

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF December 27, 2015

*Please silence all cell phones and games when entering the sanctuary. Thank you!*

*This weekly announcement sheet is included on Mt. Zion's website.*

### TODAY

~Worship Service at 8 & 10:30 AM

~No Sunday School

~Pajama Sunday

~WOW Kids during 10:30 AM worship

### THIS WEEK

~Chop & Peel Mon. Dec. 28th, 6 PM kitchen & fellowship hall

~New Year's Day - Fri. Jan. 1st, Office Closed

### NEXT SUNDAY

~Worship Service at 8 & 10:30 AM

~Sunday School for all ages at 9 AM

~WOW Kids during 10:30 AM worship

~Singles Lunch at Isaac's (East York) at 12 PM

*Our thoughts and prayers are extended to the Hartman Family. As a congregation, we mourn the loss of our brother in Christ, Leon Hartman. His celebration of life was held here at Mt. Zion yesterday. May the promises of our God continue to provide hope and comfort to the family and to this congregation.*

*Thank you, Mt. Zion family, for all of your cards, gifts, and goodies! I am deeply grateful for your expressions of love and feel truly blessed to be serving among you. May the hope of Christ's birth take root in your hearts not just this season, but all year round. Merry Christmas~ Pastor Danielle*

**Our Monthly Mission for December** is the UCC Christmas Fund. The Christmas Fund helps retired clergy and spouses by providing supplemental monies for pension and health insurance premiums to low-income retirees. At Christmas, the offering provides gift checks to hundreds of annuitants, and it also provides emergency assistance throughout the year.

**Northeastern Food Pantry-** During the month of January, the food pantry is in need of the following items: Hamburger Helper, pasta, boxed potatoes (instant mashed, scalloped, au gratin, etc.). Barbara Krier will collect all of the donations Sun. Jan. 24th after the early service, and will deliver them Mon. Jan. 25th. We appreciate all of you for supporting the food pantry mission!!!

**Year End Contributions~** In order for Jesse to prepare the 2015 giving statements, he needs to receive all contributions for 2015 by December 29, 2015. **2016** giving envelopes are available for pickup in the side narthex. You may take them with you but please do not use them until January 3, 2016. We sincerely thank you for all of the support you extend to the church!

**Angel Tree**~ Thank you to everyone who provided gifts for the families that were on the Angel Tree. Thanks to your generosity, Christmas was made brighter for these families. We are truly grateful for your giving spirits!

**Sunday School** ~ Please note that we will **not** have Sunday School today.

**Homewood Auxiliary** Thank you to everyone for your contributions to the Homewood Auxiliary. Your support makes a difference in so many lives. If you would like to become a member, today is the final day to sign up. Please see Paulette Smith and she can assist you with the process.

**Chop & Peel** for the soup kitchen is TOMORROW at 6:00 PM; please join us to prepare the food. We appreciate all donations of food and your time to help prepare it. Thanks for continuing this ministry!

**Singles Lunch** - Our first lunch for 2016 will be on Sunday, January 3rd at Isaac's in East York at noon. The address is: 2960 Whiteford Rd., York, PA 17402. We look forward to seeing you there!

Join **Ridgerunners** on Wednesday January 6th for a covered dish luncheon at noon. No need to bring a dessert because we will be decorating (and consuming) cupcakes. Come and join the fun!

**Outreach to Pleasant Acres at Elm Springs Apartments** is on Fri. Jan. 8th from 10-11:30 AM. We will enjoy our time of fellowship with coffee, juice, goodies and cards! A good time is always had by all, please come join us!

**Youth Lock In** will take place here at Mt. Zion from Fri. Jan. 8th-Sat. Jan. 9th. This is for youth grades 7-12. To sign up for the night, please contact Pastor Danielle or utilize the signup sheet in the side narthex.

**Lenten Worship Team**-- Lent is a season rich in symbolism and meaning. We are seeking people to serve on the Lenten Worship Team. Worship Teams meet according to the team's availability. Come join us as we plan for this meaningful season. Signup sheet is in the side narthex.

**Book Discussion** ~ Please join us for our next book discussion at Panera Bread on Wed. Jan. 13th at 11:30 AM. We will be discussing "Don't Go" by Lisa Scottoline. Lunch is at 11:30, discussion is at noon.

**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.

**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!

**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 8 AM service is now posted on the Mt. Zion website at: <http://www.mtzionucc.org/services-online.html>, with both a live feed (during the actual service) and past services for some of the last few Sundays. The streaming works to PCs, tablets, and smart phones. Comments and feedback are welcome. If you are streaming from home and experience technical difficulties, please contact [mtzionuccyorkpa@comcast.net](mailto:mtzionuccyorkpa@comcast.net).

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.

**Questions or Concerns** relative to the 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.

*In the event of inclement weather, please check WGAL’s ([www.WGAL.com](http://www.WGAL.com)) or Mt. Zion’s website ([www.mtzionucc.org](http://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.*

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
Nov. 29, 2015	134 members + 13 guests	\$1,735.00	\$1,958.94	\$3,693.94	\$4,765.08
Dec. 6, 2015	160 members + 11 guests	\$3,431.00	\$1,958.94	\$5,389.94	\$4,765.08
Dec. 13, 2015	158 members +15 guests	\$2,869.00	\$1,958.94	\$4,827.94	\$4,765.08
Dec. 20, 2015	242 members +30 guests	\$5,145.75	\$1,958.94	\$7,104.69	\$4,765.08

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

**Hospitalized:** Baby Jack, Lois Yingling  
**Undergoing Treatment/Therapy:** Glenda Chilcote, Fran Spangler  
**Recuperating:** Elaine Doll, Virginia Dietz

**THIS WEEK:**

**8 AM Worship Tech:** Ken Dunbar  
**8 AM Welcome Team:** Deb & Terry Barnes, Mary Jane Snyder, Tim Snyder  
**10:30 AM Worship Tech:** Bonnie Dull  
**10:30 AM Welcome Team:** Bill & Bonnie Murphy, Dennis & Pat Cooper  
**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 Mary Jane Snyder  
**10:30 AM Worship Tech:** John Schriver  
**10:30 AM Welcome Team:** Coordinated by Mary Jane Snyder  
**10:30 AM Nursery:** Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney  
**WOW Kids:** Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney