ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF January 10, 2016

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** at 8 & 10:30 AM
- ~Installation and Ordination of New Council Members at both worship services
- ~Sunday School for all ages at 9 AM
- ~WOW Kids during 10:30 AM worship
- ~J-Walkers from 5-7 PM

THIS WEEK

- ~Book Discussion at Panera Bread, Wed. Jan. 13th 11:30 AM
- ~Children's Choir Practice on Thur. Jan. 14th, room 5, 6:30-7 PM

NEXT SUNDAY

- **∼Worship** at 8 & 10:30 AM
- ~Sunday School for all ages at 9 AM
- ~WOW Kids during 10:30 AM worship
- ~Council Meeting after late worship

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: 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!!!

Children's Choir has rehearsals scheduled for Thurs. Jan. 14th & 21st from 6:30-7 PM here, at Mt. Zion. The choir will sing on Sun., Jan. 24th during the 10:30 AM worship service. Please note the addition of practice on Jan. 21st, and the change to them singing on Jan. 24th.

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.

Church Council will have their next meeting on Sunday, Jan. 17th following late worship.

Messy Church returns! We will meet on Fri., Feb. 5th from 6-7:30 PM in the fellowship hall & sanctuary. All are welcome to join us for this evening of storytelling, music, dancing, crafts, games & 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!

Children & Youth Clearances - If you have not already submitted your volunteer clearances, please do so as soon as possible. Due to changes in the child protection laws in the state of Pennsylvania, ALL volunteers who work with children and youth (even in a 1-time capacity) must submit a background check & child abuse clearance. There are forms available in the church office. Please let the office know if you have any questions.

Lenten and Eastertide Worship Teams—Lent and Easter are seasons rich in symbolism and meaning. We are seeking people to serve on the Lenten and Easter Worship Teams. Thank you to those who have signed up! We are still in need of 2-3 people to sign up for the Lenten Team and 4-5 people to sign up for the Eastertide Team. Worship Teams meet according to the team's availability. Come join us as we plan for these meaningful seasons. Signup sheet is in the side narthex.

Ash Wednesday ~ On February 10th, we will have worship services at 3 & 6 PM in the sanctuary. Dinner in the fellowship hall will follow the 6 PM service, soup & salad will be served. Please sign up on the sheet in the side narthex if you are planning to attend. There is also a signup sheet for those who would like to donate soup or salad for the dinner.

Mid-week Lenten Services will begin on February 17th, and will carry on through March 16th. Dinner is at 6 PM in the fellowship hall, followed by worship at 7 PM in the sanctuary. Information on Holy Week activities will be available soon!

New Members will be welcomed into the Mt. Zion UCC family of faith on January 24th during both worship services. If you or anyone you know would be interested in becoming a member, please contact Pastor Danielle.

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!

2016 Church Directories ~ We are in the process of preparing to print new directories. Our goal is to have them ready for distribution on Jan. 31st. Please submit all corrections and additions to the church office by **January 20, 2016**. Information can be emailed to: mtzionuccyorkpa@comcast.net, called in to the office at 717-755-6117, or you may complete a form which can be found on the table in the narthex by the main entrance. Thank you for your help with this endeavor!

Compassion York Food Run - The next Compassion York Food Run is scheduled for Sun. Feb. 7th. Sign-up sheets for food items needed and helpers needed can be found in the Narthex.

Congregational Meeting ~ Sunday, February 21st at 9 AM in the sanctuary. Annual reports will be available prior to the meeting so you can review the material and prepare any questions that you would like to ask.

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!

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. You may also call the church. Please listen to the message to learn if we have altered our schedule for the day.

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.

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.

Date	Attendance	Current Receipts	Ave. Weekly E-tithing	Total Received for Current	Weekly Budget for Current Exp
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
Dec. 24, 2015	408 members +50 guests	\$5,339.00	· \$1,958.94	\$8,530.94	\$4,765.08
Dec. 27, 2015	120 members +5 guests	\$1,233.00			
Jan. 3, 2016	145 members + 16 guests	\$2,046.00	\$1,520.15	\$3,566.15	\$4,352.04

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

Hospitalized: Baby Jack

<u>Undergoing Treatment/Therapy</u>: Glenda Chilcote, Fran Spangler <u>Recuperating</u>: Elaine Doll, Virginia Dietz, Holly Bievenour

THIS WEEK:

8 AM Worship Tech: Jim Shiffer

8 AM Welcome Team: Mary Jane Snyder, Lana Fritz,

Sherry Dunbar

10:30 AM Acolyte: Holt Dallam

10:30 AM Welcome Team: John, Robin, Emily & Carly

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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: Coordinated by Guy Wenck

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Clyde Snyder 10:30 AM Acolyte: Hayden Dallam

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WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney