

March 17, 2019



Motivation by Imitation



Touching Lives for Jesus

Mount Zion United Methodist Church
Rev. Gary Sheffield-James, Lead Pastor
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9:00 a.m. Traditional Service

Prelude – <i>In the Cross of Christ I Glory</i>	by Hegarty	Deb Papavizas
Lighting of the Candles		
Welcome & Opportunities to Serve		
Choral Introit – <i>This is The Day</i>		Chancel Choir
Greeting & Opening Prayer		David Norton
*Opening Hymn – <i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness</i>		UMH#140
*Passing the Peace		
Children’s Time		
Hymn – <i>Fairest Lord Jesus</i> Verses 1&2		UMH#189
Sharing of Joys and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer		
The Lord’s Prayer		UMH#895
Hymn – <i>Fairest Lord Jesus</i> Verses 3&4		UMH#189
God’s Tithes and our Offerings and Gifts		
Musical Offering		Mark Dubbs
*Doxology		UMH#95
Prayer of Dedication		
First Lesson – Philippians 3:17-4:1		David Norton
*Gospel Lesson – Luke 13:31-35		David Norton
Anthem – <i>You Are Forever God</i>		Chancel Choir
Sermon – <i>Motivation By Imitation</i>		Gary Sheffield-James
*Closing Hymn – <i>O Jesus, I Have Promised</i>		UMH#396
Sending Forth		
Choral Benediction – <i>May The Road Rise To Meet You</i>		Chancel Choir & Congregation
Postlude – <i>Lenten Processional</i>	by Hegarty	Deb Papavizas

Leave to Serve God’s People

*You are invited to stand in heart or posture

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

He Reigns

Hallelujah (Your Love is Amazing)

Children's Time

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer
The Lord's Prayer

*Worship Through Our Giving

Offering Music – *No Longer Slaves*

*Prayer of Dedication

First Lesson – Philippians 3:17-4:1

*Gospel Lesson – Luke 13:31-35

Sermon – *Motivation By Imitation*

Song of Reflection

It is Well

*Prayers at the Altar

*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 one of the Pastors after the service.

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

Sunday School each Sunday, Kid's Zone during the services on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays, and the Nursery open for children 5 and under all morning!

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

Sundays - 10:10am - Christian Education Hour

***Children Pre-K through 5th Grade:**

Lower Preschool Level, 3 & 4 year olds in the Nursery (room 205)

***Students 6th through 12th Grade:** Youth Center

***Pioneer Class (Adults):** Conference Room 1

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

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

***Parenting in Faith:** Conference Room 2

Monday – 10:00 am - Weekly Bible Study - Conference Room 2

Events Schedule: March 17th ~ March 24th

Sunday, March 17th

9:00 & 11:00am Services/Sanc
10.00 – 11:00am Pioneer Class/CR1
12:00pm Stevens Ministry Super/CR2
12:00pm GS Teddy Bear Tea FH

Monday, March 18th

10:00 – 11:30am Bible Study Group/CR2
7:00 – 9:00pm MSR/FH

Tuesday, March 19th

7:00pm SPRC/CR1
7:30pm Boy Scout Com Mtg/Lib

Wednesday, March 20th

11.00am Lenten Bible Study/CR1
11:30am Ginny White Circle/CR2
6:00pm Lenten Bible Study/FH
6:30 – 9:00pm BS Troop 702/FH
6:45 – 7:45pm Chancel Bells/Sanc
7:45 – 8:45pm Chancel Choir/Sanc

Thursday March 21st

8:30am Preschool Conf/CR2,CR3,Chap
7:00 – 8:00pm Praise Band/Sanc

Friday, March 22nd

6:30 – 9:30pm CBT setup/Sanc

Saturday, March 23rd

8:30am – 1:30pm CBT/Sanc & all CR's
9:00am ODFP Scouting for Food/FH

Sunday, March 24th

9:00 & 11:00am Services/Sanc
10:00 – 11:00am Pioneer Class/CR1
12:00pm Caregivers Group/CR1

Upcoming News at Mount Zion

***Shepherding Team #6 Is On Call This Week, March 17th through March 23rd.** Contact Jan Plant at 301-497-6394.

Lenten Suppers & Bible Study: Join us during the Wednesdays of Lent for a Journey through Holy Week, Study guide will be Dr. Amy-Jill Levine's *Entering the Passion of Jesus: A Beginner's Guide to Holy Week*. Dr. Levine, an eminent New Testament scholar at Vanderbilt Divinity School, brings a unique understanding to Jesus as she is also an Orthodox Jew. Supper (nominal cost) at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall, followed by our study at 6:45 pm. Two other studies you can attend: 1- Monday morning Bible Study and Wednesdays 11am - 12:15 pm. **Pastors Gary and Ken are leading the Wednesday studies only. March 20, 27, April 3 and 10.** Call the church office at 301-854-2324 or use the yellow insert sheet in the Sunday bulletins to order your book (\$16.99) and RSVP for supper.

On Sunday, March 24th from 12:15 to 1:15, the Caregivers Group and SAGE Brigade welcomes Mt Zion community (feel free to bring a friend) to a presentation by Kathy Wehr from Howard County's Office on Aging and Independence, providing info and resources in our community and about their agency that can support you or your loved one. Snacks and beverages will be provided. To RSVP and if any questions, please email Judy Johnson, judyjnscoth@hotmail.com.

