

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF March 15, 2015

*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 Services at 8 & 10:30 AM
- ~Sunday School for all ages at 9 AM
- ~ 20:30/Adult Discussion Combined Sunday School- 9 AM in the fellowship hall
- ~Children's Choir Practice - room 5, 10-10:30 AM
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM worship service
- ~Council Meeting immediately following late worship
- ~J-Walkers Youth Group 5-7 PM, fellowship hall, dinner provided

### THIS WEEK

- ~Eastertide Worship Planning Meeting Tue. March 17<sup>th</sup> 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
- ~Family Worship Service in the sanctuary, Wed. March 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM
- ~Lenten Dinner in the fellowship hall, Wed. March 18<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM (provided by R2V2 group, hog maw or mac. & cheese)
- ~Worship in the sanctuary, Wed. March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM
- ~Adult Choir Rehearsal Wed. March 18<sup>th</sup> 7:45-9 PM

### NEXT SUNDAY

- ~One Great Hour of Sharing Offering
- ~Worship Services at 8 & 10:30 AM
- ~Sunday School for all ages at 9 AM
- ~ 20:30/Adult Discussion Combined Sunday School- 9 AM in the fellowship hall
- ~Jubilation Rehearsal 9:10-9:55 AM
- ~Children's Choir Practice - room 5, 10-10:30 AM
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM worship service
- ~Youth Group to see the movie *Insurgent* at 1:30 PM, meet in fellowship hall after 10:30 worship for lunch.

**Our Monthly Mission for March is Mt. Zion's Good Samaritan Fund.** The Good Samaritan Fund is Mt. Zion's fund to help local people in need. In just the past two weeks, your pastors have had four people come to our church door in need of food assistance. This harsh winter, everyone's fuel and electric needs are great, especially for those who have the least among us. Currently we have about \$200 a month to help people. The need is great, this monthly amount we try to stay with is quickly depleted and some are turned away. Your gifts, once each year help to replenish this fund. Thank you for your generosity!

**Northeastern Food Pantry-** During the month of March, the food pantry is in need of the following items: **cereal, peanut butter and soup.** All donations of food, personal care and laundry supplies are appreciated!! Barb Krier will be delivering items to the food pantry on March 30<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to all of you for supporting the food pantry mission!!!

**Lenten Adult Sunday School Class Offering** ~ David Bradnick and Pastor Danielle are teaming up during the season of Lent to continue with a discussion and study of spiritual disciplines (as described in the book *Celebration of Discipline*). You need not to have read the book to come. Simply bring yourselves and a willingness to think about how we can be better connected to God. Classes are Sundays during the 9 AM Sunday school hour in the fellowship hall beginning today.

**March Forth for Literacy.** During the month of March we will be collecting gently used or new books for elementary age children. Picture books or early reading books would be appreciated. Please no adult books, text books or encyclopedias. We have also printed a reading calendar for March to use with your children to encourage reading activities at home. Thank you, the Mission Core.

**Thank you to all who placed orders for the Ridgerunners delicious Easter Candy.** It will be ready for pick up on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Easter Flower Sale** - Just a reminder that if you would like to purchase potted Easter flowers, you can place your order by completing the form included in your bulletin. Flowers cost \$8.00, and all orders are due by Fri. March 20<sup>th</sup>. Thanks!

**Easter Eggs** ~ Mt. Zion's Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for 3/29/15 from 2-4 PM. We are in need of your help stuffing the eggs. Bags of 25 eggs can be found in the narthex, please take and return them by 3/22/15. Please use nut-free candy only. Chocolate is acceptable, just not Snickers or Reese's, or anything that has nuts in it. Thank You!

**EASTER EGG HUNT!** **Calling all children for the Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, March 29 from 2 – 4 PM! Please sign up in the side narthex if you plan to attend with your child/grandchild!** Different age groups will be hunting for eggs on the church grounds (or inside if the weather is not cooperating) and snacks and drinks will be available. The youth and other volunteers are asked to stay after the 10:30 AM service that day to help set up and then hide the eggs. Pizza and soda will be served to anyone helping to stuff / hide the eggs. For questions, please contact Elaine Bevivino at 840-6397 asap. We hope to see everyone there for a fun time!!

**Photo-A-Day Lenten Challenge** -- During the season of Lent the Youth Group invites you to join in with them on their photo-a-day challenge. The youth are challenging themselves to take pictures that represent a different word each day. As they take and post the picture, they will reflect on God's presence in their life. This will be their Lenten spiritual practice, and they would like you to join in with them. There are cards in the narthex with the list of words. You are welcome to email your pictures to Pastor Danielle or you can post them on Twitter, Instagram, or Facebook using the hashtags #mtzionucc and #40faithfuldays.

As we begin this year of our **Chop & Peel schedule** I am pleased and thankful to let you know we are starting our 25<sup>th</sup> year of supplying Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen with Beef Stew. This has been made possible by your ongoing and continuous support of this most important mission. The usual signup sheet is in the West Narthex and we will have the Chop & Peel portion on Monday March 30th at 6:00 PM. Hope to see you then for an hour of good work and fellowship, *Nancy Sleeper*

**Changes in Child Protection Laws in Pennsylvania-** Due to changes in the child protection laws in the state of Pennsylvania, Mt. Zion now requires all volunteers who work with children and youth (even in a one-time capacity) to submit a background check and child abuse clearance. Packets of information as well as a volunteer information sheet is available in the side narthex and in the church office. Upon completion of materials, please turn them in to the box in the church office. Information will be kept secure. If you have any questions, please attend the meeting on April 12<sup>th</sup> at 11:30. If you have more questions, you can contact a member of the child protection task force: Barb Krier, Kathy Sweeney, Mike Miller, Jess Crowell, or one of the pastors. Thank you for your help in this matter!

**We are seeking acolytes** for March. 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.

**So who's up for a little friendly competition?** We've been invited by Chapel Church in Red Lion to play DODGEBALL on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. Registration starts at 5:30 and play is from 6-9. A team consists of 8 members and all ages are welcome. If we don't have a group to complete a team, no worries!! Smaller teams will be combined, so all will have an opportunity to play. There is no cost for Mt. Zion members and their guests to play. There is also no charge for anyone who wants to go along to watch/cheer for their team. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Children (with parents), youth AND adults are all invited. We will play with a foam ball, so it is safe for all ages (parental permission is required for everyone under 18 -- keep in mind that if you are there, you run the risk of being hit with the ball.) Please either sign up on the sheet in the narthex OR contact Robin Schriver at 542-4116 or [rschriver1@comcast.net](mailto:rschriver1@comcast.net). Permission forms can be found with the sign-up sheet. Robin will be in touch to discuss car pooling. Invite your friends! Looking forward to a fun night!

**The Mt Zion Cemetery Association** will hold their Annual Public Meeting at the Cemetery Office at 3101 Deininger Road, Springettsbury Township, York, PA on March 28, 2015 beginning at 8 A.M., followed immediately by a Quarterly Meeting. Additional Quarterly Meetings will be held June 27, September 26, and December 12, 2015 beginning at 8:00 A.M. at the Cemetery Office. Interested parties are encouraged to attend. Phone 717-755-4858 for information.

**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. 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!

### Holy Week Services

**Maundy Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>** ~ Dinner at 6 PM in the fellowship hall, service and communion to follow in the fellowship hall around tables

**Good Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>** ~ Sanctuary will be open from noon to 3 PM

**Easter Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>** ~ Worship and Communion at 8 AM & 10:30 AM

*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
February 15, 2015	101 members + 20 guests	\$1,482.00	\$2,128.94	\$3,610.94	\$4,765.08
February 22, 2015	CANCELLED	\$155.00	\$2,128.94	\$2,283.94	\$4,765.08
March 1, 2015	117 members + 4 guests	\$3,936.00	\$2,128.94	\$5,639.15	\$4,765.08
March 8, 2015	168 members +16 guests	\$3,308.00	\$2,128.94	\$5,011.15	\$4,765.08

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

**Undergoing Treatment/Therapy:** Leon Hartman, Paulette Smith, Glenda Chilcote

**Recuperating:** Joey Harvey

**Hospitalized:** George Sipe, Betty Spangler

**THIS WEEK:**

**8 AM Worship Tech:** Jack Herlocker

**8 AM Welcome Team:** Anne Henry, Deb Herlocker, Jane & Jodi Graham

**8 AM Acolyte:** Holt Dallam

**10:30 AM Worship Tech:** Clyde Snyder

**10:30 AM Welcome Team:** John, Michelle, Andrew & Jackson Kollasch

**10:30 AM Nursery:** Jessica & Neil Crowell

**WOW Kids:** Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

**NEXT WEEK:**

**8 AM Worship Tech:** Ken Dunbar

**8 AM Welcome Team:** Vanessa & Braden Bicher, Kathy & Bob Ensminger

**8 AM Acolyte:** Ellery Wagaman

**10:30 AM Worship Tech:** Bonnie Dull

**10:30 AM Welcome Team:** John, Robin, Carly & Emily Schriver

**10:30 AM Acolyte:** All are welcome to sign up!

**10:30 AM Nursery:** Wendy Kindig & Danielle Devine

**WOW Kids:** Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney