

The Spirit of Zion

Zion United Church of Christ
Union, Missouri



March 2024

No. 3



Holy Week Worship Schedule

Palm Sunday

March 24, 2024

Maundy Thursday

March 28, 2024

6:30 p.m. Worship/Communion/Foot Washing

Glow in the Dark Easter Egg Hunt for children
following the worship service.

(See page 2 for more information.)

Good Friday

March 29, 2024

6:30 p.m. Worship

Easter Sunday

March 31, 2024

9:00 a.m. Worship/Communion

“Living Cross” Easter video presentation
will be part of the morning worship service.

Serving Christ in March

Ushers:

March 3 & 10

Donna Bocklage*, John Crane

March 17, 24 & 31

Jeff, Denise & Connor Muller

(*designates Head Usher)

Greeters:

March 3 – Sandy Bailey

March 10 – Dave & Linda Hall

March 17 – Vicki Hooper

March 24 – Ron & Pam Griffin

March 31 – John Crane

Video Tech:

March 3 & 10 – Dan Mossoney

Sound System Tech: Jason

Dewert

Daylight Savings Time Begins!

Daylight Savings Time begins
on March 10th. Set your clocks
AHEAD one hour on Saturday
evening.



2024 Easter Offering - Hope Ranch of Missouri

The Outreach Team has designated the 2024 Easter Offering to be given to **Hope Ranch**.

Hope Ranch of Missouri located in Stanton, Missouri, was created for children traumatized by abuse and victimized through neglect. They provide an environment where they can learn healthy ways of living, appropriate ways of dealing with stress, and new ways of thinking. They let them know that their past does not define them and they have the power to choose who they want to be and the ability to create their own future. The youth at Hope Ranch are provided with family activities, learn life skills, therapy and extracurricular activities. For more information about Hope Ranch visit their website at www.hoperanchmo.org.

- The Outreach Team



One Great Hour of Sharing

One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS)

Special Mission offering of the United Church of Christ involves you in disaster, refugee/immigration, and development ministries throughout the world. When a disaster strikes or people are displaced or made refugees by violence or extreme poverty, you are part of the immediate response and of the long-term recovery.

Through OGHS you engage in holistic development programs including health care, education, agriculture, food sustainability, micro-financing and women’s empowerment. Because the UCC relates in mutual partnership to churches and organizations through Global Ministries and worldwide response & recovery networks, your contributions to OGHS put you in the right place at the right time for the relief, accompaniment and recovery of the most vulnerable. You meet immediate needs and you address the underlying causes that create those needs in the first place.

Our OGHS offering will be received through the month of March. Envelopes are in this edition of the newsletter and additional envelopes will be available by the offering plate.

Lenten Study

This year's Lenten Study will focus on the Gospel of Mark. We will cover its origin, unique contributions to Christianity, literary style, and ways in which we modern readers can interpret this Gospel. The study is every Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the chapel and Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the lower commons. (3/6 & 3/7, 3/13 & 3/14, and 3/20 & 3/21).

Lenten Labyrinth that Feeds – through March 24

Help build our Lenten Labyrinth that feeds by bringing in items for the Little Free Pantry and the Union Food Pantry. Donations of canned goods/non-perishable items and toiletry items will be collected until March 24.

Glow in the Dark Easter Egg Hunt Thursday, March 28

Bring your children/grandchildren to the Glow in the Dark Easter Egg Hunt following the Maundy Thursday Service on Thursday, March 28th. If you plan to attend, please contact Alysha Petry at 636-583-2814 or apetry@zionunion.org. Remember to have them bring their Easter basket.



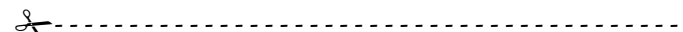
“The Living Cross”

All are invited to bring a flower (fresh or artificial) to place on the cross as you enter the sanctuary in the upper commons before the 9 a.m. worship service. During the service the Faith Quest children’s Easter presentation video will be shared.

After the service the cross will be placed outside for the community to enjoy!

