

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF December 23, 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**

- ~Worship Services at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
- ~Fourth Sunday of Advent
- ~Jubilation participates in the 8:00 AM service
- ~Preschool-9<sup>th</sup> Grade Sunday School, 9 AM in their respective classrooms
- ~Advent Series: "Magnifying the Light" Adult Sunday School, 9 AM in the parlor
- ~Adult Bell Choir Practice, 9:30 AM -9:45 AM in the choir room
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM service

**THIS WEEK**

- ~Christmas Eve Services, Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup>
  - ~3 PM - Communion & Candlelight
  - ~7 PM - Family Service with Candlelight
  - ~10 PM - Communion & Candlelight
- ~Church Office Closed, Tues., December 25<sup>th</sup> in observance of Christmas Day
- ~Worship Choir Christmas Party, Thurs., December 27<sup>th</sup>, 7-9 PM

**NEXT SUNDAY**

- ~Worship Services at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
- ~Adult Bell Choir, the "Holy Dingalings," participate in both services

*Please note, this coming week the office will be closed on Christmas Day, and we will have adjusted operating hours for the church office the rest of the week. Please call before coming into church to make sure that someone is here to greet you. Pastor Jeff will still be checking messages, so please call the church office or contact Pastor Jeff directly with any pastoral care concerns. We wish you all a Merry Christmas!*

**Our Monthly Mission for December is the UCC Christmas Fund.** The Christmas Fund helps retired clergy and spouses by providing supplemental monies for pension and health insurance premiums to low-income retirees. At Christmas, the offering provides checks to hundreds of annuitants, and it also provides emergency assistance throughout the year. Thank you for your gifts to the Christmas Fund. You can find envelopes in the back and side narthexes and in the pews.

**Northeastern Food Pantry**~ For the month of December the Northeastern Food Pantry is accepting donations of personal hygiene items (bar soap, 2 in 1 shampoo/conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, & deodorant). Barbara Krier will pick up the remaining items after the late service on Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for supporting the food pantry mission!

**Sunday School Announcement** ~ Please note that there will be NO Sunday school next Sunday, December 30<sup>th</sup>.

**WOW Kids**~ Please note that there will be NO WOW Kids next Sunday, December 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Ridgerunners** will meet Wednesday, January 2, in the fellowship hall for a covered dish luncheon. We will have election of officers for 2019 and discuss suggestions for activities for the coming year.

**Sponsorship Opportunities for 2019**~There are opportunities to provide resources for the summer program, our children's library, Messy Church, worship supplies, music, all church events, youth, camperships, and J-Walkers. There are still a few leaves available on the round table at the back of the sanctuary. Please wait until 2019 to give your sponsorship offering. Thank you!

**Christmas Eve** will be tomorrow, Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup>! Christmas Eve services will remain the same as previous years, with candlelighting and communion at 3 and 10 PM, and a family service with candlelighting at 7 PM. Please join us on the night we celebrate the birth of Jesus!

**Adult Bell Choir**~ We will once again be having our adult bell choir, the self-named "Holy Dingalings" playing during both services NEXT Sunday, December 30<sup>th</sup>. Please see the sign-up in the side narthex for practice dates if you are interested.

**Panther Packing**~ Please note that there will be NO panther packing this Wednesday, December 26<sup>th</sup>, due to the Christmas holiday.

**All Church Game Night** ~ Please mark your calendar for an all church game night that will be held on Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup> from 6-9 PM! More information will be provided in the coming weeks!

**Year End Contributions**- In order for Jesse to prepare the 2018 giving statements, he needs to receive all contributions for 2018 by Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. 2019 giving envelopes are available for pick up in the side narthex. You may take them with you but please do not use them until January 1, 2019. We sincerely thank you for all of the support you extend to our church.

**Faithful Finance Seminar** ~ On behalf of the Investment Advisory Board and representatives from Church Council, we are pleased to offer *Faithful Finance: A Seminar on Living and Giving*. This seminar will be offered at two different times – on January 16<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 PM, and on February 10<sup>th</sup> from noon-2 PM. Please mark your calendars for these dates. Free food and free childcare will also be provided at both sessions! We have a wide range of topics for breakout groups, and so there will be something for everyone! To sign up, and to see a full description of the breakout sessions, please see the paper sign up sheets in the side narthex. A link to sign up online, as well as complete descriptions of each workshop, can be found at our website by going to [www.mtzionucc.org/faithful-finance.html](http://www.mtzionucc.org/faithful-finance.html). Please consider joining us for this incredibly important offering, registration is open until January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019. If you have further questions please contact Pastor Jeff.

**Church Photo Directory Update~** The printed directory is now available in the side and back narthexes! You can submit the payment of \$3 for the directory in a red box marked "Printed Church Directory Payment" in the back narthex. We will be printing them on an as needed basis, so if you don't see any available, there will be more printed the following week. Thank you!

**Hospitality Table ~** Carol Bair is continuing to look for volunteers to serve on a rotation to host the hospitality table. There is a sign-up sheet in the side narthex where you can sign up if you are available to help! Please contact Carol Bair at 717-845-9963 with any questions. Thank you!

**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.**

**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](mailto:mtzionuccyorkpa@comcast.net).

**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.**

Date	Attendance	Current Receipts	Ave. Weekly E-tithing	Total Received for Current	Weekly Budget for Current Exp
November 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	138 members + 16 Guests	\$2,213.00	\$2,117.50	\$4,390.50	\$5,704.00
December 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2018	160 members +14 guests	\$4,322.00	\$1,742.00	\$6,064.00	\$5,704.00
December 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	169 members +15 Guests	\$3,422.00	\$1,742.00	\$5,164.00	\$5,704.00
December 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	222 members +20 Guests	\$3,966.00	\$1,742.00	\$5,708.00	\$5,704.00

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

**Receiving Treatment:** Barbara Krier

**Recuperating:** Linda Schiding, Jim Diehl, Jane Graham, Carol Bair

**THIS WEEK**

**8 AM Welcome Team:** Coordinated by Dave Firestone

**8 AM Sound Tech:** Jack Herlocker

**8 AM Video Tech:** Denny Daugherty

**8 AM Liturgist:** Deb Herlocker

**8 AM Worship Tech:** Connie Wolfe

**8 AM Hall Monitor:** Pam Minnich

**10:30 AM Welcome Team:** Coordinated by Dave Firestone

**10:30 AM Sound Tech:** John Schriver

**10:30 AM Video Tech:** Denny Daugherty

**10:30 AM Camera Tech:** Ryan Neal

**10:30 AM Worship Tech:** Lana Fritz

**10:30 AM Hall Monitor:** George DeMers

**10:30 AM Nursery:** Coordinated by Pastor Jeff

**10:30 AM WOW Kids:** David & Brigitte Bradnick

**CHRISTMAS EVE 3 PM**

**Welcome Team and Communion Servers:** Tim Snyder, Barb Stebbins, Robin Schriver, & Bonnie Murphy

**Worship Tech:** Clyde Snyder

**Sound Tech:** Ron Miles

**Video Tech:** John Schriver

**Camera Tech:** Elaine Bevivino

**CHRISTMAS EVE 7 PM**

**Welcome Team:** The Strine Family

**Worship Tech:** Dave Strine

**Sound Tech:** Jack Herlocker

**Video Tech:** Denny Daugherty

**CHRISTMAS EVE 10 PM**

**Welcome Team and Communion Servers:** Becky & Jerry Hester; Dan Kinard, Mary Jane Snyder

**Worship Tech:** Mary Jane Snyder

**Sound Tech:** Denny Daugherty

**Video Tech:** Jim Firestone

**NEXT WEEK: December 30<sup>th</sup>**

**8 AM Welcome Team:** Coordinated by Travis Pinci

**8 AM Sound Tech:** Jack Herlocker

**8 AM Video Tech:** George DeMers

**8 AM Liturgist:** Jen Cooper

**8 AM Worship Tech:** Dave Strine

**8 AM Hall Monitor:** Pam Minnich

**10:30 AM Welcome Team:** Coordinated by Travis Pinci

**10:30 AM Sound Tech:** John Kollasch

**10:30 AM Video Tech:** Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

**10:30 AM Camera Tech:** Jim Firestone

**10:30 AM Liturgist:** Elaine Bevivino

**10:30 AM Worship Tech:** Lana Fritz

**10:30 AM Hall Monitor:** George DeMers

**10:30 AM Nursery:** Coordinated by Pastor Jeff