

Dear Members of Mt. Zion,

Pastor Ken and I would like to thank the Staff Parish Relations Committee and the congregation of Mt. Zion for presenting to both of us at last Sunday's worship service cards of appreciation, monetary gift cards, and for preparing a reception downstairs in our honor. We were both taken back by the wonderful spread of pastries and goodies and the sight of the beautifully decorated sheet cake. We are deeply touched by your thoughtfulness. It is such great honor for us to be serving such a talented and gifted congregation.

Grace & Peace,

Gary

Pastor Gary has certainly echoed my appreciation for the touching (and surprising) gift and recognition. I, too, am blessed to be with you.

With heartfelt Thanks and Appreciation,

Pastor Ken

Sunday Worship

October 14, 2018

Scripture Lessons:

Mark 10:17-31

Message:

“Where the Last Are First”

All Saints Sunday – On November 4, 2018 we will remember our church members and loved ones who have gone to be with the Lord over the past year (November 5, 2017 – October 28, 2018). Please write the name of your loved one on the yellow information sheet found inside the bulletin and underneath indicate your relationship to him or her. Or you can contact the church office by October 26th so that we can place your loved one's name in the bulletin. Sunday, November 4th, we will lift up each name during the worship service as we remember our loved ones in the hope of the Resurrection through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

Shepherding Team #3 Is On Call This Week, October 14th to October 21st. Contact Betty Cashmark.

No Chair Exercise Class October 17th!

Blood Pressure Screening in Library between services (10-11am).

UMM will be selling nuts in the fellowship hall between services (10-11am). \$12 per bag, various types.

Attention parents! We have KZ on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday's of the month. **Kid's Zone** is after children's time in the service, it may or may not be announced! Please accompany your children after Children's Time to the KZ room.

The Grateful Gobbler has been losing all of his feathers with the rain and heat we've had this year. Please help him get his feathers back by purchasing one for \$30. Each feather represents a Thanksgiving dinner for a client at the Open Doors Food Pantry. Please see Carol Hill in the West Narthex this Sunday. Questions? Just ask or email opendoorsfoodpantry@gmail.com

SAGE Brigade October 12th at Noon in CR1. We will be meeting for lunch and welcoming Bryan Miller, Health Educator and Senior Fitness Specialist, to speak to us about Brain Health: Fact vs. Fiction for Cognitive Support.

Lunch will be salad with chicken. Please bring something to go with the salad, a side dish, or dessert. For more information, please contact Debbie Burgio

UMM Fall Hike. All are invited to join the United Methodist Men for our Fall Hike Saturday, October 13 th 8am-12. We will be hiking approx. 3 miles in the Soldiers Delight NEA. Meet in the church parking at 13th 8 a.m.-12 p.m. carpool or at the Visitor Center 8:45, 5100 Deer Park Rd. Owings Mills, 21117. Contact Brian Cornell.

Men's Retreat scheduled for 11/9-11 at Pecometh Riverview Retreat Center. Contact Ken Sines at. Join the fellowship and spiritually of the weekend. Final count required by Nov 1.

Rock 2019 is coming up February 8-10. The speaker this year is Ben Glenn, The Chalkguy, and the band is Salvador. Find more information at <http://www.bwcumc.org/rock/>
The cost we expect for this year is the same as 2018, \$120. In order to purchase tickets and make hotel reservations we need to have a firm headcount and \$75 deposit by the time of youth fellowship on October 28. Please contact the youth leaders if you have any questions.

Save the Date! Marriage Enrichment Retreat: February 15-17, 2019 in Ocean City, MD. Make plans now to enjoy this winter weekend getaway with your spouse! This year's theme is "Love to Last a Lifetime: Letting God Lead the Way." **Location:** Dunes Manor Hotel Ocean City, MD. **Cost:** \$350/couple (includes accommodations Friday and Saturday nights, 2 meals on Saturday and brunch on Sunday). Registration Brochures will be available in November. For more information contact Barb Jacques. The marriage retreat is a sponsored by Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, Triadelphia Seventh Day Adventist Church, and Maranatha Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Volunteers needed for occasional Panera bread bagging on Friday mornings. Bring with a smile! Contact Frances Colvin .

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

A Shoe box to collect Box Tops for Education is being placed in the church entry way. The local elementary school collects them to earn money to purchase items for their school. They will be collected and donated. Thank You, Marcy McAdoo.

Members Needed for Marriage Enrichment Leadership Team. The annual marriage retreat held in Ocean City is a collaborative effort sponsored by Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, Triadelphia Seventh Day Adventist Church, and Maranatha Seventh Day Adventist Church. Over the past 7 years, many couples from Mt. Zion have been blessed by this ministry. The leadership team which organizes the retreat is made up of 1-2 couples from each of the sponsoring congregations. We are currently seeking 1 or 2 couples from Mt. Zion to join the leadership team. To learn more, please contact Barb Jacques.