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Welcome to Mt. Zion Today! Our message is rooted in the life, ministry, and teachings of Jesus. We embrace a biblical approach, sharing the "good news" in our daily lives.

Join us as we grow in faith and love together!

If you are visiting with us this morning or searching for a church home, we encourage you to connect with Pastor Shawn. Please fill out a green "Information Card" found in the pew holders in front of you. Drop it into the collection plate or give to Pastor Shawn when you leave today.



Join us this Sunday ... You are invited to join us this week as we'll explore how to stand firm in spiritual battles with God's strength. This week's message will unpack the power of prayer and the armor of God, revealing practical ways to stay vigilant and victorious against the enemy's schemes. If you're feeling overwhelmed or know someone needing encouragement, come worship with us, bring a friend, and discover how to live battle-ready through the Holy Spirit's power. Don't miss this chance to grow stronger in your faith!

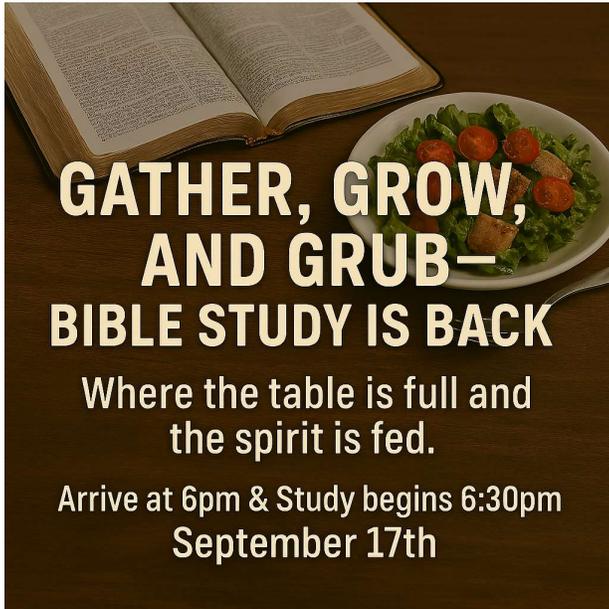
Application / Challenge: Use What God Has Given You

- **Gospel Grounding:** Write one sentence that summarizes the gospel. Say it aloud every morning this week as your foundation.
- **Shield of Faith:** Name one lie you're tempted to believe. Then find and write down one Scripture promise that tells the truth—and post it where you'll see it daily.
- **Helmet of Salvation:** Spend five intentional minutes each day reflecting on who you are in Christ. Let His truth shape your thoughts.
- **Sword of the Spirit:** Memorize one Bible verse that speaks directly to a struggle you're facing—and use it in prayer and conversation this week.

You don't need new weapons—you need to *use* what God has already given you. Because when you're armed with truth, faith, identity, and the Word... *you will be able to stand.*

Our annual Church Picnic will be at Mt. Zion this year on Sunday, Sept 14th immediately following the worship service. There will be sign-up sheets for what will be needed and who is interested and who is not interested in attending. Grandparents' Day is Sunday, Sept 7th and we also would like to celebrate this special day at the picnic. Bring your children, grandchildren and guests, however, we need to know how many will attend. Our picnic will also include an Ice Cream Social, so please plan to join us on Sept 14th. Worship Service begins at 10 a.m. with the picnic immediately following

MEET OUR STAFF – The full M.O.S. will be published on the 1st Sunday of each month.



GATHER, GROW, AND GRUB— BIBLE STUDY IS BACK

Where the table is full and
the spirit is fed.

Arrive at 6pm & Study begins 6:30pm
September 17th

CHURCH MEETINGS

Finance & Trustees: Sept 2
Church Council: Sept 16
Both meetings are open to all
In the Social Hall @ 7:00pm – Tuesday

Our **NEW VIDEO SHORTS** (4-5 minutes) at:
youtube.com/@MountZionUMC-Finksburg
These are not from our Sunday service. See for
yourself! [Newest Video 8-21-2025](#).

USHERS & FELLOWSHIP COORDINATORS

We still have many openings to be filled. See
Becky Knop or Melanie Stranix as to what
months need to be filled or for more details.

The **UPPER ROOM daily devotional guide** for September/October is available today in
both regular and large print. We courage all of our people to take advantage of this daily
Christian guide for daily living. Our appreciation to Dave Landis (neighbors of Judy & Lou)
for sponsoring this edition. It is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dave's wife
Mary Etta and in honor of family and friends. Copies can be mailed out if you are unable to
get to the church building (301-351-6689). Our appreciation to Betty Thomas for sponsoring
the July/August edition. We still need sponsors for the November/December edition.
If you are interested call the phone number. Thank you for your support.

WHAT'S ON THE SCHEDULE 2025

- August Ushers: Bobby & Bonnie Graham
- September 17: Bible Study starts – See details above – Contact Pastor Shawn for details
- September 2: Finance / Trustees Meeting 7:00pm
- September 14: Church Picnic (at Church) Becky Knop & Melanie Stranix Coords
- September 16: Church Council Meeting 7:00pm

The Shepherd's Staff is in need to School supplies:

Backpacks, Pocket Folders,
1" Binders, Wide-ruled Composition Notebooks, Wide-ruled Filler Paper, Colored Pencils,
3x5 Post-It Notes, Dividers, 3x5 Ruled Index Cards, Markers & Highlighters, 24ct Crayons,
Pink Block Erasers, Rulers.

Festival of Trees: Needs various items for their trees.

See Barb Hayes for details or to donate 410-596-1483 or bbhayes@verizon.net
See flyers in previous Weekly's

Illness, accidents, hospital or home visits? The church contact is LaDonna Schemm
410-812-0262. She will then contact our Pastors and staff accordingly.



Join us Saturday, December 13, 2025
12 Noon

at the FINKSBURG CEMETERY
3010 Baltimore Blvd (Rt 140)
Finksburg MD 21048
(directly across from Mt Zion United Methodist Church)

For our first National Wreaths Across America ceremony.

Please see the attached sponsor sheet if you would like to sponsor a wreath. Sponsorships and checks payable to **Wreaths Across America** are due by **November 1st** and can be given to Lisa on Sunday mornings at church or mailed to:

Finksburg Cemetery PO Box 493 Finksburg MD 21048

For information or to volunteer contact Sam Mann at 443.789.9732
or Lisa Tingler at 443.226.2948

Remember . Honor . Teach



Please make checks payable to **Wreaths Across America** and mail to:

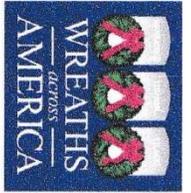
Wreaths Across America
c/o Finksburg Cemetery Co
PO Box 493
Finksburg MD 21048

Babylon Vault Company, Finksburg Cemetery Co., and Wreaths Across America would like **Thank You** for your wreath sponsorship.

_____ made a donation of \$ _____ to
Wreaths Across America of Columbia Falls, Maine.

Date: _____ Wreaths Across America is a 501(c)(3) organization.

Contributions are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. You should always consult a tax professional.



Sponsor At 70 wreath Today!
NATIONAL WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA DAY
Saturday December 13, 2025
12 Noon

Name: _____
Company Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Sponsorship Levels	Price	Total
Individual - 1 wreath	\$17.00	
Family - 4 wreaths	\$68.00	
Business - 10 wreaths	\$170.00	
Business - 25 wreaths	\$425.00	
Business - 50 wreaths	\$850.00	
Corporate - 100 wreaths	\$1700.00	

Make Checks Payable to: Wreaths Across America
Credit Card QR code: visit BabylonVaultCompany.com under the community tab

Group ID: MD0316 (please use this group ID to keep donations in Carroll County, MD)

Family Wreath Placement Request

A portion of the ceremony allows family members to place a wreath on a family members' grave at our approved cemeteries. Please indicate:
Cemetery: _____ Veteran Name: _____

Volunteer Opportunities (check your interests below):

Deliver wreaths _____ Ceremonial Wreath Assembly _____ Lead Ceremony
Vocalist _____ Bugler _____ Wreath Cleanup _____



Wreaths Across America Approved Group #MD 0316

Please call or email for more information.

410-848-0393

Tammy@BabylonVaultCompany.com

Apply my sponsorship to the following approved cemetery; _____
or
 apply wherever needed