

August 25, 2019

*We appreciate  
your tireless  
efforts and  
outstanding  
devotion as our  
organist for all  
these years.*

*Thank you  
for blessing us  
each week with  
your beautiful music.*

## **Touching Lives for Jesus Christ**

**Mount Zion United Methodist Church**

**Rev. Gary Sheffield-James, Lead Pastor**

**Carol Wunderlich, Youth & Children's Ministry**

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## 9:00 a.m. Traditional Service

Prelude	<i>Pie Jesu from Requiem - Faure</i>	Deb Papavizas
Lighting of the Candles		
Welcome & Opportunities to Serve		Rev. Gary Sheffield-James
*Greeting & Opening Prayer		Jon Lindberg
Deb's Summer Hymn Sing	Abide With Me UMH #700, Vs. 1&3	
	This is My Song UMH #437, Vs. 1&3	
*Passing the Peace		
Hymn	<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>	UMH #89
Sharing of Joys & Concerns		Rev. Gary Sheffield-James
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Gary Sheffield-James
The Lord's Prayer		
Piano Solo	<i>Here I Am, Lord</i>	Deb Papavizas
God's Tithes and Our Offerings and Gifts		
Musical Offering		Deb Papavizas & Chris Fox
	<i>Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above</i>	
*Doxology		UMH #95
*Prayer of Dedication		Rev. Gary Sheffield-James
First Lesson	Psalm 150	Read by Congregation
*Gospel Lesson	Luke 2:8-15	Jon Lindberg
<i>Elementary-age children are invited to the Children's Table at the back of sanctuary.</i>		
Sermon	<i>"A Note-Worthy Life"</i>	Rev. Gary Sheffield-James
Piano Solo	<i>Sing Hallelujah</i>	Deb Papavizas
Anthem	<i>Thank You</i>	Chancel Choir
*Closing Hymn	<i>When in Our Music God Is Glorified</i>	UMH #68
*Sending Forth		Rev. Gary Sheffield-James
Choral Benediction		Chancel Choir
Postlude	<i>Psalm XIX - Marcello</i>	Deb Papavizas

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### 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 — *Days Of Elijah, Only A God Like You*

Children's Time

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

\*Worship Through Our Giving

\*Offering Music — *Holy Is The Lord*

\*Prayer of Dedication

First Lesson — Psalm 150

\*Gospel Lesson — Luke 2:8-15

Special Music — *Duet: Deb Papavizas & Chris Fox*

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Sermon — *"A Note-Worthy Life"*

Song of Reflection — *Thank You*

\*Sending Forth

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**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](http://www.mtzionhighland.com)

**Youth & Children's Sunday School will resume September 8.**

**Pioneer Class (Adults) will resume September 22.**

**Young Adults Class (Young Adults 18 – 35):** Staff Conference Room

**Drop-In Bible Study:** Conference Room 3

### **Events Schedule: August 25 – 31**

Submit announcements for the following week by noon on Tuesday.

<b>Sunday, August 25</b> 10 am Children's Ministry/CR2	<b>Wednesday, continued</b> 7 pm Lay Leadership/CR1
<b>Monday, August 26</b> 10 am Bible Study/CR2	7:45 pm Chancel Choir/Sanc
7 pm Md Search & Rescue/FH	<b>Thursday, August 29</b> 7 pm Praise Band/Sanc
7 pm SPRC/CR1	<b>Friday, August 30</b> 6:30 pm CBT Setup/Sanc
<b>Tuesday, August 27</b> 7 pm Church Council/CR1	<b>Saturday, August 31</b> 8:30 am CBT/Sanc & all CRs
<b>Wednesday, August 28</b> 6:30 pm Boy Scout Troop/FH	

**Shepherding Team 3 on call August 25 –31.** Contact Betty Cashmark.

**Attendance and Financial Reports.** The weekly report will be available in upcoming bulletins. Detailed monthly financial reports are available in the Treasurer's hallway mailbox.

**Jewelry Booth a Success.** Dear Church Family, thanks so very much for your kind jewelry donations for the Women's Board of Montgomery General Hospital's (MedStar Montgomery) 99th Annual Picnic and Bazaar. Our Jewelry Booth total for the event was \$11,223.07! This money and the profits from the rest of the Picnic/Bazaar will be used for future Hospital projects and scholarships! Couldn't have done it without you!! Peace, Joyce Saunderson.

**UMM has scheduled a men's retreat** for Nov. 22-24 at the Pecometh Riverview Retreat Center. Please contact Ken Sines if you plan to attend. I would like to have a head count by Sept. 1. If interest is not shown, the event will be canceled.



**Goodbye from your organist, Deb Papavizas.** To the congregation of Mt. Zion, thank you from the bottom of my heart for the support you have given me, the gratitude you have demonstrated to me, and the love you have shown me. I leave with complete satisfaction and pride in the work I have done here, and will miss you all more than I can ever say. I will not be far away, so you may see me sneaking into the back of the sanctuary from time to time!

**The Educators' Luncheon** (60-70 ladies) served by the UMW is coming up on Sept. 14th and I am requesting help for Friday, the 13th, from 1 to 3 pm and on Saturday from 8 - 11 am and 11 am to 2 pm. If you will be willing to help, please contact Margaret Rose.

