ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF October 2nd, 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

- ~World Communion Sunday
- ~Neighbors in Need Offering collected during both worship services
- ~Worship Service & Communion at 8 AM & 10:30 AM
- ~Congregational Meeting 9 AM, Sanctuary
- ~Adult Sunday School "Christianity and the Problem of Evil" following Congregational Meeting, fellowship hall
- ~PreK-12th Grade Sunday School at 9 AM in their respective rooms
- ~Jubilation Rehearsal 9:10-9:55 AM, choir room
- ~WOW Kids during 10:30 AM worship
- ~Worship Choir Performs during 10:30 AM Worship Service
- ~Singles Lunch at 12 PM, Great American Saloon
- ~Youth Group 6-8 PM, fellowship hall

THIS WEEK

- ~Ridgerunners Wed. Oct. 5th at 12 PM, fellowship hall
- ~Preschool-3rd Grade Hand Bell Choir Practice Thur. Oct. 6th, 6:30-7 PM
- ~Worship Choir Practice Thur. Oct. 6th, 7:30-9 PM
- ~Messy Church Fri. Oct. 7th, 6-7:30 PM

NEXT SUNDAY

- ~Worship Services at 8 AM & 10:30 AM
- ~Reception of New Members during the 10:30 AM service.
- ~Adult Sunday School "Christianity and the Problem of Evil" 9-10 AM, fellowship hall
- ~PreK-12th Grade Sunday School at 9 AM in their respective rooms
- ~WOW Kids during 10:30 AM worship
- ~Worship Choir Performs during 10:30 AM Worship Service
- ~J-Walkers (3rd-6th grade) 5-7 PM, fellowship hall

Neighbors in Need Offering ~ Today during both worship services we will receive the Neighbors in Need special offering. The funds will be distributed to a wide array of local and national justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects, including the Lakota region.

Membership at Mt. Zion ~ If you are interested in becoming a member of Mt. Zion UCC, please contact Pastor Dani or Pastor Jeff. We will be receiving new members on Sunday, October 9th.

Our <u>Monthly Mission</u> for October will be split between the Child Sponsorship & Holy Joe's Cafe. Mt. Zion continues to sponsor a young girl in the Philippines and a young boy in Zambia. Holy Joe's is a coffee canteen ministry provided for our troops overseas. This ministry was begun by a UCC congregation in Ct. and continues to provide coffee and resources for chaplains at bases to troops serving in the Middle East. Thank you for your generosity!

In-Kind items being collected during the month of October consist of diapers and formula. Throughout the year, we have people from the community who come seeking diapers and formula and we would love to respond to that need. Your donations will be used to provide people in need with items for their children.

On Sunday, September 25th, we gave everyone in worship \$5.00 to do good in the world & we want to hear what creative things you are doing with it! Email pastordani@comcast.net to let us know.

Northeastern Food Pantry- During the month of October, the food pantry is in need of: jelly (any flavor except for grape), fruit cups and tissues. Barbara Krier will collect the donations Oct. 30th after the early service. Thank 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, 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!

Cooks on the Road will travel to the Ronald McDonald House on Sun., Oct. 30th following late worship. Please sign up in the side narrhex if you would like to help with this mission. There is only room in their kitchen to accommodate 8 volunteers.

Adult Sunday School: "Christianity and the Problem of Evil" takes place at 9 AM on Sunday mornings in the fellowship hall. With so many atrocities occurring within our world, one cannot help but sense a pervading presence of evil. Join us in the fellowship hall during Sunday School at 9 AM for an in depth class taught by David Bradnick where you can discuss traditional and contemporary views of evil in the 21st century.

2016-2017 Worship Ministry Teams are being formed! Sign up to plan services for November or Advent in the side narthex. November's planning sessions will begin soon, sign up before it's too late!

Youth Group ~ TONIGHT from 6:00-8:00 PM in the fellowship hall of the church! Bring yourselves (and a friend if you'd like) and be ready for some fun and fellowship! Our youth group includes all youth from grades 7-12.

J-Walkers (3rd-6th graders) will meet next Sun. Oct. 9th from 5-7 PM in the fellowship hall. Dinner will be provided.

RIDGERUNNERS: The trip to Flight 93 has been <u>cancelled</u>. We will meet Wed. Oct. 5th at noon in the fellowship hall. Bring a sandwich and our host/hostesses will be Carol Hartman, Joann & Charlie Test. Hope to see you there!

Messy Church Returns! All are welcome to join us, we will be exploring the heroes of our faith from 6-7:30 PM on Fri. Oct. 7th. Thank you to all of the volunteers who have signed up to make this evening of dinner, stories & holy messiness complete. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Dani.

Blessing of the Animals ~ We are having a Pet Blessing on Sunday, October 16th at 4 PM outside at Mt. Zion. Bring your pet (on a leash or in a carrier and with whatever poop clean up supplies you need!) and we will say a special prayer of blessing for each of them! Tell your friends and neighbors! A gentle reminder that if your pet is skiddish or aggressive around other animals, this may not be the venue for a blessing.

Oktoberfest ~ Please see the various sign-up sheets in the main narthex. They are in need of helpers and donations to make this event possible. Also, feel free to take a flyer and pass it out (where allowed) in the community! Proceeds from this event will benefit the York Rescue Mission, Compassion York Food Run, Ronald McDonald House & Mt. Zion's Youth Programs. **Today's planning meeting has been cancelled.**

Trick or Trunk ~ Please join us on Sunday Oct. 23 from 5:30 to 7:30 for our annual Trick or Trunk event! Sign-up sheets will be in the side narthex for both youth and trunks. ALL are invited to come in costume. Best costume & best trunk prizes awarded. Games & fun for all ages! Contact Wendy Kindig at 717-266-1458 or wrexroth@juno.com with any questions.

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 indicate if training is needed. As a guide, children typically begin acolyting around third grade. If you have any questions, please ask Pastor Dani or Pastor Jeff.

The Church Office has <u>Weis and Giant gift cards</u> 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.

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. Please complete the form providing the information as you would like it to appear in the bulletin upon sign-up. Flowers cost \$14.75 & bulletins cost \$15.00. Thank you!

Mt. Zion is Streaming! The 10:30 AM service is posted on the Mt. Zion website at: http://www.mtzionucc.org/services-online.html, with a live feed (during the service) & you can view 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 mtzionuccyork-pa@comcast.net.

<u>Letters of encouragement can be sent to Zachary Miles</u> during his time at boot camp. <u>Letters only, no cards, please</u>. Rct. Miles, Zachary A., 1st RTBN PLT 1084 CO D, P.O. Box 16155, Parris Island, SC 29902-6155.

<u>Letters or cards can be sent to Shaelynn Bailey</u> during her time of deployment. SN Bailey, Shaelynn M., USS Whidbey Island (LSD-41), FPO AE 09591-1729.

| Date | Attendance | Current Receipts | Ave. Weekly E-tithing | Total Received for Current | Weekly Budget for Current Exp |
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| September 4, 2016 | 125 members + 10 guests | \$2,885.18 | \$1,817.25 | \$4,702.43 | \$4,352.04 |
| September 11, 2016 | 176 members + 14 guests | \$1,742.00 | \$1,817.25 | \$3,559.25 | \$4,352.04 |
| September 18, 2016 | 156 members + 15 guests | \$2,165.00 | \$1,817.25 | \$3,982.25 | \$4,352.04 |
| September 25, 2016 | 164 members + 10 guests | \$3,291.00 | \$1,817.25 | \$5,108.25 | \$4,352.04 |

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

<u>Undergoing Treatment/Therapy</u>: Tillie Henry

Recuperating: Sharon Baines, Pat Cooper, Tim Harvey, Junior Spahr

THIS WEEK:

8 AM Acolyte: Hayden Dallam8 AM Sound Tech: Ken Dunbar8 AM Video Tech: Jack Herlocker

8 AM Welcome Team & Communion Servers:

Cora Beyer, Steph Beyer, Sydney Cooper, Tim Snyder

8 AM Worship Tech: Mary Jane Snyder 10:30 AM Acolyte: Maddie Gyenes 10:30 AM Camera Tech: Mason DeMers

10:30 AM Sound Tech: Tom Mulligan 10:30 AM Video Tech: John Schriver

10:30 AM Welcome Team & Communion Servers: Tori Everhart, Anne Henry, John Kollasch, Robin

Schriver

NEXT WEEK:

8 AM Welcome Team: Mike & Kathy Ferree, Jon &

Barb Waltemyer

8 AM Worship Tech: Jim Shiffer

10:30 AM Welcome Team: George & Lisa DeMers,

John & Michelle Kollasch

10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney