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Bartow given by Joe and Cathy Boyd



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This Week at Mount Zion

Sunday: (9/25)

8:30

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

4:45 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

Monday: (9/26)

7:00 p.m.

Tuesday: (9/27)

7:00 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

Wednesday: (9/28)

7:00 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:50 p.m.

Saturday: (10/1)

9:00 a.m.

Sunday: (10/2)

8:15, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

9:15 a.m.

9:45 a.m.

12:15 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

New Member Sunday

Worship Service--Sanctuary

CAFÉ--Fellowship Hall

Sunday School

Homecoming Worship Service

Followed by covered dish lunch--FH

Youth to See You at the Pole Rally

Handbells--Sanctuary

Cub Scouts--Upstairs Classrooms

UMM Golf Tournament--Fishers of Men

Boy Scouts--Fellowship Hall

Prayer Meeting--Parlor

Alleluia choir--Chapel

Prayer Meeting--Parlor

Adult Choir--Chapel

Cub Scout Pack Meeting--Sanctuary

Venturing Crew--Fellowship Hall

Christmas Cantata Practice--Chapel

Harvest Day Sale

Communion

Worship Services--Sanctuary

CAFÉ--Fellowship Hall

Sunday School

Acolyte Training & Lunch--FH

United Methodist Youth Fellowship

Handbells--Sanctuary

Sign Language Class--Chapel

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.

New Service Times Next Week:
Worship Services: 8:15, 9:30, & 11:00 a.m.
CAFÉ 9:15-9:45 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45

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

Order of Worship
September 25, 2011
8:30 a.m.

Welcome

Opening Hymn.....UMH 130
“God Will Take Care of You”

***Opening Prayer**

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

***Testimonies to God’s Work through Mount Zion**

***Offering of God’s Tithes and Our Gifts**

***Offertory** *“Come Thou Font of Every Blessing”*

***Doxology:** UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise God, all creatures here below
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu---ia!

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Anthem.....Adult Choir
“Gloryland Medley”

Children’s Time

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

Announcements

Reception of New Members: *Jan & Paul Julian, Sandi Loureiro*

***Hymn of Preparation**.....UMH 377
“It is Well With My Soul”

Sermon..... Pastor Carley
“Water From The Rock:” Living Water in the Desert Places

***Closing Hymn**.....Projected
“I Hunger & I Thirst”

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

*A plaque has been placed in the Narthex in recognition
of a gift to the building fund in memory of*
REBECCA CARROLL BENNETT

1928 - 2011

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PARKER RAPHUS COATS

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Mount Zion's Mother's Morning Out Program is meeting weekly from 9 am to 1 pm, for children 18 months through 5 years. Applications are located in the Narthex and on the Church Website. If you have any questions, please contact: Wendy Hewett at 612-0995 or wendy@hewettproperties.com.

Family Ministries' **Annual Christmas Bazaar** will be held on Saturday, November 5th, from 8:30 to 1:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall & the Chapel. Vendor tables are \$25.00. Forms are located in the Fellowship Hall on the Family Ministries Bulletin Board. You can turn in your completed form and fee to the Church Office. Tables are limited.

The Evangelism Team is collecting **Recipes for Mount Zion's Cookbook**. With all the culinary talent among us, it is sure to be a successful project. Place your favorite recipes in the designated basket in the Narthex or email them to Donna Dyer at ddyer1234@aol.com

A reception will be held for the **Equestrian Special Olympics** on October 1st. If you would like to help or donate bake goods or snacks, please contact Donna Dyer at 772-9689.

Youth Fall Retreat has been scheduled for October 7th - 8th in Ashboro, NC. The cost will be around \$50.00 per person. The more we have to sign up, the less it will cost individually. We need adult chaperones to participate. **Today is the last day to sign-up** on the youth bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. We will have a guest worship leader for the weekend who you do not want to miss. **Please bring your friends!** For questions please contact Pastor Carley at 772-8415.

Youth Mission Trip to Jamaica...don't forget completed applications are due **today** at Youth Group.

The Acolyte Training will be next *Sunday, October 2nd*, after the 11 am Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall. Child and family will meet after the service in the Fellowship Hall for a light lunch, followed by training which will end at 2:30 pm. New Acolytes need to be at least 5 years old and able to remain quietly seated for the entire service through 12th grade. Training is needed for acolytes changing levels or need a refresher. Sign-up on the list shelves on the left in the Narthex today or contact Melissa Cupit at 300-1401 or mdcupit@aol.com by September 29th.

October's Fellowship Dinner will be held on Saturday, October 8th, at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Families with the last name beginning with C, F, I, L, O, R, U, & X are encouraged to attend! Everyone has enjoyed the great food and getting to know new people and having time to catch-up with those they know. Please bring your family and a dish or two to share! Tea, coffee & water will be provided.

