

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF August 27th, 2017
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 AM and 10:30 AM
- ~Blanket Sunday Offering at both worship services
- ~Oktoberfest Committee Meeting at 9 AM in the 4th-6th grade classroom
- ~Spiritual Formation Core Planning Session at 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~Preschool-6th Grade Sunday School at 9 AM in the Pre K/K Room
- ~Theological Worlds Class at 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM service
- ~Mission Core Planning Session at 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~Choir Picnic from 12-3 PM at Rocky Ridge Park

THIS WEEK

- ~Chop and Peel, Mon., August 28th, 6-8 PM in the Kitchen/Fellowship Hall
- ~Worship Choir Practice, Thurs., August 31st, 7:30-9 PM in the Choir Room

NEXT SUNDAY

- ~Worship Services at 8 AM and 10:30 AM
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM service
- ~Single's Lunch 12-1 PM at Joann Snyder's

Our Monthly Mission for August will be split between the Hoffman Home 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 our 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 the items up TODAY, Sunday, August 27th after the early service. Thank you for supporting the food pantry mission!

Summer Sunday School~ Summer Sunday School continues in the Pre K/K room beginning at 9 AM. We are exploring the wacky world of Dr. Seuss! Please join us! The final Sunday for our summer Sunday School program will be TODAY, Sunday, August 27th. We will resume regular Sunday school classes for PreK-9th grade on September 10th.

Oktoberfest Meeting~ The Oktoberfest committee will meet TODAY, Sunday, August 27th at 9 AM in the 4th-6th grade classroom. Anyone who would like to attend and contribute to this meeting will be welcome.

Worship Choir and Jubilation rehearsals starting soon~ Worship Choir begins on August 31st at 7:30 PM, and Jubilation begins September 10th at 9:30 AM. Open to singers of all abilities grade 7 and up. For more information and a full schedule, see Denny Daugherty.

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 10th, 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 Jeff by September 5th to let him know whether you will be attending the 8 AM service or the 10:30 AM service on September 10th, and also please let him 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 contact Pastor Jeff at pastorjeffk@comcast.net or call the church office.

JWalkers First Meeting Scheduled~ Welcome to a new program year at Mt. Zion! JWalkers is the Mt. Zion younger youth group for grades 3-6. All students in those grades are welcome to attend our first meeting on Sunday, September 10th from 5-7 PM in the fellowship hall. Join us for an evening of fun and fellowship! If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Dani.

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). We are still in need of 3-4 individuals for the October planning team! Thank you for your sharing your time and talents!

Photo & Medical Release Forms ~In order for us to care for youth and children at our many activities, and to protect their privacy, we update our records regarding emergency medical information and photo release information. If you are a volunteer who works with youth, or if you have a child or teenager who participates in our programing, please fill out a photo & medical release form and turn it in to the church office. The forms can be found in the narthex and side narthex. One form should be filled out for each individual. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Jeff or the church office.

Are you resuming group meetings or practices? Contact the church office! If you have schedules for your group, (i.e. bible study) please submit them to : mtzionuccyorkpa@comcast.net as soon as they are available. In order to have your information printed in our weekly announcements, it needs to be received by 10 AM on the preceding Tuesday.

Tech Team Volunteers Needed. Fall training dates have been set to learn how to run the video and audio system. A sign-up sheet is posted at the A/V booth in the rear of the sanctuary.

Care Meals~ Occasionally, we have families that are going through a challenging time and could use meals provided on a regular basis for a defined period of time. If you would be interested in being on a list serve that creates a schedule when such a need arises, please sign up in the side narthex.

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 10th. All pictures are due Tuesday, September 5th.

Congregational Meeting~ Recently, the Property Committee, Memorials Committee, and the Spiritual Formation Core began discussions around necessary upgrades to the Preschool room. The preschool room is one of the most heavily used spaces in our building with Sunday school classes, WOW Kids, music lessons and more all meeting there weekly. Through communication with the Sunday school teachers, the teams put together a proposal that includes the installation of air conditioning (for both the PreK/K and Nursery rooms), the installation of vinyl tile (resembling wood), cabinetry and paint. These upgrades would include the bathroom that adjoins the two classrooms. Estimates were obtained and the final cost of the project is approximately \$20,000 which the Memorials Committee has voted unanimously to fund the entirety of the project. Please note that Memorials funds are separate from our general budget and can only be utilized for special projects such as this. Because of the size and scope of this project we are having a congregational meeting on **Sunday, Sept. 10th at 9 AM** to discuss and approve this expenditure. A document over-viewing the project is available in the narthex so that you can further understand the project. If you have questions, please contact Danika Dallam, John Schriver, or Pastor Danielle.

Called to Care~ One of the most valuable gifts we can give one another is the gift of our time and friendship. We are currently assembling of list of Mt. Zion folk who would be interested in visiting homebound Mt. Zion members to develop a friendship and offer the gift of company and conversation. This opportunity is available to anyone (children and their families included!). If you'd be interested in participating in this highly rewarding ministry of presence, please sign up in the side narthex. Be a blessing to one another, and you will be blessed.

Adult Sunday School ~ Starting on Sunday, September 17th we will begin a new spiritual formation offering to study the book, "Unpoverty: Rich Lessons from the Working Poor" by Mark Lutz. Mark Lutz will be attending the York Association annual meeting, and all York Association churches have been encouraged to engage with his book before the annual meeting on November 12th. There are currently 9 copies of the book available for you to borrow, or you may purchase the book on Amazon. If you are interested in borrowing a copy of the book please contact Travis in the church office to sign one out. If you have any questions regarding the class, contact Pastor Jeff at pastorjeffk@comcast.net or by calling the church office.

Core Team Planning Sessions- It's that time of year when we get together to plan for the 2017-2018 program year. We welcome and need YOUR input! Planning session schedules are as follows: Spiritual Formation Core, TODAY, Sunday, August 27th at 9 AM; Mission Core, TODAY, Sunday, August 27th at 11:30 AM, and Youth Core, September 10th 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!

Chop & Peel~ The next chop & peel is scheduled for THIS Monday, August 28th at 6 PM in our kitchen & fellowship hall. There is a sign-up sheet in the side narthex that has the food items we need listed on it. If you are able to donate any of the needed items, please indicate that on the sheet. Hope to see you, and thank you for your continued support of this ministry.

WOW Kids—WOW (Worship Our Way) Kids is a program for the younger children of our congregation to participate in during the 10:30 worship service. After the children's message, the kids go downstairs for a lesson and snack. There is no sign up process – simply bring your child and we'll do the rest!

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 30 th , 2017	146 members +14 guests	\$3,152.00	\$1,808.80	\$4,960.80	\$5,435.00
August 6 th , 2017	129 members +10 guests	\$2,302.00	\$2,261.00	\$4,563.00	\$5,435.00
August 13 th , 2017	164 members +12 guests	\$2,155.00	\$2,261.00	\$4,416.00	\$5,435.00
August 20 th , 2017	162 members +16 guests	\$2,690.00	\$2,261.00	\$4,951.00	\$5,435.00

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

Recuperating: Lonny Gordon

Undergoing Treatment: Pat Cooper, Diane Worley

THIS WEEK:

8 AM Welcome Team: Dave, Steph, Layla, and Cora Beyer
8 AM Sound Tech: John Kollasch
8 AM Video Tech: George DeMers
8 AM Worship Tech: Jim Shiffer
10:30 AM Welcome Team: Tori Everhart; Jeff and Nancy Sleeper
10:30 AM Sound Tech: Elaine Bevivino
10:30 AM Video Tech: John Schriver
10:30 AM Camera Tech: Ryan Neal
10:30 AM Worship Tech: Bonnie Dull
10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney
10:30 AM WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

NEXT WEEK:

8 AM Welcome Team: Coordinated by Danika Dallam
8 AM Sound Tech: Ryan Neal
8 AM Video Tech: Jack Herlocker
8 AM Worship Tech: Mary Jane Snyder
10:30 AM Welcome Team: Sydney, Scott, Kerington, and Jen Cooper
10:30 AM Sound Tech: Ron Miles
10:30 AM Video Tech: John Schriver
10:30 AM Camera Tech: Jim Firestone
10:30 AM Worship Tech: John Schriver
10:30 AM Nursery: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney
10:30 AM WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney