

# Mt. Zion United Methodist Church

NOVEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

## Through the Windows

Mt. Zion exists to ...  
+ Love God  
+ Communicate God's love to families and individuals in  
our community and beyond

### CHURCH STAFF

<b>Pastor</b>	<b>Rev. Olivia Poole-Reneau</b>
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<b>Youth Director</b>	<b>Rev. Lucas Tribble</b>
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<b>Pianist</b>	<b>Greg Waldrep</b>
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<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Heather Wilmot</b>
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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace and Peace in the name of Christ our Lord! I cannot believe that November is already here! As the leaves start to fall from the trees and the weather becomes a bit cooler I am reminded of the joys of this season. For years, Thanksgiving has been one of my favorite holidays. As a child, my mother would take me to the annual Thanksgiving service that my church held with the Jewish temple, Temple Beth Orr, in Montgomery. When I complained about not wanting to go she always responded, "We have so much for which to be thankful!" This continues to be one of our family traditions.

She was right. We all have so much for which to be thankful. This month I give thanks for my family, my friends, and for you! I love serving this wonderful congregation. You embody Christ to the world and seek to be faithful disciples. You seek to welcome others and embrace all of God's children. This month, I certainly give God thanks for you, the ministries of our church, and the manner in which we live out our call to "make disciples of Jesus Christ."

I also invite you to think about all the things in your life for which you have to be thankful. I challenge you, during this month, to give God thanks for one specific blessing each day. Rather than celebrate Thanksgiving on one single day, let us celebrate for 31 one days. Psalm 9:1 reminds us, "I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all of my heart; I will tell of your wonderful deeds." It is my prayer that we will declare God's wonderful deeds and offer our prayers and thanksgiving to the one from whom all blessings flow.

From now until the Sunday before Thanksgiving, there are boxes across the church offices that are for our annual food drive. At the end of this drive we will be sending these donations to the Smiths Station Food Pantry at Smiths Station Baptist Church. You are welcome to place your donation in the preferred "Auburn" or "Alabama" box. We will be holding our community Thanksgiving service in our sanctuary this year. I am honored to welcome Reverend Eunice Lyles of Mount Zion CME to preach for us during this time of worship. Following the service we will have a potluck fellowship dinner. I am grateful to our wonderful hospitality team for organizing this event!

Know that when I thank our Lord for all the goodness in my life, you are at the top of the list! Thank you for your faithfulness and powerful witness in Smiths Station. Happy November!

See you Sunday!

*Olivia*

# November



5- Tommy Henderson & William Spear  
Alt. Buddy Pittman

12- Walter Champagne & Buddy Pittman  
Alt. Tommy Henderson

19-Doyle Pair & James Baker  
Alt. William Spear

26 -Tommy Henderson & Buddy Pittman  
Alt. James Baker

### HOSPITALITY:

- 5-- Hank Holland
- 12-- Micki Thornhill
- 19-Jeannie Boehmler
- 26- Carolyn Garnett

### BIRTHDAYS

- 1-Eric Stein
- 5-Daniel Garrett
- 7-Joanne Pair
- 8-Weston Henderson,
- 9-Ethan Andrews
- 11-William Spear
- 14-Avis McPherson,
- 15-Kyra & Ian Fryer
- 19-Brantley Pittman
- 20-Kevin Fryer
- 23-Carolyn Garnett
- 25-Ouida Baker
- 28-Doyle Pair



### ANNIVERSARIES

- 7-Doyle & Joanne Pair
- 23- Don & Joy Kellett



Please Contact Hank Holland if interested in placing Flowers in the church

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- 5- Charge Conference
- 6-Trustees @6PM
- 13-Finance @ 7PM
- 26-UM Men @730AM

Every Sunday:  
Choir Practice @5pm  
Prayer Mtg in Joy Class @6pm

Every Wednesday:  
Supper @5:30-6:30pm  
Children Ministries @630pm

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- 5- All Saints Sunday; Charge Conference @430pm
- 12- Homecoming, Guest Speaker Jason Crandall; Youth Bonfire with Trinity UMC & special guest from Huntington College
- 15-Worship Service at Mt. Zion CME
- 19-Community Thanksgiving Service 6pm, covered dish dinner following service



## **Wednesday night supper Cooking**

Nov 1 Olivia & Steve Reneau

Nov 8 Jean Barr

Nov 15 Community service @ Mt. Zion CME

22 Thanksgiving Break

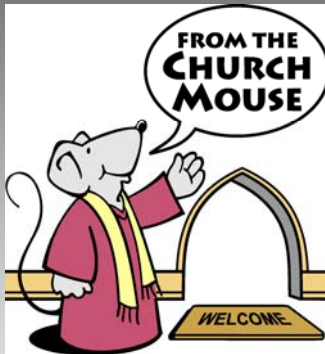
29 Tommy & Gayle Henderson

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If you would rather provide the groceries, we can supply a cook.  
Hope you will help out or come enjoy a meal and the fellowship.  
The signup sheet is in the kitchen.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



The new church office hours are Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:00a.m.- 2:00p.m.

Through Our Gifts  
2017 General Fund Budget \$131,552  
Weekly Budget Needs \$2,530  
Actual YTD \$ 79,551.43





# Mt. Zion's Community of Faith



**November 19th**  
**Community Thanksgiving**  
**service at Mount Zion UMC**  
**at 6:00 p.m.**  
**We will have a covered dish**  
**dinner following the worship**

## **The United Methodist Men**

**The Men's breakfast is the 4th**  
**Sunday of each month at 7: 30am**  
**and all men are encouraged**  
**to attend.**



**A great big THANK YOU to Terri**  
**Shephard for her hard work putting on**  
**our Fall Festival this year! Lots of fun**  
**was had by all!**



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