The **21st Annual YAM JAM** will be held on Saturday, October 15th, from 8 am to 1:30 pm. We will be picking sweet potatoes near Four Oaks, in Johnston County. Please contact Lisa Blauvelt at 819-8108 to register.

Youth Pilgrimage will be held on November 11-13, in Fayetteville, NC. The sign-up sheet is on the Youth Bulletin Board in the Fellowship Hall. A non-refundable deposit of \$20 is due by Sunday, October 17th. Youth in grades 6-12 are encouraged to attend. Adult chaperones are also needed! Please contact Pastor Carley at 772-8415.

The **Good Samaritan's Annual Oyster Roast** will be held on Saturday, November 5th, beginning at 5:30 pm under the shelter & Fellowship Hall. They also serve "peel & eat shrimp", hot dogs for the kids and clam chowder and chili beans for any of you who don't enjoy the seafood. Suggested donation is *\$20 per person for seafood eaters and \$10 per person for non-seafood eaters*. Please make your check out to the "Good Sam's Class" and put "Oyster Roast" in the memo and place it in the offering plate by Sunday, October 30th. Please bring a dessert if you can. There will be activities for the kids. Proceeds go to their Christmas Family Fund.

Everyone is invited to a "**Baby Boy**" Shower for Ricky Council & Annie Morris on Saturday, October 15th, from 2 to 4 pm in the Fellowship Hall, given by family & friends.

Dismissal with Blessing

*Trinity Chime Benediction

Postlude “O, For A Thousand Tongues to Sing”

*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: Barbara Ennis, Peggy Vaughan, Keith Shannon, Vicky Mather, Tom, George Stafford, Maverine Edwards

Worship Assistants

Counters: Greg Burns, Allen Dyer.....(8:30)

Acolytes: Megan King, Lauren King.....(8:30)

Missions Focus for September is *Military Care Packages:* *Today is the last day to donate items.* Donations can be placed on the designated shelves in the Narthex.

Mount Zion’s Harvest Day Sale will be held this Saturday, October 1st in the Fellowship Hall. Doors open at 9 am, and the auction begins at 10 am. Donations of baked goods, canned goods, hand-crafted and other items are needed for the auction and can be left in the Fellowship Hall on Friday. Breakfast and lunch items will be for sale. Proceeds will benefit the Church Building Fund. For any questions, please contact Mike Stewart at 427-6875.

Mount Zion’s Annual Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, October 7th, at 12 noon, at the Raleigh Golf Association, located on Tryon Road, in Raleigh. You can sign up to donate snacks, goodies and bottled water on the sign-up list in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to volunteer at the tournament contact Casey at 772-6688 or crooklynbi@att.net. Sponsor & Team Forms are online, in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall.

Family Ministries is sponsoring **2nd Girls Night Out!** Chonda Pierce will be at Kings Park International Church in Durham on Friday, October 7th, at 7 pm. If you would like to go, please e-mail Shelia Brookover @ sbrookover@nc.rr.com, or call 919-894-3595. If we get a group of 10 more the tickets will only be \$17.00 each, otherwise they will be \$23.00. Tickets will be going on sale soon!

Water From The Rock: Living Water in the Desert Places



The whole Israelite community set out from the Desert of Sin, traveling from place to place as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. So they quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink."

Moses replied, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you put the Lord to the test?"

But the people were thirsty for water there, and they grumbled against Moses. They said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to make us and our children and livestock die of thirst?"

Then Moses cried out to the Lord, "What am I to do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me."

The Lord answered Moses, "Walk on ahead of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink." So Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel.

Exodus 17:1-6 (NIV)

What we learn from this story:

- 1) We _____ because we fill ourselves with things that cannot satisfy.
- 2) Our failure to see _____ clouds our judgment.
- 3) When we put our trust in God alone, we are _____ with living water.
- 4) When we ask for help, God answers in _____ ways.

Climbing Guide

Suggestions for going further with today's theme.



Thinking about the Theme

- Describe a time when you've placed hope in something other than God.
- Describe a time when God has met your needs in ways you didn't expect.

Getting into God's Word

- Read Exodus 17:1-7
- Why did the Israelites complain?
- When did God respond?
- What did Moses do about God's response?

Getting God's Word into Our Lives

- How does our attitude effect our relationship with God?
- What is your reaction when you encounter desert places in your life?
- Have you encountered God's living water in your life? Has this living water changed anything in your life?

Praying about It

- Consider times where you have depended on something other than God to satisfy your thirst. Ask forgiveness for times when you've doubted his power, and give thanks for his care for our needs

Doing Something to Make It Stick

- Put a rock in a place you will see it often this week. Every time you pass it, touch it and consider times when God has provided for your basic needs.

Next Week: "*Calling People Higher*"
Part 1: Progress through Prayer