

**Mount Zion**  
A United Methodist Congregation  
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**Mount Zion Weekly**  
**Sunday July 28, 2024**



**It is good to have you with us.** If you are a visitor “welcome”! If you are looking for church home, we invite you to be part of our “family of believers”. Please see Pastor Shawn who can give you more information about church membership. If you are one of the faithful, we thank you for your faithfulness.

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**THE UPPER ROOM**  
DAILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

We read the Upper Room every morning. It is our morning “God time.” I am pleased that Mount Zion makes it available free of charge due to faithful sponsor. Let us share the reading from Tuesday, July 30<sup>th</sup>. We hope you have read it too.

“Read Galatians 5.13-26 If the Son sets you free you will be free indeed. (John 8.36) I was resting one morning when my wife called me outside. When I got there I saw a little bird playing with a string. A while later the bird’s neck became entangled in the string. It was fluttering its wings and trying to get free, but the harder it tried the tighter the string became. When I tried to help the bird, it bit me. Finally, my father held the bird and I removed the string to set it free. Later as I reflected on this incident, I realized that I too make bad choices. When I give in to temptation, everything seems fine at first. But ultimately, I find myself in a situation that is nearly impossible to escape. I tend to try to get out of the situation on my own, but eventually I am like the bird, helpless and trapped. Though all our efforts may fail, Jesus never fails us. When we call on him in prayer, he is always ready to free us from our bondage, be it something from our past, an addiction or guilt. Only Jesus can save us. If we repent and believe in Christ, he will set us free.”

Prayer. Merciful Lord, thank you for coming to deliver us from our sins. Redeem us and renew us so that our lives may be pleasing to you. Amen.

Thought For The Day: I will trust in the true freedom I have in Jesus Christ.

Written by Hitesh J. Solanki (Gujarat, India)

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**We invite you to break bread with us next Sunday August 4<sup>th</sup>**

At Mount Zion we say “we have set the table but Jesus is the “Host”.

He is the one who invites you and everyone, no exceptions.

The Holy Sacrament is a wonderful way to start each month.

Please worship with us.

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**LET’S STAY IN TOUCH! New To Mt Zion?** Please take a moment to fill out the yellow pew card found on the back of each pew. Even if it’s just your Name and Email. Drop it in the collection plate or give to Mark at the sound cabinet in the back row. Did you forget? Just send an email with your contact info to: [mark.hemler428@gmail.com](mailto:mark.hemler428@gmail.com)

## MT ZION SUMMER SINGERS

All Voices are Welcome! Be part of our summer choir simply by coming by 9:15 a.m. Our Director of Music Leslie has picked songs that we can learn on one try (maybe two). Our Holy Scriptures do not say we have to sing well but rather sing joyfully and praise our God. Why not come today or early next Sunday.



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**Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup>** This is Mount Zion night at the historic Emory Grove camp grounds and tabernacle. Plan now to join us at 7:00pm for a special out of doors worship experience. Located in Glyndon, off Butler Road and take Waugh Avenue to the grounds.

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As of this moment we are without a coordinator for our August Fellowship on August 11<sup>th</sup>.

### CAN YOU HELP?

See Barb Hayes to volunteer.

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*Meet Our Staff...*

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Director of Music: Leslie Gabler July Ushers: LaDonna Schemm & JoAnne Bienvenu

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

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

Lay Leader: Jerry Knop

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

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### FELLOWSHIP LEAD COORDINATOR NEEDED

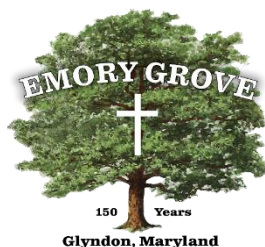
We need a person to take over coordinating fellowship which is the second Sunday of every month. See Barb Hayes for further details.

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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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Sunday Evening, August 18, 2024 + 7:00 p.m.

THE FINKSBURG COMMUNITY & Mount Zion Church

**This Mount Zion Night and Finksburg Community Night  
Plan now to attend**

Local – in Glyndon – a couple of miles down the road from our church  
Off Butler Road