Zion Cemetery Clean Up

Spring clean up at the Zion Cemetery will be from March 1st to March 31st. Please remove any items you may want to keep before these dates and they may be placed back after March 31st. Thank you!



Easter Lilies or Benevolent Gifts



For those who would like to share an Easter lily in memory or honor of a loved one, the cost will be \$18 per plant. You may also give a monetary donation

for the Little Free Pantry/Union Food Pantry.

_____ Easter Lily or _____ Benevolent Gift

In Memory of or In Honor of: (circle one)

Given by: _____

Deadline to order is Sunday, March 24th or call the church office.



Beloved Zion,

Grace and Peace to you from God our Creator, Christ our Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Sustainer. May the blessings of our Lenten journey abound in your life. As a season of the church, Lent offers us a time of introspection. It invites us to pay attention to the little details in our lives. To become aware of our surroundings and take an inventory of our lives. The Lenten journey is at its best when folks are encouraged to make changes for the better. There is a big difference between positive and negative motivation. Positive motivation moves you towards a desirable goal. Negative motivation moves you away from an undesirable place.

I recently had my water heater replaced. When we bought the house, the tank was older than I was. Needless to say, we often ran out of hot water. But it did work. It had been on our list to replace, and eventually, we got it done. Although we needed a new tank, we were not desperate. We have not run out of hot water since. It's exciting. My wife and I are now encouraged to continue making the upgrades to the house that we have on our list.

When I was in Montana, I found out the parsonage needed a new water tank when I went downstairs to do laundry, and the entire utility room was covered in water because the tank had rusted through. I had to call up the trustees. Someone made a run-up to the nearest city (80 miles away) while others including myself rearranged our days to clean out the basement, haul the old tank out of the basement, and install the new one. It was chaotic, it was messy, it wasn't how the day was supposed to go. And by the end of the day, we had a new water heater, and no one seemed excited about what else might happen next. In both scenarios, a new water heater was needed. In both scenarios, we ended up with a new water heater. But the outcome was different.

Life has been good here at Church, pretty recently. As a congregation, we are in a great spot. Which is why it is a great time to take inventory and make changes. I find that most churches make changes only when negatively motivated. Decline in giving, attendance, leadership, and deferred maintenance all start catching up and so congregations decide to make drastic changes in a desperate attempt to save a sinking ship. Over the past few years, we have increased attendance, membership, and giving. We are making investments in the building and certain programming. New leadership has stepped up. And as far as I can tell, the council, staff, and congregation are in alignment with our priorities. So, I want to encourage you, beloved Zion, to stay the course. You continue to impress me with your generosity, your discipleship, and your commitment. This year we will continue to challenge ourselves. We will continue to make changes. So, may God bless us in our efforts and guide us on our way.

Blessings,
Rev Nicholas Knoblauch

Worship Opportunities In March

9:00 a.m. Worship

Sunday, March 3

*The 3rd Sunday
in Lent*

Sacrament of Communion

Sunday, March 10

*The 4th Sunday
in Lent*

Sunday, March 17

*The 5th Sunday
in Lent*

Sunday, March 24

Palm/Passion Sunday

Thursday, March 28

Maundy Thursday

6:30 p.m.

Worship/Communion

Thursday, March 29

Good Friday

6:30 p.m. Worship

Sunday, March 31

EASTER SUNDAY

Pastor Drop In Hours:

Monday & Wednesday mornings

Email: knoblauchnicholas@gmail.com

Appointments upon request:

Church Office (636) 583-2814

or sending an email

Lenten Suggestions

If you need suggestions for added meaning for Lent, here are a few to start your mind and heart thinking about something new for Lent.

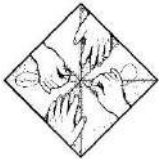
* You might want to write a note to a child or youth who inspires you to keep doing something for God's creation for our future generations. Encourage them.

* Have you ever thought of having a Green Bible? In such, the passage related to God's creation and Justice, are in Green. Such a Bible is available online.

* Watch the Story of Stuff at www.storyofstuff.org (a must see).

* Decide not to add anything to the landfill TODAY (use real cups, cutlery, dishes etc.) Refuse to use styrofoam and plastic)

The Earth is the Lord's (this is in Green in the Green Bible) - The Green Team



Zion Quilters Request

The Zion Quilters will soon need to acquire some quilts so we can continue our quilting work. If you or someone you know needs quilting done we would appreciate doing that for you. Inform any quilter of the help needed. Contact Ruth Parker (636-583-5231 or 314-330-3343).

Attention All Zion Ushers: Security Training Update

The Security Committee recently updated the Safety Policies at Zion Church and would like to review them with the ushers. Two dates have been set up for this brief overview. Please join us on either of the following dates: Sunday, March 10th or Sunday, March 17th. We will meet in the sanctuary following the morning worship service. Thank you for your time!

Help Thyself

The Help Thyself committee is always the happiest when we see the prepared meals and desserts disappear from the freezer in the Lower Commons freezer. Please continue to Help Thyself and continue to enjoy the prepared meals

from the Zion's participating great cooks. Thank you so much to those cooks. Any suggestions are always welcome - pass them on to any of the committee members. Kathy Young (314-580-3105), Carol Rohrbach (636-583-3659), Ann Hartley (636-346-5921), Dorothy Mitana (636-239-1296), Jane Ridder (314-520-7090), or Maxine Harrison (636-583-2159)

- Dorothy Mitana

Thank You to February Volunteers

Zion Church acknowledges and appreciates the work done by the following volunteers for the month of February:

Liturgists: Carla Kilgore, Richard Young, Sue Leicht, Lee Parks

Special Music for Worship: Chancel Choir, Zion Ringers, Joyful Noise

Ushers: Daryl Hartley, Bill Walker, Paul & Shanna Brinker, Skip Buehrle

Communion Stewards: Bill & Fern Dewert, Mandy Frick, Maxine Harrison, Susan Merlino

Greeters: Ken & Carol Rohrbach, Carl & Jane Ridder, Dennis & Karen Tucker, Linda Kinworthy

Sound System Tech: Dan Mossoney

Worship Service Recorders: Gil Bisjak, Alysha Petry

Newsletter Helpers: Kirk Hancox, Karen Tucker, Carol Rohrbach, Ken Rohrbach, Donna Bocklage



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9:00 a.m. Worship

(No Childcare)

Rev. Nicholas Knoblauch, Pastor
(knoblauchnicholas@gmail.com)

Fern Dewert, Church Council President

Connie Thompson, Adm. Assistant

(cthompson@zionunion.org)

Alysha Petry, Minister to
Youth & Families

(apetry@zionunion.org)

Mandy Frick, Coordinator of
Elementary Youth

Karen Stafford, Music Director
(kstafford@zionunion.org)

Brenda Herring, Church Organist
Joy Bradley, Church Custodian

Kid & Youth

March 2024

News

YOUTH Ministry

7th-12th grade youth

Meet in the High School room every Sunday
from 10 AM to 11 AM.

REGIONAL YOUTH EVENT

for 6th-12th grade youth

July 17-20, 2024

at Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois

CAMP MOVAL REGISTRATION Is NOW OPEN

for Summer 2024 Camps

Register for camp at the
Ultracamp website.

Click on the REGISTER TODAY button
at www.missourimidsouth.org/camp-moval to
be directed to the Ultracamp website.

FAITH QUEST

Every Sunday from 10 AM to 11 AM

First Grade - 6th Grade

(Meet in BIBLE MAX THEATRE)

Pre-School – Kindergarten

(Meet in the old Nursery Room)

LESSONS on LENT & HOLY WEEK

March 3, 10, 17 & 24

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL on MARCH 31



Join us the
**FIRST TWO WEDNESDAYS of
EACH MONTH**

for an

OUT OF THIS WORLD
evening full of Games, Bible
Story, Dinner and Lots of FUN!

5 PM to 7:30 PM

This month's theme:

When people are sad, shine
Jesus' light!

