

**Special Gifts to Zion Church  
In Honor Of:**

**Corey Payne on his birthday** Love, Mom and Rick  
**Erin Payne and Claire Payne on their birthdays** Love, MawMaw  
 Judy & Rick  
**Rick & Judy Hammond** by Frances Parris

**Special Gifts to Building Fund  
In Honor of:**

**Jack Steele** by Clyde & Ellen Walters  
**Emma and Chris Massey on their birthdays** by Carolyn Massey  
**Sonny Curtis and Marion Curtis on their birthday** by Pat Thre-  
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**Mike and Barbara Vick** by Mary P. Knight  
**In Memory of:**  
**Franklin on our anniversary October 12 and the anniversary of  
 his death, October 22** by Darlene Hallman

**Special Gifts to Tony Neal Scholarship Fund:  
In Honor of:**

**Pat Threatt -Happy Birthday** by Laura Everall

**Shoebboxes for Seniors in Lancaster County**

We are collecting shoeboxes for Seniors! This shoebox for Seniors project is sponsored by the Lancaster County Council on Aging and gifts will be distributed to the approximately 400 seniors that are served in Lancaster County. If you would like to donate a gift bag, please place your donations in a Christmas gift bag and place in the vestibule by **Sunday, December 9**. Suggestions for shoebox items are: scarves, toboggans, gloves, socks, lap blankets, lotion, powders, deodorant, shampoo, Vaseline, toothpaste, toothbrush, Efferdent/Fixodent, chap stick, towels, washcloths, soap, dryer sheets, dish-washing detergent, Kleenex, paper towels, toilet tissue, cookies, sugar free candy, microwave popcorn, fruit cups, pudding, shoehorn, claw grabber (to get cans off high shelves), crossword puzzle books, word search books, stamps, envelopes, ink pens/pencils, cards (get-well, sympathy, & birthday) for seniors to send to others.

**Join us Sunday, November 18, 7pm at Hopewell Methodist Church for our combined Thanksgiving service along with Zion and Tabernacle.** Pastor Jarrell will be giving the sermon, while Tabernacle will provide the music. There will be light refreshments after the service.

**Annual Missions BAZAAR**

**Saturday, November 3rd from 8am-1pm**

It's time to begin planning for our UMW Annual Bazaar. There are many ways you can help with this event. You can:

- Save your mayo jars and lids for the soup
- Make soup—we will need a lot of it!
- Craft or help one of our crafters buy supplies
- Bake! All baked goods sell well
- Help buy the sausage and ham
- Bring items needed to make cornbread
- Help with set up and clean up afterwards
- Pray! Please pray for this event! When Zion prays things happen!

Everyone is asked and encouraged to help! We also have spots available for vendors so please help spread the word! Please contact the church office by calling or email for vendor information or visit the church website, [zionumc.com](http://zionumc.com). All proceeds from the Bazaar will go to help those in need!

**This Week at Zion**

**Friday, November 2**

8:00 am Walking Club  
 6 - 8 pm Set up/receiving donations for Bazaar

**Saturday, November 3**

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group  
 8:00 am Annual Missions Bazaar

**Sunday, November 4**

9:30 am Coffee & Donut Fellowship  
 10:00 am Sunday School  
 11:00 am Morning Worship  
 4:30 pm Kids Play Practice  
 5:00 pm Kids & Youth Classes  
 6:00 pm Chancel Choir Practice

**Monday, November 5**

8:00 am Walking Club

**Tuesday, November 6**

8:00 am Walking Club  
 7:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting

**Wednesday, November 7**

8:00 am Walking Club

**Thursday, November 8**

8:00 am Walking Club

**Friday, November 9**

8:00 am Walking Club

**Saturday, November 10**

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group

**Zion United Methodist Church**

1665 Zion Road  
 Lancaster SC 29720

*Address Service Requested*

**Dear Congregation,**

Thank you for the love gift; also for prayers and support during my recovery. ~With Love, Greg Smith

**It's time for completing Christmas Shoe Box gifts for Samaritan's Purse.**

Please prayerfully consider donations for this collection for our Kid's packing day or your family is invited to complete a box (or more) on your own. Brochures with labels, packing suggestions & instruction are available in the church vestibule. **Please have your completed shoebox gifts to the church by Sunday, November 11 if you don't participate in the kid's collection.**

