

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 14, 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

~**First Sunday in Lent**

~**Worship Services & Communion** at 8 & 10:30 AM

~**Sunday School** for all ages at 9 AM

~**WOW Kids** during 10:30 AM worship

~**Children's Bell Choir** performs during 10:30 AM worship

~**J-Walkers** 5-7 PM, fellowship hall

~**Youth Group** 6-8 PM, fellowship hall

### THIS WEEK

~**Mid-week Worship** Wed. Feb. 17th, Faithful Families 5:30 PM, Dinner 6 PM, Worship 7 PM

~**Worship Choir Rehearsal** Wed. Feb. 17th, 7:45-9 PM

~**Spaghetti Fundraiser Dinner** Sat. Feb. 20th, 5-7 PM, Mt. Zion fellowship hall

### NEXT SUNDAY

~**Worship Services** at 8 & 10:30 AM

~**Children's Sunday School** at 9 AM

~**Annual Congregational Meeting** 9 AM, Sanctuary

~**Jubilation Rehearsal** 9:10-9:55 AM

~**WOW Kids** during 10:30 AM worship

~**Council Meeting** immediately following late worship

**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.**

**Our *Monthly Mission* for February is the 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. The need is great. Your gifts, once each year, help to replenish this fund. Thank you for your generosity!

**Northeastern Food Pantry-** During the month of February, the food pantry is in need of the following items: jelly (all flavors except for grape), peanut butter & regular, long spaghetti noodles (no shaped pasta please). Barbara Krier will collect all of the donations Sun. Feb. 28th after the early service, and will deliver them Mon. Feb. 29th. We appreciate all of you for supporting the food pantry mission!!!

**Compassion York Food Run** - Thank you to everyone who made the Compassion York Food Run a great success by either donating food items, your time, or both. Mt. Zion's compassionate spirit really showed through because of our amazing team work and generosity. We were able to serve many people who were in need, and they were truly thankful!

**SAVE THE DATE!!** Mt. Zion Youth will be hosting a spaghetti dinner and talent show fundraiser on **Sat. Feb. 20th from 5-7 PM!** Tickets will be on sale today, and at the door. Tickets are \$7.00, children under 3 years of age are free.

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

**Church Council Meeting** ~ Our next Council Meeting also takes place on Sunday, February 21st immediately following late worship.

**Mid-week Lenten Services** will begin on February 17th, and will carry on through March 16th. Faithful Families begins at 5:30, dinner is at 6 PM in the fellowship hall, followed by worship at 7 PM in the sanctuary. If you are planning to attend any or all of the dinners, please sign up on the sheets that are provided in the narthex. Information on Holy Week activities will be available soon!

**Lenten Devotionals** are available in the narthex. Thanks to an anonymous donation, we are able to offer these free of charge.

**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.

Place your order for the **Ridgerunners delicious Easter Candy** on the signup sheet in the Narthex no later than **Feb 28**. The candy is \$10 per pound with a selection of Peanut Butter Eggs, Dark Chocolate Coconut Cream Eggs, Raisin Clusters and Peanut Clusters. The candy will be ready for pick up March 20.

**Volunteers Needed for Candy Making** ~ Put on your apron and join the Ridgerunners for a fun day of making Easter Candy on Thursday and Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> beginning at 8 am. No prior experience is needed. Please bring along a Pampered Chef small scoop if you have one. Please sign up in the Narthex. Point of contact for volunteers is Lana Fritz at 755-4065 before 9 PM, or email at [ljf424@comcast.net](mailto:ljf424@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!

**Easter Flower Sale** begins today. Potted lilies, yellow tulips, or purple tulips can be purchased for a donation of \$8.00 each. The flowers will decorate the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, March 27th. Please complete the order form (included in this week's bulletins) and turn them in, with your payment in the box located in the rear narthex. Make checks payable to Mt. Zion United Church of Christ. Orders are due by Sun., March 6th. Thank you!

**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 [mtzionuccnyorkpa@comcast.net](mailto:mtzionuccnyorkpa@comcast.net).

**Offering Envelopes-** If your envelope number is 115, please contact Jesse Smith at the church office or email him at [pencil-pusher6@gmail.com](mailto:pencil-pusher6@gmail.com).

Cards of encouragement and well wishes can be mailed to Zachary Shiffer at: Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital, Room P3108, 500 University Drive, Hershey PA 17033.

Date	Attendance	Current Receipts	Ave. Weekly E-tithing	Total Received for Current	Weekly Budget for Current Exp
Jan. 17, 2016	177 members + 11 guests	\$2,206.00	\$1,520.15	\$3,726.15	\$4,352.04
Jan. 24, 2016	Cancelled		\$1,520.15		\$4,352.04
Jan. 31, 2016	207 members + 15 guests	\$4,288.00	\$1,520.15	\$5,808.15	\$4,352.04
Feb. 7, 2016	191 members + 10 guests	\$3,256.00	\$1,900.19	\$5,156.19	\$4,352.04

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

**Hospitalized:** Baby Jack, Zachary Shiffer

**Undergoing Treatment/Therapy:** Glenda Chilcote, Fran Spangler

**Recuperating:** Elaine Doll, Rhonda Vacante, Pearl Chronister, Ken Barshinger, Bonnie Dull, Barry Schwartz, Dick Fisher, Jerry Hester

**THIS WEEK:**

**8 AM Worship Tech:** Jim Shiffer

**8 AM Welcome Team & Communion Servers:** Kathy Ensminger, Drew & Danika Dallam, Becky Hester

**10:30 AM Acolyte:** Maddie Gyenes

**10:30 AM Welcome Team & Communion Servers:** John & Robin Schriver, Guy Wenck, Mason DeMers, Carter Beyer

**10:30 AM Nursery:** Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

**WOW Kids:** Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

**NEXT WEEK:**

**8 AM Worship Tech:** Jack Herlocker

**8 AM Acolyte:** Holt Dallam

**8 AM Welcome Team:** Coordinated by Jen Cooper

**10:30 AM Worship Tech:** Clyde Snyder

**10:30 AM Acolyte:** Weston Wagaman

**10:30 AM Welcome Team:** Coordinated by Jen Cooper

**10:30 AM Nursery:** Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

**WOW Kids:** Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney