

COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT AND BREAKFAST



WHERE: EAST PROSPECT COMMUNITY HALL

28 W MAPLE ST

SPONSORED BY ZION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WHEN: SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH

TIME: 9:00 AM

ALL AGE CHILDREN THROUGH FIFTH GRADE ARE WELCOME

BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED AT 9AM, WITH VARIOUS EASTER ACTIVITIES TO FOLLOW, FINISHING WITH AN EGG HUNT. CHILDREN SHOULD BRING THEIR

BASKETS TO COLLECT



EGGS

Pre-registration is suggested, either by calling our church office between 8AM and Noon (Monday-Friday) or on our website: www.EPZion.org

March 2015 Ministries & Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:00 AM Bells of Zion 9:00 AM New Song & Sunday School 10:05 AM Connect Cafe 10:30 AM Traditional Worship	2	3 12:30-2:30 PM Quilting	4 5:15 PM Children's Choir 6:00 PM Prayer Meeting 6:45 PM Adult Choir	5 1:30 PM Released Time	6	7
8 Food Bank 7:30 AM Men of Zion 8:00 AM Bells of Zion 9:00 AM New Song & Sunday School 10:05 AM Connect Cafe 10:30 AM Traditional Worship 6:00 PM Youth Fellowship	9 7:00 PM Ministries Council	10 12:30-2:30 PM Quilting	11 5:15 PM Children's Choir 6:00 PM Prayer Meeting 6:45 PM Adult Choir 7:35 PM Praise Team # 2	12	13	14
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Sunday School & Worship Schedule

Connect Café

There is a time each Sunday morning when our church gathers for fellowship. Have you come to the Connect Café yet? Sunday mornings from 10:05 – 10:20am have a time of informal sharing around hot and cold drinks and a snack. This is a time for people who go to Sunday School, New Song and Traditional Worship to meet and greet each other.

- March 1-** Mindy Barshinger & Mary Anne King
- March 8-** Christine Miller & Mary Jo Hazell
- March 15-** Lindy Holzer & Peggy Horst
- March 22-** Andrea Gemmill & Michele Farleman
- March 29-** Sue Marks & Jane Haines

Traditional Nursery

- March 1-** Mary Anne King & Cynthia Silar
- March 8-** Laurie Herbst & Vicki Webb
- March 15-** Janay & Matt DiBerardino
- March 22-** Marie Rose & Sherri Massa
- March 29-** Karen Carroll & Tami Morningstar

Children's Worship Program

- March 1- Little Lambs:** Laurie Herbst & Gerri Howell
- March 8- KWH:** Terri Mellinger, Sherri & Lydia Massa
- March 15- Little Lambs:** Laurie Herbst & Gerri Howell
- March 22- KWH:** Terri Mellinger, Sherri & Lydia Massa
- March 29-** Children worship with parents

Sunday School Nursery

- March 1-** Gerri Howell
- March 8-** Andrea Gemmill
- March 15-** Laurie Herbst
- March 22-** Mindy Barshinger
- March 29-** Jane Haines

Acolytes

- March 1-** Emma Dosch
- March 8-** Lance Altland
- March 15-** Megan DiBerardino
- March 22-** Ashley Morris
- March 29-** Abigail Livingston

Sunday School Adult Lecture

- March 1-** Jeff Miller
- March 8-** David Massa
- March 15-** Terri Mellinger
- March 22-** Elaine Hengst
- March 29-** Cynthia Silar

Liturgist

- March 1-**
- March 8-**
- March 15-**
- March 22-**
- March 29-**

Sound System & Projector Operators for New Song

- March 1-** Keith McFarland & Lindy Holzer
- March 8-** Joe & Kristi Barry
- March 15-** Brian & Lindy Holzer
- March 22-** Lonnie & Terri Mellinger
- March 29-** Joe Barry & Lindy Holzer

Counting Teams

- March 1-** Isaiah Miller & Sue Houser,
Terri & Lonnie Mellinger
- March 8-** Isaiah Miller & Sue Houser,
Terri & Lonnie Mellinger
- March 15-** Marian Hunter & Ned Sitler,
Steve & Vickie Leiphart
- March 22-** Marian Hunter & Ned Sitler,
Steve & Vickie Leiphart
- March 29-** Christine & Jeff Miller,
Kathy Miller & Lynn Haines

Greeters & Ushers for March

Bruce Silar, Head Usher & Greeter
Jeff Miller, Assistant Greeter
Marianne Altland, Front Door,
Isaiah Miller & Sterling Hawkins

Sound System Operators for Trad. Worship

March 1- Brian Holzer
March 8- Chris Farleman
March 15- Keith McFarland
March 22- Chris Farleman
March 29- Lonnie Mellinger

