

A Journey to the Cross and Beyond

Musical Presentation by the

Chancel Choir and the Mt. Zion Praise Band

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9:00 a.m. Traditional Service

Prelude Hosanna Filio David

Lighting of the Candles

Palm Sunday Reading Ellen McKinzie

*Opening Hymn Hosanna, Loud Hosanna UMH #278

Greeting and Opening Prayer

Children's Time Rev. Gary Sheffield-James

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

The Lord's Prayer UMH #895

* Hymn All Glory, Laud and Honor UMH #280

God's Tithes and our Offerings and Gifts

Musical Offering The Holy City Mark Dubbs

*Doxology UMH #95

*Prayer of Dedication

Sermon "Standing In the Gap" Rev. Gary Sheffield-James

Narration Rev. Gary Sheffield-James

Anthem Footprints in the Sand

Narration Ellen McKinzie

Anthem Lift High Your Songs of Praise

Scripture Lesson Luke 22: 14-20 Rev. Gary Sheffield-James

Anthem Come to the Table of Grace

Scripture Lesson Luke 22:41-46 Ellen McKinzie

Anthem The Garden Path

Scripture Lesson Luke 22:47-71 Rev. Gary Sheffield-James

Anthem Christ We Do All Adore Thee

Depart in Silence

Postlude

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 Palm Sunday Reading Children's Time Sharing of Joys and Concerns **Pastoral Prayer** The Lord's Prayer *Worship through Our Giving *Prayer of Dedication Sermon – *Standing in the Gap* Scripture Reading Luke 22:14-20 Song – *Remembrance of Me* Scripture Reading Luke 22:21-46 Song - Above All Scripture Reading – *Luke 22:47-71* Scripture Reading – Luke 23: 1-31 Song – I Can Only Imagine Scripture Reading – Luke 23: 32-48 Song – *Oh Praise the Name* Depart in Silence Leave to Serve God's People

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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!

Please Note There will be NO Sunday School on Easter due to the Pancake Breakfast

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: April 14th - April 21st

Sunday, April 14th

9:00 & 11:00am Services – Sanc 10:00 Blood Pressure Screening-Library 10:00 – 11:00am Pioneer Class – CR1 5:00-9:00pm BS Pack 702

Monday, April 15th

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

Tuesday, April 16th

5:00 -9:00pm – Girl Scouts – Sanc. FH 7:00pm SPRC Mtg – CR1 7:00pm Boy Scouts Comm Meeting-Lib

Wednesday, April 17th

9:30am – Seated Exercise – Chapel 11:30am Ginny White Circle – CR2 4:00pm House Captains - FH 6:30 – 9:00pm Boy Scouts 133-132 6:45 – 7:45pm Chancel Bells – Sanc

7:45 – 8:45pm Chancel Choir – Sanc

Thursday, April 18th

7:00pm – Maundy Thursday Serv. Sanc Friday, April 19th

12noon – Good Friday Service-Chapel 6:30 – 9:30pm CBT setup – Sanc

Saturday, April 20th

All Day – CBT Baptism – FH 8:30am – 1:30pm CBT – Sanc & all CR's 7:00am-12 noon – Food Pantry – FH 2:00pm – Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 21st

7:00am – Sunrise Serv.-Cemetery 7:30am – 11:00am – Pancake Breakfast 9:00am – Traditional Service 10am Pioneer Class – CR1 11:00am – Contemporary Service

Upcoming News at Mount Zion

*Shepherding Team #2 Is On Call This Week, April 14th through April 21st. Contact Betty Cashmark 301/725-5233.

Request from the Trustees: If anyone has a "gently used" sleeper sofa they would like to donate to the church please contact Tom Moser, 240-793-0817.

*Chair Exercise class meets Wednesday mornings from 9:30-10. All are welcome. Questions? Call or text Bettye Ames at 410-227-9257.

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 newborns.

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 wwwy2k@aol.com.

Rebuilding Together Howard County (RTHC) - The past few years Mt. Zion UMC has participated in RTHC. This year you have another opportunity to participate in helping the community with this wonderful event. Rebuilding Together Howard County happens on Saturday, April 27, 2019 with changes for Mt. Zion. This year we will be working with the group from Sunrise Senior Living, Columbia, MD. Sunrise (Mary Nakagama) will be taking the lead and is welcoming additional hands from Mt. Zion. All volunteers must register online at Rebuilding Together Howard County, then click on Make a Difference and Volunteer. Then contact either John Crow at John.Crow@SunriseSeniorLiving.com, or contact John Crow or Mary Nakagama at 410-531-1444 (office) to let them know you are willing to help. Questions? please contact Ken Sines at ksines57@gmail.com. Thank you in advance.

The Garden Team is looking for people interested in helping to keep up the herb garden on the west end of the church property. Herbs are used to supplement the Food Pantry. Please contact Debra Leiss at 301-535-1319 or dleiss2003@yahoo.com if interested. Opportunities for young gardeners to plant seeds will be at the Easter Egg Hunt. Please stop by!!

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 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 judyjnscott@hotmail.com.

Through Our Presence & Gifts

Week Ending Sunday March 31, 2019	Worship		Sunday School
Attendance	9:00 am	124	21
	11:00am	57	
Financial Summary as of March 24		2019	2018
Weekly Receipts			
YTD Operating Receipts			
YTD Operating Disbursements			
Operating Surplus (-Deficit)			

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

Sunday, April 28th is Bring a Joke to Church Sunday (Holy Humor!). You are invited to offer a joke or funny story during Pastor Ken's sermon. "The Joke's on Who." Just make sure it's okay for church and, of course, funny!!

The Ginny White Circle will meet on Wednesday, April 17 in Conference Room 2 at 11:30. Alice Ellis is chairman and is in charge of devotions. Following the meeting, we will have lunch at Asian Palace in Columbia. Please RSVP to Alice at 301-725-6190 or sillea1@verizon.net by Tuesday, April 16 at noon.

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, Kathy McLaughlin and Family

Members' Family & Friends: Families affected by tornados in the Southern states and floods in the Western states, Stephen Jarrison, Chet Keslawiak, Gene Gyqax, Cynthia Carr, Bea Ball, Brian Bixler, 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, Bonnie Krum, Bob Bacon, Brenda Evers, 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, Roxann Ganbin, Helen Meredith, Judy Powers, Christina Carr, Gayle Prentice, Bob Wagner, Quellee and Raelynn Gonzalez, Lynn, Josh, Rod, Kris Gaither, Mitilda Taylor, Michael Rexroad, Allen Stanton family, Marjorie Stoneman Douglas students.

Our Homebound Members: Sharon Reed, 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.

Upcoming Events

at Mount Zion **United Methodist Church**

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
Mt. Zion Cemetery—please bring a lawn chair for seating

9:00am Traditional & 11:00am Contemporary

Pancake Breakfast Easter Sunday 7:30am to 11:00am in the Fellowship Hall

April 27 - Rebuilding Together Howard County

May 3 - 50+ Resource Fair 1-8pm

May 5 - Paint Party 1pm

June 22 - Cars & Hot Dogs 2-6pm

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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