

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 16th, 2014

Please silence all cell phones and games when entering the sanctuary. Thank you!

This weekly announcement sheet will now be included on Mt. Zion's website.

TODAY

- ~**Worship** at 8 and 10:30 AM
- ~**Sunday School** for all ages at 9 AM
- ~**Adult Discussion Class** at 9 AM
- ~**Jubilation Rehearsal** 9:10-9:55 AM
- ~**Children's Choir** practice in room 5 10-10:30 AM
- ~**WOW Kids** during the 10:30 AM Worship Service
- ~**Council Meeting** after Late Worship
- ~**Praise Band Rehearsal** 4:30-6 PM at Mt. Zion UCC
- ~**Youth Group** 6-8 PM, Fellowship Hall

THIS WEEK

- ~**Advent Worship Team Mtg.**, conference room, Tues. Nov. 18 at 6:30 PM
- ~**Worship Choir Practice**, choir room, Tue. Nov. 18th 7:30-9 PM
- ~**Bible Study** at Natalie Fleming's home Wed. Nov. 19th 6:30 PM
- ~**Children's Hand Bell Choir Practice**, hand bell choir room, Thur. Nov. 20th 6:30-7 PM
- ~**Choir Practice**, choir room, Thur. Nov. 20th 7:30-9 PM

NEXT SUNDAY

- ~**Christ the King Sunday**
- ~**Worship** at 8 and 10:30 AM
- ~**Sunday School** for all ages at 9 AM
- ~**Congregational Meeting** in the Sanctuary 9-10 AM
- ~**Children's Choir** practice in room 5 10-10:30 AM
- ~**WOW Kids** during the 10:30 AM Worship Service
- ~**Cooks on the Road** at Ronald McDonald House 12-6 PM
- ~**Youth Group** 6-8 PM, Fellowship Hall

Our *Monthly Mission* for November will be split between **Hoffman Homes for Children and Youth** in Gettysburg and **Homewood Home at Plum Creek**. Both are UCC related institutions in our area. Your gifts help provide in some cases clothing and activities for the youth. Thank you for your support of these local agencies!

Northeastern Food Pantry. During the month of November the food pantry is in need of canned vegetables *other than corn, peas or green beans*, and boxes of cereal. Your contributions may be placed in the shopping cart in the side narthex. Thank you.

Children's Choir practices today in Room 5 from 10-10:30. All children ages 3-6th Grade are welcomed to join!

Children's Bell Choir is ringing right along! Kristal Bells use a color coded system which enables the youngest children to participate. Travis is currently working with 4th-6th graders. This group will meet each Thursday from 6:30-7 PM up until **December 18th**. There will **not** be a practice on Thursday, November 27th. The children will perform Sun., Dec. 14th during the 10:30 service, and on Christmas Eve during the 7 PM service. The preschool group will begin their practices after the New Year! If you have any questions, you may email Travis at the following address: travispinci1280@gmail.com.

Adult Discussion Class is studying the Animate series. All are welcome to join us at 9 AM.

Prepare Him Room: Spiritual Practices During Advent--The weeks leading up to Christmas are often filled with shopping, family, parties, and food. While we celebrate the excitement of the season, we need also be preparing our lives for the birth of God's most precious gift to this world: Our Savior. Join David Bradnick in the fellowship hall at 9 AM Nov. 30 and Dec. 7, 14, 21 and 28 as together we learn about the spiritual practices of Prayer, Fasting, Simplicity, Submission, Worship, and Celebration. Join us as we discover together how to *Prepare Him Room*. All are welcome! Come as you are!

Advent Storytellers Needed! During the Advent season, Mt. Zion has a special tradition of having volunteers read in each of our Sunday school classes for five-ten minutes every Sunday. Mt. Zion has a collection of age appropriate, religious children's books to share with our kids, or you can bring books that are special to your family. If you would be interested in volunteering for one or several Sundays, our children would greatly appreciate it. The sign up sheet is in the side narthex and you can contact Pastor Danielle with any questions you might have.

Christmas Poinsettia order forms are included in this week's bulletins. Please complete all of the information on the form and then put it in the box on the table in the narthex. Order deadline is 11/29/14, and the cost is \$4.25 each. Thank you!

2014 Christmas Give Away: We would appreciate your donations of gently used toys and children's winter clothing for the Christmas Give Away at Grace UCC in the city of York. This is the third year we have partnered with Grace to offer this outreach event. Donations will be collected in Room 5 in the lower level through Nov. 30th. Thank you!

