

July 14, 2019



COMPASSION

**is the best way to treat
our neighbor.**

Touching Lives for Jesus Christ

Mount Zion United Methodist Church

Rev. Gary Sheffield-James, Lead Pastor

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9:00 a.m. Traditional Service

Prelude	<i>Blessed Assurance</i>	Deb Papavizas
Lighting of the Candles		
Welcome & Opportunities to Serve		Rev. Gary Sheffield-James
*Greeting& Opening Prayer		Jon Lindberg
Summer Hymn Sing		Three Selections, One Verse Sung
*Passing the Peace		
Hymn	<i>Lord I Want to Be a Christian</i>	UMH #402, Vs 1&2
Sharing of Joys & Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Gary Sheffield-James
The Lord's Prayer		UMH #895
Hymn	<i>Lord I Want to Be a Christian</i>	UMH #402, Vs 3&4
God's Tithes and Our Offerings and Gifts		
Musical Offering		Summer Choir
*Doxology		UMH #95
*Prayer of Dedication		Rev. Gary Sheffield-James
First Lesson	Colossians 1:1-14	Jon Lindberg
*Gospel Lesson	Luke 10:25-37	Jon Lindberg
<i>Elementary-age children are invited to the Children's Table at the back of sanctuary.</i>		
Sermon		Rev. Gary Sheffield-James
	<i>"Three Ways to Treat Your Neighbor"</i>	
*Closing Hymn	<i>Jesu, Jesu</i>	UMH #432
*Sending Forth		
Postlude	<i>Festal Piece - Handel</i>	Deb Papavizas

Leave to Serve God's People

*You are invited to stand in heart or posture
JOIN US FOR REFRESHMENTS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THIS SERVICE

11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service

Enter to Worship

Gathering Music

Welcome & Opportunities to Serve

*Greeting and Opening Prayer

*Passing the Peace

*Songs of Celebration — *I Will Follow, Days Of Elijah*

Children's Time

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

*Worship Through Our Giving

*Prayer of Dedication

First Lesson — Colossians 1:1-14

*Gospel Lesson — Luke 10:25-37

Elementary-age children are invited to the Children's Table at the back of sanctuary.

Sermon — *“Three Ways to Treat Your Neighbor”*

*Song of Reflection — *What A Beautiful Name*

*Sending Forth

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News and Events

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 our Pastor after the service.

Tag Mt. Zion on social media @mtzionhighland or #mtzionhighland

Sunday 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

Youth & Children's Sunday School will resume in September.

Young Adults Class (Young Adults 18 – 35): Staff Conf. Room

Pioneer Class (Adults): Conference Room 1

Drop-In Bible Study: Conference Room 3

Events Schedule: July 14th – July 20th

Submit announcements for the following week by noon on Tuesday.

<p>Sunday, July 14 9 & 11 am Services/Sanc 10 am BP Screening/Lib 10 am Pioneer Class/CR1 10 am Drop-in Bible Study/CR3 10 am Young Adults Class/Staff CR 4 pm Pack 702 Bear Den/CR 132,134 5:30 pm Stephen Ministries Supervision/CR2 8 pm Pack 702/Lib</p> <p>Monday, July 15 10 am Weekly Bible Study Gp/CR2 7 pm Md Search & Rescue/FH</p> <p>Tuesday, July 16 7 pm SPRC/CR1 7:30 pm BS T-702 Com Mtg/Lib</p> <p>Wednesday, July 17 9:30 am Seated Exercise/Chapel 11:30 am Ginny White/CR2</p>	<p>Wednesday, July 17 continued 6:00 pm Rebuilding Together Inspectors Meeting/CR1 6:30 pm BS Troop/FH 7 pm Committee on Lay Leadership/CR2 7:45 pm Chancel Choir/Sanc</p> <p>Thursday, July 18 7 pm Praise Band/Sanc</p> <p>Friday, July 19 1:00 pm Food Pantry Setup/FH 6:30 pm CBT Setup/Sanc</p> <p>Saturday, July 20 7:00 am Food Pantry Setup/FH 9:00 am Food Pantry Distribution /FH 8:30 am CBT/Sanc & all CRs 2 pm Papavizas/Sanc</p>
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Shepherding Team 6 on call this week, July 7th – July 13th.

Contact Crystal Zimmerman at 301-776-6282.

Please collect your Quarterly Donor Statements from the West Narthex to save postage! Trouble? See Will Scott, Financial Secretary, willjill@verizon.net.

Open Doors Food Pantry needs your help! Friday July 19 from 12:30 pm – 2:00 to unload fresh produce and set up dry goods **and/or** Saturday July 20, 2019 from 8:00 am to 12:30 pm to serve others and help clean up. Any time you have is a blessing. Please remember to drop loose change in the offering basket! Email Carol Hill at opendoorsfoodpantry@gmail.com.

The Mount Zion Garden Club is harvesting herbs for the Open Doors Food Pantry. If interested in helping, contact Debra Leiss at 301-535-1319 or meet Deb at the herb garden on July 21 at 7 am before the Pantry opens. This month Deb harvested 50 bags of herbs from our garden.

The Small Groups committee is sponsoring a book study of *Faith Unraveled* by Rachael Held Evans. In a changing cultural environment where new ideas seem to threaten the safety and security of our faith, *Faith Unraveled* is a fearlessly honest story of survival. The book follows Rachel's evolving spiritual journey that leads to an unshakeable faith. We will meet Wednesdays throughout August, 7 pm at Mad City Coffee in Columbia. See Debra Leiss in CR 3 between services to obtain a copy of the book and to sign up, or contact Debra at 301-535-1319.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Join us September 11 at 10am. If you want to learn to knit or crochet, text or call Bettye Ames at 410-227-9257.

