

This Week at Mount Zion

Sunday: (10/3)

8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

12:15 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

World Communion Sunday

Morning Worship Services

Coffee & Fellowship for Everyone--FH

Sunday School

Acolyte Training--Fellowship Hall

Inspiration Station--Chapel

United Methodist Youth Fellowship

Handbells—Sanctuary

Monday: (10/4)

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

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Cub Scouts--Upstairs Classrooms

Children's Ministries--Chapel

Youth Council--Share & Care

Fellowship Hall--Reserved

Tuesday: (10/5)

10:00 a.m.

6:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Exercise—Narthex

Adult Christmas Play Practice--Sanctuary

Alleluia Choir--Sanctuary

Cub & Boy Scouts

Wednesday: (10/6)

7:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

6:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

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Prayer Meeting--FH

Exercise--Narthex

Prayer Meeting--Parlor

Venture Crew--FH

Adult Choir--Chapel

Cub Scout Family Orientation--Sanctuary

Thursday: (10/7)

7:00 p.m.

Exercise --Narthex

Friday: (10/8)

10:00 a.m.

Exercise--Narthex

Saturday: (10/9)

2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Yam Jam

Fellowship Hall--Reserved

Sunday: (10/10)

7:00 a.m.

8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

12:15 p.m.

3:00 p.m.

4:15 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

7:15 p.m.

United Methodist Men--Fellowship Hall

Morning Worship Services

Coffee & Fellowship for Everyone--FH

Sunday School

Discovering Church Membership--FH

God & Me--Upstairs Classroom

God & Family--Upstairs Classroom

Inspiration Station--Chapel

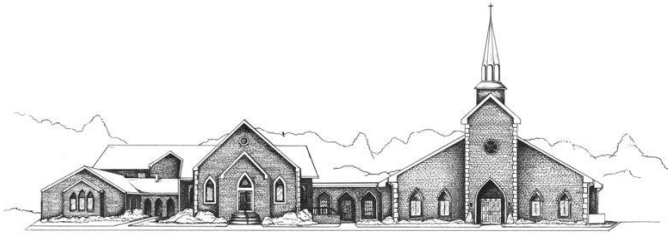
United Methodist Youth Fellowship

Handbells—Sanctuary

Venturing Advisory Team--Classroom

Mount Zion

United Methodist Church



Calling People Higher

Leonard Rex, Lead Pastor
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Worship Service: 8:30 a.m.
Coffee & Fellowship For Everyone: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service: 11:00 a.m.
Inspiration Station: 5:00 p.m.

Welcome!

If this is your first visit, please stop by
the guest assistance table. You are
always welcome at Mount Zion.



*Making disciples of Jesus Christ for
the transformation of the world.*

Order of Worship
October 3, 2010
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Welcome

***Opening Hymn**.....UMH 144
“This Is My Father’s Word”

***Opening Prayer**

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Offering of God’s Tithes and Our Gifts

***Offertory**

***Doxology**

Father, we adore you, lay our lives before you; how we love you.
Jesus, we adore you, lay our lives before you; how we love you.
Spirit, we adore you, lay our lives before you; how we love you.
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***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Anthem.....Adult Choir
“Come to the Feast”

Children’s Time

(Children 4 through 8 years old may leave for Children’s Church at this time.)

Announcements

Missions Moment: 20th Annual Yam Jam

Sermon.....Pastor Leonard
Having Faith in the Midst of Financial Crisis

Communion.....UMH 9

***Closing Hymns**

“Something Beautiful”.....UMH 394
“Through It All”.....UMH 507

October Missions Focus: 20th Annual Yam Jam

The Yam Jam will be held on Saturday, October 9th. You can make a difference by helping glean sweet potatoes for hungry people in Johnston County. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Lisa Blauvelt at 662-1578.

Children's coloring contest sheets are in the narthex, on the Children's Ministries bulletin board by the Nursery, and at Inspiration Station. Entries can be turned in to Pastor Kim or to the church office by Sunday, October 24th. Winners of three age groups (0-2, 3-5, 6+) will be announced at Inspiration Station on Sunday, October 31st.

The **Bible Seekers** Sunday School Class is invited to Joy Crow's home at 3012 Austin Dr., Garner, this Saturday, October 9th, at 11 am.

All men are invited to **United Methodist Men** next Sunday, October 10th, at 7 am in the Fellowship Hall. Come for breakfast, fellowship, devotion and prayer.

If you are interested learning more about Mount Zion or interested in joining the church, **Discovering Church Membership** will be held on Sunday, October 10th, at 12:15 pm. A light lunch will be served. Child Care can be provided upon request. Please contact the Church Office to sign-up by Thursday, October 7th. New Member Sunday will be held on October 24th.

Mount Zion's **Christmas Bazaar** is on Saturday, November 6th, from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm, in the fellowship hall. Vendor tables are available for \$25 each and forms are located on the Family Ministries bulletin board and on our church website.

Children's Ministries has a **Parent's Newsletter** that is emailed weekly. If you would like to sign-up to receive it, please contact Kim Stephenson at pastor.kim@mountzion-umc.org or 772-8415.

CAFÉ is a ministry enjoyed by all, and is a great way to welcome visitors to Mount Zion. Coffee, creamer, and sweeteners are provided. Host/Hostess' set-up, provide snacks and clean-up. CAFÉ is from 9:30 to 10:00 am. Volunteers are needed for October 10, 17, 24 and 31. Please sign-up in the kitchen.