FAMILY STYLE DINNER at 6 PM

A minimum of \$5 donation suggested to help
support Zion's LOGOS dinners.

Everyone is invited!

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who supported the Souper Bowl of Caring Fundraiser!

The youth collected \$1082.00 and 155 items for the

Union Food Pantry and the Little Free Pantry.

**Thank you to everyone who attended, donated items, and donated money to the
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper.**

We collected \$482 for camp scholarships.

Special thanks to all our volunteers: Jane & Carl Ridder, Kathy & Gary Reed, Ruth Parker, Fern Dewert,
Phyliss Fink, Elsie Saake, Jacob Saake, Teddy Orf, Auggie Orf, George Gerstner, McKenna Gerstner,
Bronwen Voss, Sutton Birke, Lucas Frick

Lenten Labyrinth that Feeds



Help build our Lenten Labyrinth that feeds
by bringing in items for the
Little Free Pantry
&
the Union Food Pantry.

*Bring in can goods and toiletries items from
February 18th – March 24th*

The Living Cross Easter Sunday



A fun tradition for all!
Bring a flower to place on the cross as you
enter the sanctuary in the upper commons
before the 9 AM service.
After the service the cross will be placed
outside for the community to enjoy!



GLOW IN THE DARK

Easter egg hunt

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

Following the 6:30 PM Maundy Thursday Service

Please let us know if you plan to attend by emailing Alysha at apetry@zionunion.org

BRING YOUR EASTER BASKET





Notes from the Music Director

By the time you read this, the Chancel Choir will have sung a beautiful arrangement of the hymn “Just As I Am” at the Ash Wednesday service. How appropriate this old hymn is! When I attend and watch people go up for the imposition of ashes, representing our mortality, I think about how many walks of life are represented there. But what inspired the composer to write such a reflective and solemn piece as “Just As I Am”?

Charlotte Elliot was a gifted artist and humorist writer in England in the early nineteenth century. In her early thirties, she was stricken with an illness that left her invalid and depressed. Because of this, she was unable to leave home. At one point in her life, Cesar Malan, a well-known pastor in Switzerland, came to visit her. He asked her if she had peace with God, but she was angry and facing many inner struggles. She resented the question and ignored it. However, a few days later, she contacted Dr. Malan and apologized, saying she wanted to clean up her life before committing herself to God. However, Malan told her, “Just come as you are.”

Those words of Dr. Malan stayed with her, and in 1834, she began writing “Just As I Am”. Although raised in the church, she still faced her conflicts and doubts, unsure of her relationship with Christ. However, the truth in these words reassured her that Christ would accept her just as she was.

As we walk through this season of Lent, we might be in a dark place. We might be frustrated. We might be in a black ripped jeans mood instead of a Sunday dress clothes mood. Christ is just as happy to accept us in all our flaws as He would be if we had our acts all cleaned up. Maybe more, in fact. By coming to Him with warts and all, we go to Him in humility.

- Karen



Zion Church Council Notes – January 2024

(rescheduled from January 15, 2024, due to weather)

Zion United Church of Christ met Monday January 23, 2024 at 7:00 pm. The following were in attendance: Fern Dewert, Kathy Reed, Donna Bocklage, Brad Parker, Bruce Templer, Barb Cox, Paul Brinker, Susan Merlino, Connie Thompson, Rev. Nicholas Knoblauch, and Maxine Harrison.

Connie Thompson opened with prayer. Fern Dewert called the meeting to order.

The first order of business was "A Covenant of Leadership" read in unison by the Church Council members.

Committee assignments for 2024

1. Audit/Finance---Barb Cox
2. By-Laws Review---Brad Parker
3. Leadership Development---Maxine Harrison
4. Personnel---Donna Bocklage
5. Properties---Paul Brinker
6. Security/Safety---Bruce Templer
7. Membership review---Susan Merlino and Kathy Reed

Consensus items were approved as presented.

- Minutes of December Church Council meeting
- Pastor's Report
- Minister to Youth and Families Report
- Financial Reports--United Bank of Union-Zion checking account currently has \$119,415.25. Discussion on investing a portion. Recommend to Finance Committee to make policy on investing a portion of this excess.
- Time/Date for next Council Meeting- February 19, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Discussion Agenda:

Draft of February 2024 Congregational Meeting Agenda. Reviewed, added to announcements a report from the Hansen committee on the backdoor project by Bruce Templer. Copies of the monthly Financial reports will be available in the office.

Wreaths for lower commons-tabled
E-mailing agenda- will continue to have printed and mailed to council members.

Backdoor Crew Appreciation-Motion to give the "Dream Team"-Dennis Tucker, Skip Buehrle, Alan TenEyck each a Visa gift card and Hawthorne gift certificate as an appreciation for all they have done on the backdoor project. Second and vote passed. The Visa cards will be for \$100.00 and gift certificates also \$100.00 each.

Cell phone numbers/E-mails for council members. The council members shared this information to make communicating easier.

Request from Connie--Jane Wilson is willing to assist Connie with the financial reports. Move and second to allow this request. Vote passed.

Report on backdoor project-Bruce shared the carpet for closure has been ordered, carpet and tile should be installed this week or next. Door wiring and glass sidelight installed soon. Reaching the completed project.

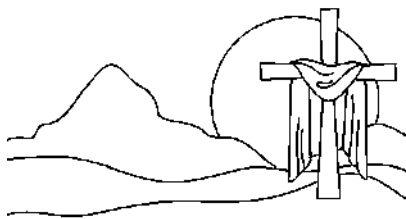
Update on streetlight outside Church. City thought the idea was good and will consider the request and contact Ameren regarding costs.

Goals for the Church-A goal to be pursued this year is to become more active in the community. Some possibilities are--Halloween Bash, Parades sponsored by the city. Block party sponsored by Union Furniture. Membership committee will be contacting people who might be willing to participate and would welcome volunteers.

Cemetery Board will need to replace Fern Dewert as Treasurer due to conflict with her position as Council President.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer in unison.

-Maxine Harrison, Church Council Secretary
(approved by the Church Council on February 19, 2024.)



UCC Women's Retreat

Join us for the Missouri Mid-South Conference Women's Retreat May 3-5, 2024 at Camp MoVal. The

theme for the weekend is *God's World, Handle with Care*. We will focus on caring for God's world while presenting hope for the future of the Earth and everything in it. Join us for engaging speakers focused on earth-friendly living and climate change and its impact on the environment and diversity. Engage in eco-friendly interest groups such as gardening for pollinators, soap making, upcycling crafts, "green" Bible studies, service projects, camp activities, and many more. We will explore God's creation and work together to recognize **THERE IS SOMETHING EACH OF US CAN DO** to care for God's world. Join us for the full weekend or the day-only option. Full Weekend Cost: \$150, Day Only Cost: \$75. Camp Scholarships are available by request—email [Alysha apetry@zionunion.org](mailto:Alysha.apetry@zionunion.org)

Updated Address Directory

An updated Address Directory will be published soon. If you have any changes that need to be made to either your address and/or phone number, please contact Connie in the church office or you can email those changes to her at cthompson@zionunion.org. Thank you!

Church Attendance from February

Feb. 4 – 91
Feb. 11 – 97
Feb. 14 – Ash Wednesday – 58
Feb. 18 – 87
Feb. 25 – 93

Faith Quest/Adult Education Attendance from February

Feb. 4 – 5 (youth); 11 (adults)
Feb. 11 – 8 (youth); 10 (adults)
Feb. 18 – 7 (youth); 10 (adults)
Feb. 25 – 9 (youth); 9 (adults)

Prayers Requested

Health and Healing:

David Pehle	Jim Doehring
Phyllis Olson	Carolyn Donoho
Frank Fazzari	Charlotte Ellison
Sondra Jackson	Fletcher Simons
Kevin Vorderbruegge	Norma Kern
Kim Yenzen	Keith Stahlman

