

November 8, 2026

Mt. Zion Church

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9:00am Worship Service

Welcome

⋆Opening Prayer - In Unison

Almighty and merciful God. From You comes every good and perfect gift. We give You praise and thanks for all Your mercies. Your goodness has created us, Your bounty has sustained us, Your discipline has chastened us, Your patience has borne with us, Your love has redeemed us. Give us a heart to love and serve You, enable us to show our thankfulness for all Your goodness and mercy by giving up ourselves to Your service, and cheerfully submitting in all things to Your blessed will; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

⋆Call to Worship

Leader: Leader: In the midst of the congregation I will praise You,

People: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to God's Holy Name!

Leader: I will extol You, my God and King, and bless Your name for ever and ever.

People: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and God's greatness is unsearchable.

⋆Opening Song & Entrance of the Light of Christ

"Stand Up and Bless the Lord" **#662**

Joys & Concerns

Giving Thanks ***Debbie Tocknell***

Scripture Reading ***Joshua 24:1-3, 14-25**

Choir Anthem *"I've Been to Calvary"* **Mt. Zion Choir**

Scripture Reading **Matthew 25:1-13**

Children's Time

Sermon Song

"*Rejoice, the Lord Is King* **#715**

Message

"*We Will Serve the Lord"* **Pastor Philip Tocknell**

Offering

⋆Doxology "*Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"* **# 95**

The Lord's Prayer

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.

⋆Closing Song *"I Want to Be Ready"* **#722**

Benediction

Prayer Concerns

November 8 thru November15

Donna Daley - pain management due to her MS

Kay Elwood and Family - loss of Brian Bayer

Pastor Hayden - cancer, chemo treatments

Sue Hines - recovering from surgery to repair a broken hip, in rehab

Heidi & Allen Kammer - moving, new address 307 Close Dr. Martinsburg, WV 25404

Nancy Lane - South River Healthcare Center, Edgewater

Joanna Mauck - positive outcome for bloodwork for kidney function

Our Extended Prayer Concerns – Family & Friends

Jessica Abell (Isaacs) - very aggressive breast cancer, surgery and treatment

Alanna (Seibel) - swallowed a quarter, may need surgery to remove it

Cindy Brainerd - (Seibel) - cancer

Mike Davis - joint pain due to autoimmune disorder

Leslie Ellis - Parkinson's Disease, issues with her management of the disease

Marjorie Johnson - stage 4 lung cancer

Melissa Kilpatrick – continued strength

Julie Misero - 80 yrs. old - broken hip, had surgery in rehab for therapy

Ron - stage 2 bladder cancer, surgery and treatments

Shirley - surgery for breast cancer

Ben Winter - stage 1 lung cancer

⋆***Please Stand if Able***

Lay Reader - Ursula Ford

Greeter - Nellie Jones

Mandy & Ashley Dickerson are providing our Fellowship Breakfast today.

Announcements

Saturday, November 14 - 3:00-5:00pm - Paint & Pray
Join the Mt. Zion Youth Group for a special Paint & Pray event in the church Fellowship Hall. This activity is for everyone and all proceeds support the MZ Youth. See the Flyer!

Wednesday, November 18 - 12:00pm - Lunch Bunch
Join us for the November Lunch Bunch on Wednesday, November 18 starting at 12:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. The menu will be ham, scalloped potatoes, corn pudding, green beans, and applesauce. You can bring a side dish or dessert but it is not necessary. Come and enjoy a great meal and time of fellowship.

Time Change -Sunday, November 22 - 11:00am - Church Decorating for Christmas
2:00pm - Pre-Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner
We will begin decorating the church for Christmas on Sunday, November 22 starting around 11:00am. Everyone can join in to make the church festive for the holiday season. Then we will share and enjoy a potluck dinner starting around 2:00pm. We will provide the main course and you can bring a side dish to share if you would like. Come and enjoy a time of fellowship and giving thanks for all our blessings. See Charlie Seibel for details or questions.

New Advent Bible Study - "What Do You Want for Christmas"
On **Tuesday, December 1 at 6:30pm**, Pastor Phil will have an Advent Bible Study "What Do You Want for Christmas?". All are welcome to attend. This will also start at Wesley Chapel on **Monday, November 30 at 10:00am**. Join one of these studies for the Advent season.

Sunday, December 6 - 11:30am - 4:00pm - Christmas Open House
Join Pastor Phil and Debbie at their home on 2600 Timber Cove, in Annapolis.
Come for fellowship and refreshments!