

Mount Zion
A United Methodist Congregation
+ Since 1856 +

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Mount Zion Weekly

Sunday November 10, 2024



It feels good to go home!

After spending over 12 months away from home our friend, Walburn, said “it’s good to go home”! We have heard that from a number of people who have drifted away from Mount Zion and then when they returned to worship God and fellowship with old friends. From regular worshippers, to those who “have returned home” to new friends. For over 168 years Mount Zion has been a “welcoming” congregation. Not only in Sunday morning but how we reach out to those unable to get to the church building. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to see Pastor Shawn and learn more about being a friend or even a member of the congregation.

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**Happy
Veterans Day!**



“**On this Veterans Day**, as we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words but to live by them” (John F. Kennedy). The purpose of Veterans Day is to honor all American veterans, both living and deceased, who have served their country honorably during war or peace-time. It is a day to reflect on their sacrifices, acknowledge their patriotism, and foster connections between civilians and veterans. The observance originated in 1919 on the first anniversary of the 1918 armistice that ended World War I and was known as Armistice Day.

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Today is our “Second Sunday” and that means immediately following morning worship. you are invited (and urged) to go to our fellowship hall for light refreshments and a lot of good Christian fellowship. Our appreciation to Bonnie Graham & Beck Knop for coordinating today's gathering. If you are willing to take a Sunday, either by yourself or with a friend please call Melanie Stranix 410-294-6488. Thank you!



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Make plans now to worship God on the eve of our National Day of Thanksgiving. We have been truly blessed as a people and as a nation. It is right and fitting that we could take time from our busy schedules and worship with us on Wednesday evening, November 27th.

Two worship opportunities: Mid-Day at 12 Noon and Evening at 7:00 p.m. Please remember if you are too busy to give thanks maybe you are too busy!

Thanksgiving is one of my favorite days of the year because it reminds us to give thanks and to count our blessings. Suddenly, so many things become so little when we realize how blessed and lucky we are. (Joyce Graud)

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..... **SUNDAY FUNNIES**

Every family has secrets until a Sunday School teacher asks a group of kids if they have any prayer requests.

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Our Thanksgiving Eve Offering again this year, unless you indicate otherwise, will go to help those in need. If you are willing to go the extra mile in disaster relief, please make out your check to Mount Zion UM Church and clearly mark it "Disaster Relief." Drop it off at the church or mail it to Mt. Zion UM Church PO Box 511, Finksburg, Md. 21048. If you need more information, please call 301-351-6689. This is an "ongoing" relief program so give whenever you can.

So far Mt. Zion has given over \$ 1,486 to this cause.

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The NEW "Upper Room" for November/December is available this morning. Or we can get a copy for you simply by calling 301-351-6689. It is given free of charge (regular or large print) by Charles & Inez Beckhardt in memory of our parents Louis & Theresa McClelland and Charles & Naomi Beckhardt and Lillie Daugherty. Also, LaDonna Schemm in memory of her husband George and in honor of her children George W. Schemm, and Michael & Lisa Schemm and her grandchildren Aubrey & Colson.



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**Did you know more people come by invitation than any other way?
When was the last time you invited someone?**

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You are invited to get two items "free" from our church. You can get an "official" church pen. Second, you can be the first to get your "official" 2025 church calendar. Thanks to LaDonna Schemm.

See one of the ushers or call 301-351-6689 and we will get it to you.

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Church Meetings

Finance & Trustees: Nov 12 (2nd Tuesday, this month only)

Church Council: Nov 19 - Both meetings are open to all

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We need **USHERS** for the months of Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, June.
We need **FELLOWSHIP COORDINATORS** for Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, June.

Can you help with one of these months? See Barb Hayes.

Meet Our Staff...

+ Our Pastor: Shawn Vollmerhausen +

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Director of Music: Leslie Gabler November Ushers: Becky Knop & Joan Tighe

Website & Facebook Page: Kathy Giroux / Chair Church Council: Dan Armacost

Worship Technology & Today's Weekly: Mark Hemler Video: Peggy James

Trustees & Finance Chair: Bill Tighe Lay Leader: Jerry Knop

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Finance & Attendance

In the "Year 2024" we need \$2136 each week for our Operating Budget

Last Sunday we received \$ 290 ABOVE our Operating Expense

2024 average Sunday attendance: 36.7 / Last Sunday's attendance: 37

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The Shepherd's Staff

Mt. Zion has always been diligent in providing donations for Shepherd's Staff & feeding our Goat.

Currently they need School Supplies and items for the Festival of Trees.

Please continue to support them.

Just a note – we will collect School Supplies all the time. When the students run out of what they are given at the beginning of the year they come back asking for more.

If you have questions about either School donations or Festival of Trees, see Barb Hayes

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Did you call or send a card to a homebound or shut-in this week?

