October 21, 2018

DEBT FREE

Touching Lives for Jesus Christ

Mount Zion United Methodist Church
Rev. Gary Sheffield-James, Lead Pastor
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10:00 a.m. Traditional Service

Enter to Worship

Gathering Music

Lighting of the Candles

Welcome & Opportunities to Serve — Gary Sheffield-James

Greeting & Opening Prayer — Elizabeth Dennis

*Opening Songs – "*Guide Me O Though Great Jehovah*" UMH#127

"*We Want To See Jesus Lifted Him*"

*Passing the Peace

Children's Time — Carol Messerly

The Lord's Prayer — Led by our Children

Hymn - "*King Of My Heart*"

Sharing of Joys and Concerns — Gary Sheffield-James

Pastoral Prayer — Gary Sheffield-James

Hymn - "*King of My Heart*"

God's Tithes and our Offerings and Gifts

Musical Offering- "*Come Alive (Dry Bones)*"

*Doxology — UMH#95

*Prayer of Dedication — Gary Sheffield-James

*Gospel Lesson – Luke 7:36-50 Elizabeth Dennis

Anthem – "*Good Good Father*"

Sermon – "*Debt Free*" Rev. Rachel Cornwell

Consecration Moment

Commitment Time and Benediction

After a time of silent prayer, you are invited to come and place your commitment card in the basket at the altar

Please join us for a celebration lunch downstairs in the Fellowship Hall

Musical Meditation

Leave to Serve God's People

*You are invited to stand in heart or posture

~ Altar Flowers In Loving Memory of Winfield Parlette~

from Anne Parlette

Sermon Notes & Highlights from the Service

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
***Playgroup Infant - 5yrs with caregiver**: Mondays 9:30-11:00am: Nursery

Events Schedule: October 21st ~ October 28th

Sunday, October 21st
10:00am Consecration Service/Sanc
11:00am – 12:00pm Consecration Sunday/FH
12:00 – 2:30pm Stephen Ministry/CR2

Monday, October 22nd
10:00 – 11:00am Bible Study/CR2
7:00 – 9:00pm MDSR/FH

Tuesday, October 23rd
7:00 – 9:00pm Church Council/CR1

Wednesday, October 24th
9:30 – 11.00am Seated Exercise Class/Chapel
6:00 – 9:00pm BS Troop 702/FH
6:45 – 7:45pm Chancel Bells/Sanc
7:45 – 8:45pm Chancel Choir/Sanc

Thursday, October 25th
7:00 – 8:30pm Gospel of Mark/CR1
7:00 – 8:00pm Praise Band/Sanc

Friday, October 26th
6:30 – 9:30pm CBT Setup/Sanc

Saturday, October 27th
8:30am – 1.30pm CBT/Sanc & all CR's
9:00am – 4:00pm Rebuilding Together/CR1
1:00 – 5:00pm JGL GS Birthday Party/FH

Sunday, October 28th
9:00 & 11:00am Services/Sanc
10:00 – 11:00am Pioneer Class/CR1
2:30 – 4:30pm Church Conference/Oakdale UMC Olney
3:30 – 5:30pm Children's Halloween Show/FH
6:00 – 7:00pm BS Pack 702/FH

Upcoming News at Mount Zion

***Shepherding Team #4 Is On Call This Week, October 21st to October 28th** . Contact Margaret & Jerry Rose.

***Quarterly Giving Statements.** Please take yours home from the west narthex. Check for discrepancies now! Will Scott, Financial Secretary.

***Attention to Parents!** We have KZ on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday's of the month. Please accompany your children after Children's Time to the KZ room.

***Cluster Church Conference** will be held on **Sunday, October 28, 2018** at 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Oakdale UMC (3425 Emory Church Rd., Olney, MD 20832). Salem (Brookeville), Ashton, Hopkins, Oakdale, Sharp Street, Mt. Olivet churches, along with Mt. Zion, will make up the cluster.

***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:** Our annual Friends-Giving is November 2nd at Noon. I will bring the turkey. Please bring your favorite Thanksgiving side dish or dessert. Speaker is **Officer Andre Lingham** from the Howard County Police Department. He will be speaking on Identity Theft. He provides detailed, concrete steps for us to protect ourselves and our loved ones. Please join us. RSVP to Debbie Burgio .