Spring Craft Fair – Saturday, April 6th from 9:00am – 3:00pm There will be a variety of vendors selling their crafts. There will be great gifts for your spring holidays (Easter, Mother's Day) and events (graduations, confirmations, etc.). So stop by and you may find that unique gift that you are looking to give to someone special.

Paint Party – Sunday, May 5th @ 1:00pm We will be hosting a party with **"Bloom Where Planted Boutique"**. All painting is done on wood. You can choose one of Bloom's designs or design your own. Event is for men & women ages 11 and up. Go to the website www.bloomwhereplantedboutique.com. Click the register for an event button and look for "Elizabeth's Make and Take Workshop". You must register and select your design before the event. Each piece is custom made. On the 5th of May just show up to paint.

***The Committee on Lay Leadership (Nominating Committee)** will meet each month to explore how we can match people's skills to be engaged in ministry and serve Christ's Church. Please reach out to us so that 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

***The Care Giver's Group meets the 3rd Sunday of every month between services, in the church library.** Contact Judy H. Johnson at 410-309-5850 or judyjnscoth@hotmail.com.

We Serve God & 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, Frieda Youngblood, Tish Miller, Phillip & Eli Amos, Edison & Mary Ellen Amos, Judy Johnson, Christy Wnuk-Fink, George Bickerton, Bill Cashmark, the Collatz Family, Connie Kolpack, Nancy Lindquist.*

Members' Family & Friends: *families affected by tornados in the southern states, Stephen Jarrison, Chet Keslawiak, Gene Gyqax, Cynthia Carr, Karen L. Alexander, Bea Ball, Brian Bixler, The Campbell Family, Robert Wallance, Stephen Harrison, Chet Kulawiak, Sam Kurland, Helen Edwards, Robin Adkins, Ed & Karen Williams, Gary Nadeau, Rob Eidson, Brian Hayes, Carlisle Sraver, Ed, Ruby Beaver, Eric Carlson, Beau Ross, Dick Shober, John Shober, Karen Mapp, Jerry Krum, Bob Bacon, Brenda Evers, Karen Corkran, Larry Johnson, Mark Myers, Bruce Van Blargan, Emanuela Guffanti, Jackie Lineberger, Wes Jin, Hank Wainwright, Ivan Diaz, Marian Isley & Lisa Slusser, Bonita Divver, Nathan Mackle, Taylor, Will, Suzanne, Rosemary, Kathleen, Joe, Gladys Paulock, Pauline Reel, Bob Wagner, Carol Thomas, Quellee & Raclynn Gonzalez.*

Our Homebound Members: *Sharon Reed, Carroll Molesworth, Frieda Youngblood, Eva Bryant.*

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.*

Announcements Continued...

***Chair Exercise class** meets Wednesday mornings from 9:30-10. Please note we will **Not** have Chair Class on March 20, March 27, and April 3. We will resume on April 10th. All are welcome. Questions? Call or text Bettye Ames at 410-227-9257.

Mission Update: The program, **Sandwiches for the Homeless**, normally made on the 2nd Sunday, has been suspended. At this time Martha's Table is not accepting deliveries on Sundays. Watch for future notices. Thank you to all of our MTZ sandwich makers.

***The Prayer Shawl Ministry group meets the 2nd Wed. of each month at 10:00am in CR1.** Join us to create shawls, blankets, new baby 'blankies' etc. for those who might needs one: Those in hospitals, nursing homes, mending at home or new borns.

***The Cherub Choir** is for all preschool aged children. We will be learning Sunday school songs. Meets are 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays every month from 9:45 - 10:00am in the Chapel. Contact Amy Ciliberti at wvuy2k@aol.com.



Mount Zion Is a Stephen Ministry Congregation
Please see the bulletin board by the Fellowship Hall for
More information



Through Our Presence & Gifts

Week Ending Sunday March 3, 2019	Worship	Sunday School
Attendance	10:00 am 147	
Weekly Receipts	4117	14,202
Financial Summary as of March 3	2019	2018
1YTD Operating Receipts	110,235	139,557
YTD Operating Disbursements	111,545	133,381
Operating Surplus (-Deficit)	(-1310)	6,176

**Detailed monthly financial reports are available in the Treasurer's hallway mailbox*

Wordle "Did you know the many uses for Mt Zion's facility?" This information is provided by the finance committee to help educate and inform the congregation about how their financial gifts are used at Mt Zion.



Upcoming Events

at Mount Zion United Methodist Church

March 13 - 5 Week Lenten Book Study

“Entering the Passion of Jesus: A Beginners Guide to Holy Week” by Amy-Jill Levine

Wednesdays 11:00am or 6:00pm

Sessions are March 13, 20, 27 and April 3, 10

April 6 - Spring Craft Fair 9-3pm

April 14 - Palm Sunday

April 18 - Holy Thursday 7pm (in the Fellowship Hall)

April 19 - Good Friday 12 noon (in the Chapel)

April 20 - Easter Egg Hunt & Extravaganza 2pm

Easter Sunday, April 21

7:00am Sunrise Service

9:00am Traditional & 11:00am Contemporary

Pancake Breakfast Easter Sunday

7:30am to 11:00am in the Fellowship Hall

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

• 10:10am Sunday School

Monthly: 2nd Sunday - Sandwiches for the Homeless

• 3rd Saturday - Food Pantry

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