**How to pack your shoe box gift:**

1. Find an empty shoe box. You can wrap it—lid separately— if you would like, but wrapping is not required.
2. Decide whether your gift will be for a boy or a girl and the age category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14. Cut out the appropriate label from the back of the brochures, tape it on top of your box, and mark the correct age category.
3. Fill the box with a variety of gifts. In a separate envelope you may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family (If you include your name and address, the child may write you back)
4. **IMPORTANT: Please enclose \$9.00 or more in the brochure envelope and put it inside your box to help cover shipping and other costs.** If at all possible, please send a check instead of cash. CHECKS NEED TO BE MADE PAYABLE TO SAMARTIAN'S PURSE. If you are packing more than one box, you can make a combined donation in a single envelope. Place the envelope on top of the gift items so it is clearly visible. Place a rubber band around your box and lid, then bring your shoe box to church by November 11. Items to include in the shoebox gifts are on the brochures. Please do NOT include the following items: used items, tooth-paste, hard candy, war-related items (toy guns, knives, etc.), perishable food items, liquids (shampoo, lotion, bubbles, etc), medicines (vitamins, cough drops, ointment, etc.) or breakable items (no mirrors, china dolls, snow globes, etc.). You may bring your completed boxes and place them in the vestibule any time, but again, they will all have to be completed and turned in no later than Sunday, November 11. Thank you for your support.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN NOVEMBER!**

11/1	Edward Hall	11/14	Eva Small
11/2	Brandon Faile		Laura Plyler
11/3	Alyson Parker	11/16	Mychal Waters
	Roman Phillips	11/19	Peggy (Mrs. Jackie) Knight
11/4	Jessica Pardue		Andy Knox
	Haley McCray	11/20	Drew Sims
11/5	Dylan Jenkins	11/23	Wendy VanDyke
	Devin Jenkins	11/24	Haley Broome
11/7	Leigh Ann Steele	11/27	Sheri Bradley
11/8	Emily Salisbury	11/29	Raven Webster
	Makenzie Hall		
	Cyndi Seegars		
11/10	Marion Curtis		
	Lori Mosley		

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY IN NOVEMBER!**

11/6	Mr. & Mrs. Steve Cooper
11/13	Mr. & Mrs. Mike Rape
11/16	Mr. & Mrs. Larry Craig
11/21	Mr. & Mrs. Jody Pardue
11/23	Mr. & Mrs. Harris Plyler
11/28	Mr. & Mrs. Brett Blackmon

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**Scripture Focus this week:** Isa. 25:6-9, Ps. 24, Rev. 21:1-6a, John 11:32-44, Ruth 1:1-18, Ps. 146, Heb. 9:11-14, Mark 12:28-34. You are invited to continue reading the suggested lectionary Scripture to prepare for Sunday's sermon.

**Please Note:** There will NOT be a community meal in November due to the Thanksgiving holiday. December's community meal will be the second Wednesday, December 12.

We will be receiving donations and finalizing set up for vendors on Friday, November 2 from 6-8 pm. Please do not leave a baked good without labeling what the item is. Please continue to pray for this event! All proceeds benefit those in need locally, state wide, nationally and internationally!

**Coffee and Donut Fellowship :** Join us for biscuits, donuts, coffee, juice, and milk **Sunday, November 4 at 9:30 am in the fellowship hall.**

**The Kids of Zion will begin our Annual Christmas Play Practice on Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup>** All children are asked to attend the 1<sup>st</sup> practice as Music Sheets & Speaking Parts will be assigned. We will begin **\*PROMPTLY\*** at 4:30 on the 4<sup>th</sup> in the Family Life Center!

**The Board of Trustees is asked to meet Tuesday, November 6 at 7 pm in the fellowship hall.** Members are: Shawn Thomas, Max Funderburk, Rock Love, Teresa Evans, Wanda Murphy, Tim Steen, Angie Wood, Ralph Craig, & Chris Massey.

**Charge Conference will be held on Sunday, November 11 at noon in the fellowship hall.**

**\*\*Attention all Kids & Youth Parents please turn in any unsold calendar(s) & money to Keli Thomas by Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup>\*\***

**The Adult /Family Ministry invites you to New Hope Baptist Church for their Singing Christmas Tree, Live Nativity, Luminary Walk, & Refreshments on Monday, December 10 at 6pm.** Any-one interested in going, please contact Beth Craig.

**Sunday, November 11: Picnic, Hiking, & Outreach Event at 40 Acre Rock**—The Jr. High Youth will leave after worship service. Everyone will need to bring a bag lunch and dress comfortably. Any questions, please contact Angie Wood.

**The United Methodist Women will be meeting Tuesday, November 13 at 7pm.** Heather Jarrell will be speaking about how to stay balanced with eating and life during the holiday season.

**Musings ~ Contentment**

For most of my life, I think I've been running. I tend to always be looking at the next thing, the next project, the next idea, the next whatever. When I was beginning the process of becoming an elder in the United Methodist church, it was getting to seminary. Once I got to seminary, it was getting finished with seminary so that I could start serving full-time in the church as a provisional elder instead of a student pastor. Then, when I was appointed as a provisional elder, I couldn't wait to get through with the process, so I could be an elder. Now, I'm an elder, and one of the first things I did when I finished the process of becoming an elder was to start looking at what I wanted to do next.