Woven Threads is a discussion and Bible study group that will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 6:30 PM at Janet Abel's home. They will be using the guide, "Unglued: Making Wise Choices in the Midst of Raw Emotions" by Lysa Terkeurst. We welcome all of you to come to the next discussion on 11/26.

We will have **Game Day** from 10 AM -3 PM (note the change in time) on Dec.9th. We can discuss how often during the upcoming sessions for next year. If you have any questions call Nancy Sleeper at home, 266-4668 and cell, 515-4790.

Our annual **Congregational Meeting** will be held Sun. Nov. 23rd at 9 am. The agenda and 2015 budget packet is available in the narthex.

Join the Ridgerunners for fun, laughter and food the first Wednesday of each month at noon in the Fellowship Hall unless otherwise noted. Snacks, dessert and drinks are provided. All ages are welcomed.

NEW sign up in the side narthex for **Worship Ministry Teams**. Teams consist of 4-5 people and meet 3 to 4 times. We are now moving into the coming year with Epiphany and Lent. If you have done this before, invite someone new to join you on a team and let's plan inspiring, spiritual worship for all ages!

Thank you for your contributions to the Community Aid box in the parking lot! During the last quarter we collected 4,800 lbs. of clothing and received a check for \$192.00 that goes to our Capital Improvement Fund.

Substitute Sunday School Teachers Needed! If you would be available to serve as a **substitute teacher** in any of our children's Sunday school classes when a teacher is unable to be there, please visit the signup sheet in the side narthex. Thank you!

We are seeking acolytes for November. If your child (or you!) would be interested in acolyting, please sign up on the sheet in the side narthex and please indicate if training is needed. As a guide, children typically begin acolyting around third grade. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to be in touch with Pastor Danielle.

The Church Office has Weis and Giant gift cards 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.

Missing something? There are a few items that remain in the lost and found basket in the secretary's office. Items include a Starbucks mug, gloves, sunglasses, reading glasses, nail clippers and a CD from Homecoming 2014.

A request from our Financial Secretary, Jesse Smith ~ When using pew envelopes for your offering, please fill out as much information as possible on the envelope. It is especially helpful to have your full name and address. If you know your envelope number, please add that as well. And to all who E-tithe: If you have changed any of the following: Address, Phone Number or E-mail, please send changes to Jesse's e-mail address: pencilpusher6@gmail.com. He would like to update his records. Thank you.

Please 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. We are in need of bulletin sponsors for November 23rd, and 30th. You are encouraged to take a few minutes upon sign up to complete the form providing the information as you would like it to appear in the bulletin. Cost of flower arrangements is \$14.75 and cost of bulletins is \$15.00.

Thank you for the continued prayers for Jeff & Ashley Lusby and family. For anyone who would like to send cards, the address for Jeff and Ashley Lusby is: 121 E. Laredo Trail, Raymore, MO 64083-8536.

Date	Attendance	Current Receipts	Ave. Weekly E-tithing	Total Received for Current	Weekly Budget for Current Exp
October 19, 2014	180 members +12 guests	\$2,742.00	\$2,113.94	\$4,855.91	\$4,560.91
October 26, 2014	137 members +32 guests	\$1,486.00	\$2,113.94	\$3,599.94	\$4,560.91
November 2, 2014	153 members + 12 guests	\$2,824.00	\$1,691.15	\$4,515.15	\$4,560.91
November 9, 2014	141 members + 10 guests	\$2,167.00	\$1,691.15	\$3,858.15	\$4,560.91

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

Undergoing Treatment/Therapy: Joey Harvey, Leon Hartman, Paulette Smith

Recuperating: Ted Trout-Landen, Paula Beever, Barb Waltemyer, Suzanne Skennonto

THIS WEEK:

8 AM Worship Tech: Jack Herlocker
8 AM Welcome Team: Kathy & Bob Ensminger, Becky & Jerry Hester
10:30 AM Worship tech: Clyde Snyder
10:30 AM Welcome Team: Jason Shiffer, Carol Bair, Barry & Mary Jane Epley
10:30 AM Nursery: Danielle Devine and youth helper
WOW Kids: Erin Shiffer

NEXT WEEK:

8 AM Worship Tech: Ken Dunbar
8 AM Welcome Team: Drew & Danika Dallam, Palmer Burke, Kat Koons
10:30 AM Worship Tech: Bonnie Dull
10:30 AM Welcome Team: Elaine & Joey Bevivino, Al & Ann Lewis
10:30 AM Acolyte: Evan Kerchner
10:30 AM Nursery: Wendy & Ben Kindig
WOW Kids: Kathy Sweeney