

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF September 9, 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
- ~**Mission Core Meeting**, 9 AM in the conference room
- ~**Adult Spiritual Formation: The Christian Faith and World Religions**, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~**Preschool-6th Grade Bell Choir Practice**, 9-9:10 AM in the 4th-6th Grade Classroom
- ~**Confirmation Class**, 9 AM in Room 5
- ~**Preschool-6th Grade Sunday School**, 9 AM in their respective classrooms
- ~**WOW Kids** during the 10:30 AM service
- ~**Picture Directory Team Meeting**, 11:30 AM in the 4th-6th grade classroom
- ~**Youth Group**, 12-2 PM in the Fellowship Hall

THIS WEEK

- ~**October Worship Team Meeting**, Tues. Sept. 11th at 12:00 PM in the conference room
- ~**Bridge the Gap Team Planning Meeting**, Tues. Sept. 11th at 6:00 PM in the conference room
- ~**Pastor-Parish Relations Team Mtg (Pastor Dani)**, Tues. Sept. 11th at 6:30 PM in the parlor

NEXT SUNDAY

- ~**Sunday Worship Services & Communion** at 8 AM & 10:30 AM
- ~**Adult Spiritual Formation: The Christian Faith and World Religions**, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~**Preschool-6th Grade Bell Choir Practice**, 9-9:10 AM in the 4th-6th Grade Classroom
- ~**Confirmation Class**, 9 AM in Room 5
- ~**Preschool-6th Grade Sunday School**, 9 AM in their respective classrooms
- ~**WOW Kids** during the 10:30 AM service
- ~**Church Council** immediately following the late service
- ~**Youth Group Trip to Revolution Stadium**, 1-4 PM at Revolution Stadium

Our Monthly Mission for September is PET Project. PET Project makes personal energy vehicles for people in developing countries with disabilities. Your donations will go towards this organization in furthering their goal of bringing the gifts of mobility and dignity to those in developing countries unable to walk.

Our Monthly Mission for August was split between Hoffman Homes and Homewood Homes. Your donations allowed us to contribute \$788 to each organization. Thank you for your generosity!

Through your gifts to the Blanket Sunday offering, Mt. Zion has currently contributed \$2,081.00 to this important cause. Thank you for your generous donations!

Northeastern Food Pantry~ For the month of September the Northeastern Food Pantry is accepting donations of personal hygiene items (bar soap, 2 in 1 shampoo and conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, & deodorant). Barbara Krier will pick up the items after the early service on Sunday, September 30th. Thank you for supporting the food pantry mission!

Panther Pack "New Volunteers" Training~ On Sunday, September 30th, there will be a training for all new panther pack volunteers (volunteers who are just beginning this year) at 9 AM. The training will provide a brief overview of the program and the details of packing backpacks. Please join us if this is your first year in volunteering for this ministry!

Shenandoah Camping Dates 2019 Correction ~ Please note that the Shenandoah Camping dates printed in the last E-Spirit were incorrect. The correct dates are **July 18th-21st, 2019.**

Compassion York Food Run~ Our next Compassion York Food Run will take place on Sunday, September 23rd. There is a sign-up sheet in the side narthex to volunteer to cook or serve, and there will also be opportunities to donate food in the coming weeks. We thank you in advance for your participation and help in serving the hungry of York.

Adult Spiritual Formation ~ The Christian Faith and the World Religions: Want to know more about other religions' beliefs? Ever wonder if there are truths in other faiths or if different religions are compatible? What is the Christian response to various faiths? If you would like to explore these questions, join us on Sunday mornings from 9-10 a.m. in the fellowship hall for a six-week series. In addition to these questions, we will study several religions, including Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, and Judaism. Our study runs from September 9 - October 7, and all are welcome at any time. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact David Bradnick: bdbradnick@gmail.com.

Worship Ministry Teams are being formed for the months of 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 (November or Advent). Thank you for sharing your time and talents!

Join the Tech Team ~ We are looking for volunteers to join the team which runs sound and video for Sunday morning worship services. Training is available, and no prior experience is required. Sign-up sheet available in the side narthex. The next training (video training) will be on Saturday, September 22nd, from 9-10:15 AM. See Denny Daugherty or email denny@daughertys.net with any questions.

Worship Choir ~ Please note that there will be **NO** choir rehearsal this Thursday, September 13th. Practices will resume on Thursday, September 20th at 7 PM.

Book Discussion ~ Join us at Panera Bread on East Market St. THIS Wed. September 12th at 11:30 AM for lunch, followed by discussion of the book, *Wish You Well*, by Dave Baldacci. All are welcome, and we hope to see you there!

Pictorial Directory Update~ If you have not yet been able to get your picture taken for our new picture directory, there are going to be two more dates available so that you can have your picture taken here at the church. These dates will be **September 23rd and September 30th**, between 9-10 AM and 11:30 AM-12:30 PM. You do not need to sign up for these dates or times. These will be “walk-in” times. Simply go to the high-school room downstairs during these dates and times. If you are unable to make one of these dates, you can continue to submit non-copyrighted photos to mtzionuccyorkpa@comcast.net.

Oktoberfest ~Please see the various sign-up sheets in the back 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 be donated to the Mt. Zion Good Samaritan Fund and the Mt. Zion Current Fund. Oktoberfest will be on Saturday, October 6th from 11 AM- 2 PM.

Oktoberfest “Cash and Carry” Sale~ Oktoberfest will be collecting items for the "Cash and Carry" sale table. Almost new items (housewares, electronics, crafts), gift cards, and gift baskets are welcomed. Donations may be placed on the table marked Oktoberfest near the lower level entrance. Please have all items in by Wednesday, October 3rd. Questions may be directed to Diane Strine (717-887-4617) or Deb Barnes (717-757-6155). Thank you.

Oktoberfest Book Sale~ Deb Barnes is collecting **novels** (recent releases, award winning authors, and best sellers) (paper and hardcover) as well as **children’s books** for the Oktoberfest book sale. Check the copyright date inside the front cover. We are collecting years 2000-2018. Deb is also collecting **Music CDs** and **DVDs**, but please no VHS tapes. Please place in the box located in the narthex. There are two boxes in the back narthex, one to collect the books, and one to collect the CDs and DVDs.

Sunday School PreK-6th Grade ~ *Today, we will resume Sunday school during the 9-10 AM hour, as well as WOW Kids during the late service.* Sunday school will be held in each age group’s respective classrooms. The 1st-3rd grade and 4th-6th grade classrooms are upstairs while the Pre-K/K room is downstairs.

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.

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.**

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.

Letters or cards can be sent to Cole Bailey during his time of deployment. SR Bailey, Cole D., Ship 14, Div. 366, 3410 Sailor Drive, Great Lakes, IL 60088-3510.

Date	Attendance	Current Receipts	Ave. Weekly E-tithing	Total Received for Current	Weekly Budget for Current Exp
August 12 th , 2018	166 members +18 Guests	\$3,190.00	\$2,321.00	\$5,511.00	\$5,704.00
August 19 th , 2018	146 members +15 guests	\$2,349.00	\$2,321.00	\$4,670.00	\$5,704.00
August 27 th , 2018	160 members +15 guests	\$2,728.00	\$2,321.00	\$5,049.00	\$5,704.00
September 2 nd , 2018	141 members +12 Guests	\$2,365.00	\$1,861.80	\$4,226.80	\$5,704.00

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

Recuperating: Al Fauth, Barb Neff

Deployed: JR Hogentogler

THIS WEEK

8 AM Welcome Team: Barry & Nancy Schwartz;
Becky & Jerry Hester

8 AM Sound Tech: John Kollasch

8 AM Video Tech: George DeMers

8 AM Worship Tech: Jim Shiffer

8 AM Hall Monitor: Mary Jane Snyder

10:30 AM Welcome Team: Bob Katherman; Bill & Bonnie Murphy; Anne Henry

10:30 AM Sound Tech: Joey Bevivino

10:30 AM Video Tech: Elaine Bevivino

10:30 AM Camera Tech: Jim Firestone

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Alan Neff

10:30 AM Hall Monitor: George DeMers

10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney & Robin Schriver

10:30 AM WOW Kids: Alan Neff

NEXT WEEK

8 AM Welcome Team & Communion Servers: Coordinated by Bonnie Murphy

8 AM Sound Tech: John Kollasch

8 AM Video Tech: Jack Herlocker

8 AM Worship Tech: Dave Strine

8 AM Hall Monitor: Pam Minnich

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10:30 AM Sound Tech: Ron Miles

10:30 AM Video Tech: Joey Bevivino

10:30 AM Camera Tech: Elaine Bevivino

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Barb Stebbins

10:30 AM Hall Monitor: Jim Shiffer

10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney & Robin Schriver

10:30 AM WOW Kids: Kathy Sweeney