For more information, please contact one of our Pastors.

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Church Directory: We have recently updated our Mount Zion church directory. If you would like a copy, it is free. You can either email Peggy James (who keeps it up to date-thank you!) at peggyjames47@gmail.com and she will email a copy that you can print.



Or, you can call 301-351-6689 and ask for a copy and we will print it and get it to you.

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******* CHURCH TEXT FROM MT ZION *******

In order to help reduce SPAM text's from unknown persons, NEW safeguards are being rolled out in order to receive a TEXT from organizations these days.

The is beyond our control.

You may receive a TEXT from Mt Zion someday. It is a request for a double opt-in by confirming you wish to allow TEXT from us. Simply reply with YES in caps.

If you did not yet receive this message just text START to 87447.

Then reply YES again to the confirmation message.

This will tell our TEXT system to include you for any TEXT that we send out.

Please do so ASAP!



ARMY

Ed Armacost
Ronald Bakewell
Louis Beckhardt
Clarence Bosley
Don Boucher
Thomas Bower
Christopher Canterbury
William Canterbury
Kenny Colson
Kenny Diehl
William H. Diehl
William George Fitzwater
Ted Frantum

Michael Gottee
Robert Graham
Harry Hanekamp
Tony Hayes
Robert H. Hennessee
William Hoy
Paul Kohler
David Lau
Stanton Loveless. Sr.
Percy George Lower
George McCeon
Lloyd McQuay
Don Menchey

Robert Peterson
Willie Plummer
Edwin Pulket
Allen Rhodes
Edgar Shaffer
Paul Smith
Ed Stevens
James A. Stranix
George Thomas
Frank Tighe
Kyle Valway
Lewis Wimmer
Clifford Yingling

ARMY AIRCORP

Joseph Pless

AIRFORCE

Albert Johnson

Robert Kirby

MARINES

Joe Beckhardt
Roger Davis
Matthew D. Haight, Jr.

Robert Hennessee
David C. Ney
Ray F. Ney

Corey Roos
Robert Vollmerhausen

NAVY

Bill Bakewell
Charles Beckhardt
Kenny Beckhardt
Warren Beckhardt
Henry Blanchett
Kimberly Bosch
Bobby Roos Briggs
Monte Ray Briggs
Will Colfolic
Charles Cooper

Ed Euler
Carlton Gabler, Sr.
Gordon Harden, Sr.
Henry Haugh
Gabiell Haught
Bob Hayes
Richard Hemler
Dave Hill
Katie Hill
Isaac "Ike" Iglehart

Dwight Jones
Alic King
Jerry Knob
Bill Muse
William Pluck
George F. Schemm, Jr.
E. David Slater, Jr.
John Tighe
George Wessell, Jr.
Edward Wessell
Evan Zepp

**We are collecting NEW children's pajamas for kids
hospitalized with cancer!
Infant to Teens
Please give NEW children's pajamas to Barb Hayes
by Monday, November 25, 2024.**



Pajamas will be donated to Josh's Jammies, a non-profit organization that collects new pajamas for children with cancer. Pajamas are donated to children hospitalized at Sinai Hospital, Mt. Washington Pediatric Hospital, and University of Maryland Hospital's NICU and PICU units.

For more information, visit www.joshsjammies.org.

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Please help us keep our list up to date!

We remove names after 30 days unless told otherwise.

**Report any needs or concerns to Pastor Shawn 410-790-5214 or Leslie Gabler 443-793-6516,
Barb Hayes 410-596-1483, bbhayes@verizon.net or Pastor Emeritus Lou.**

**David Anderson
Peggy James
Judith Biovjorro
Val McNeal
Sharon Briggs
Lois Pulket
Mikie Conrad
Allen & Geri Rhodes
Matthew Davis
Brennen Summers
Jean Gartrell
Jane Unger
Barb & Bob Hayes
Chrissy Hithner
Don Hennessee
Jeanette Holbert & Family
Robert Wells
Carol, Fran, Jan, Marilynn, Susan**

**Diane Gavalik
Anna Biebl
Mathew Major
Marty Brown
Joe Otto
Martha Carter
David Richards
Tracey Davidson
Nancy Strong
Barb Diaz
Robert Tighe
Dick Haught
Michelle and Vance Valway
Christopher Vollmerhausen
Robert Wade
Rev. Dr. Laura Lee Morgan
Dick Carter**

**Nicole Beeson
Elizabeth Kirby
Peggy Bosley
Cliff Yingling
Dick Carter
The Ulrich Family
Charles Cooper
Jenny Stranix
Olivia Davis
Joan Tighe
Cindy Grabow
Rick Valway**

**Home Bound
Pat Murphy**

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