March 8- Jeff & Christine Miller
March 15- Michele Farleman
March 22- Jeff & Christine Miller
March 29- Terri Mellinger

Projector Operators for Trad, Worship

March 1- Lindy Holzer

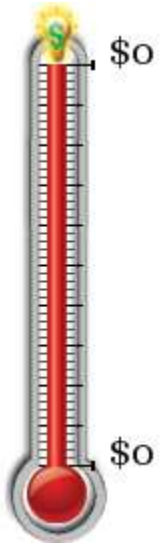
Good Friday Prayer Vigil



We all know the importance of prayer in our lives and the life of the church. On Friday April 3rd you will have the opportunity to participate in the Good Friday Prayer Vigil here at Zion. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the back of the sanctuary. You may pray at the church or at home during the half hour time slot that you choose. Please take time to pray that day and thank you for your participation in this time of prayer.

Bruce Silar

Dry Basement Fund Update



Well we have received our first offering for the Dry Basement waterproofing project and I am pleased to report that we have received \$3,372 as of Thursday Feb. 19. Thank you to all who have given to this project thus far. We still have a ways to go so continue to pray about what you can give to help this be a successful campaign. Remember you can give any Sunday you wish to by using the love offering envelopes in the backs of the pews and also check out the online giving site. Just go to www.epzion.org and click on donate. Our next Sunday for this special offering will be March 15.

Bruce Silar

JUST A REMINDER! Zion Piecemakers are still doing the ministry of the prayer squares. If there is anyone in our church, community, or our friends are going through a difficult time, please feel free to give them one to remind them we are praying for them. See Andrea Gemmill, Mary Anne King, May Kemp or Peggy Horst for further information.



A request to parents and Grandparents who are transitioning to Spring clothing for their children. The school nurse always has a need for Winter clothing, gently used sneakers, and sweat pants. Please put them in the Rivers Edge Box at the back of the Church and I will clean and save them for next Fall. There are many children at the local elementary schools that will need these "gently used" articles of clothing.

Thank You! May Kemp

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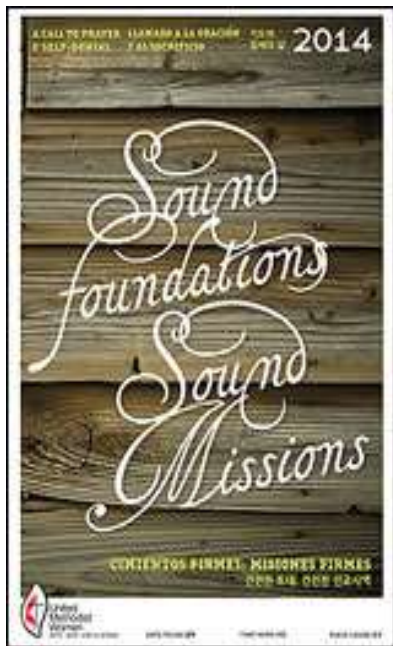


Even though the cold wind blows, we need to be thinking ahead to our warmer temperatures of the Camping Season. The materials have arrived for the Summer Camping Program. There are 4 different camp & retreat sites available for 2nd graders through adult. If interested, please contact Andrea Gemmill for the different programs available.



United Methodist Women

Tuesday, March 17 at 7:00 P.M.
@Zion House



The Zion United Methodist Women will be celebrating their annual prayer and self-denial program on the above date. This is a day each year when we make a concentrated effort to take the focus off ourselves and place it where it truly belongs -Our God, His son, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit -. Our program this year will center on the hospitality God would like to have us share with others. Come and discover what the Bible has to say about this topic and why it is important. Our prayer focus will be on missionaries, both active and retired. The monies we collect will be used to subsidize our United Methodist missionary benefits. We cannot all serve but we can all give. All are welcome as we celebrate saying no to self and yes to God. Prior to the prayer & self-denial program (approx. 7:15 PM), Tina Lusk, our church secretary, will be providing information about securing Safe Sanctuary Clearances using the new state guidelines. Tina will let all attendees know how she can provide assistance to them to complete the process. Any member of Zion interested in working with children will need to secure the new safe sanctuary clearances by June 30, 2015.

A Note of Thanks

We would like to thank all of those we have kept our family in your prayers during the loss of our daughter, Jessica. Please continue to lift us up in prayer. We sure do appreciate it!
The Winter Family



HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

March Birthdays

- March 1- Rory Hengst, Ernie Hake & Anita Howard
- March 2- Linda Keller
- March 6- Ron Cohen
- March 7- Franklin Tome & Erin Flickinger
- March 8- Spenser Yost
- March 9- Isaac Dosch
- March 10- Sue Grindal
- March 13- Amber Jean & Ryan McCarthy

- March 14- Darlene Keller, Christine Miller & Hannah Yost
- March 15- Jeremiah Joyner
- March 17- April Bastress
- March 18- Herbert Garner, Andrew Houser & Terry Kemp
- March 19- Matt DiBerardino
- March 20- Sterling Hawkins
- March 21- Lucas Barshinger & Erica Druck
- March 25- Cheryl Reincke
- March 26- Ethan Tome
- March 28- Elaine Cook, Kyle Rose & Marianne Altland
- March 29- Harvey Hess



March Anniversaries



March 9- Jim & Andrea Gemmill

March 17- Steve & Vicki Webb

March 23- Glenn & Kay Leiphart

**MINUTES OF MINISTRIES COUNCIL
ZION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Monday, February 2, 2015**

Opening and prayer: Pastor Al

Family Ministries & Children's Ministries: Terri Mellinger - Easter Egg Hunt: Saturday, April 4

VBS: Everest: Conquering challenges with God's mighty power. Possibly July 19 - 23

Reminder: all volunteers that work with children have to update clearances per new state regulations

Sunday School and Worship Hour Children's Ministries: Andrea Gemmill & Kristi Barry

Camp material for this summer is available; in the past we have paid half. Scholarship funds are available from the council also. If there is only one child in the nursery, do we need a second person? Should we have some type of program every Sunday? Possibly start at the beginning of the next school year, or over the summer? This is a work in progress. Kristie and Andrea will continue to work on this. Should we bring singing back to Sunday School?

Outreach: Lindy Holzer - Laughter and Dessert evening on February 14.

Memorial Day planning meeting on Feb 19th at 7PM.

Men of Zion/ Bruce Silar : Will take care of Easter sunrise breakfast; Good Friday prayer vigil

United Methodist Women & Congregational Care: Christine Miller - Thank offering service will be moved to the beginning of November due to Elaine being out of town on the usual Sunday.

Congregational Care: will be contacting college students. She is also in the process of contacting several others that have not been in church lately.

Adult Education/Small Groups: Ferne Gochnauer

Chairs have been rearranged, space could still be limited if all attend

Possibility of tv being moved to side wall

Spoke to several persons who have attended in past about attending

Informed teachers of person who doesn't want to be called on to read but otherwise enjoyed SS

While promoting and supporting the start of SS in the early yrs of it's beginning a leader stated it (SS) as being "the plant garden of the church"

Last month we discussed sending out an email to young adults concerning a possible small group during the 10:30 worship time. *We discussed the content of that letter.*

There was some response to the class titled "Sacred Parenting" which will begin February 8.

Kristie also suggested we post songs we will be singing during the contemporary service on our Facebook page.

Youth Fellowship: Karen Carroll: Feb 22 is a District Rally, Feb 27/28 will be 30 hour famine. Adult help is needed for both events. April 11 will be the Mystery Dinner at the community building. During a recent sleepover, there were some discipline issues concerning respecting our sanctuary and following the rules. Karen is looking for some direction.

Christine suggested there be some type of other activity out of the church. This helps the kids release some of that energy too. Maybe we need some written guidelines to help in this type of circumstance. Pastor Al will take care of putting something in writing.

Web site: Matt DiBerardino - We need to update our web site and keep it updated. Can we learn how to add and change the site? Does Matt have to be the one to add these items? We all need to do our part to have items added.

Worship/Assimilation: Peggy Horst - Communion on Ash Wednesday and on the first Sunday in Lent.
Pastor's Report - Ash Wednesday service on Feb 18. We will be starting the 50 day spiritual adventure during Lent. Feb 15 we will be receiving 10 new members. We will be encouraging these new members to be a bit early that day, so we can welcome them during Connect Cafe. Pastor Al will be purchasing a cake to add to the regular connect cafe snacks that morning. Michele Farleman and Marianne Altland have snacks that morning. I will inform them of the addition.

Next Meeting: March 9
Respectfully submitted,
Terri Mellinger

Riverside Lodge 503

Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, March 21, 2015

6:00-10:30 AM

to benefits Evan McMillion

held at the East Prospect Community Hall

28 West Maple St. East Prospect, PA 17317

Meal: 3 Pancakes, egg, 2 pcs bacon/sausage, drink

Adult: \$6.00 in advance- \$7.00 at the door

Child 5-10: \$4.00 in advance- \$5.00 at the door

Children under 5 free

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We would like to welcome our new members:

Bob Artman

Sue Grindal

Jay & Brenda Holcomb

Dwayne & Linda Immel

Jenny Morrow

TorrieTaylor

Denny & Peggy Tilton

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Don't forget to turn your clocks forward one hour on Sunday, March 8. Spring forward!