

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF February 24, 2019

*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
- ~Reception of New Members
- ~Jubilation participates in the 8 AM service
- ~Congregational Meeting, 9 AM in the sanctuary
- ~Preschool-3<sup>rd</sup> Children's Choir Practice, 9 AM in the Children's Choir Room
- ~Preschool-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Sunday School, 9 AM in their respective classrooms
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM service
- ~Lenten Worship Team Meeting, 11:30 AM in the 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade classroom

### THIS WEEK

- ~Woven Threads, Tues., Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 PM in the parlor
- ~Cemetery Board Meeting, Wed., Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>, 6 PM in the conference room
- ~Panther Packing at North Hills Elementary, Wed., Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-7:00 PM
- ~Worship Choir Practice, Thurs., Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:00-8:30 PM in the choir room

### NEXT SUNDAY

- ~Worship Services at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
- ~Preschool-3<sup>rd</sup> Children's Choir Practice, 9 AM in the Children's Choir Room
- ~Preschool-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Sunday School, 9 AM in their respective classrooms
- ~Women's Retreat Info Session, 9 AM
- ~Worship Choir participates in the 10:30 AM service
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM service
- ~Single's Lunch, 12 PM at Hallamshire Restaurant
- ~Youth Group, 1-3 PM at Adrenaline Trampoline Park in West York

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### **INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURE UPDATE:**

*In an effort to further clarify existing inclement weather cancellation procedures, Church Council has voted to enact the following procedures:*

- If inclement weather is expected in the overnight hours prior to Sunday morning, a decision regarding the 8 AM service and Sunday school will be made by 9 PM on Saturday evening.
- If the 8 AM service is cancelled, any activities, classes, or meetings during the 9 AM hour are also cancelled.
- On Sunday morning, a decision regarding the 10:30 service will be made based on weather, parking lot, and road conditions.
- In the event of surprise inclement weather, we will make every effort to make a timely decision on Sunday morning regarding the 8 AM service.

*In all cases of inclement weather, updates regarding the cancellation of services will continue to be announced in the following ways:*

1. We will update the church voicemail (717-755-6117).
2. We will update the church website ([www.mtzionucc.org](http://www.mtzionucc.org)).
3. We will update the church facebook page.
4. We will update the online listing at [www.wgal.com](http://www.wgal.com) under their "closings and delays". Please note that WGAL will not list these closings on television.

*The safety of our members is always a primary concern. When deciding whether or not to attend services during questionable weather, please use your best judgment and be safe.*

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**Our monthly mission for February is Mt. Zion's Disaster Relief Fund.** When the tsunami devastated Indonesia the day after Christmas in 2004, we, like many other churches received contributions for the relief effort a month or so later. It was following that disaster that Mt. Zion's Mission Core established this fund so that aid would be readily available to respond immediately. Since that fund has been established, we have sent financial assistance immediately to victims of tornadoes in Mississippi, flooding in Colorado, and in the aftermath of Hurricane Maria and Harvey. When disaster strikes, the need is great. Your contributions to this month's mission will be there to go where it is needed most. Thank you!

**Northeastern Food Pantry**~ For the month of February the Northeastern Food Pantry is accepting donations of paper products (toilet paper, napkins, paper towels, tissues), Barbara Krier will pick up the items after the late service TODAY, Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for supporting the food pantry mission!

Place your order for the **Ridgerunners delicious Easter candy** on the signup sheet in the Narthex no later than Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. The candy is \$11 per pound with the selection of Peanut Butter Eggs, Dark Chocolate Coconut Cream Eggs, Raisin Clusters, and Peanut Clusters. The candy will be ready for pick-up on Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Volunteers Needed for Candy Making.** Put on your apron and join the Ridgerunners for a fun day of making Easter Candy on Thursday and Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9 AM. No prior experience is needed. Lunch will be provided. Please bring along a Pampered Chef small scoop if you have one. Please sign up in the Narthex. Point of contact for volunteers is Lana Fritz at 717-487-6606 before 9 PM or email at [ljf424@comcast.net](mailto:ljf424@comcast.net).

**Book Discussion** ~ Join us at Panera Bread on East Market St. Wed. March 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM for lunch, followed by discussion of the book, *The Curiosity*, by Stephen Kiernan. All are welcome, and we hope to see you there!

**Ridgerunners** will meet Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, at Round the Clock East for our annual Founders' Day luncheon at noon. This is a self-pay event. Hope to see you there, Nancy Sleeper, 717-266-466.

**Cooks on the Road** will travel to the Ronald McDonald House on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> following late worship. Please sign up in the side narthex if you would like to help with this mission. There is only room in their kitchen to accommodate 8 volunteers. Please see Jim Shiffer with any questions.

**E-Spirit**~ There are a few printed copies available in the side narthex, along with a sign-up sheet to have your email address included on the distribution list. If you have a submission for our newsletter, please email it to us at: [mtzionuccyorkpa@comcast.net](mailto:mtzionuccyorkpa@comcast.net).

**Messy Mission**~ On Sun. March 24, right after late worship, join us for Messy Mission. We'll be making "Sweet Cases"-- which are duffel bags for kids entering the foster care system-- the bags are filled with comfort items like a stuffed animal and blanket- along with necessities like toiletries. These bags help make a very difficult time a little easier for a child.

**Ash Wednesday Sign Up**~ We welcome you to join us on Wednesday, March 6th, for our Ash Wednesday services at 3 PM and 7 PM. At these services, there will be communion and the imposition of ashes. Prior to the evening service, we will join together for a simple supper beginning at 6 PM. We are in need of people to make crockpots of soup and salads for the Ash Wednesday dinner. There is a sign-up sheet in the side narthex both for donating food items and to let us know if you will be dining with us. We hope to see you there!

**School to Prison Pipeline Presentation by PA Council of Churches** ~ On April 30<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM Mount Zion will host a presentation from the PA Council of churches in our fellowship hall. The school to prison pipeline is a term that's used to describe the cycle of students being punished at school in non-constructive ways, leading to suspensions, thus eventually leading to prison later in life. This cycle disproportionately affects students of color, especially young black men. By engaging the research that bears this out, the PA Council of Churches aims to educate and empower congregations to participate in cycles of healing in the hope that they might help to disrupt the harmful cycle of the school to prison pipeline. The presentation will be a combination of videos, PowerPoint, and dialogue. Please sign up in the side narthex, or online, so that we can have an idea of how many people will plan to attend. If you have questions in the mean time please contact Pastor Jeff at [pastorjeffk@comcast.net](mailto:pastorjeffk@comcast.net).

**Church Council**~ This is a friendly reminder that church council meetings are open to the congregation. Generally speaking, church council occurs the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month after the 10:30 worship service. Our next council meeting is Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>.

A **worship team** is being formed for the season of Eastertide. We need 4-5 individuals to serve on this team. Sign-up sheets can be found in the side narthex. Thank you for sharing your time and talents!

**Lenten Book Study** ~ During the season of Lent there will be an adult spiritual formation offering which looks into the book "Renegade Gospel" by Mike Slaughter. Copies of the book are available to borrow, and they can also be purchased at Amazon. The series will begin on March 10<sup>th</sup>, taking place each Sunday during the 9 AM hour, until April 14<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up if you plan to attend, and please sign out your copy of the book if you plan to borrow one. For more information please contact 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).

Date	Attendance	Current Receipts	Ave. Weekly E-tithing	Total Received for Current	Weekly Budget for Current Exp
January 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	129 members +12 Guests	\$3,837.00	\$2,077.50	\$5,914.50	\$5,770.00
February 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2019	139 members +16 Guests	\$4,930.00	\$2,075.00	\$7,005.00	\$5,770.00
February 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	183 members +22 Guests	\$3,277.00	\$2,075.00	\$5,352.00	\$5,770.00
February 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	164 members +20 Guests	\$2,641.00	\$2,075.00	\$4,716.00	\$5,770.00

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

**Receiving Treatment:** Barbara Krier

**Recuperating:** Anna Fauth, Matt Grimes, Tom Mulligan, Adonna Barshinger, Dennis Hartman

**THIS WEEK**

**8 AM Welcome Team:** Barry & Nancy Schwartz; Deb & Terry Barnes  
**8 AM Sound Tech:** John Kollasch  
**8 AM Video Tech:** George DeMers  
**8 AM Worship Tech:** Connie Wolfe  
**8 AM Hall Monitor:** Pam Minnich  
**10:30 AM Welcome Team:** Coordinated by Jason Shiffer  
**10:30 AM Sound Tech:** Ryan Neal  
**10:30 AM Video Tech:** Hunter King  
**10:30 AM Camera Tech:** Jim Firestone  
**10:30 AM Worship Tech:** Lana Fritz  
**10:30 AM Hall Monitor:** Jim Shiffer  
**10:30 AM WOW Kids:** Kathy Sweeney  
**10:30 AM Nursery:** Coordinated by Pastor Jeff

**NEXT WEEK**

**8 AM Welcome Team:** Coordinated by Jodi Graham  
**8 AM Sound Tech:** George DeMers  
**8 AM Video Tech:** Jack Herlocker  
**8 AM Worship Tech:** Mary Jane Snyder  
**8 AM Hall Monitor:** Pam Minnich  
**10:30 AM Welcome Team:** Coordinated by Jodi Graham  
**10:30 AM Sound Tech:** Ron Miles  
**10:30 AM Video Tech:** John Schriver  
**10:30 AM Camera Tech:** Hunter King  
**10:30 AM Worship Tech:** Tori Everhart  
**10:30 AM Hall Monitor:** Bob Katherman  
**10:30 AM WOW Kids:** Coordinated by Pastor Jeff  
**10:30 AM Nursery:** Missy Kiefer