

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF February 23, 2020

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 & 10:30 AM
- ~Adult spiritual formation, 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~Children's choir practice, 9 AM in the bell choir room
- ~Brass rehearsal, 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~Preschool-6th Sunday School, 9 AM in their respective classrooms
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM service
- ~Worship choir participates in the 10:30 AM service
- ~Youth group, 6-8 PM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~Praise Band rehearsal, 6:15-7:15 in the sanctuary

THIS WEEK

- ~Woven Threads, Tues., February 25th, 1 PM in the parlor
- ~Panther packing, Wed., February 26th, 6:00 PM at North Hills Elementary
- ~Ash Wednesday services, Wed., February 26th, 3 & 7 PM in the sanctuary
- ~Ash Wednesday soup & salad dinner, Wed., February 26th, 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~Worship choir practice, Wed., February 26th, 8:00-9:00 PM in the choir room
- ~Youth group lock-in, Fri., February 28th-Saturday, February 29th in the Fellowship Hall

NEXT SUNDAY

- ~First Sunday of Lent
- ~Worship services & communion at 8:00 & 10:30 AM
- ~Adult spiritual formation, 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~Children's choir practice, 9 AM in the bell choir room
- ~Preschool-6th Sunday School, 9 AM in their respective classrooms
- ~WOW Kids during the 10:30 AM service
- ~Worship choir participates in the 10:30 AM service
- ~Youth choir rehearsal, 11:30 AM in the choir room
- ~Single's lunch, 12 PM at Fiesta Mexico (2818 E. Market Street)
- ~Youth group, 6-8 PM in the Fellowship Hall
- ~Praise Band rehearsal, 6:15-7:15 in the sanctuary

In the event of inclement weather, please check WGAL's (www.WGAL.com) website, Mt. Zion's website (www.mtzionucc.org), the church voicemail, or Mt. Zion's Facebook page for changes. As a reminder, 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.

The *Monthly Mission for February* is the 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, napkins, paper towels, & tissues.) Barbara Krier will pick up the items after the late service TODAY, Sunday, February 23rd. She is also looking for donations of reusable shopping bags. Thank you for supporting the food pantry mission!

Mid-Week Lenten Services & Sign-Ups~ The sign-up sheets for Lenten dinners are in the side narthex. Please sign up if you plan to attend the dinners on Wednesday evenings. Please note that there are two Lenten dinners that are pot-lucks (March 4th & March 18th). Also, please note that the Lenten worship service has been moved back to **6:45 PM**. The dinners will remain at the same time at **6 PM**. There will be a family activity at **5:30 PM**.

Ash Wednesday Sign Up~ We welcome you to join us NEXT Wednesday, February 26th, 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. There is a sign-up sheet in the side narthex to let us know if you will be dining with us. We hope to see you there!

On Wednesday, March 4th, **Ridgerunners** will meet for a self pay Founders' Day luncheon at Stony Brook Family Restaurant at noon.

Our first **Open & Affirming Education Session** will be held on Sunday, March 29th from 12-2 PM in the Fellowship Hall. The session is entitled *Breaking Bread and Building Bonds* and it will provide an overview of the Open & Affirming process. There is a sign-up sheet available in the side narthex. We ask that you sign up as there will be a meal provided and an accurate count will help us to better plan to prepare the meal. Childcare will also be provided, so if you are in need of childcare, please indicate that on the sign-up sheet as well.

Book Discussion ~ Join us at My Deli in Emigsville, Wed. March 11th at 11:30 AM for lunch, followed by discussion of the book *The 13th Gift* by Joanne Huist Smith. All are welcome, and we hope to see you there!

Recipes from Game Night can be found in the back and side narthexes. Please feel free to pick up a copy! The recipes include all the soups as well as the sandwiches.

Women's Retreat Information Sessions will be held on Sunday, March 8th and Sunday, March 22nd at 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall. If you have signed up to attend the women's retreat, we ask that you attend one of these sessions. If you are unable to attend one of the sessions, please let Pastor Danielle know so she can get you the information. Thank you!

