



June 30, 2019

**Let
Freedom
Sing**

Touching Lives for Jesus Christ

Mount Zion United Methodist Church
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9:00 a.m. Traditional Service

Prelude	<i>Praeludium - J.S. Bach</i>	Deb Papavizas
Lighting of the Candles		
Welcome & Opportunities to Serve		Rev. Gary Sheffield-James
Camp Hope Send-Off		
*Greeting & Opening Prayer		Carol Hill
Summer Hymn Sing		Janice Doherty
*Opening Hymn	<i>America the Beautiful</i>	UMH #696
*Passing the Peace		
Hymn	<i>In His Time</i>	TFWS #2203, Verse 1
Sharing of Joys & Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Gary Sheffield-James
The Lord's Prayer		UMH #895
Hymn	<i>In His Time</i>	TFWS #2203, Verse 2
God's Tithes and Our Offerings and Gifts		
Musical Offering		Deb Papavizas
*Doxology		UMH #95
*Prayer of Dedication		Rev. Gary Sheffield-James
First Lesson	Exodus 15:19-21	Carol Hill
Second Lesson	Acts 16:25-36	Carol Hill
*Gospel Lesson	Mark 14:22-26	Carol Hill
 <i>Elementary-age children are invited to the Children's Table at the back of the sanctuary.</i>		
Sermon		Rev. Gary Sheffield-James
	<i>"Let Freedom Sing!"</i>	
* Closing Hymn	<i>America</i>	UMH #697
*Sending Forth		
Postlude	<i>Allegro - Purcell</i>	Deb Papavizas

Leave to Serve God's People

*You are invited to stand in heart or posture
 JOIN US FOR REFRESHMENTS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THIS SERVICE

11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service

Enter to Worship

Gathering Music

Welcome & Opportunities to Serve

*Greeting and Opening Prayer

*Passing the Peace

*Songs of Celebration

Love The Lord, Lord I Lift Your Name On High

Children's Time

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

*Worship Through Our Giving

*Offering Music – *Mighty To Save*

*Prayer of Dedication

First Lesson – Exodus 15:19-21

Second Lesson – Acts 16:25-36

*Gospel Lesson – Mark 14:22-26

*Song of Reflection – *Revelation Song*

Sermon – “*Let Freedom Sing!*”

*Sending Forth

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News and Events

Welcome to Mt. Zion UMC! We are glad God has brought you to worship with us today. We look forward to getting to know you! If you are looking for a church home, please speak to our Pastor after the service.

Tag Mt. Zion on social media @mtzionhighland or #mtzionhighland

Sunday Christian Education Programs

We invite you to join us for any of our Christian Education Programs.

For more information, please visit us at www.mtzionhighland.com

Youth & Children's Sunday School will resume in September.

Young Adults Class (Young Adults 18 – 35): Staff Conf. Room

Pioneer Class (Adults): Conference Room 1

Drop-In Bible Study: Conference Room 3 (Note: Will not meet July 7)

Events Schedule: June 30th – July 6th

<u>Sunday, June 30</u> 9 & 11 am Services/Sanc 10 am Pioneer Class/CR1 12 pm Stephen Ministries/CR1	<u>Wednesday, July 3 (continued)</u> 6:30 pm BS Troop/FH 7 pm Adult Education - Offsite 7 pm GS-2108/132 7:45pm Chancel Choir/Sanc
<u>Monday, July 1</u> 10 am Weekly Bible Study Gp/CR2 7 pm Md Search & Rescue/FH	<u>Thursday, July 4</u> 7 pm Praise Band/Sanc
<u>Tuesday, July 2</u> 7 pm Church Council/CR1	<u>Friday, July 5</u> 6:30 pm CBT Setup/Sanc
<u>Wednesday, July 3</u> 9:30 am Seated Exercise/Chapel	<u>Saturday, July 6</u> 8:30 am CBT/Sanc & all CRs 2 pm Papavizas/Sanc

Shepherding Team 4 on call this week, June 30 – July 7.

Contact Margaret and Jerry Rose at 301-854-3558.

Projection volunteer needed July 7th 9am service. Training provided. We also need slide preparation and projection volunteer at the 9am and 11am services. Please contact Jill Scott at justjill6@verizon.net or 443-280-4646, for more information.

Please remember AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com/ch/52-0748639) when you shop online. Thank you!

Prayer Shawl Ministry (knit & crochet) on hiatus July & August. Our next get together will be September 11, 2019 at 10am. If you want to learn to knit or crochet, contact Bettye Ames 410-227-9257.

The Mount Zion Garden Club is harvesting herbs for the Open Doors Food Pantry. If interested in helping, contact Debra Leiss at 301-535-1319 or meet Deb at the herb garden on July 21 at 7am before the Pantry opens. This month Deb harvested 50 bags of herbs from our garden.

Chair Exercise Class meets Wednesday mornings 9:30-10am. Note: No class July 24 during Vacation Bible School. If you have questions, please text or call Bettye Ames at 410-227-9257.

Those jewels you are no longer wearing are SO needed to make the Jewelry Booth at The Women's Board supporting Montgomery Medstar Hospital 99th annual Picnic and Bazaar on July 23rd, a success!! I am happy to pick up! Joyce Saunderson 301.854.2378/jjisaunder@verizon.net

Church Council invites volunteers for a Task Force to determine Mt Zion's response to the outcome of the Special Conference regarding LGBTQ issues. We will be responsible for educating the congregation on the issue and results; identifying options to respond to this issue; and discerning the direction of all church members. We will kick off in September and expect to run through 2020. To join, please speak with Pastor Gary, Debra Leiss, or Bettye Ames in the Narthex after service.

The Committee on Lay Leadership (Nominating Committee) meets monthly to explore how we can match people's skills to engage in ministry and serve Christ's Church. Please reach out to us so you might be engaged in Christ's ministry here at Mt. Zion, in our community, and around the world. - Rev. Gary Sheffield-James, Chair of Lay Leadership.

Through Our Presence & Gifts Week Ending Sunday June 23, 2019		
Attendance	Worship 9:00 am: 103 11:00 am: 58	Sunday School Youth: 0 Children: 0 Nursery: 0
Financial Summary	2019	2018
Weekly Receipts	\$8,794	\$10,784
YTD Operating Receipts	\$286,883	\$335,394
YTD Operating Disbursements	\$262,625	\$338,336
*Detailed monthly financial reports are available in the Treasurer's hallway mailbox.		

We Serve God and God's People

Through Our Prayers: As a shepherd cares for the sheep, so also will Christ watch over His followers. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers.

Our Members: Carol Lindberg, Connie Gull, Bonnie Luepkes, Marcia Marshall, John Pfannenstein, Jack Maloney, Tish Miller, Phillip & Eli Amos, Judy Johnson, Christy Wnuk-Fink, George Bickerton, Bill Cashmark, the Collatz Family, Connie Kolpack, Nancy Lindquist, Carol Wunderlich, Ruby Beaver, Hank Wainwright, Chuck and Laurie Norwood, Sue Powers, Charlene Fitzpatrick, George Stephens.

Our Homebound Members: Frieda Youngblood, Eva Bryant.

Members' Family & Friends: Families affected by tornados in the southern states, Stephen Jarrison, Chet Keslawiak, Gene Gyqax, Cynthia Carr, Bea Ball, Brian Bixler, The Campbell Family, Robert Wallance, Stephen Harrison, Chet Kulawiak, Sam Kurland, Helen Edwards, Robin Adkins, Ed & Karen Williams, Gary Nadeau, Brian Hayes, Carlisle Sraver, Ed, Eric Carlson, Beau Ross, Dick Shober, John Shober, Karen Mapp, Bob Bacon, Brenda Evers, Ted Evers, Karen Corkran, Larry Johnson, Mark Myers, Bruce Van Blargan, Emanuela Guffanti, Jackie Lineberger, Wes Jin, Ivan Diaz, Marian Isley & Lisa Slusser, Bonita Divver, Nathan Mackle, Taylor, Joseph, Will, Suzanne, Rosemary, Kathleen, Joe, Gladys Paulock, Pauline Reel, Bob Wagner, Carol Thomas, Quellee & Raclynn Gonzalez, Roxann Ganbin, Beth Smith, Shannon Sharp, Linda, Brenda Gause, Mike Munro, Bill Deso, Cindy Bundy.

Members Serving in Our Armed Forces: Colin Klopp, Andrew Schmit, Victoria Wyler.

Non-Members Serving in our Armed Forces: Rondall Waltz-Wills, Chris Mittuch, Dan Mittuch, Derrek Koch, Brad Cohn, Jason Walker, Andrew Lammers, Luke Tung, Mariah Mead, Andre.

Camp Hope Team Members serving in Western Maryland, June 30 to July 6: Art Jacques, Chris Davis, Tom Erwin, Ken Sines, Erin Island, Sarah Blough, Debby Klopp, Carol Wunderlich, Jack Island, Anand Ambrosi, Dustin Eidson, Joey Squirlock, Christian Nieto, Nick Laing, Ben Davis, Gray Davis, Roxy Romero, Liz Smolen, Emily Erwin, Jessie Anderson, Phoebe Island, Julia Baskett, Eliza Thompson, Sarah Cornell.

Youth and Children's Ministries

2019 VBS July 22–26 Volunteers Needed! To sign up please email mtzionvbs2019volunteers@gmail.com. Volunteers with first aid skills are also needed. Please contact Joyce Saunderson at 301.943.6517 or jjsaunder@verizon.net.

Summer Children's Ministry. The Nursery will remain open 9:00 am to noon. During the Sermon portion of both services, elementary age children are invited to the Children's Worship Table at the back of the Sanctuary for quiet activities with our Sunday School and Kid Zone leaders. If interested in providing non-prep leadership during services, contact Carol Wunderlich youthandchildren@mtzionhighland.com.

Parents, We Welcome You & Your Children!

The presence of children is a gift to the church and we believe that the way we welcome children directly affects the way they respond to church, to God, and to one another. We want them to know that they are at home in God's house! We invite you to sit towards the front, where your children can see & hear better.

Feel free to quietly explain what is happening. Sing, pray, & participate - your child will follow your lead. Children are invited to participate in communion. If you need to leave the service, that's okay! Please come back in at any time. We don't mind.

If preschool children need a little more space to wiggle and giggle, our professionally staffed Nursery is open for you in room 205.

Upcoming Events

at Mount Zion United Methodist Church

**July 14-20 - Mt. Zion's UMM
VIM trip to Newport, NC**

To support the North Carolina Disaster Response

For more information please contact Ken Sines (443-790-9680)

July 22-26 - Vacation Bible School

ROAR! Life is wild. God is good! Volunteers Needed!

If you can help, please email

mtzionvbs2019volunteers@gmail.com

Weekly Services: 9:00am & 11:00am Worship Services

10:10am Sunday School will resume in September

Monthly: 3rd Saturday - Food Pantry

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