

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF December 22, 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**

- ~ONE Worship service at 10:30 AM
- ~Fourth Sunday of Advent & Christmas Cantata
- ~Advent Spiritual Formation Series, 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~Preschool-6<sup>th</sup> Sunday School, 9 AM in their respective classrooms
- ~Worship choir/praise band sound check, 9 AM in the sanctuary
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM service

**THIS WEEK**

- ~Christmas Eve Services, Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>
  - ~3 PM – Communion & Candlelight
  - ~7 PM – Family Service with Candlelight
  - ~10 PM – Communion & Candlelight
- ~Church office closed, Wed., December 25<sup>th</sup> in observance of Christmas Day

**NEXT SUNDAY**

- ~Worship services at 8:00 & 10:30 AM
- ~Sunday School Movie for all ages, 9 AM in the Pre-K/K room
- ~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 for the rest of the week. Please call before coming into church to make sure that someone is here to greet you. The pastors will still be checking messages, so please call the church office or contact Pastor Jeff or Pastor Danielle directly with any pastoral care concerns.  
We wish you all a Merry Christmas!*

**The 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 through-out the year. Thank you for your gifts to the Christmas Fund. You can find envelopes in the back and side narthexes as well as in the pews.

**Northeastern Food Pantry**~ For the month of December the Northeastern Food Pantry is accepting donations of personal hygiene items (bar soap, shampoo/conditioner (2 in 1), toothbrushes, toothpaste, & deodorant.) Barbara Krier will pick up the items after the late service NEXT Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup>. She is also looking for donations of reusable shopping bags. Thank you for supporting the food pantry mission!

**Thank you** to Patsy & Lee Brown, of Brown's Tree Farm, for donating our Christmas tree and wreaths.

**Sunday School December 29<sup>th</sup>**- On Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup>, Kathy Sweeny will lead one Sunday school class in the Pre-K/K room for all ages where they will be watching a movie. There will be no WOW kids that Sunday, but there will be nursery care during the 10:30 AM service.

**Panther Packing** ~ Please note there will be NO Panther packing this week due to the Christmas holiday.

**Year End Contributions**- In order for Jesse to prepare the 2019 giving statements, he needs to receive all contributions for 2019 by NEXT Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup>. **2020** 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, 2020.** We sincerely thank you for all of the support you extend to our church.

**Chop & Peel**~ The next chop & peel is scheduled for Monday, December 30<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM in our kitchen & fellowship hall. There is a poster board in the back narthex that has the food items we need listed on it. If you are able to donate any of the needed items, please take a slip with the item requested and return that item by Monday, December 30<sup>th</sup> by 10 AM. We are also in need of extra members to help with chopping and peeling on Monday, December 30<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM. If you'd like to help out, please contact Nancy Sleeper at 717-266-2668.

**Need a stocking stuffer? The Youth Group is selling Mister Car Wash passes for \$22 each!** This is a Full Serve Car Wash which includes complete inside and out cleaning at Mister Car Wash on East Market St. The Youth will be selling the passes in the Narthex before and after upcoming services. Proceeds (\$11 per pass) will go towards the Youth trip to the National Youth Event next summer. Thanks for your support – we appreciate it!

**Intergenerational Bell Choir** ~ On January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 we will be having an intergenerational bell choir playing at the 10:30 AM service. All ages are invited to participate! We will be practicing Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, & 26<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM in the bell choir room. There is a sign up sheet in the side narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Travis Pinci at 717-324-8511.

**Adult Bell Choir**~ The "Holy Dingalings" will be playing during both services on Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup>. We will have a brief warm-up on December 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 AM in the choir room.

**Game Nite is coming, Game Nite is coming!** Please save the date for Game Nite – Friday, January 24 from 5:30 – 9 PM in the Fellowship Hall (with a snow date of Saturday, January 25 at the same time). Tickets will be \$5 for Adults and \$3 for kids which will include a soup & sandwich dinner, drink and make your own sundaes for dessert. Ticket sales will begin after the holidays. All proceeds will benefit the General Fund. Let the games begin!

**Worship Ministry Teams** are being formed for the seasons of Lent and Eastertide. 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 (Lent or Eastertide). Thank you for your sharing your time and talents!

**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 [office@mtzionucc.org](mailto:office@mtzionucc.org).

Date	Attendance	Current Receipts	Ave. Weekly E-tithing	Total Received for Current	Weekly Budget for Current Exp
November 24, 2019	107 members +10 guests	\$2,146.00	\$2,255.00 (based on 4 wks/month)	\$4,401.00	\$5,770.00
December 1, 2019 (one service due to inclement weather)	98 members +12 guests	\$3,361.00	\$1,828.00 (based on 5 wks/month)	\$5,189.00	\$5,770.00
December 8, 2019	155 members +12 guests	\$4,121.00	\$1,828.00 (based on 5 wks/month)	\$5,949.00	\$5,770.00
December 15, 2019	155 members +15 guests	\$4,083.00	\$1,828.00 (based on 5 wks/month)	\$5,911.00	\$5,770.00

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

**Hospitalized:** Tom Mulligan

**THIS WEEK**

**10:30 AM Welcome Team:** The Rhinehart family

**10:30 AM Sound Techs:** John Kollasch & Elaine Bevivino

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

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

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

**10:30 AM Hall Monitor:** Bob Katherman

**10:30 AM WOW Kids:** Kathy Sweeney & Kelly Grimm

**10:30 AM Nursery:** Alan Neff & Jess Crowell

**CHRISTMAS EVE 3 PM**

**Welcome Team and Communion Servers:** Robin & Emily Schriver, Kathy & Bob Ensminger

**Worship Tech:** Barb Stebbins

**Sound Tech:** Jack Herlocker

**Video Tech:** John Schriver

**Camera Tech:** Elaine Bevivino

**CHRISTMAS EVE 7 PM**

**Welcome Team:** The Strine Family

**Worship Tech:** Dave Strine

**Sound Tech:** Ron Miles

**Video Tech:** Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

**CHRISTMAS EVE 10 PM**

**Welcome Team and Communion Servers:** Becky & Jerry Hester; Nancy Kinard, & Tori Everhart

**Worship Tech:** Mary Jane Snyder

**Sound Tech:** Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

**Video Tech:** Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

**NEXT WEEK: December 29<sup>th</sup>**

**8 AM Welcome Team:** Coordinated by Pastor Jeff

**8 AM Sound Tech:** George DeMers

**8 AM Video Tech:** Dave Beyer

**8 AM Worship Tech:** Dave Strine

**8 AM Hall Monitor:** Coordinated by Pam Minnich

**10:30 AM Welcome Team:** Coordinated by Pastor Jeff

**10:30 AM Sound Tech:** Evan Waltemyer

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

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

**10:30 AM Worship Tech:** Coordinated by Travis Pinci

**10:30 AM Hall Monitor:** Bob Katherman

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