



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



"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.

John 13:34

All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt.

Charles Schulz

February may be the shortest month, but it is filled with many opportunities.

It starts out with a bang on Sunday Feb. 3...the Super Bowl. Now it doesn't matter if you are a fan of the Rams or the Patriots, you have an opportunity to share in our Souper Bowl, and we collect canned goods, including soups for the Smiths Station Food Pantry. You may leave your donations in the box in the Fellowship Hall during the month of February.

February is also Black History month, and a time to recognize how African Americans have quietly contributed to our history. Every time I drive to Montgomery I am reminded of the Tuskegee Airmen. As I pass the Tuskegee exit I think of these men struggled to learn to fly in WW II against all odds. They were not accepted and had separate barracks. These brave men, however sought to serve, and at the end of the war were recognized for their outstanding service. They flew planes with the tails painted red. Today the "Red Tails" still fly out of Montgomery, but no longer segregated.

These men showed their love of their country in ways we can never understand.

Next up in February is Groundhog Day. Every year on February 2, Punxsutawney Phil comes out of his winter home, and seeks to see a shadow. If he sees his shadow, he then retreats back to his den, because it means six more weeks of winter.

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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3- Tommy Henderson & William Spear
Alt. Buddy Pittman

10- James Baker & Buddy Pittman
Alt. Tommy Henderson

17- Tommy Henderson & Walter Champagne
Alt. William Spear

24- William Spear & James Baker
Alt. Tommy Henderson

HOSPITALITY:

- 3- Hank Holland
- 10- Micki Thornhill
- 17-Jeannie Boehmler
- 24- Carolyn Garnett

BIRTHDAYS

- 1-Travis Garrett
- 2-Kenneth Vann
- 4-Dianne Stokes
- 6-Catherine Fitzwater
- 17-Walter Champagne
- 22-Andrew Fryer
- 25-Haley Pennington
- 28-Joe Hunt



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

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- 4-Trustees @ 7PM
- 11-Finance @ 6PM
- 25-Admin Council @7PM
- 24-UM Men @7:30AM

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

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 5-Golden Agers Luncheon @ 11:30am
- 16-Mt. Zion Rising Meeting @ 10am; Valentine's Dinner @6pm
- 10-Children's Ministry Meeting @ 3pm

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But the most important date is February 14 and Valentines Day.

February is a special month with significance touching the secular, romantic, and spiritual realms. It is the shortest month of the year with only 28 days

Also, Valentine's Day falls on the 14th of this month. The stores began putting out Valentines less than a week after Christmas, but many will forget this romantic day until it is us a few days before. And then, watch the crowd at Wal-Mart as men suddenly remember and rush during their lunch hour, of on the way home to get candy, roses and cards filled with human expressions of love and devotion to our true loves. And, don't forget the Men will hold a Valentines Dinner at the church on February 16.

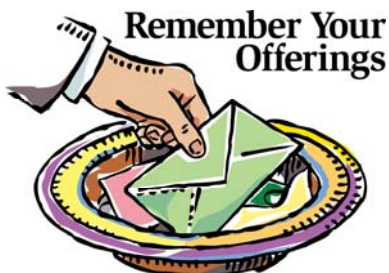
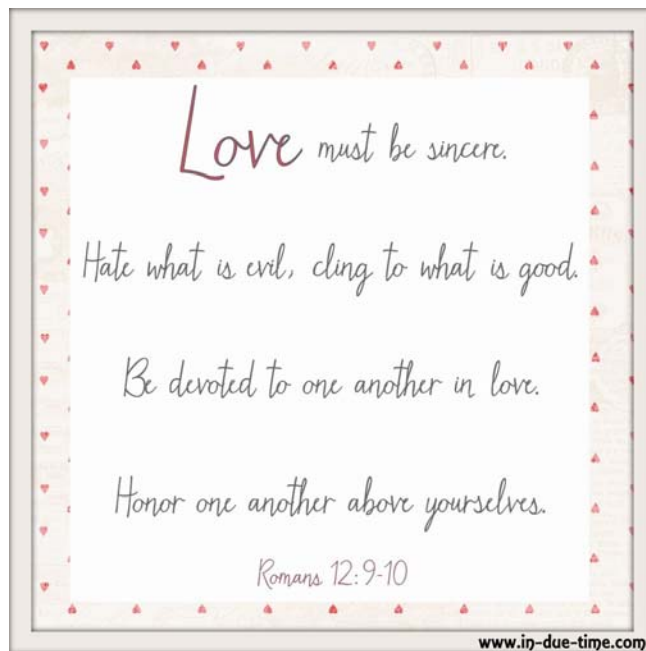
However, greatest love we ever receive is from Jesus Christ. The deepest expression of love is more than candy, roses, and cards; it is remembering what Jesus did for us by presenting himself as a living sacrifice for our salvation. "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believes in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16(KJV).

As we come to Valentines, as we remember our spouses, friends, and family, let us remember our greatest love is what we give to Jesus Christ.

Proclaiming "Jesus is Lord!"

Rev. Jimmy M. Boone

Pastor, Mount Zion and Union Grove Charge



Through our Gifts

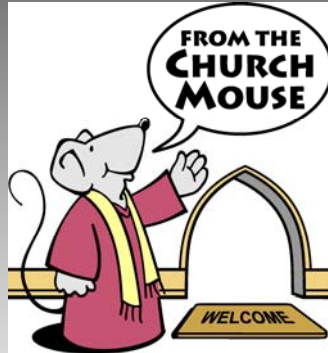
2019 General Fund Budget: \$ 114,081

Weekly Budget Needs: \$ 2,193.87

1/27/19 Offering \$1,163

Actual YTD \$ 7,406.90

ANNOUNCEMENTS



On January 25 and 26, Mt. Zion Youth attended the "Empowering Retreat 2019" sponsored by Concord Baptist Church. The Youth participated in praise and worship, games and small groups. The guest speaker for the event was Mitchell Dean, who serves the East

Alabama Fellowship of Christian Athletes. The 8th and 9th grade girls won the relay race. Two of our girls were on that team! Everyone's favorite experience was the local mission trip. Our 6th grade boys and 8th grade girls cleaned the yard and gym at Wacoochee Elementary School. Our youth definitely are looking forward to next year's retreat!

MT. ZION RISING

Join us for a gathering on Saturday February 16 at 10:00 a.m. at the church. We will review the purpose of these teams and look ahead toward continued church growth.

There is no pressure for anyone to make a commitment to join a team. Come and listen, come and share ideas, come and gather.

2019 TEAM YARD SALE

In January we collected Christmas ornaments, bags and lights. Although as this newsletter goes to press, it is really cold, it won't be cold for long and soon we will be working on gardens and yards. Clean out those sheds and garages and donate usable gardening tools to the next yard sale. We are not able to store large items, but can use them in the next yard sale if you can hang on to them a few more months.

Also, as the next child's birthday draws near, clean out those, toy boxes, closets and rooms full of toys! We can take usable items.

You may leave items in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesdays and Sundays. For any other days, please contact Liz Waldrep at 706-289-1707 . (If no answer, leave a message.)

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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