York Association Social Justice Forum ~ The York Association will be hosting a social justice forum at Mt. Zion UCC on Saturday, April 18th, 2020 from 9 AM – 12 PM. This will be held in celebration of the 50th anniversary of Earth Day and will feature the keynote speaker Rev. James Antal, author of *Climate Change, Climate World*. All are welcome to attend! The cost is \$5/person and the registration forms can be found in the side narthex.

Place your order for the **Ridgerunners' delicious Easter candy** on the signup sheet in the narthex no later than Sunday, March 22nd. The cost is \$11 per pound and the available types of candy are Peanut Butter Eggs, Dark Chocolate Coconut Cream Eggs, Raisin Clusters, and Peanut Clusters. The candy will be ready for pick-up on Sunday, April 5th.

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 2nd and 3rd beginning at 9 AM. No prior experience is needed. Lunch will be provided. 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.

Mr. Sandy's Helping Hands Sign-Ups-The sign-up board for Mr. Sandy's Helping Hands can be found in the back narthex. If you'd like to financially support this mission, please mark *Food Missions* on a blank envelope and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

Lenten Adult Spiritual Formation Series ~ Beginning March 1st we will begin a study throughout the season of Lent examining the book *The God We Can Know: Exploring the "I AM" Sayings of Jesus*. The series will also coincide with our worship and sermon series for the season of Lent. Classes will take place at 9:00 AM in the fellowship hall each Sunday morning, except for March 8th & 22nd when we will be meeting in Room 5. Books can be purchased on Amazon. For questions please contact Pastor Jeff.

Considering joining Mt. Zion? We have membership Sundays throughout the year. If you are interested in joining, please contact Pastor Danielle or 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 office@mtzionucc.org.

Date	Attendance	Current Receipts	Ave. Weekly E-tithing	Total Received for Current	Weekly Budget for Current Exp
January 26, 2020	174 members +18 guests	\$4,151.00	\$2,297.50 (based on 4 wks/month)	\$6,448.50	\$5,760.00
February 2, 2020	142 members +10 Guests	\$3,295.00	\$2,141.25 (based on 4 wks/month)	\$5,436.25	\$5,760.00
February 9, 2020	145 members +8 guests	\$5,608.00	\$2,141.25 (based on 4 wks/month)	\$7,749.25	\$5,760.00
February 16, 2020	129 members +10 guests	\$2,646.00	\$2,141.25 (based on 4 wks/month)	\$4,787.25	\$5,760.00

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

Receiving Treatment: Tom Mulligan, Mike Garcia, Barry Abrams **Recovering:** Tama Allison, Ann Lewis

THIS WEEK

8 AM Welcome Team: The Dallam family
8 AM Sound Tech: Denny Daugherty
8 AM Video Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty
8 AM Worship Tech: Connie Wolfe
8 AM Hall Monitor: Coordinated by Pam Minnich
10:30 AM Welcome Team: Jesse & Nancy Smith; Teal Morcos, & Tammy Gordon
10:30 AM Sound Tech: Mary Jane Snyder
10:30 AM Video Tech: Denny Daugherty
10:30 AM Camera Tech: John Schriver
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

NEXT WEEK:

8 AM Welcome Team & Communion servers: Jodi Graham, Bob Ensminger, Drew & Danika Dallam
8 AM Sound Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty
8 AM Video Tech: Denny Daugherty
8 AM Worship Tech: Mary Jane Snyder
8 AM Hall Monitor: Coordinated by Pam Minnich
10:30 AM Welcome Team & Communion servers: Sandy King, Jason Shiffer, Scott Kiefer, Melissa Shindler, & Suzanne Skennonto
10:30 AM Sound Tech: Ron Miles
10:30 AM Video Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty
10:30 AM Camera Tech: Jim Firestone
10:30 AM Worship Tech: Tori Everhart
10:30 AM Hall Monitor: Jim Beyer
10:30 AM WOW Kids: Brooke Markel & Cassidy Schildt
10:30 AM Nursery: Missy Kiefer & Tammy Gordon