

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF September 3rd, 2017

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 Services at 8 AM and 10:30 AM
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM service
- ~Single's Lunch 12-1 PM at Joann Snyder's

THIS WEEK

- ~Worship Choir Practice, Thurs., September 7th, 7:30-9 PM in the Choir Room
- ~Pleasant Acres Outreach, Fri., September 8th, 10 AM

NEXT SUNDAY

- ~Worship Services at 8 AM and 10:30 AM
- ~Bible Presentation Sunday for 3rd and 7th Graders
- ~Congregational Meeting, 9 AM in the Sanctuary
- ~Preschool-9th Grade Sunday School 9 AM in their respective classrooms
- ~Jubilation Rehearsal 9:30-9:50 AM in the Choir Room
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM service
- ~Youth Core Planning Session 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~JWalkers, 5-7 PM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~Praise Band Rehearsal 7:45-8:45 PM in the Sanctuary

Our Monthly Mission for September will be Family Promise. Family Promise is a nationwide organization that provides shelter, meals, and support services to homeless families in coordination with local churches, social service agencies, and volunteers. There is a consortium of churches in York that are working collaboratively to open a Family Promise chapter in our area. Your offerings will be used to support their mission opening a local chapter.

Northeastern Food Pantry~ For the month of September the Northeastern Food Pantry is accepting donations of jelly (all flavors excepts for grape), cans of soup, and peanut butter. Barbara Krier will pick the items up on Sunday, September 24th after the early service. Thank you for supporting the food pantry mission!

Sunday School~ Regular Sunday school classes will resume for PreK-9th grade on September 10th.

Considering Joining Mt. Zion?~ Have you been attending Mt. Zion as a guest and wondering how you might become a member? Mt. Zion welcomes new members throughout the year and we would love to have you join us! Our next new member Sunday is October 15th. **If you would be interested in joining, please contact Pastor Danielle or Pastor Jeff.**

Outreach to Pleasant Acres at Elm Springs Apartments~ Come join us THIS Friday, September 8th from 10-11:30 AM while we share the spirit of Mt. Zion UCC with the residents at Elm Springs Apartments. They very much appreciate our presence, and enjoy the games, goodies and giggles!

Worship Choir and Jubilation rehearsals starting soon~ Worship Choir began on August 31st at 7:30 PM, and Jubilation begins NEXT Sunday, September 10th at 9:30 AM. Open to singers of all abilities grade 7 and up. For more information and a full schedule, see Denny Daugherty.

Bible Sunday~ It is a tradition of Mt Zion to present bibles each year to our 3rd grade students as well as our new confirmation students. NEXT Sunday, September 10th, we will present bibles to those students entering 3rd grade as well as students entering into our confirmation program. If you have a student going into 3rd grade or entering confirmation please contact Pastor Jeff by September 5th to let him know whether you will be attending the 8 AM service or the 10:30 AM service on September 10th, and also please let him know how you would like your child's name to be printed in the bulletin and written in the front cover of their bible. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Jeff at pastorjeffk@comcast.net or call the church office.

JWalkers First Meeting Scheduled~ Welcome to a new program year at Mt. Zion! JWalkers is the Mt. Zion younger youth group for grades 3-6. All students in those grades are welcome to attend our first meeting NEXT Sunday, September 10th from 5-7 PM in the fellowship hall. Join us for an evening of fun and fellowship! If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Dani.

Youth Group First Meeting ~ Attention all Youth Group members! Our first meeting of the Youth Group will be on Sunday, September 17th from 6-8 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Mount Zion's Youth group is for all students in 7th-12th grade. Let's start the year off right! If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Jeff.

Worship Ministry Teams are being formed for the months of October and November and for the season of Advent. We need 4-5 individuals to serve on each team. A sign-up sheet can be found in the side narthex. Please indicate which team you would like to serve on (October, November, or Advent). We are still in need of 3-4 individuals for the October planning team! Thank you for your sharing your time and talents!

Photo & Medical Release Forms ~In order for us to care for youth and children at our many activities, and to protect their privacy, we update our records regarding emergency medical information and photo release information. If you are a volunteer who works with youth, or if you have a child or teenager who participates in our programing, please fill out a photo & medical release form and turn it in to the church office. The forms can be found in the narthex and side narthex. One form should be filled out for each individual. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Jeff or the church office.

Tech Team Volunteers Needed. Fall training dates have been set to learn how to run the video and audio system. A sign-up sheet is posted at the A/V booth in the rear of the sanctuary.

Care Meals~ Occasionally, we have families that are going through a challenging time and could use meals provided on a regular basis for a defined period of time. If you would be interested in being on a list serve that creates a schedule when such a need arises, please sign up in the side narthex.

Back to School Pictures~ As students and school employees return back to school, snap a picture and tag us on facebook or Instagram, or email us at mtzionuccyorkpa@comcast.net. We will be sharing a Back to School Slideshow on September 10th. All pictures are due THIS Tuesday, September 5th.

