

# MT. ZION NEWS



Mt. Zion United Methodist Church Newsletter

AUGUST 2016

## KIDZ CORNER

### BACK TO SCHOOL TIPS FOR PARENTS

Starting the new school year can be a time of great excitement... and anxiety. Help calm your child's fears (and your own) with these teacher-approved tips.



#### **Meet the new teacher.**

For kids, one of the biggest back-to-school fears is "Will I like my new teacher?" Breaking the ice early on is one of the best ways to calm everyone's fears.

#### **Tour the school.**

If your school hosts an open house, be sure to go. Familiarizing your child with their environment will help them avoid a nervous stomach on the first day.

#### **Cont. Inside....**

#### **Uncommon Touch**

8:00AM-8:45AM

#### **Church Service**

9:30AM

#### **Sunday School**

11:00AM

#### **Family Bible Study/Dinner**

Wednesdays @ 6:00PM

*"Mt. Zion United Methodist Church will be a vessel of hope for the community..."*

*- Rev. Michael A. Frazier, Sr.*



CELEBRATION MONTH

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# Kidz Corner

## Connect with friends.

A familiar friend can make all the difference when heading back to school. You might try calling parents from last year's class and finding out which children are in your child's class this year. Refresh these relationships before school starts by scheduling a play date or a school carpool.

## Chat about today's events and tomorrow's plans.

While it is important to support learning throughout the summer, don't spend the last weeks of summer vacation reviewing last year's curriculum. All kids need some down time before the rigors of school begin.

## Ease into the routine.

Switching from a summer to a school schedule can be stressful to everyone in the household.

# Team 100

## MT. Zion Centennial Celebration – 2019

### “Telling Our Stories” Committee

You are invited to participate in this event as we celebrate our 100 years of Mt. Zion United Methodist Church. Our stories will be told in written and visual formations which will be ongoing through processes throughout – 2016-2018.

If you want to share your story, you are requested to sign a commitment sheet that will be used to schedule activities as we move through the process. This sheet will be made available to you in our reception area on Sundays, beginning Sunday, August 14, 2016. A tentative schedule is as follows:

**December 31, 2016** Commitment Sheet

**April 11, 2017** Story Submitted (Written)

**July 1, 2017** Photography Taken

**December 1, 2017** Video Completed

**February 2018** Make Ups

### Committee Members

Rashad Brown  
 Jessie LaPread  
 Rowland Johnson  
 Anthony Middleton  
 Kathy Rollock  
 Lola Young  
 Robert Young

**Annette Faison, Chairperson**

**TEAM 100**

# Church Women United

## “Gun Violence – What does it have to do with me”?

In the last few weeks, we have seen, in graphic details the murders of two individuals and also the murders of five police officers during a peaceful protest in Dallas only compounded the tragedy.

The ubiquitous presence of firearms in our society is a disaster, as we learn more facts about all of these incidents, the broader systemic problems that create the space for these incidents, and debates of what needs to change, but for now we mourn for the American families that have lost so many members because of the easy access to lethal firearms.

We will each have to commit to doing our part, but there is also more that our leaders can and must do. Politicians can't keep promising the change we need, while quietly maintaining the status quo by failing to take real action.

The pain is unbearable - End Gun Violence NOW!

We must speak with one Voice!

**Kathy Rollock, Ecumenical Coordinator, Church Women United  
President, Mt. Zion United Methodist Women**

# Salty Service

## WHO OR WHAT IS A SALTY SERVANT

- If you Intentionally cultivate relationships for purposes of easing the emotional or spiritual needs of others.
- If you feed the hungry, clothe the naked, help someone to read or learn a new language:
- If you speak out against racial, cultural or religious discrimination:
- If you make time in your busy schedules to serve others week after week:
- If you intentionally cultivate your neighbor's friendship to tell him about God's love, or pray with someone who needs prayer:
- Then you are a Salty Servant.
- If you know that you have the qualities of what it takes to be a Salty Servant to our church and community, then, the Team needs you. Why not join us?

**Just leave your name, e-mail and phone # at the welcome center and we'll contact you.**

**Audrey Lyttle, Chair**

## Birthday's & Anniversaries

**Birthdays:** Sis. Kyla Brown 8/1; Sis. Atecia Tashata Young 8/2; Sis. Rose Rutledge: Bro. Jordan Williams: 8/3; Bro. Christopher Cruder: 8/4; Bro. Rowland Johnson: 8/6; Sis Telyha Patterson: 8/7; Sis. Kimberly Brown 8/15; Sis. Kabre' Hooks: 8/16; Sis. M. Frances Mack: 8/19; Sis. Ryen Lamar: 8/22; Bro. Maurice Washington: 8/25; Sis. Margaret D Dayton 8/23; Bro. Cambry Gordon, 8/30

**Anniversaries:** Bro. & Sis. Robert C. Young: 8/8; Bro. Christopher Cruder: 8/30

## FINANCE

Ministry Area Chairpersons,

Please complete the Budget Information Sheet for 2016. This information is extremely important to help us formulate our 2016 church budget. Return this form to Bill Campbell or place in the Finance Chair mailbox by October 13, 2015.

Thanks for your immediate attention to this matter. If you have any questions feel free to contact me at (727)581-8408 or Cell (727) 430-0183.

**Bill Campbell, Finance Chair**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Line Dance Classes - Thursday's @ 6:30PM

Come out and learn the latest line dance with Sis. Brenda Dixon. This is a great way to get the blood flowing and maybe even shed some pounds.

### Living it Up! - Summer Celebration Luncheon - August 12, 2016 @ 11:00AM—1:00PM

Games & Lunch - Please bring a covered dish (Vegetables or Dessert)

### Bucket Drums - Every Tuesday @ 6PM starting August 23, 2016

### SAVE THE DATE

### Church Outside the Walls - Sunday, September 25, 2016 @ 9:30AM

### Mt. Zion Photographers Needed

We are in need of a few photographers for Mt. Zion events and ministries. If you would like to volunteer please see Sis. Kim Brown

### Stay Up To Date on All Church Events

Text "mtzevents" to 555888 and you will receive text messages about events.

Check out the church website for events and updates.

[www.mzumc.net](http://www.mzumc.net)

## Contact Us

Give us a call for more information about our service, events and ministries.

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Rev. Michael A. Frazier, Sr.