

MT. ZION UCC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF 12.21.25

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

- December 21 (Su)

Fourth Sunday of Advent
Christmas Cantata
In-person & streaming worship , 9:45 AM
- December 23 (Tu)

Book Study in the Parlor, 10:00 AM
- December 24 (W)

Traditional Christmas Eve Service, 3:00 PM
Family Christmas Eve Service, 7:00 PM
Contemplative Christmas Eve Service, 10:00 PM
- December 25 (Th)

Church Office closed in observance of Christmas Day
- December 21 (Su)

First Sunday after Christmas
In-person & streaming worship , 9:45 AM

A reminder if you have pastoral care concerns outside of office hours to contact Travis Pinci directly at 717-324-8511 while Pastor Amy is on medical leave.

Christmas Eve Services
Yet in The Dark Streets Shineth



3:00 PM - Traditional Service
7:00 PM - Family Service
10:00 PM - Contemplative Service

Mt. Zion will once again be having 3 Christmas Eve services on Wednesday, December 24th. Our 3 PM is a traditional service, and often our most well-attended service. Our 7 PM is a family service with many of Mt. Zion's children and youth participating in the service! Our 10 PM service is a more contemplative and quiet service. We hope you will choose the service that is most comfortable for you as we celebrate the birth of our Savior!



SPONSORSHIP TREE



Available in back narthex
or call the church office



The annual sponsorship tree is up! These are gifts above and beyond your regular giving to support specific programs. You can simply take a leaf off the tree, sign it, and place it in the basket provided. You can also contact the church office if you'd like Travis to reserve a leaf for you.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY



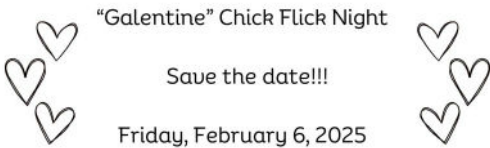
SUNDAY, JANUARY 18TH, 9:45 AM

CONTACT CHURCH OFFICE IF INTERESTED IN JOINING

Interested in becoming a member at Mt. Zion? Please contact the church office. We'd love to have you! Our next new member Sunday will be on Sunday, January 18th so please let us know if you'd like to join before then!

Please take a moment to sign the Christmas cards in the back narthex for our home-based members. They so enjoy receiving them!

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



Save the date for our next "Galentine" Movie Night on Friday, February 6th, 2026! We would love to have your input and suggestions for our movie! Contact Kathy Ensminger with ideas!



Women's "Daytreat"

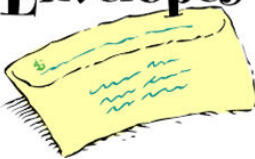
Saturday, January 31st (Time TBD)

Women's Retreat

Friday, May 15th-
Sunday, May 17th

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!

Offering
Envelopes



2026 Giving Envelopes are now available for the members who chose to receive numbered envelopes. They are located in the side narthex. PLEASE do not use them prior to 2026. If you do, the giving will be counted towards your 2025 giving total. The last day to contribute towards 2025 will be Sunday, December 28, 2025. The final deposit of the year will be made that day following the morning service. Any funds that arrive at the church after this date will post in 2026. If you have any questions, please contact Robin Schriver or Katrina Rhinehart. **Thank you!**

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Undergoing Treatment

Pat Cooper
Bill McMinn
Nancy Schwartz
Melody Stine

Recuperating

Dennis Hartman
Pastor Amy
Darren Schildt
Melody Stine
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. 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 Travis Pinci at 717-324-8511 while Pastor Amy is on medical leave.

MT. ZION MISSIONS



The Monthly Mission for December is the Christmas Fund. This fund has been caring for active and retired clergy and lay employees of the United Church of Christ for over 100 years, providing emergency grants, supplementation of small annuities and health premiums, and Christmas “Thank You” gift checks each December. Envelopes for these donations can be found in the pews.

Recent Monthly Mission Receipts

September— Olivia’s House	October— Pappus House/ Hospice and Community Care	November— Central Penn Food Bank (Military Share)
\$2,214.00	\$760.50 each (\$1,521.00 total)	\$2,655.00

STEWARDSHIP REPORT 2025

2025 Stewardship Report YTD		
Total Income	Total Expenses	Diff
\$286,365.95	\$287,129.32	-(\$763.37)

Weekly Attendance

Date	Attendance
November 23, 2025	75 (in-person) 48 (streaming)
November 30, 2025	59 (in-person) 63 (streaming)
December 7, 2025	69 (in-person) 37 (streaming)
December 14, 2025	Service cancelled due to inclement weather