This Week at Mount Zion

Today: (7/10)	
7:00 a.m.	United Methodist Men's Breakfast--FH
8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Services
9:30 a.m.	Coffee & Fellowship for Everyone--FH
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
5:00 p.m.	United Methodist Youth Fellowship--FH
6:30 p.m.	Administrative Council Meeting--Sanctuary
Monday: (7/11)	
6:00 p.m.	VBS light supper--Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.	VBS Opening--Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	VBS Preschoolers Opening--Chapel
Tuesday: (7/12)	
10:00 a.m.	Exercise--Narthex
6:00 p.m.	VBS light supper--Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.	VBS Opening--Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	VBS Preschoolers Opening--Chapel
Wednesday: (7/13)	
7:00 a.m.	Prayer Meeting--Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	VBS light supper--Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.	VBS Opening--Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	VBS Preschoolers Opening--Chapel
Thursday: (7/14)	
6:00 p.m.	VBS light supper--Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.	VBS Opening--Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	VBS Preschoolers Opening--Chapel
Friday: (7/15)	
10:00 a.m.	Exercise-- Narthex
6:00 p.m.	VBS light supper--Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.	VBS Opening--Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	VBS Preschoolers Opening--Chapel
Saturday: (7/16)	
9:00 a.m.	Senior Citizen Brunch--FH
Sunday: (7/17)	*Youth Missions Trip to Atlanta*
8:30 a.m.	Worship Service
9:30 a.m.	Coffee & Fellowship for Everyone--FH
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	VBS Musical at Worship Service Followed by covered dish lunch--FH
5:00 p.m.	No Youth Fellowship
6:00 p.m.	Venturing Advisory--Share & Care Classroom

For up-to-date information on Mount Zion's activities or to check availability for meetings & events, log on to our website: www.mountzion-umc.org

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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.

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
July 10, 2011
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Welcome

Opening Hymn…….. ……..…TFWS 2074
"Shout to the Lord"

***Opening Prayer**

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Offering of God's Tithes and Our Gifts

***Offertory** *"Prelude" with "You Raise Me Up"*

***Doxology**. …….…….UMH 147

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful: the Lord God made them all.
God gives us in Christ Jesus all that we really need.
We trust in his provision and praise his gracious deeds.
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***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Special Music……..……Ross Williams
"If That Don't Make You Want To Go"

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

Announcements

Mission's Moment: Haiti

Intercessory Prayer

The Lord's Prayer …….……..…..…..UMH 895

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Kingdom of the Son - *A Prayer Safari*, Vacation Bible School, will begin this Monday, July 11, through Friday, July 15th for 3 year olds through rising 8th graders. A light supper will be served at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall and VBS will begin at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary and end at 8:45 pm. The closing musical will be held next Sunday, July 17th, at the 11:00 am Worship Service, followed by a covered dish lunch in the Fellowship Hall. **Sign-up** for Mount Zion's VBS in the Narthex. Registration will be held each night in the Narthex. After dinner, children that are registered can be dropped off with their teachers in the Sanctuary. Please drop-off and pick-up your **preschoolers** from their teacher in the Chapel.

The **Senior Brunch** will be held this Saturday, **July 16th**, at 9 am, in the Fellowship Hall. All senior citizens are invited! This event is hosted by the Stevens/Lane Circle. If you would like to help with the brunch, or need a ride, please contact Amanda Carroll at 772-8965 or Kim Carroll at 779-3693.

There will be a **Summer Bash** for all new high school graduates, current college students and any other high school graduates up to the age of 22 on Friday, July 22nd, at 7 pm under the Lord's Shelter. For questions, please contact Myrtle Earley at 779-5280.

On Sunday, July 24th, Greg Jenks, Founder of ZOE Ministries, will speak at the 8:30 & 11:00 am Worship Services. Also, during Sunday School for the youth and adults, he will give a presentation on ZOE Ministries in the Sanctuary.

Everyone is invited to a **Wedding Shower for Zackary Stephenson & Caroline Gallo** on Sunday, July 31st, from 2 to 4 pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Given by family & friends.

Altar Flowers are available through August. Each arrangement is $44 and can be taken home after the 11 am Worship Service. Flowers left after Sunday will be recycled for the Narthex arrangement the following Sunday. Checks can be made out to "Mount Zion UMC" and in the memo, note "flowers" and place it in the offering plate.

CAFÉ Host/Hostesses are needed on Sunday's through August. Please sign-up in the kitchen. This is a great way that we can welcome our visitors. CAFÉ is from 9:30 to 10:00 am in our Fellowship Hall

New Mount Zion Logo shirts are now on sale during CAFÉ, in the Fellowship Hall. You can buy T-shirts for $10. There are golf shirts and dress shirts that can be purchased or ordered.

Mount Zion is now accepting applications for a part-time office assistant. Applications are located in the Narthex. Completed applications can be turned in to the Church office.

Climbing Guide

Suggestions for going further with today's theme.

Thinking about the Theme

- Do you have any funny fly stories?
- What is something you really hate to smell? Why?

Getting into God's Word

- Read Ephesians 4:17-5:20.
- What contrasts are made between a pagan lifestyle and a Christian lifestyle in verses 4:17-4:24? In verses 4:25-5:4?
- What is involved in putting on and taking off (verses 4:22-24)?
- According to this passage of Scripture, can someone know Christ yet not change his behavior?
- How is "foolish talk and course joking" (verse 5:11) different from a funny story or good joke? How are the "fruitless deeds of darkness" different from good clean fun?