I was talking with my wife about several options for things, the most notable the possibility of going back to school to get a doctoral degree. It's been a dream of mine for a long time to be able to do that and I thought that's probably what I really want. I thought that maybe if I got this degree, this sign of some specialized knowledge, that I could finally be content, be at peace with my accomplishments. I would finally feel like I had achieved what I needed to achieve to do what I need to do. And then my wife asks me the most awful terrible question imaginable: why? Why did I need to go back and get another degree when I was already doing what I set out to do? Why would I need to be doctor anything when the work of the church is not about degrees or diplomas or certificates but about people?

As usual, it is my wife who usually talks sense into me whenever my ideas and ambitions run away with me. She is the one that suggested that I simply stop, enjoy what I'm doing as a pastor, get to know the people, focus on just doing what I've been training for the last 10 years to do. She is echoing something that Jesus says repeatedly through the gospels: to be content, be at peace. Jesus' admonition is not just something for hyperactive pastors who want to feel like they've accomplished something. It is an admonition for all of us, all of us who worry and struggle with needing to do something, anything to feel like we are 'getting things done' and an important one. The word is used ninety-two times in the New Testament, usually in reference someone being at peace with themselves or God. Much as I hate to admit it, I am not exactly the best role model for this one. Fortunately, Jesus, the one we follow as disciples, is the Prince of Peace. Live into peace, follow after Jesus, and know the true peace of living as he lived, worshiping as he worshiped, and serving as he served.

Pastor Michael

**Our Prayer List as of Monday**

Gene Blackmon	Virginia Horton	Eva Small
Nancy Blackmon	Kyle Hudson	Horace Small
Marion Boswell	Libby Hunter	Greg Smith
Caleb Catoe	Melinda Hunter	JoAnne Smith
Sue Catoe	Rick Joyner	Freda Snipes
Linda Coker	Henry Ray Knight	Karen Starnes
Sandra Cope	Tommy Knight	Becky M. Steele
Bill Dingler	Lillian McAteer	Jim Thomas
Sophia Dixon	Linda McAteer	Sarah Pauline Thre-
Angie Dobson	Mary Jane McAteer	att
Bill Dunn	Max McDonald	Mike Vick
John Elder	Tammy McMillian	Robert Vick
Billy Estridge	Dessie McWaters	Sandra Walker
Nancy Evatt	Phyllis Morgan	Ellen Walters
Ashley Fort	Rusty Mosier	Qa'Mora Walton
JoAnn Funderburk	Betty Jo Phillips	Randy Williams
Sam Funderburk	Ann Powers	EmmaGene Wright
Steve Ghent	Vicky Pickett	Kim Yost
Travis Gordon	Ann Reed	Our President &
T.R. Grier	Bennie Robinson	Troops
Bucky Hardin	Kathleen Robinson	
JoAnn Hinson	Bonnie Sears	

**Just a reminder that the Samaritan's Purse shoebox collection deadline is Sunday, November 11. Also, you may continue to donate to the canned good drive until Sunday, November 18.**

**UMM HOBO DINNER FUNDRAISER**  
Sunday, December 2, 2018  
Zion's Thompson Family Life Center  
1665 Zion Road, Lancaster, SC

**Menu: pinto beans, potatoes, cabbage, cornbread, dessert & drink. Donation: Adults & youth 12 & older: \$6.00, ages 6-11 \$4.00, under 6 free. Eat in or take out! Tickets now available from members of the Men's Club!**

**Last Week's Record**

**Prayers:** Are you praying for our church?

**Presence:**

Present for 10/28 Sunday School 79

Present for 10/28 Morning Worship 111

**Gifts:**

Needed each week for General Operating Expenses, this includes TFLC mortgage \$5899

Received 10/28 for General Fund \$2662

Received for Building Fund \$911

Received for Tony Neal Scholarship Fund \$25

Received for Fall Festival \$175

Received for Youth & Kids from calendar sales \$249

Received for Community Meal \$225

**Serving Zion UMC this Sunday**

**Liturgical Color:** Green

**Flowers:** Laura Everall

**11:00 am Nursery:** volunteers needed

**Children's Church volunteers:** Courtney & Nancy Ackerman

**Ushers:** Max Funderburk, Earl Hinson, Chris Massey, and Tony Broughton

**Worship opening and closing:** Hazel Robinson

**Sunday Evening Program Volunteers:**

Kids: Christmas Play Practice

Jr High: Angie Wood & Brooke Collins

Sr High: Pastor Michael Jarrell, Claudia Hartley