

September 10, 2017



Pointing Fingers or Joining Hands?



Touching Lives for Jesus Christ

Mount Zion United Methodist Church

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9:00 a.m. Traditional Service

Prelude – “*Divertissement*” by Young Deb Papavizas

Lighting of the Candles

Choral Introit – “*This Is The Day the Lord Hath Made*”

Welcome & Opportunities to Serve Gary Sheffield-James

*Greeting & Opening Prayer Ellen McKinzie

*Opening Hymn – “*O Worship the King*” UMH#73

*Passing the Peace

Kids Time Jena Meredith

The Lord’s Prayer Led by our children

Stephens Leader’s Commissioning Service – Pastor Gary, Barb Jacques,
Belinda Norton & Kathy McLaughlin

*Hymn – “*Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus*” (Repeat) UMH #349

Joys and Concerns Gary Sheffield-James

Pastoral Prayer Gary Sheffield-James

God’s Tithes and our Offerings and Gifts

Musical offering – “*The Gift of Love*”

*Doxology UMH#95

*Prayer of Dedication Gary Sheffield-James

*Gospel Lesson – Matthew 18: 15-20 Ellen McKinzie

Anthem – “*With A Voice of Singing*” Chancel Choir

Sermon – “*Pointing Fingers or Joining Hands?*” Gary Sheffield-James

*Closing Hymn – “*Blest Be The Tie That Binds*” UMH #557

*Sending Forth & Choral Benediction

Postlude – “*Go Forth With Purpose*” by Chesterton Deb Papavizas

Leave to Serve God’s People

*You are invited to stand in heart or posture

11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

Enter to Worship

Gathering Music

*Greeting & Pastoral Opening Prayer

Opportunities to Serve

Welcome

Passing the Peace

*Songs of Celebration

“Lord Reign In Me”, “That’s Why We Praise Him”

Kid’s Time

Stephens Leader’s Commissioning Service

Worship Through Our Giving

Offering Music – *“My Redeemer Lives”*

*Prayer of Dedication

*Gospel Lesson - Matthew 18:15-20

Sermon – *“Pointing Fingers or Joining Hands?”*

Prayers at the Altar

“Forever Reign”

*Closing Song

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.

*Childcare is available all morning for children under 5 in the Nursery (room 205)
2-4th Sundays each month: 9:15 am & 11:15 am, Kids' Zone in the chapel*

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

***Playgroup Infant - 5yrs with caregiver:** Mon & Thurs 9:30-11:00am: Nursery

Events Schedule: Sept. 10th ~ Sept. 17th

<u>Sunday, September 10th</u> 9:00 & 11:00am Sun. Services/Sanc. 10:00 – 11:00am BP Screening/Lib. 10:00 – 11:00am Sandwich Making/FH 4:00 – 5:00pm BS 702 Wolf Meet/C.5 6:00 – 7:00pm Youth Group/YC	6:00 – 9:00pm Rebuilding Together/CR1 6:00 – 9:00pm BS Troop 702/FH 6:45 – 7:45pm Chancel Bells/Sanc 7:45 – 8:45pm Chancel Choir/Sanc
<u>Monday, September 11th</u> 9:30 – 11:00am Playgroup/Nursery 10:00 – 11:00am Bible Study/CR2 7:00 – 9:00pm MD Search & Rescue/FH	<u>Thursday, September 14th</u> 7:00 – 8:00pm Praise Band/Sanc 8:00 – 10:00pm Pack 702 Meet/FH
<u>Tuesday, September 12th</u> 12:00noon Bible Study Lunch/Ruby Tuesdays 8:00am – 12:00noon MD food bank delivering supplies/FH 10:20 – 11:20am Preschool/Chapel	<u>Friday, September 15th</u> 1:00 – 3:00pm Food Pantry Setup/FH
<u>Wednesday, September 13th</u> 9:30 - 11:00am Seated Chair/Chapel 10:00 – 11:00am First Corinthians book study/CR2	<u>Saturday, September 16th</u> 8:30 – 1:30pm CBT/Sanc and Conf. Room 9:00 – 11:00am Food Pantry Distribution/FH 1:00 – 4:00pm BS Pack 702 Meet/FH
	<u>Sunday, September 17th</u> 9:00 & 11:00am Services/Sanc. 5:00 – 6:00pm Trinity Choir/133 5:00 – 8:00pm Hawaiian Luau dinner & show/FH and picnic area

Upcoming News at Mount Zion

***Shepherding Team #9 Is On Call This Week**, September 10th to September 16th. Contact Bonnie Luepkes.

***Open Doors Food Pantry needs your help!** When: Friday September 15, 2017 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM to help set up dry goods and/or Saturday September 16, 2017 from 7:30 AM to 12:30 PM to unload lots of fresh produce, serve others and help clean up. Any time you have to help is a blessing. Don't forget to drop your loose change in the offering basket! Questions, email Carol Hill or Laurie Norwood: opendoorsfoodpantry@gmail.com.

***Help transport Food Pantry leftovers to Ames UMC in west Baltimore.** Every third Saturday. Loading starts at 11:15 AM, and you should be back by about 1:30 PM. Contact Fred Towner.

***Fall programs for children resume today:** Sunday School at 10:10 and Kid's Zone during the 9:00 service and the 11:00 service after Children's Time in our new room down the hall from the Chapel. (Formerly Conference Room #3)

***Fellowship Cafe returns today in the Fellowship Hall.** Everyone is welcome to stop by between the two morning services for food and fellowship. We hope you will join us often and we always appreciate donations of food or cash so that we can nourish everyone's mind, body, and soul.

***Please come out to Tampico Thursday night September 14th, 4pm- 9pm** to help raise money for Ted McWithey's Eagle Project. Tampico will donate 35% of the evenings receipts. Ted's project is to rebuild the fencing around the recycling area by the kitchen door here at Mt. Zion. Hope to see you there!

***UMM is hosting a bike ride along the BWI Trail on Friday, 15 September.** The ride is open to all. The entire route is approximately 12 miles around the airport. We will meet at the observation parking area along Route 176 (airplane landing/takeoff viewing). It is important that all riders are on their bikes and ready to ride by 6:30 pm. This will allow time for completion of the ride without darkness. Come on out and join the fun.

***Trinity Choir's first rehearsal will be Sunday September 24th**, from 5:00 - 6:00pm. We rehearse in the choir room every Sunday afternoon. Trinity choir is for young people in grades 6 - 12. Come try it out, no audition necessary. For more information, contact Lynne McWithey.

***Sunday, October 1, 2017, Stephen Ministry Introductory Workshop** 2:00 –6:00 P.M. Cost is **free to members of Mount Zion** or \$15 per person or \$50 for a group of four or more from the same congregation. Signup sheet to register on the hallway bulletin board. Deadline is September 12th

***Mt. Zion UMM Upcoming Events 2017:**

November 10-12 Mt. Zion UMM Men's Retreat, Pecometh Riverview Retreat Center, Centerville Md.

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.

We pray for the people of Texas and Louisiana who are dealing with the devastation of Hurricane Harvey. We pray for the people in Charlottesville, North Carolina and for all the people who have been victims of violence stemming from hatred and prejudice.

We pray for the Dennis family and their extended family.

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Our Members: Janet & Chuck Sehman, Ed Jones, Doug Odom, Phillip & Eli Amos, Judy Johnson, Christy Wnuk-Fink, Will Hobbs, Ann Parlette, George Bickerton, Bill Cashmark, the Collatz Family, Connie Kolpack, Nancy Lindquist, Debbie Tracy, Art Colburn.

Members' Family & Friends: Joanne Island, Byran Burton, Beth Hausley, Joyce Gray, Peggy Metz, Lisa Slusser, Marian Isley, Lisa Norton, Quelle & Raelynn Gonzalez, Pauline Reel, Joseph, Taylor, Dennis, Will, Dolly.

Our Homebound Members: Polly Hawkes, The Molesworth's, Frieda Youngblood, Shirley Noble, Eva Bryant.

Members Serving in Our Armed Forces: Colin Klopp, Andrew Schmit, Victoria Wyler, Hunter Carter-Rimbach.

Non-Members Serving in our Armed Forces: Christopher Cook, Joshua Bandy, Brad Cohn, Randall Johnston, Jason Walker, Andrew Lammers, Luke Tung, Mariah Mead.

~ Altar Flowers from Ruby and Edward Beaver: "For our 50th Anniversary"

Through Our Presence & Gifts

Week Ending Sunday, September 3rd	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>
Attendance	9:00am: 137 11:00am: 50 Total: 187	Adults: 0 Youth: 0 Children: 0 Kid Zone 9: 0 Kid Zone11: 0 Total: 0
Weekly Receipts	14,585	
Financial Summary as of Sept. 3rd	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
YTD Operating Receipts	492,567	478,274
YTD Operating Disbursements	478,086	514,897
Operating Surplus (-Deficit)	14,481	-36,623
Legacy Summary as of August 14th	<u>End of Month</u>	<u>Total to Date</u>
Total Campaign Funds Received	890.00	960,563.90
Transfers: Missions	89.00	89,142.93
Transfers: Facilities for the Future	89.00	89,142.93
Mortgage Principal Curtailments	712.00	713,142.25
Mortgage Loan Balance as of August 14th 2017		119,327.00

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

Sermon Notes & Highlights from the Service



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



Upcoming Events

at Mount Zion United Methodist Church

September 10th - Sunday School & Kid's Zone Kick Off
and Commissioning of new Stephen Leaders
(Blessing of the Backpacks during
Children's Time in the service)

September 17th - Hawaiian Luau & Entertainment 5pm-8pm
(Reservations requested by Sept. 10th)

October 8th - Stewardship Sunday

October 29th - "Flick or Treat" 4pm-5pm
(Movie and Trunk or Treating)

November 10th-12th - Mt. Zion UMM Men's Retreat,
Pecometh Riverview Retreat Center, Centerville, MD

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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