

MT. ZION UCC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF 10.04.26

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

- October 4 (Su)

175th Anniversary Celebration Service, 9:45 AM  
175th Anniversary Luncheon, following the service
- October 6 (Tu)

Tuesday Book Study in the Parlor, 10:00 AM
- October 7 (W)

Ridgerunners in the Fellowship Hall/Presentation by Caitlyn Neff, 12:00 PM
- October 8 (Th)

Praise team practice in the sanctuary, 6:30 PM  
Worship choir practice in the choir room, 7:30 PM
- October 11 (Su)

In-person & streaming worship service, 9:45 AM  
Congregational meeting, following the service

*Pastor Amy will be out of the office from October 5th-13th for a time of boundary training and vacation. To be connected with emergency pastoral care in this time please contact the church office and Travis will connect you with our care coverage.*



We will be having the UCC Neighbors in Need special offering on Sunday, October 4th. Gifts to Neighbors in Need support the United Church of Christ’s ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). The other two-thirds of the offering support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, direct service projects, and grants. Neighbors in Need grants are annually awarded to UCC churches and organizations doing justice work in their communities.

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

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**  
**SUN. OCTOBER 11TH**  
**FOLLOWING WORSHIP**  
**IN THE SANCTUARY OR ON ZOOM**

To vote on side entrance repair

We will be having a congregational meeting following our 9:45 AM service on Sunday, October 11th. This will be to discuss approving a proposal to repair the cracks in our side entrance. Copies of the proposal will be available prior to the meeting.

Thank you so much for your time in ensuring we continue to maintain our beloved church. If you would like to participate on Zoom, please sign up below so we can send you the Zoom link.

[ttsu.me/congmeeting](https://ttsu.me/congmeeting)

MT. ZION MISSIONS



Our October mission is Hospice & Community Care/Pappus House which are dedicated to providing care and comfort to help patients and families live better at the end of life. Thank you for your support!

STEWARDSHIP REPORT 2026

| 2026 Stewardship Report YTD |                |                |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Total Income                | Total Expenses | Diff           |
| \$193,167.46                | \$223,084.80   | \$(-29,917.34) |

Weekly Attendance

| Date                                                           | Attendance                       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| September 6, 2026                                              | 59 (in-person)<br>37 (streaming) |
| September 13, 2026                                             | 45 (in-person)<br>34 (streaming) |
| September 20, 2026                                             | 72 (in-person)<br>41 (streaming) |
| September 27, 2026/No streaming, picnic with Mt. Zion Lutheran | 65 (at the picnic)               |

# MT. ZION UCC UPCOMING EVENTS & MINISTRIES 10/4/26



October Sunday Funday



October 18<sup>th</sup>  
1:00-2:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall



Sign up: [ttsu.me/sundayfunday](https://ttsu.me/sundayfunday)

October's Sunday Funday will be on October 18th at 1:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. You can sign up using the link below:

[ttsu.me/sundayfunday](https://ttsu.me/sundayfunday)

This year we will be celebrating imagination, wonder, and play as we use the works of Dr. Suess to illuminate the Bible! We hope you will join us!!!



October Youth Group



October 25<sup>th</sup>  
Following Trunk-or-Treat (around 6:00 PM)  
[ttsu.me/youthgroupoctobre](https://ttsu.me/youthgroupoctobre)



October 17<sup>th</sup>  
Selling pretzels at Oktoberfest  
[ttsu.me/pretzelsale](https://ttsu.me/pretzelsale)

Youth group has a busy October! First, on Saturday, October 17th, we need youth volunteers to sell soft pretzels as a youth fundraiser. You can sign up using the link below,

[ttsu.me/pretzelsale](https://ttsu.me/pretzelsale)

Then on Sunday, October 25th, following Trunk-or-Treat they will have a time of Fellowship and fun! You can sign up using the link below!

[ttsu.me/youthgroupoctober](https://ttsu.me/youthgroupoctober)

## Oktoberfest

Saturday, October 17, 2026

11 AM- 2 PM



Now accepting donations for the cash and carry sale!

Volunteers and donations needed!

Food and fun for the whole family!

Oktoberfest is back on Saturday, October 17th from 11:00 AM—2:00 PM! Join us for delicious food, desserts (including famous apple dumplings), chicken corn soup, a cash and carry sale, and lots of good conversation and fun!



Scary? Silly? Whimsical?

We can't wait to see how you'll decorate your trunk for this year's Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 25 from 5-6 p.m! Awards will be given to the best trunk displays (as voted on by attending families) and to two young trunk or treaters!

We'll provide packaged snacks and popcorn this year, but not hotdogs. If you choose to share goodies with the trunk or treaters, please select those that are individually packaged and without nuts or nut byproducts. Thank you!

You can sign up in the weekly e-mails or by calling the church office.

# MT. ZION UCC UPCOMING EVENTS/MINISTRIES 10.04.26



There is always room at God's table. Join us this fall as we gather around stories from across Scripture and discover tables of hospitality, love, grace, peace, and joy, where strangers become neighbors, scarcity becomes abundance, and everyone is invited to pull up a chair.



Food has a way of carrying memories from one generation to the next. On November 1, bring a dish connected to someone you love: a family recipe, a favorite food, or something that brings their story to mind. We'll share a meal together, along with the stories, memories, and people who have fed us, loved us, and shaped our lives.



As we begin a year of marking life by God's time, we are reminded that Advent is a season of waiting. We remember a world longing for the Christ Child even as we still yearn for Christ to come among us today. This Advent, we'll resist the rush toward Christmas and learn to wait on God's time, trusting that even in the *not yet*, God is already drawing near.



## Intergenerational Advent Dinner & Learning

**Wednesday, December 2 • 5:30–7:00 PM**

**What makes Advent Advent?** Why do we wait? Why blue? And what does any of it have to do with how we follow Jesus? As we begin a year of rediscovering the rhythms of the church calendar, all ages are invited to gather around the table for dinner, laughter, learning, and a little creating. **Bring a dish to share for our potluck dinner**, and together we'll explore the season of Advent and make an Advent time-keeper to help us mark the days as we wait for Christmas.