Congregational Meeting~ Recently, the Property Committee, Memorials Committee, and the Spiritual Formation Core began discussions around necessary upgrades to the Preschool room. The preschool room is one of the most heavily used spaces in our building with Sunday school classes, WOW Kids, music lessons and more all meeting there weekly. Through communication with the Sunday school teachers, the teams put together a proposal that includes the installation of air conditioning (for both the PreK/K and Nursery rooms), the installation of vinyl tile (resembling wood), cabinetry and paint. These upgrades would include the bathroom that adjoins the two classrooms. Estimates were obtained and the final cost of the project is approximately \$20,000 which the Memorials Committee has voted unanimously to fund the entirety of the project. Please note that Memorials funds are separate from our general budget and can only be utilized for special projects such as this. Because of the size and scope of this project we are having a congregational meeting **NEXT Sunday, Sept. 10th at 9 AM** to discuss and approve this expenditure. A document overviewing the project is available in the narthex so that you can further understand the project. If you have questions, please contact Danika Dallam, John Schriver, or Pastor Danielle.

Children's Bell Choir will begin NEXT Sunday, September 10th from 9:00-9:10 in the 4th-6th grade classroom. Children from Preschool-6th grade are invited to participate in making beautiful music with the Krystal Bells!

Oktoberfest Book Sale~ Deb Barnes is collecting novels (recent releases, award winning authors and best sellers (paper and hardcover) for the Oktoberfest book sale. Check the copyright date inside the front cover. We are collecting years 2000-2017. Please Place in the box located in the narthex.

Called to Care~ One of the most valuable gifts we can give one another is the gift of our time and friendship. We are currently assembling of list of Mt. Zion folk who would be interested in visiting homebound Mt. Zion members to develop a friendship and offer the gift of company and conversation. This opportunity is available to anyone (children and their families included!). If you'd be interested in participating in this highly rewarding ministry of presence, please sign up in the side narthex. Be a blessing to one another, and you will be blessed.

Adult Sunday School ~ Starting on Sunday, September 17th we will begin a new spiritual formation offering to study the book, "Unpoverty: Rich Lessons from the Working Poor" by Mark Lutz. Mark Lutz will be attending the York Association annual meeting, and all York Association churches have been encouraged to engage with his book before the annual meeting on November 12th. There are currently 9 copies of the book available for you to borrow, or you may purchase the book on Amazon. If you are interested in borrowing a copy of the book please contact Travis in the church office to sign one out. If you have any questions regarding the class, contact Pastor Jeff at pastorjeffk@comcast.net or by calling the church office.

Core Team Planning Sessions- Our final core planning session, the Youth Core planning session, will be held NEXT Sunday, September 10th at 11:30 AM. Youth AND adults are encouraged to attend.

Compassion York Food Run~ Our next Compassion York Food Run will take place on Sunday, September 24th. There are sign-up sheets in the side narthex to volunteer to cook, to serve, or to donate food. We thank you in advance for your participation and help in serving the hungry of York!

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!

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 on 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.

Date	Attendance	Current Receipts	Ave. Weekly E-tithing	Total Received for Current	Weekly Budget for Current Exp
August 6 th , 2017	129 members +10 guests	\$2,302.00	\$2,261.00	\$4,563.00	\$5,435.00
August 13 th , 2017	164 members +12 guests	\$2,155.00	\$2,261.00	\$4,416.00	\$5,435.00
August 20 th , 2017	162 members +16 guests	\$2,690.00	\$2,261.00	\$4,951.00	\$5,435.00
August 27 th , 2017	152 members +16 guests	\$2,110.00	\$2,261.00	\$4,371.00	\$5,435.00

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

Recuperating: Lonny Gordon

Undergoing Treatment: Pat Cooper, Diane Worley

THIS WEEK:

8 AM Welcome Team: Drew, Danika, Holt, and Hayden Dallam

8 AM Sound Tech: Ryan Neal

8 AM Video Tech: Jack Herlocker

8 AM Worship Tech: Mary Jane Snyder

10:30 AM Welcome Team: Sydney, Scott, Kerington, and Jen Cooper

10:30 AM Sound Tech: Ron Miles

10:30 AM Video Tech: John Schriver

10:30 AM Camera Tech: Jim Firestone

10:30 AM Worship Tech: John Schriver

10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

10:30 AM WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

NEXT WEEK:

8 AM Welcome Team: Charlie and Joann Test; Nancy and Jeff Sleeper

8 AM Sound Tech: Ivy Leach

8 AM Video Tech: Denny Daugherty

8 AM Worship Tech: Jim Shiffer

10:30 AM Welcome Team: Carrah, Ellery, Weston, and Harlan Wagaman

10:30 AM Sound Tech: Tom Mulligan

10:30 AM Video Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

10:30 AM Camera Tech: John Kollasch

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Alan Neff

10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

10:30 AM WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney