ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF August 5, 2018

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

- ~Sunday Worship Services at 8 AM & 10:30 AM
- ~Service of Healing at 9 AM in the Sanctuary
- ~Spiritual Formation Core Planning Session, 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~Sacrament of Baptism at the 10:30 AM service
- ~Preschool-6th Grade Summer Sunday School, during the late service, after the children's message, in the PreK/K Classroom
- ~Mission Core Planning Session, 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~Single's Lunch, 12 PM at White Rose

THIS WEEK

~Praise Band "Jam" Session, Thurs., August 9th in the Sanctuary

NEXT SUNDAY

- ~Sunday Worship Services & Communion at 8 AM & 10:30 AM
- ~Outreach Core Planning Session, 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~Preschool-6th Grade Summer Sunday School, during the late service, after the children's message, in the PreK/K Classroom
- **~Youth Core Planning Session,** 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall

Our Monthly Missions for August are Hoffman Homes and Homewood Homes. Hoffman Homes for Youth treats the needs of boys and girls ages 6 to 17, who have a major mental health diagnosis. Their treatment program provides behavioral and cognitive therapy, physical health care services, and a safe and comfortable home for up to 141 children on their campus. Homewood Homes is a retirement facility that supports a population of over 600 residents. They offer independent living, assisted lifestyle services, skilled care, hospice care and respite care. Your support to these two missions will ensure both young and old alike receive quality care.

Northeastern Food Pantry~ For the month of August the Northeastern Food Pantry is accepting donations of paper products. Barbara Krier will pick up the items after the early service on Sunday, August 26th. Thank you for supporting the food pantry mission!

The Safety Preparedness Task Force is looking for volunteers to serve as a narthex monitor at either the 8 AM or 10:30 AM service. Willing persons should contact Pam Minnich (717-916-3874) to serve at the 8 AM service or Bob Katherman (717-873-5154) to serve at the 10:30 AM service.

Pictorial Directory Photography Sessions Continue! We will be having photography sessions TODAY, August 5th & NEXT Sunday, August 12th. Sign-up sheets can be found in the side narthex. If you do not sign up for a sitting but would still like your picture to be in the directory, you may submit a (non-copyrighted) photo of your family to nuccyorkpa@comcast.net. Please submit these photos by Sunday, September 9th. For those who have their pictures taken at Mt. Zion, there is no sitting fee, and your family will be given a digital copy of your image for you to print at your convenience. Once again, sign-ups are in the side narthex. On picture day, please report to the youth room in the downstairs hallway.

Summer Sunday School Is Now During The Late Service ~ *Summer Sunday School for all children age 3 through 6th grade will continue to take place <u>during the late service, immediately following the children's message and there will be no Sunday school from the 9-10 AM hour.</u> Classes will be held in the PreK/K room downstairs with Kathy Sweeney serving as the teacher. We will resume Sunday school during the 9-10 AM hour, as well as WOW Kids, beginning Sunday September 9th. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Jeff at <u>pastorjeffk@comcast.net</u>, or by calling the church office.*

Panther Pack Sign-Up ~ For the 2018-2019 school year, we will once again be partnering with North Hills Elementary to provide backpacks of food to children in need who attend the school. We are looking for volunteers to help with packing food either during the daytime or the evening hours. We will rotate between daytime and evening packers each month, so your commitment will usually only be about once every 6-8 weeks for about 45-75 minutes. If you would like to help with this vital ministry, please sign-up in the side narthex and indicate if you'd be available in the evening or the daytime. If you already volunteered last year and would like to volunteer again, please sign-up in the side narthex as well so that we know you are able to help for the 2018-2019 school year. Please note that you will need clearances to volunteer for this program, and if you need help obtaining those clearances, Travis will be more than happy to assist you in the office. Thank you for your help in providing food for the children of North Hills!

Calling all Mt. Zion Ladies!! Mark your calendars for the weekend of March 29-31 for the Mt. Zion Women's Retreat! We want to see you there! Join us for a weekend of reflection, connection, and relaxation. In order to book the facility, we need to submit a preliminary count. To reserve your spot for the weekend, please sign up in the side narthex and submit a (non-refundable) \$25 deposit to the church office (made out to Mt. Zion UCC) by September 30th. Estimated cost for the weekend will be approximately \$145 per person and includes lodging (in motel style rooms at a church retreat center) and all meals. If covering the cost of the retreat is a financial hardship for you, please see Pastor Danielle (this information will be held in confidence) as we do not wish for cost to be an excluding factor.

Open jam session - If you are curious about praise band and maybe want to play or sing with us at some point, we are going to have an informal jam session THIS Thursday, August 9th. We will go through a couple songs and discuss plans for praise band in the upcoming year. Please contact Denny Daugherty (denny@daughertys.net) if interested.

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). Thank you for sharing your time and talents!

Core Team Planning Sessions ~ It's that time of year when we get together to plan for the 2018-2019 program year. We welcome and need YOUR input! Planning session schedules are as follows: Spiritual Formation Core, TODAY, Sunday, August 5th at 9 AM; Mission Core, TODAY, Sunday, August 5th at 11:30 AM; Outreach Core, August 12th at 9 AM; Youth Core, August 12th at 11:30 AM; Community Life Core, August 19th at 9:00 AM, and Worship Core, August 26th at 11:30 AM. All are invited to attend, and we need your participation to continue in the tradition of having a vibrant, active, God-filled church!

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. On Sunday, September 9th, 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 Danielle or the church office by September 4th to let us know whether you will be attending the 8 AM service or the 10:30 AM service on September 9th, and also please let us 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 call the church office.

Oktoberfest Kick-Off Meeting ~ The Oktoberfest committee will meet on Sunday, August 26th at 9 AM in the 4th-6th grade classroom. Anyone who would like to attend and contribute to this meeting will be welcome.

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 9th. All pictures are due Tuesday, September 4th.

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! If you would be interested in joining, please contact Pastor Danielle or Pastor Jeff.

E-Spirit~ There are a few printed copies available in the side narthex, along with a sign-up sheet to have your email address included on the distribution list. If you have a submission for our newsletter, please email it to us at: mtzio-nuccyorkpa@comcast.net.

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 \$15.00 & 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 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
July 8th, 2018	162 members +25 guests	\$6,583.00	\$1,856.80	\$8,439.80	\$5,704.00
July 15 th , 2018	157 members + 20 guests	\$2,937.00	\$1,856.80	\$4,793.80	\$5,704.00
July 22 nd , 2018	136 members +11 guests	\$3,799.00	\$1,856.80	\$5,655.80	\$5,704.00
July 29th, 2018	98 members +8 guests 51 members in worship @ Shenandoah NP	\$1,505.00	\$1,856.80	\$3,361.80	\$5,704.00

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

<u>Undergoing Treatment:</u> **Deployed**: JR Hogentogler **Recuperating**: Al Fauth, Sharon Mulligan, Mike Wagaman

THIS WEEK

8 AM Sound Tech: Coordinated by Joe Vacante **8 AM Sound Tech:** Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

8 AM Video Tech: George DeMers8 AM Worship Tech: Mary Jane Snyder8 AM Hall Monitor: Pam Minnich

10:30 AM Welcome Team: Coordinated by Joe Va-

cante

10:30 AM Sound Tech: Coordinated by Denny

Daugherty

10:30 AM Video Tech: George DeMers

10:30 AM Camera Tech: Coordinated by Denny

Daugherty

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Tori Everhart
10:30 AM Hall Monitor: Bob Katherman
10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Pastor Jeff
10:30 AM Summer Sunday School: Coordinated by

Kathy Sweeney

NEXT WEEK

8 AM Welcome Team & Communion Servers: Coordinated

by Bonnie Murphy

8 AM Sound Tech: Denny Daugherty
8 AM Video Tech: Jack Herlocker
8 AM Worship Tech: Jim Shiffer
8 AM Hall Monitor: Pam Minnich

10:30 AM Welcome Team & Communion Servers: Coordi-

nated by Bonnie Murphy

10:30 AM Sound Tech: John Kollasch 10:30 AM Video Tech: Jim Firestone 10:30 AM Camera Tech: John Schriver 10:30 AM Worship Tech: Alan Neff 10:30 AM Hall Monitor: Jim Shiffer

10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Pastor Jeff

10:30 AM Summer Sunday School: Coordinated by Kathy

Sweeney