***All Saints Sunday** – November 4th, we will remember our church members and loved ones who have gone to be with the Lord over the past year (Nov. 5, 2017 – Oct. 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 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.

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

***Operation Christmas Child**– Your response last week was terrific. The 100 boxes ordered were all picked up. You may still participate in this program by filling a regular shoe box. To decorate it, WRAP THE BOTTOM AND TOP SEPARATELY. They must be opened for inspection and insertion of Bible material. Information sheets and label brochures are on the tables in the narthexes. Filled boxes are due back on November 11th or 18th. Any questions, please contact Margaret Rose.

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.*

Please pray *for the Commission on the Way Forward as their final report has been released. They have brought forth three possible directions our UMC may be moving in the future in regards to the issues related to the report. A Special Session of the General Conference is scheduled for Feb. 23-26, 2019 in St. Louis to deliberate and make decisions on the way forward. Please log on the conference website at bwcumc.org for more information.*

Our Members: *Marcia Marshall, John Pfannenstein, Jack Maloney, Bonnie Luepkes, Frieda Youngblood, Carol Cantelo, Tish Miller, Phillip & Eli Amos, Edison & Mary Ellen Amos, Judy Johnson, Christy Wnuk-Fink, Ann Parlette, George Bickerton, Bill Cashmark, the Collatz Family, Connie Kolpack, Nancy Lindquist, Debbie Tracy.*

Members' Family & Friends: *Dick Shober, John Shober, Karen Corkran, Karen Mapp, Jerry Krum, Stephen Harrison, Joanne Island, Brenda Evers, Karen Corkran, Larry Johnson, Mark Myers, Bruce Van Blargan, Emanuela Guffanti, Jackie Lineberger, Wes Jin, The Boarman family, Cindy Prodochl, Wendy Fulton, Audrey Grace, Sam Love, Steven Tevault Jr., Steven Smolen, Stephen Harrison, Hank Wainwright,* Ivan Diaz, *Marian Isley & Lisa Slusser, Bonita Divver, Nathan Mackle, Laura, Joseph, Taylor, Will, Suzanne, Jeanette, Gladys Paulock, Dolly, Pauline Reel, Bob & Bill Wagner, Carol Thomas, Quellee & Raclynn Gonzalez, Laura Minnick.*

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, Randall Johnston, Jason Walker, Andrew Lammers, Luke Tung, Mariah Mead.*

*Announcements continued...

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

***Save the Date: Marriage Enrichment Retreat:** February 15-17, 2018 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. Registration Brochures coming in November. For more information contact Barb Jacques.

***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. 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:

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 October 14, 2018	**Worship**	**Sunday School**
Attendance	9:00am: 140 11:00am: 60 Total: 200	Adults: Youth: Children: Total:
Weekly Receipts	10,161	
Financial Summary as of Oct. 14th	**2018**	**2017**
1YTD Operating Receipts	536,986	
YTD Operating Disbursements	502,035	
Operating Surplus (-Deficit)		
Legacy Summary as of Sept. 2nd	**End of Month**	**Total to Date**
Total Campaign Funds Received	150.00	986,456.06
Transfers: Missions	15.00	90,381.15
Transfers: Facilities for the Future	15.00	90,381.15
Mortgage Principal Curtailments	120.00	723,047.97
Mortgage Loan Balance per UMDF as of 9/07/2018		39,646.00

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

Upcoming Events at Mount Zion United Methodist Church

September 13 - Fall Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark
Thursdays from 7:00-8:30pm (8 weeks)

October 21 - Consecration Sunday - One Service 10:00
Catered celebration luncheon to immediately follow in the Fellowship Hall

October 28 - Halloween Science Spectacular featuring Wacky Scientist Eric Energy 4:00pm

November 9-11 - Men's Retreat at Pecometh Camp & Retreat Center

November 18 - UMW Bake Sale 10-12:15

December 1 - Breakfeast with Santa

December 9 - Family Gingerbread House Making 4pm

Weekly Services: 9:00am & 11:00am Worship Services
• 10:10am Sunday School
Monthly: 2nd Sunday - Sandwiches for the Homeless
• 3rd Saturday - Food Pantry

For more information visit us at:
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