

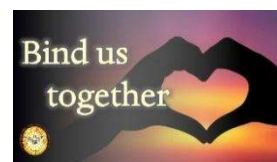
Mount Zion
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+ Since 1856 +

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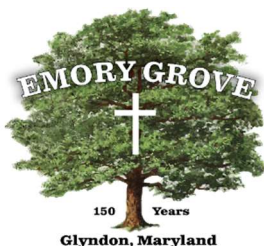


Mount Zion Weekly Sunday August 25, 2024



“Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken, bind us together in love.” As we all gathered in a “Circle of Community” on Sunday evening these were the words we sang. Not just “bind us together” but, “bind us together with love”. At Mount Zion we believe in “community”. We also believe what binds us together is the love of our Lord Jesus. Differences are moved aside as “the Rock” is our foundation. Mount Zion is an “open door” church meaning “all are welcome!” If you are looking for a church home, we welcome you! Please see Pastor Shawn about how to join our “community of faith.”

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Last Sunday, on a rainy & windy night we gathered at the historic Emory Grove Tabernacle in Glyndon. This was Mount Zion & Finksburg night to worship God. The theme of the evening worship was “Breaking Down Walls” taken from Ephesians 1:3-14. Our Pastor Shawn, used the same theme for his message. We would like to share with you his final three points. You will find them meaningful.

“Let’s close by recapping our main ideas this evening.

First, God’s love is all-encompassing and surpasses understanding. Pray you encounter His love today.

Second, because God loves you, He has adopted you into his family as his son or daughter. As a sign of this adoption, He’s marked you with the promised Holy Spirit that abides in you right now, whether you feel him or not. I pray you become more aware of His presence today.

Third, God is working to bring all things in heaven and on earth under the loving leadership of Jesus Christ. We can partner with God by living with an *Us for Them* mindset when it comes to loving and serving others around us. I pray you have a chance to live for someone else today.”

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Summer is Wonderful!

But please don’t forget that the ministry & outreach of Mount Zion continues every day. Please worship faithfully and financially support the church and its ministry



OUR MT ZION WORSHIP CHOIR

Please prayerfully think about joining our Sunday morning worship choir. Choir rehearsals will begin on Thursday, September 5th at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. This year, rehearsals are mandatory. If you would like to participate let our Director of Music Leslie Gabler know ASAP. Music folders are being compiled already. If Thursday evening is not a good time and you would like to be part of the choir, please speak to Leslie 410-876-9181 to make sure an alternate time can be planned for you to learn the music. Vacation time is important for all of us. If you have a date when you can't make a rehearsal we will work it out.



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Meet Our Staff...

+ Our Pastor: Shawn Vollmerhausen +

Phone: 410-790-5214 Email: shawnvollmerhausen@gmail.com

Director of Music: Leslie Gabler August Ushers Shirley Loveless & Barbara Hayes

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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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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Our Financial Status

In the "Year 2024" we need \$2136.49 each week for our Operating Budget
Last Sunday we received \$1025.28 BELOW our Current/Operating Expense

2024 average Sunday attendance: 38.1 / Last Sunday's attendance: 37

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When was the last time you invited someone to worship with you?

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Thank you for everyone in the congregation who supported Finksburg/Mount Zion night last Sunday evening at the historic Emory Grove: For Jerry, in the rain, who carried in all in all his equipment so we could hear one another, for planning the evening and worship music Leslie, special music Joy, for worship, Pastor Shawn, LaDonna and Melanie.



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Did you know more people come by invitation than any other way?

SUNDAY FUNNIES...

A church had a picnic and invited the entire community to come. The Pastor placed a basket full of apples on one end of a table with a sign saying, "Take only one apple please - Remember that God is watching."

On the other end of the table was a plate of cookies where one of the children had placed a sign saying,

"Take all the cookies you want -- God is watching the apples."



Mount Zion Cares

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.

Daisy Atkinson-Levy
Sandy Bicksler
Marty Brown
Rev. Joel Cocklin
Olivia Davis
Barb Diaz
Tony Giroux
Richard
MariLynne
Elizabeth Kirby and others involved in the accident

Sandra Hawkins
Don Hennessee
Mark Lesky
Rev. Laura Lee Morgan
Allen Rhodes
David Richards
Josh Stranix
Renee Clifford
Susan

Aubrey Ball
Peggy Bosley
Martha Carter
Tracey Lynn Davidson
Matthew Davis
Kathy Giroux
Robert Tighe
Carol
Vance & Michelle Valway

Bob Hayes
Wanda Law
Val McNeal
Dan Pickard
Gerri Rhodes
Joan Tighe
Jan
Fran

Home Bound

Pat Murphy, 138 Lassiter Circle, Finksburg, 21048

Virginia "Ginny" Hoy, 5060 Harney Road, Taneytown 21787

Tommy DeMoss, Westminster Health Care, #221 1234 Westminster Rd., West. 21157

Donations Needed!

- Financial Contributions**
for school supplies and shoe vouchers
- New Backpacks**
character backpacks for younger students
and standard size for older students
- Pocket Folders**
with and without brads
- Canvas Pencil Pouches**
- 1-Inch Binders**
- Wide-ruled Composition Notebooks**
- Wide-ruled Filler Paper**
- Colored Pencils**
- Primary, (Fat) Pencils and Crayons**
- 3x3 Post-it Notes**
- Dividers**
- 3x5 Ruled Index Cards**
- Markers and Highlighters**
- 24 ct. Crayons**
- Pink Block Erasers**
- Rulers**



The Shepherd's Staff
Back to School Program



'Tis the Season!
Seeking Donations
for our Festival of
Trees Decorators

If you have any of the following items or materials to donate, please call 410-857-5944 to schedule a time to drop off:

- African, safari ornaments, animals
- Hummingbirds, butterflies, throat flowers
- Small canoe
- Mermaids (not cartoon or Disney) small
- Collection of matching children figures
- Small totem pole
- Carroll County historical items
- Needlework items - sewing, quilting, knitting
- Gardening - mini tools, pots, etc...
- Collection of elves
- Southwestern colorful items
- Teacher items
- Cardinals of good quality

Please call or email info@shepstff.org with any questions.