

MT. ZION UCC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF 11.16.25

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

November 16 (Su)	In-person & streaming worship , 9:45 AM Baptism of Elliott Allison, 9:45 AM Women’s Retreat Planning meeting in Room 5, 11:00 AM Sunday Funday in Fellowship Hall/Room 5, 1:00-2:30 PM
November 17 (M)	Church Council in Room 5, 7:00 PM
November 18 (Tu)	Book Study in the Parlor, 10:00 AM
November 20 (Th)	Worship choir practice in the choir room, 7:15 PM
November 23 (Su)	Youth cookie baking in the kitchen, 9:00 AM In-person & streaming worship , 9:45 AM Congregational Meeting, following the worship service Mr. Sandy’s cooking in the kitchen, following the meeting Youth Group Friendsgiving in the Fellowship Hall, 5:00 PM

Sunday Funday
In My Feels
November 16th
1:00-2:30 PM
ttsu.me/sundayfunday



The next Sunday Funday, a time of faith formation and fun for our kids from preschool –6th grade, will be on Sunday, November 16th from 1:00-2:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall! We hope you join us as we continue to explore the theme for this year “In My Feels,” Please sign up using the link below so we know the amount of supplies to purchase! Thank you!

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We are collecting Bingo prizes and Christmas cards for Skilled Care and Personal Care residents at Homewood at Plum Creek again this holiday season.

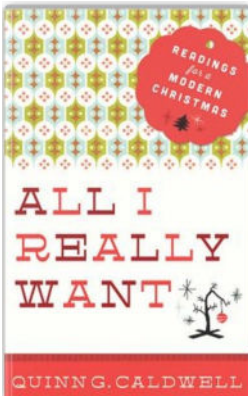
If you are purchasing Christmas cards, please do not seal them so they are easier for our residents to open.

If you are donating BINGO prizes, the residents enjoy chocolate, single serving snack items, small holiday trinkets for all seasons, word search puzzles, small stuffed animals, and Dove bar soap.

Please get all items to Doris Loucks, who will have a collection area in the back narthex, by December 5th, 2025. Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity!

Mt. Zion giveaway - Remember the days of church dinners and eating off of the white ceramic plates and bowls? Well, if you'd like to have any of Mt. Zion's dishes, they are yours! We have dinner plates, salad bowls, two types of small fruit bowls, serving platters and vegetable bowls. Please contact Lana Fritz or Connie Wolfe before **November 19th** if you are interested in taking any. After that, they will be donated to Community Aid and credited to Mt. Zion's partner number.

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



Tuesday morning book study - Looking for an opportunity to enhance your Advent devotions this year? The Tuesday Morning group will be reading & discussing **All I Really Want by Quinn Caldwell** throughout the Advent season. The book is available on Amazon in paperback (\$13.89) or Kindle (\$9.99). Dates are December 2, 9, 16 & 23 and we meet in the parlor beginning at 10:00 a.m. We'd love to have you join! Questions? Please see Mike Gibbs or Connie Wolfe.

Mr. Sandy's Helping Hands



Sunday, November 23rd



Need Cooks (11:00 AM - 1:00 PM)



Questions: Call Carol Hartman at 717-755-2588



Sign up in the back narthex or by calling the church office

Dear Mount Zion family, on behalf of the Missions Core we thank you so much for signing up for the quarterly casseroles and for your time, talent and financial support. For the last Food Run of the year we are

preparing chili after church on November 23rd. We are NOT SERVING, only delivering the food so we will need help preparing and transporting the food. Please sign up on the poster which is placed in the Narthex. Questions call Carol Hartman 717-654-0161 Blessings from the Mission Core.

SAVE THE DATE

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
SUN. NOVEMBER 23RD
FOLLOWING WORSHIP
IN THE SANCTUARY OR ON ZOOM

To vote on the 2026 budget and approve 2026 council candidates

Our November congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, November 23rd following the service (around 11 AM) in the sanctuary and on Zoom. Please participate in the way that feels most comfortable to you. We do ask that you sign up if you plan to participate on Zoom, so we can send you the Zoom link. You can sign up using the link below. Agendas and the proposed budget will be forthcoming in the side and back narthex.

ttsu.me/congmeeting

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Undergoing Treatment

Pat Cooper
Mark Miller
Nancy Schwartz
Melody Stine

Recuperating

Janet Abel
Barb Drescher
Dennis Hartman
Darren Schildt
Barb Waltemyer

Nursing Care

Loretta Albaugh
Al Fauth
Rich Huber

Hospice Care

Waneta Douce

You can call or e-mail the church office to submit prayer requests. **Please note the number to text joys and concerns to is no longer functional.** 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 land-line (717)384-6026.

MT. ZION MISSIONS



The Monthly Mission for November is Central Penn Food Bank specifically their military share program. Military Share is designed to provide fresh, nutritious foods for families with at least one member who served in the armed forces. Your donations will go towards this program.

Recent Monthly Mission Receipts

August- Good Samaritan Fund	September— Olivia’s House	October— Pappus House/ Hospice and Community Care
\$1,782.00	\$2,214.00	\$760.50 each (\$1,521.00 total)



The Christmas Poinsettia Sale has begun! Poinsettias can be purchased for a donation of \$9.00 each. Complete the order form using the link in the weekly e-mails or the paper form found in the back narthex and turn in your payment in the box located in the back narthex or in the lock box outside the church. Make checks payable to Mt. Zion United Church of Christ. Orders are due by Sunday, December 7th. Thank you!



In My Father's House
Worship Series
October 26th The Porch/Yard
A Place of Invitation
November 2nd The Dining Room
A Place of Remembering
November 9th The Kitchen
A Place of Nourishment
November 16th The Bathroom
A Place of Cleansing/Renewal
November 23rd The Hallway/Stairs
A Place of Transition

In My Father’s House: Worship Series (Oct 26–Nov 23, 2025)

“In my Father’s house there are many rooms.” (John 14:2)

This fall, we step inside the Sacred Space of the rooms of God’s house and discover how each space can teach us about faith. From the porch that welcomes us in, to the dining room where we remember the saints, to the kitchen that nourishes, to the bathroom where we are washed and

made new, and finally to the hallways where we walk into new seasons—every corner of God’s house has something to show us.

Christmas Caroling
@ Normandie Ridge
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH @ 3:00 PM

We are planning to bring some Christmas cheer to Normandie Ridge Retirement Community with Christmas Caroling! It will be on Sunday, December 7th at 3 PM. You can either meet us there at 3 PM or you can meet to carpool at the church around 2:30 PM. Please indicate which option you'd like using the sign-up link below. We hope to see you there!

We also are in need of cookies placed in baggies in packs of 6. We would like only snickerdoodles, sugar cookies, or chocolate chip cookies. If you'd like to provide home-made cookies, you can sign up using the link below as well.

ttsu.me/caroling



Save the dates! Our Women's Daytreat at Mt. Zion will be on Saturday, January 31st, 2026 and the Women's Retreat at Camp Hebron will be Friday, May 15th-Sunday, May 17th, 2026! More information will be coming soon!

STEWARDSHIP REPORT 2025

2025 Stewardship Report YTD		
Total Income	Total Expenses	Diff
\$231,782.55	\$255,896.83	-(24,114.28)

Weekly Attendance	
Date	Attendance
October 19, 2025	63 (in-person) 53 (streaming)
October 26, 2025	66 (in-person) 59 (streaming)
November 2, 2025	77 (in-person) 37 (streaming)
November 9, 2025	74 (in-person) 48 (streaming)