

To the folks and friends of Mt. Zion,

On Sunday, we will officially welcome Rev. Ken Dunnington and his wife, Sandy, at Mt Zion during the 9 am and 11 am services. I encourage you to wear your name tags so that Ken and Sandy can begin to match faces with names. After the first service, we will move to the fellowship hall so that we can greet Pastor Ken and Sandy in a more informal way. Light refreshments will be served.

I know that the folks of Mt. Zion will bestow upon them our gracious hospitality.

Grace & Peace,

Gary

**Sunday Morning Worship**

**May 6, 2018**

**Scripture:** John 15:9-17

**Message:** "God's Chosen Way"

Here are some **events and opportunities** for you to get connected in the church:

**Shepherding Team #7 Is On Call This Week**, May 6th to May 12th. Contact Jan Plant.

**Don't forget Mt. Zion's murder mystery dinner theater** production of "*Trailer Park Tragedy*" on **Saturday, May 5** at 6PM. The cost is **\$25 per person**. Get ready for a politically incorrect night of mystery, scandal, and fun! There are still about 8 seats available. To make a last-minute reservation, contact Jan Plant.

**Acts Bible Study May 6<sup>th</sup> in CR1** the Pioneer Group will start to read and discuss the Book of Acts. Acts is the bridge between the gospels and the rest of the New Testament. Learn how the disciples transformed from the frightened believers following Jesus' death to the people who would carry the Good News to the ends of the earth. The discussion will be led by Mike Jacobson and will begin ~10:10 and will finish before the 11:00 a.m. service. Bring your bible or you can use one that will be available in the room. No prior preparation or experience is required.

**Stephen Ministries** invites you to join us Sunday, May 6 @ 12:30 pm in CR1. Abby Dixon, Rocky Gorge Wellness/Meditfit, will speak on: **Movement is Medicine**.

**Love the Other:** A speaker series inspired by the Will Willimon's book *Fear of the Other : No Fear in Love*. Join us to learn about different cultures that may seem strange or foreign. This opportunity is a first step to love (and not merely tolerate) those considered to be outside mainstream Christian culture. Series is located in the Fellowship Hall and includes: 5/7 at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall- Muslims with Iman Dibba

**SAGE Brigade May 12<sup>th</sup> at Noon**. Spring Luncheon. Activities to be announced. Please bring a spring inspired side dish or dessert. (Bring whatever is tasty). Please RSVP Debbie See you there!

**Come join us for an evening of fun**, fellowship, food, and music as we "Dance Through the Decades" at this year's Mother Daughter Banquet May 12<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm to 8:00pm in the fellowship hall. We will be serving a buffet dinner with selections that follow our theme (Gluten free options available). All ladies are welcome to join us the cost is \$10 for adults, \$8 children 3 -10 and free for those under the age of 3. We will be selling spots between services on Sundays or you can contact Elizabeth Blough. We hope to see you there.

**The Open Doors Food Pantry** is able to buy food and other necessities from the loose change we receive. Please deposit any loose change in the offering plate to help feed those in need. We have volunteer opportunities on the 3rd Saturday of each month from 7:30am - 11:30am. To contact us, please email [opendoorsfoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:opendoorsfoodpantry@gmail.com). Thank you!

**May 20<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate the 2018 Graduates** with a luncheon immediately following services. If you will be attending, please RSVP on the back of the info stub. This will be a potluck event. We will be recognizing our Senior High, College, and Graduate school graduates during our worship experience. Please send a graduation photo/recent photo, name of graduate, name of school they are graduating from, and the school they will be attending in the fall if applicable to [pastortammi@mtzionhighland.com](mailto:pastortammi@mtzionhighland.com) no later than Sunday May 13th. Any submissions after the 13th we cannot guarantee they will be included in the video presentation. [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/70A0A48AAAB2DA31-2018](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/70A0A48AAAB2DA31-2018)

**Take Me Out to the Ball Game!** Sunday, June 17 is Father's Day! To kick off the Father's Day weekend, on Friday, June 15 consider taking Dad and the family for a night out with the United Methodist Men at Camden Yards to see the Orioles play the Marlins. All are welcome! Tickets are \$16. If you are interested, please let David Norton know by MAY 15. He will also be in Fellowship Hall between services on May 6.

**CROP Walk** - CROP Hunger Walks are community-wide events sponsored by Church World Service and organized by religious groups, businesses, schools and others to raise funds to end hunger in the U.S. and around the world. Howard County CROP walk .(<https://www.crophungerwalk.org/columbiamd/>) is scheduled for 5/20. Anyone interested in joining a team from Mt Zion, please contact Deb Leiss.

**The Care Giver's Group meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month between services,** in the church library. Contact Judy H. Johnson.