

MT ZION NEWS



Mt. Zion United Methodist Church Newsletter

October 2018

Pastor Appreciation Month



It's good to do something special during Pastor Appreciation Month to remind your pastors how much they mean to you and your congregation. But even better is to support and encourage them all through the year."

Here are some suggestions:

Pray for them. Prayer helps you and your clergy leaders understand your partnership in ministry and your mutual dependence on God.

Respect them. It is crucial that you do not talk to them in ways you would not want or permit them to talk to you. Clergy can handle questions and criticism. They need them. But it is essential that you not add layer of hostile attitude or attribution of motives to your conversation.

Be positive. Practice reframing both your concerns and those of others into opportunities to advance God's work through your congregation.

Ask about things other than Sunday School room assignments. Pastors enter ministry because of their desire to help others know God through Christ and to grow as disciples. They invest years in study and then hours each week in preparing to preach and teach. They would gladly welcome thoughtful inquires about the substance of their messages.

Support the mission of the congregation. Good pastors most want the congregation to take the next faithful step that God has for them. No amount of personal affirmation can match the example of dedicated laity who are serving that vision.

Lovett H. Weems, Jr., Senior Consultant for Church Leadership, Wesley Theological Seminary



Notice: *SPRC will have a basket in the narthex during the month of October for cards and gifts for the pastor. Please make checks out to Lee Hall-Perkins.*

There will be a Pastor Appreciation Breakfast for Pastor Lee on Sunday October 28 from 8:30-9:45 am.

Uncommon Touch Breakfast

8:00 AM-8:45 AM

Church Service

10:00 AM

Family Bible Study/ Dinner

Wednesdays

Dinner 6:00 PM

Bible Study 6:30 PM

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99th Church Anniversary

Our 99th Church Anniversary will be commemorated on Sunday, November 4th @ 10:00 am. We will celebrate our glorious past and anticipate the bright future ahead of us. We are accepting pledges of a special donation in honor of the church anniversary. Thanks to those who have already pledged and are making contributions to meet their pledge. We ask that everyone fulfill their pledge by December 31st.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED



“Love yourself”

A Crow lived in the forest and was absolutely satisfied with his life. But one day he saw a peacock.

The Crow then visited the peacock in the zoo and saw that hundreds of people had gathered to see him. After the people had left, the crow approached the peacock. “Dear Peacock” the crow said, “you are so beautiful, every day thousands of people come to see you. When people see me, they immediately shoo me away. I think you are the happiest bird on the planet.”

The peacock replied, “I always thought that I was the most beautiful and happiest bird on the planet. But because of my beauty, I am trapped in this zoo. I have examined zoos very carefully, and I have realized that the Crow is the only bird not kept in a cage. So, for the past few days I have been thinking that if I were a Crow, I could happily roam everywhere.”


That’s our problem too. We make unnecessary comparisons with others and become sad. We don’t value what God has given us. This all leads to the vicious cycle of unhappiness. Learn to be happy with what you have instead of looking at what you don’t have.

“If you want to soar in life you must learn to F.L.Y- First Love Yourself”

Kathy Rollock, Ecumenical Action Coordinator, Church Women United.

CWU Motto: “We agree to differ, resolve to love and unite to serve”.





**CHARGE
CONFERENCE
SCHEDULE**

Pre-Charge Conference
Sunday, October 21
Immediately after morning worship

Charge Conference
Monday, November 5 @ 6:30PM
Location: First UMC, Clearwater

Health & Wellness



BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Breast cancer is the most common cancer among women in the United States (other than skin cancer). But millions of women are surviving the disease thanks in part to early detection and improvements in treatment. 1 in 8 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime. There are many types of breast cancer but early detection is the most important factor in successfully treating all of them.

The American Cancer Society is actively fighting breast cancer by helping women get tested to find breast cancer earlier, and helping them understand their treatment options and coping with the physical and emotional side effects. The American Cancer Society also funds research to help prevent, find, and treat breast cancer.

The Health and Wellness team is asking that you wear pink on the 4th Sunday.

Audrey Lyttle
Health & Wellness Chair



Birthdays & Anniversaries to Celebrate This Month



Birthdays: Sis. Dynasty Willis 10/1; Sis. Bridgette Lester: 10/4; Bro. Kenneth Perry: 10/11; Naomi Middleton: 10/22; Toinetta Taylor: 10/19; Sis. Patty Mabrey: 10/23; Sis. Kennedy Perry: 10/26; LaDrea Young: 10/27; Bro. Rocky Been: 10/30

Anniversaries: Bro. Corey and Sis. Tashata Young: 10/14; Bro. Ray and Sis. Brenda Dixon: 10/21

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Sis. Kathy Rollock celebrated her 65th birthday with her Mt Zion family by enjoying dinner and a cruise on board the Calypso Queen Saturday 15, 2018



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Regular Events:

Bucket Drums—Tuesdays at 6:00 pm

Bible Study and Dinner—Wednesdays, Dinner at 6:00 pm, Bible Study at 6:30 pm

Line Dance Classes - Thursdays at 6:30 pm

Living-It-Up Senior Ministry—Fridays at 11:00 am

Coming Events

Board of Trustees Meeting, Tuesday, October 16, 6Z:30 pm

Pre-Charge Conference Sunday, October 21

Pastor Appreciation Breakfast, Sunday, October 28, 8:30-9:45 am

99th Church Anniversary, Sunday, November 4

Charge Conference Monday, November 5, 6:30 pm

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