & 20th). Stories are provided for you to read. You will read during the first or last 15 minutes of the Sunday school hour. This long-held tradition is loved by adults and kids alike! The sign-up sheet is located in the Narthex. Questions? Talk to or email Kristen, Kristen.km.adams@gmail.com.

Outreach to Pleasant Acres at Elm Springs Apartments will take place this Fri. Nov. 13th at 10 AM.

Ridgerunner members planning to attend the Christmas dinner: please notify Becky Hester if you did not sign up so that she can give the restaurant and approximate count.

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 ESpirit as well. Thank you!

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!

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. The streaming works to PCs, tablets, and smart phones. Comments and feedback are welcome.

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
Oct. 4, 2015	151 members + 12 guests	\$2,812.00	\$1,938.94	\$4,750.94	\$4,765.08
Oct. 11, 2015	168 members +10 guests	\$1,844.00	\$1,938.94	\$3,782.94	\$4,765.08
Oct. 18, 2015	164 members + 16 guests	\$2,522.00	\$1,938.94	\$4,460.00	\$4,765.08
Oct. 25, 2015	141 members + 28 guests	\$2,720.00	\$1,938.94	\$4,658.94	\$4,765.08
Nov. 1, 2015	137 members + guests	\$2,289.00	\$1,551.15	\$3,840.15	\$4,765.08

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

Hospitalized:

Undergoing Treatment/Therapy: Glenda Chilcote, Fran Spangler, Nancy Kinard

Recuperating: Ken Barshinger, Lina Everhart, Rhonda Vacante, Lois Yingling, Leon Hartman

THIS WEEK:

8 AM Worship Tech: Jack Herlocker

8 AM Welcome Team: Ali & Pam Mowery, Joan Masimore, Mary Jane Snyder

8 AM Acolyte: Holt Dallam

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

10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

NEXT WEEK:

8 AM Worship Tech: Jim Shiffer

8 AM Welcome Team: Becky & Jerry Hester, Don & Diane Strine

8 AM Acolyte: All are welcome to sign up!

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Clyde Snyder

10:30 AM Welcome Team: Jeff & Nancy Sleeper, Dennis & Pat Cooper

10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

10:30 AM Acolyte: Joey Bevivino

WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney