



MOUNZION
 UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
serving Christ & the community since 1831

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Through the Windows

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



Joshua 1:1-2,9 (NIV)

¹ After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, the LORD said to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' aide: ² "Moses my servant is dead. Now then, you and all these people, get ready to cross the Jordan River into the land I am about to give to them--to the Israelites.

⁹ Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

Some 3400 years ago, the lord told Joshua to lead the people across the Jordan River into the land we call Israel.

Moses had led from Egypt for 40 years, and led them in the wilderness, living on manna, and living in tents. They did not have a home.

Now Joshua would lead them across the rive to a land flowing with milk and honey. A place where they could leave behind tents and build cities and homes. As Joshua was about to lead God's people into the promised land, he had reason to be afraid. He had an enormous task ahead of him, and he was well aware of the dangers that he and the people would soon be facing. He needed God's encouragement.

How similar is this to us as we face a New Year. The year 2018 has been full of pain. We have seen shootings and despair. Floods have struck including here in Lee County. We have seen fires in Tennessee and California leaving many homeless. We have seen Hurricane Francis flood the Carolinas and Hurricane Michael almost wipe whole cities off the map. The stock market went up, and then down.

Now, we look forward to 2019 and wonder what it will bring. A new year brings lots of questions: Will our health hold? Will our marriage last? Will I be able to hang on to my job? Will I get into the right school? Will I live to see the end of this year? Will the economy improve? Will there be a terrorist attack or some natural disaster that takes me or my loved ones?

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Rev. Jimmy Boone
Lay Leader	Tommy Henderson
Children's Ministries Coordinators	Brooke Miles & Sarah Andrews
Nursery Director	To Be Filled
Pianist	Greg Waldrep
Organist	Jeannie Boehmler
Secretary	Heather Wilmot
Custodian	Mary Canty
Newsletter Editor	Sarah Andrews

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6- Tommy Henderson & William Spear
Alt. Buddy Pittman

13- James Baker & Buddy Pittman
Alt. Tommy Henderson

20- Tommy Henderson & Walter Champagne
Alt. William Spear

27- William Spear & James Baker
Alt. Tommy Henderson

HOSPITALITY:

- 6- Hank Holland
- 13- Micki Thornhill
- 20-Jeannie Boehmler
- 27- Carolyn Garnett

BIRTHDAYS

- 1-Stephanie Stokes
- 2-Margaurite Stone
- 4-Rachel Fitzwater Carden
- 6-Gloria Hodge
- 11-Eric Garrett
- 12-Alan Pledger
- 14-Kim Rhames
- 16-Denise Morgan
- 17-Wayne Shareski
- 22-Sue Bass
- 23-Jimmy Boone
- 24-Randy Hodge
- 28-Karen Howard



9- Wally & Sharon Carpenter

10-John & Jean Barr



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

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- 7-Trustees @ 7PM
- 14-Finance @ 6PM
- 28-Admin Council this Month
- UM Men this Month

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

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

8- Golden Agers Luncheon at 11:30AM

9-Wednesday Night Supper & Activities Resume

19-Mt. Zion Rising Meeting @10am

20-Chili Luncheon will be held after 11am service;
SPR Meeting @3pm

27-The Montgomery-Opelika District Conference and Training Event will be Sunday, January 27, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. in the Montgomery area (location TBA). There will be several workshops that will be helpful for both clergy and lay leaders .

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But the Creator of the universe comes to us and repeats what he said to Joshua, "Don't be afraid; don't be discouraged." What happens in this coming year is not left to chance. God is in charge, and he promises to stay close: "The LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

The beginning of a new year is an ideal time to stop, look up, and get our bearings. To that end, here are some questions to ask prayerfully in the presence of God.

What's one thing you could do this year to increase your enjoyment of God?

2. What's the most humanly impossible thing you will ask God to do this year?
3. What's the single most important thing you could do to improve the quality of your family life this year?
4. What is the most helpful new way you could strengthen your church?
5. For whose salvation will you pray most fervently this year?
6. What's the most important way you will, by God's grace, try to make this year different from last year?
7. What one thing could you do to improve your prayer life this year?
8. What single thing can you do will affect others in the coming year?

