MT. ZION UCC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF 9.1.24

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

- September 1 (Su) In-person & streaming worship service with Communion, 9:45 AM
- September 2 (Mo) Labor Day—church office is closed
- September 4 (W) Ridgerunners Picnic at John Rudy Park, 12:00 PM
- September 5 (Th) "Great Expectations" Bible Study in Room 5, 9:30 AM
- September 8 (Su) In-person & streaming worship service, 9:45 AM Community Core Planning Meeting, 11:00 AM Singles Lunch at Heritage Hills Patio, 11:45 AM Sunday Funday in Room 5, 1:00 PM Youth Core Planning Meeting, 6:00 PM



BLESSING of the BACKPACKS, BLANKIES, & TECH Sunday, Sept. 8th 10:00 AM In-person & streaming On Sunday, September 8th, at the 9:45 AM worship service we will hold our annual blessing of the backpacks, blankies, and tech for the coming school year.

Students, teachers, staff, and administrators are welcome to join in this annual blessing.



Send your Back to School photos to the church office by September 3 so we can include them in a presentation on September 8!

Special Congregational Meeting Sunday, September 15th Immediately following service To vote on Pastor Amy as

permanent pastor In the sanctuary and on Zoom To sign up to participate on Zoom go to:

ttsu.me/congmeeting

On Sunday, September 15th, following the late service, we will be voting to call Pastor Amy as our permanent Pastor. We ask that you attend this special meeting if possible so that we have a quorum. If you'd like to participate on Zoom, you can do so, but we ask that you sign up so we can send you the Zoom link. You may sign up below.

ttsu.me/congmeeting

Dial-in Number for 9:45 AM Service: **888-719-1054**

Mr. Sandy's Helping Hands Sunday, September 22nd Servers (4:15-6:00 PM) & Servers (4:15-6:00 PM) Questions: Call Carol Hartman at 717-755-2588 MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

The Mission Core is announcing the next Mr. Sandy's Food Run which will be

held on Sunday, September 22. As always we will need cooks and servers. We will be serving a chicken, broccoli, and stuffing casserole. Cooks should arrive at 2pm. and servers at 4:20pm. There is a sign-up poster in narthex or you can call Travis in the church office.

We want to thank the cooks and servers for their kind and loving hearts and perseverance as the day was very hot in the kitchen and outside while serving.



An intergenerational Confirmation Class informational session will be held September 15th at 8:30-9:30 prior to worship. This is a twoyear course that covers a basic overview of the Bible in year one and more broad theology in year two including what makes us UCC. We hope that in partnership our youth and adults can learn from one another, and that our youth can benefit from the mentorship of our Mt. Zion adults as our community continues to learn and grow together. This class will meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month starting in October.

Adult Sunday School returns on Sunday, September 22nd from 8:30-9:30. We will be continuing in the book of Genesis. Adult Sunday School will meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, alternating with our Intergenerational Confirmation Class.

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Undergoing Treatment

Jen Kerchner Nancy Schwartz Mark Miller

Recuperating Robin Everhart Janet Abel Fave Holtzinger

Hospice Care

Eva Wolfe

<u>Nursing Care</u> Earl Deveney Pearl Chronister Rich Huber Al Fauth Adonna Barshinger You can call the church office, e-mail the office, or text 717-408-9280 to submit prayer requests. We also have a prayer chain e-mail where we lift up prayer requests. If you'd like to join that e-mail list, please contact Travis in the church office. Outside of office hours, for pastoral care call Pastor Amy at her landline (717)384-6026.

MT. ZION MISSIONS

² Our September Monthly Mission is Church World Service. Financial Donations will go to CWS Blankets, and in-kind donations will be an Amazon list with items for CWS Health Kits that will be assembled on November 3rd. Thank you for your generosity! <u>https://a.co/0SnfojY</u>

WANTED: BIBLE DETECTIVES



NEW WORSHIP SERIES WANTED: Bible Detectives!!!

Join us in a year-long commitment to investigating scenes, studying characters, and solving the mysteries of the faith. In September we will kick off our year of being Bible Detectives with our "Guess Who?" worship series. Can you guess our Biblical witness before we get to the sermon?

All of our Kid's and Youth will spend the year as Agents of Truth:

On the Case—doing the hard work as bible detectives. They will spend their time meeting with Biblical Spies and finding Informants of the Faith.

The kick-off to the new year will start September 8th in worship. We can't wait to see you there!

Core Planni	ng Sessions
where we discuss the goals	te in Core Planning Sessions, of each ministry area and the leas will be hold in Room 5.
Spiritual Form. Core	Sun. 7/28, following church
Norship Core	Sun. 8/25, following church
Community Life Care	Sun. 9/8, following church
Youth Core	Sun. 9/8, 6:00-8:00 PM
Nission Core	Sun. 9/22, following church
Outreach Core	Sun. 9/29, following church
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Throughout the months of July, August, & September, we will be having core planning sessions where we will look back at the previous year and then set goals for the new year for various ministry areas. Please sign up using the link below!

ttsu.me/coreplanning



Oktoberfest is back on Saturday, October 19th from 11 AM—2 PM! There will be delicious food, family activities, a book sale, & a cash and carry sale. If you'd like to donate new or like new items to the cash and carry sale or donate books, they can be placed under the table as soon as you enter the Fellow-ship Hall entrance by October 15th. We are not accepting donations of cookbooks, CDs, DVDs, and puzzles. Also, please make sure items are in good condition (no stains, tears, ect.). Thank you so much!

STEWARDSHIP REPORT 2024

2024 Stewardship Report YTD			
Total Income	Total Expenses	Diff	
\$202,828.36	\$184,811.38	+\$18,016.98	

<u>Weekly Attendance</u>		
Date	Attendance	
August 4, 2024	53 (in-person worship) 45 (streaming)	
August 11, 2024	51 (in-person worship) 26 (streaming)	
August 18, 2024	55 (in-person worship) 48 (streaming)	
August 25, 2024	65 (in-person worship) 59 (streaming)	