Getting God's Word into Our Lives

- What is one way you have seen the contrast of the "old" and the "new" in your life? What piece of "old life" clothing seems to cling to you still?
- What are some of the positive and negative motivations that prompt you to live the Christian life?
- Explain the difference between sin with repentance and living in sin. How does God respond to each?
- Does your life give off the fragrance of Christ? Is that fragrance tainted by the rotten smell of rebellion?

Praying about It

- Make it your regular habit to ask the Holy Spirit to search your heart for sin and to reveal it to you.
- Confess, repent of, and renounce any sin he exposes.

Doing Something to Make It Stick

- Try to imagine things that you interact with this week covered with flies (toothbrush, food, pillow, desk, seat, etc.). Then consider the consequences of on-going sin to your testimony and relationship with God.

***Hymn of Preparation**……..…UMH 400

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Sermon……..…….……Pastor Leonard Rex

Fly Away

***Closing Hymn**….....…….....…UMH 373

"Nothing Between"

(You may come to the altar rail to pray, receive prayer or be anointed with oil for healing.)

***Dismissal with Blessing**

***Trinity Chime Benediction**

Postlude *"God, My Strong Salvation"*

*Indicates congregation standing (those who are able).

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: Janice Tart, Kaylee Scott, Doris Ellington, O'Neita Creech, Sandra Price

Worship Assistants

Counters: Kim Andrews, Rex Spivey….(8:30) Alfred Taylor, Tony Hewett.....(11:00)

Acolytes: Riley Andrews, Stephanie Wilson, Cassidy Wilson…..…….(8:30)
Wade Eatmon, Jacob Nobling, Kati Nobling…….……..….(11:00)

Prayers and sympathy to ***Ligia Richards*** *and the entire family in the death of her husband, William "Bill" Richards*

July's **Administrative Council Meeting** will be held today at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary.

VBS Postcard Invitations are located in the Narthex and the Fellowship Hall. Please take some to invite your neighbors, friends, family & co-workers! Help us to reach out to the children in our community!

August Newsletter items are due to the Church Office on July 21st.

Summer Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 7 to 9 am and 5 to 7 pm. Friday 7 am to 2 pm. You can contact Marilyn at 630-3514.

Animal Academy

Part 6: *Fly Away*

Is there any animal more universally annoying than the fly?

> *A thick swarm of flies filled Pharaoh's palace and the houses of his officials. The whole land of Egypt was thrown into chaos by the flies.*–Exodus 8:24 (NLT)

> *Then Moses told them, "Do not keep any of it until morning." But some of them didn't listen and kept some of it until morning. But by then it was full of maggots and had a terrible smell. Moses was very angry with them.*–Exodus 16: 19 (NLT)

> *As dead flies cause even a bottle of perfume to stink, so a little foolishness spoils great wisdom and honor.*–Ecclesiastes 10:1 (NLT)

Our lives as followers of Christ should influence those around us like a pleasant smell.

> *But thank God! He has made us his captives and continues to lead us along in Christ's triumphal procession. Now he uses us to spread the knowledge of Christ everywhere, like a sweet perfume. Our lives are a Christ-like fragrance rising up to God.*–2 Corinthians 2:14-15 (NLT)

> *Imitate God, therefore, in everything you do, because you are his dear children. Live a life filled with love, following the example of Christ. He loved us and offered himself as a sacrifice for us, a pleasing aroma to God.*
>
> *Let there be no sexual immorality, impurity, or greed among you.…*
>
> *Don't be fooled by those who try to excuse these sins, for the anger of God will fall on all who disobey him. …For once you were full of darkness, but now you have light from the Lord. So live as people of light! For this light within you produces only what is good and right and true.*–Ephesians 5:1-9 (NLT) [See also 1 Corinthians 5:1-11; Galatians 5:13-25; 1 John 3:4-10]

Do I have flies stinking up my testimony?

1) Temptation without sin is like having a fly land on my bottle of perfume, but I _____ it away.

2) Sin with repentance is like having a dead fly drop onto my bottle, and I _____ it out.

3) Living in sin is like frequently adding dead flies to my bottle and letting them _____, because I don't really care.

God looks at these three interactions very differently.

1) God desperately wants to help me _____ temptation and avoid sin.

   No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.–1 Corinthians 10:13 (NIV) [See also Matthew 6:13]

2) God is eager to _____ me and restore me when I repent of my sin.

   Return to the Lord your God, for he is merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love. He is eager to relent and not punish.–Joel 2:13 (NLT) [See also Hosea 14:1-4; Hebrews 8:12; James 5:14-16; 1 John 1:5-9]

3) God is _____ by my on-going rebellion.

   If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, but only a fearful expectation of judgment….–Hebrews 10:26-27 (NIV) [See also Proverbs 29:1; Jeremiah 5:7-9; Hebrews 3:13; Hebrews 12:5-6; 1 John 2:3-6]

Fly control tips:

- Stay in touch with the Spirit and pay attention to his _____.
- Act _____ when you realize you have sinned.
- Repent _____ and seriously.
- Take steps to _____ re-infestation.