Chair Exercise Class meets Wednesday mornings 9:30-10 am. Note: No class July 24 during Vacation Bible School. If you have questions, please text or call Bettye Ames at 410-227-9257.

Those jewels you are no longer wearing are SO needed to make the Jewelry Booth at The Women's Board supporting Montgomery Medstar Hospital 99th annual Picnic and Bazaar on July 23rd, a success!! I am happy to pick up! Joyce Saunderson 301.854.2378/jjsaunder@verizon.net

Church Council invites volunteers for a Task Force to determine Mt Zion's response to the outcome of the Special Conference regarding LGBTQ issues. We will be responsible for educating the congregation on the issue and results; identifying options to respond to this issue; and discerning the direction of all church members. We will kick off in September and expect to run through 2020. To join, please speak with Pastor Gary, Debra Leiss, or Bettye Ames in the Narthex after service.

The Committee on Lay Leadership (Nominating Committee) meets monthly to explore how we can match people’s skills to engage in ministry and serve Christ’s Church. Please reach out to us so you might be engaged in Christ’s ministry here at Mt. Zion, in our community, and around the world. Next meeting will be at 7 pm, Wednesday, July 17, in CR2.- Rev. Gary Sheffield-James, Chair of Lay Leadership.

2019 VBS July 22–26 Volunteers Needed! To sign up please email mtzionvbs2019volunteers@gmail.com. Volunteers with first aid skills are also needed. Please contact Joyce Saunderson at 301.943.6517 or jjsaunder@verizon.net.

Summer Children’s Ministry. The Nursery will remain open 9:00 am to noon. During the Sermon portion of both services, elementary age children are invited to the Children's Worship Table at the back of the Sanctuary for quiet activities with our Sunday School and Kid Zone leaders. If interested in providing non-prep leadership during services, contact Carol Wunderlich at youthandchildren@mtzionhighland.com.

Parents, We Welcome You & Your Children! The presence of children is a gift to the church and we believe that the way we welcome children directly affects the way they respond to church, to God, and to one another. We want them to know that they are at home in God’s house! We invite you to sit towards the front, where your children can see & hear better. Feel free to quietly explain what is happening. Sing, pray, & participate - your child will follow your lead. Children are invited to participate in communion. If you need to leave the service, that’s okay! Please come back in at any time. We don’t mind. If preschool children need a little more space to wiggle and giggle, our professionally staffed Nursery is open for you in room 205.

Through Our Presence & Gifts Week Ending Sunday July 7, 2019		
Attendance	Worship 9:00 am: 109 11:00 am: 46	Sunday School Youth: 0 ~ Children: 0 Nursery: 0
Financial Summary	2019	2018
Weekly Receipts	\$13,681	\$12,008
YTD Operating Receipts	\$309,494	\$356,938
YTD Operating Disbursements	\$ 291,163	\$ 354,477
*Detailed monthly financial reports are available in the Treasurer’s hallway mailbox.		

We Serve God and 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, Tish Miller, Phillip & Eli Amos, Christy Wnuk-Fink, George Bickerton, Bill Cashmark, the Collatz Family, Connie Kolpack, Nancy Lindquist, Ruby Beaver, Hank Wainwright, Chuck and Laurie Norwood, Sue Powers, Charlene Fitzpatrick, George Stephens. Bill and Donna Ray and family as they grieve the loss of Bill's mother, Jean Higinbotham who passed away Monday, July 8, 2019.

Our Homebound Members: Frieda Youngblood, Eva Bryant.

Members' Family & Friends: Families affected by tornados in the southern states, Stephen Jarrison, Chet Keslawiak, Gene Gyqax, Cynthia Carr, Bea Ball, Brian Bixler, The Campbell Family, Robert Wallance, Stephen Harrison, Chet Kulawiak, Sam Kurland, Helen Edwards, Robin Adkins, Ed & Karen Williams, Gary Nadeau, Brian Hayes, Carlisle Sraver, Ed, Eric Carlson, Beau Ross, Dick Shober, John Shober, Karen Mapp, Bob Bacon, Brenda Evers, Ted Evers, Karen Corkran, Larry Johnson, Mark Myers, Bruce Van Blargan, Emanuela Guffanti, Jackie Lineberger, Wes Jin, Ivan Diaz, Marian Isley & Lisa Slusser, Bonita Divver, Nathan Mackle, Taylor, Joseph, Will, Suzanne, Rosemary, Kathleen, Joe, Gladys Paulock, Pauline Reel, Bob Wagner, Carol Thomas, Quellee & Raclynn Gonzalez, Roxann Ganbin, Beth Smith, Shannon Sharp, Linda, Brenda Gause, Mike Munro, Cindy Bundy, Dona Leskoski, Carol Wunderlich.

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, Andre.

Upcoming Events

at Mount Zion United Methodist Church

**July 14-20 - Mt. Zion's UMM
VIM trip to Newport, NC**

To support the North Carolina Disaster Response

For more information please contact Ken Sines (443-790-9680)

July 22-26 - Vacation Bible School

ROAR! Life is wild. God is good! Volunteers Needed!

If you can help, please email

mtzionvbs2019volunteers@gmail.com

Weekly Services: 9:00am & 11:00am Worship Services

10:10am Sunday School will resume in September

Monthly: 3rd Saturday - Food Pantry

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