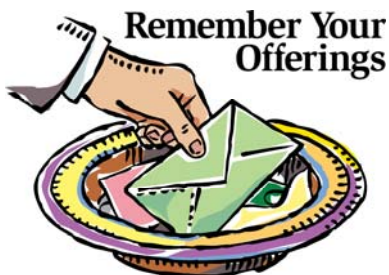
As we enter this new year together at Mount Zion, lets seek ways we can affect our community with the message of Christ. Let us each dedicate our lives to being the hands and feet of Jesus.

Also consider joining me in reading the entire Bible in 2019. I am enclosing a list to help you with this. So Be strong and courageous; and don't be discouraged...God is with you,

Proclaiming "Jesus is Lord!"

Rev. Jimmy M. Boone

Pastor, Mount Zion and Union Grove Charge



Through our Gifts

2018 General Fund Budget: \$ 132,602

Weekly Budget Needs: \$ 2,550.04

December 30, 2018 Offering: \$ 1,654

Actual Year to Date: \$ 108,638.09

Through our Presence

Traditional Worship Attendance: 38

2018 Average Attendance: 49

Place in the Story	Date:	Book	Chapters	Psalm	Video
Creation and Fall	1/1/2019	Genesis	1-3	1	1) Genesis 1-11
	1/2/2019	Genesis	4-7	2	2) Heaven and Earth
	1/3/2019	Genesis	8-11	3	
	1/4/2019	Genesis	12-15	4	
God's Covenant with Abraham	1/5/2019	Genesis	16-18	5	
	1/6/2019	Genesis	19-21	6	
	1/7/2019	Genesis	22-24	7	
	1/8/2019	Genesis	25-28	8	
	1/9/2019	Genesis	29-31	9	
	1/10/2019	Genesis	32-34	10	1) Genesis 12-50
	1/11/2019	Genesis	35-37	11	2) The Covenants
	1/12/2019	Genesis	38-40	12	
	1/13/2019	Genesis	41-42	13	
	1/14/2019	Genesis	43-45	14	
	1/15/2019	Genesis	46-47	15	
The Exodus from Egypt	1/16/2019	Genesis	48-50	16	
	1/17/2019	Exodus	1-3	17	1) Exodus 1-18
	1/18/2019	Genesis	4-6	18	
	1/19/2019	Genesis	7-9	19	
	1/20/2019	Genesis	10-12	20	2) Holiness
	1/21/2019	Genesis	13-15	21	
The Covenant at Mount Sinai	1/22/2019	Genesis	16-18.	22	
	1/23/2019	Genesis	19-21	23	1) Exodus 19-40
	1/24./2019	Genesis	22-24	24	2) The Law
	1/25/2019	Genesis	25-27	25	
	1/26/2019	Genesis	28-29	26	
	1/27/2019	Genesis	30-31	27	
	1/28/2019	Genesis	32-34	28	
	1/29/2019	Genesis	35-40	29	
	1/30/2019	Leviticus	1-4	30	3) Leviticus
	1/31/2019	Leviticus	5-7	31	
	2/1/2019	Leviticus	8-10	32	
	2/2/2019	Leviticus	11-13	33	
	2/3/2019	Leviticus	14-15	34	
2/4/2019	Leviticus	16-18	35		
2/5/2019	Leviticus	19-20	36		
2/6/2019	Leviticus	21-23	37		
2/7/2019	Leviticus	24-25	38		
2/8/2019	Leviticus	26-27	39		

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Mt. Zion hosted its 1st Annual Christmas Card/Ornament Drive for Seniors in December. We were able to spread enough cheer to our church homebound and 3 East Alabama Nursing homes this year!



2019 YARD SALE

Have you packed up Christmas yet?! While you're packing, make some decisions on what you really want to keep and what could go into the next yard sale for someone else to treasure! Now is the time to downsize a little and share the wealth with someone else. There will be a large box in the Fellowship through January for those Christmas treasures that should be recycled. Thank you.

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.



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