Mt. Zion will re-start our **Sandwiches for the Homeless** outreach at 10 am on Wednesday, Sept. 11, and will thereafter make sandwiches on the second Tuesday of each month. This change from Sunday morning resulted from the inability of Martha's Table to accept deliveries on Sunday and our lack of adequate refrigerated space to hold sandwiches made on Sunday for Monday delivery. Many of our regular helpers cannot help on weekdays but we hope that others will be able to step up to help us continue this mission to the homeless of DC. Every day of the year Martha's Table serves a meal of two sandwiches and a cup of soup to 1000 and 1500 homeless people. Since we started this mission more than 26 years ago, Mt. Zion has delivered almost 350,000 sandwiches to Martha's Table. That's enough sandwiches to provide 1000 meals per day for almost one-half year! Please come to the Fellowship Hall and help on any Tuesday when you can. Set up will begin at 9:15 AM, sandwich making at 10 am. Contact Rod Barr.

**Chair Exercise Class.** Our next class will be Wednesday, Sept. 4 at 9:30 am. Text or call Bettye Ames at 410-227-9257.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry.** Join us on Sept. 11 at 10 am. If you want to learn to knit or crochet, text or call Bettye Ames.

**A Shoebox to collect Box Tops for Education is in the church entryway.** Your donations help the local elementary school to earn money to purchase items for their school. Thank you, Marcy McAdoo.

**The Pioneer Class is on vacation until September 22.** Please join us beginning Sept. 22 at 10:10 am in Conference Room 1 as we begin an in-depth study of the Old Testament book of Exodus. Bring your Bible or use one of ours. No previous Bible study experience is necessary!

**A kitchen cleanup resulted in a collection of left-behind** plates, pans, casserole dishes, and other items piled on a table in Fellowship Hall. Please claim any item that belongs to you by Sept. 1. Unclaimed items will be donated to the Thrift Shop. Thank you, Margaret Rose.

**SAGE Brigade.** On Friday, Sept. 13, from 12 – 2 pm, Barb Jacques will present Dignity Memorial's *"Your Life, Your Legacy"* seminar. This interactive and informative program addresses the importance of making final arrangements in advance and outlines the steps involved in the preplanning process. While most of us plan for major life events such as weddings, vacations, and retirement, few of us have thought through how we would like our lives to be remembered and celebrated. Losing a loved one is one of life's most stressful events. Prearranging is one of the greatest gifts you can give your family and ensures that your final wishes are honored. Come and learn just how easy preplanning can be!

**Rick Johnson Missions Fund.** A special missions fund has been established to honor Rick Johnson's many varied and major contributions to the Mt. Zion missions program. This fund will be used to support mission trips, such as Camp Hope which involves Mt. Zion youth, with an emphasis on helping Mt. Zion youth who may need financial support to participate in the mission trip. Contributions can be made to Mt. Zion UMC clearly identifying that the contribution is for the Rick Johnson Missions Fund. If you have any questions, please contact Rod Barr or Wayne Mullinix.

**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. Next meeting will be at 7 pm, Wednesday, Aug. 28, in CR1.- Rev. Gary Sheffield-James, Chair of Lay Leadership.

**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 at [youthandchildren@mtzionhighland.com](mailto:youthandchildren@mtzionhighland.com).

**It is time to start preparing for school-year ministry with Children & Youth!** We are called as members of the family of God to engage, nurture and empower young people as disciples, both those in our midst and those we have yet to meet. You are invited to consider God's calling to you to serve in ministry with young people. Current opportunities include Sunday School for Children and Youth, Kidzone Children's Church, and Sunday evening Youth Group. No experience is necessary - we can match you with a seasoned leader! There is also room for developing new ministries. Please be in touch with Carol Wunderlich at [youthandchildren@mtzionhighland.com](mailto:youthandchildren@mtzionhighland.com).

## 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, Christy Wnuk-Fink, George Bickerton, Connie Kolpack, Nancy Lindquist, Ruby Beaver, Hank Wainwright, Chuck and Laurie Norwood, Sue Powers, Charlene Fitzpatrick, George Stephens. Judy Johnson and family as they grieve the loss of Judy's husband, Rick Johnson, who passed away on July 24, 2019.*

**Our Homebound Members:** *Frieda Youngblood, Eva Bryant.*

**Members' Family & Friends:** *Ginger Woods, Vi Jessee, James Carroll Mc Cranie, Jr., Stephen Jarrison, Chet Keslawiak, Gene Gyqax, Cynthia Carr, Bea Ball, Brian Bixler, The Campbell Family, Robert Wallance, Stephen Harrison, Sam Kurland, Helen Edwards, Robin Adkins, Jim & Karen Williams, Gary Nadeau, Brian Hayes, Carlisle Sraver, Ed, Eric Carlson, Beau Ross, Dick Shober, John Shober, Bob Bacon, Brenda Evers, Ted Evers, 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, Cindy Bundy, Dona Leskoski, Carol Wunderlich, Stephen Harrison, the Bryan Family, Jacob. Kirk Fitzpatrick, Kamden Harriott.*

**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, Lt. Mitch C.*