"Pray for Cleveland" is a ministry that seeks to lift up the teachers/staff at Cleveland Elementary through prayer and encouragement. If you would like to be a prayer partner and be paired one-on-one with a teacher (or would like more information), please contact Janet Wehrle (janet@davidandjanet.net) or Carolyn Tolbert (thetolberts@embarqmail.com).

My Life and Financial Goals Worksheet

How would you define or describe your life purpose?

What are three goals that can help you to achieve this life purpose?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

What are some financial goals that can help to support your life goals and purpose?

Short-term financial goals (next 12 months):

- 1.
- 2.

Mid-range financial goals (2–5 years):

- 1.
- 2.

Long-term financial goals (5 years to retirement):

- 1.
- 2.

Spending Percentages Worksheet

Item	Actual %	Suggested %*
Housing		25–35%
Transportation		10–15%
Charitable Gifts		10–12%
Food		5–15%
Saving		5–10%
Utilities		5–10%
Medical/Health		5–10%
Debt		5–10%
Clothing		2–7%
Miscellaneous		12–23%

*These percentages are adapted from Dave Ramsey's *The Total Money Makeover* (Thomas Nelson, 2007).

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Trinity Chime Benediction

Postlude

*Indicates congregation standing (those who are able).

Join us in worship during October for a sermon series entitled, *Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity*. Our nation is experiencing what many have described as the "American Nightmare." Over the next few weeks we will explore what the Bible teaches us about financial management. You will go home with some practical tools you can use to assess your financial situation and develop a financial plan with a biblical foundation. **Celebration Sunday is on October 31st** and we will have the opportunity to make personal commitments of our offerings to God through our church in the coming year. We will center our worship on what God has done through Mount Zion in the past year and casting vision for what he wants us to do in the year ahead.

*Flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to Glorify God and in memory of **Peter Bonavita** by Jan Bonavita.*



Christian love & sympathy is expressed to the family of Howard "Preston" Godwin

We publish our current, complete prayer list in our newsletter each month. Every Sunday new prayer requests are put in the bulletin so that you can add them to your list. If you would like to add someone to our prayer list or make a confidential prayer request, you can fill out a blue prayer card. If there is anyone who can be taken off our current prayer list, please fill out a card, call or email the office.

Prayer list: Dorothy Jameson, Tim Cowell, Dillon Stewart, Ron McQueary, Billy Pitman

Worship Assistants

Counters: Paul Barbour, Rex Spivey.(8:30) Don Maynard, Tony Hewett.....(11:00)
Acolytes: Brendan Boyd, Emma Ausley.....(8:30)
.....(11:00)
Greeters The John Boyd Family ...(8:30) Open.....(11:00)

Today is **World Communion Sunday**. Special offering envelopes are located in the Narthex. Your gift provides college scholarships for racial- and ethnic-minority students in the United States and for international students. Please make your check out to Mount Zion UMC and in the memo note "World Communion Sunday."

ENOUGH Joy through Simplicity and Generosity

Part 1: Having Faith in the Midst of Financial Crisis

The current economic crisis is also a crisis of faith.

"This is what the LORD says— Israel's King and Redeemer, the LORD Almighty: ...All who make idols are nothing, and the things they treasure are worthless. ...The carpenter measures with a line and makes an outline with a marker.... He shapes it in the form of man, of man in all his glory, that it may dwell in a shrine. He cut down cedars, or perhaps took a cypress or oak. ...It is man's fuel for burning; some of it he takes and warms himself, he kindles a fire and bakes bread. But he also fashions a god and worships it.... Half of the wood he burns in the fire; over it he prepares his meal, he roasts his meat and eats his fill. ...From the rest he makes a god, his idol.... He prays to it and says, "Save me; you are my god." ...No one stops to think... "Half of it I used for fuel; I even baked bread over its coals, I roasted meat and I ate. ... Shall I bow down to a block of wood?" ...A deluded heart misleads him; he cannot save himself, or say, "Is not this thing in my right hand a lie?"—Isaiah 44:6-20 (NIV)

➤ Credit comes from the Latin word *credo*, which means, "I _____" or "I _____."

Despite the circumstances we need not fear, for God is our refuge and strength:

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.—Isaiah 41:10 (NIV)

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea....—Psalm 46:1-2 (NIV)

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? ...But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."—Matthew 6:25, 33 (NIV) [See also Psalm 121:1-2; Matthew 14:27; Philippians 4:6-7]

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.—1 Timothy 6:17 (NIV)

- We must not allow ourselves to be controlled by fear, because we have faith in the only One who actually is “_____”.

The American Dream can become the American Nightmare due to two illnesses that impact us financially and spiritually.

1) Affluenza

- The average American home went from _____ square feet in 1973 to _____ square feet in 2004.
- Today there is estimated to be almost _____ square feet of self-storage space in America.

2) Credit-itis

- Average credit card debt in America in 1990 was around \$_____. Today it's over \$_____.
- The average sale is around _____ % higher if we use a credit card than if we pay cash.

Next the devil took him to the peak of a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. “I will give it all to you,” he said, “if you will kneel down and worship me.” “Get out of here, Satan,” Jesus told him. “For the Scriptures say, ‘You must worship the Lord your God and serve only him.’”—Matthew 4:8-10 (NLT) [See also Luke 8:14; Mark 8:36; 1 Timothy 6:10]

Some simple (not necessarily easy) practical steps:

- 1) Refuse to be manipulated by the voices constantly saying you need _____.
- 2) Live counter-culturally by living _____, not above them.
- 3) Build into your budget the money to _____ instead of credit.
- 4) Build into your budget what you need to be able to live _____.

Next week: *Pairing Wisdom with Wealth*