Darlene Farrell (sister of Charlotte Ellison)
Roger McDaniel (brother-in-law of Larry & Betty Clark)
Chris Branch (niece of Gerry Hoelscher)
Sharon Waldrop (friend of Jim Doehring)
Mitch Angell (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
Tammy Wettling (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
Mike Matthews (friend of Carolyn George)
Linda Barnhart (sister of Fern Dewert)
David Borgmann (brother of Fern Dewert)
Shirley Brand (friend of Gerry Hoelscher)
Eric Heitman (nephew of Jim Doehring)
Heather Gooch (great niece of Charlotte Ellison)
S (Karen Stafford's CASA buddy)
Myrt Dunigan
Carol Mossoney (mother of Dan Mossoney)
Bob Truel (husband of Shirley Truel)
Josh & Tricia Pardee-Jacka (friends of Charlotte Ellison)
Cindy Roach (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
Liz Klemme (daughter/sister of Armin, Norma & Phil Klemme)
Glenda Foster (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
Vanessa Dobsch (niece of Charlotte Ellison)
Mary Dobsch (sister of Charlotte Ellison)
Aubrey Reed (granddaughter of Charlotte Ellison)
Wayne Herring (father of Matt Herring)
Beverly Elliott (mother of Mike Elliott)
Nancy McKenzie (sister of Vicki Hooper)
Bill Stolle (friend of Jim Doehring)
The Henle family (family of Susan Merlino)
Shirley Thompson (mother-in-law of Connie Thompson)
Nick Cain (grandson of Verlyn Yarbrough)

Sympathy Is Extended to:

Phyllis Fink & family on the death of her mother, Doris Feth, who died on February 20th.

Church Family Undergoing Cancer Treatment:

Brenda Viehland
Jake McNiell (member of Zion & son of Sarah Davenport)
Ronald Dobsch (nephew of Charlotte Ellison)
Morgan Jones (friend of Connie Thompson & Amy Eads)
Sarah Reed (daughter-in-law of Charlotte Ellison)



Carol Bean
Virginia Maune

Notes to Zion

Dear Friends,

Thank you for all the prayers, cards, and memorial donations that my family received following the death of my husband, Jerry. Your kindness means so much to us. God bless you all!

- Charlotte Ellison

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Another year and again, dear Zion friends, we are so grateful for your continuing support. Thank you. You mean a lot to the Pantry.

- Union Food Pantry

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I would like to thank the congregation and the Church Council for the gift certificates I received for helping with the back door project. It was not necessary, but greatly appreciated.

- Alan TenEyck

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Zion Church Council & Kirk,

Thank you for allowing us to borrow the tuba dedicated to Mr. Harlan Young. It means so much to have such support from individuals and organizations in our community. The tuba has been used every day since it arrived, and it will continue to make a musical impact on young people as long as we are allowed its use.

- Doug Rice, Director

UHS Red & Black

Brigade Band

New Addresses/ Phone Numbers

David Bean, 1051 Vardon
Meadows, Union, MO 63084

Cynthia Johnson (friend of Karen Stafford)
 Kim Gallagher (friend of Chris & Dawn
 Robinson)
 Trish Kennedy (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
 Allen Coffman (friend of David & Shawn Pehle)
 Marissa Schollenberger (friend of Tom & Gayle
 Williams)
 Donna Eime (friend of Jim Doehring)
 Aaron Dixon (nephew of Dan Mossoney)
 Mike Meyer (friend of Mandy Frick)
 Erica Sterling (friend of Amy Dewert)
 Leland Stahlman (brother of Keith Stahlman)
 Bill Diestelkamp (cousin of Liz Short & friend of
 Mandy Frick)
 Brenda (friend of Hettie Becker)

Various Concerns:

Prayer for our country and those actively
 serving:
 Aviation Structural Mechanic 3rd Class Hunter
 Grafrath (currently deployed) (son of Lindsay
 & Greg Traffas, grandson of Mike & Lynne
 Elliott)



**Zion Fellowship –
 March 2024**

On Saturday, February 24, 2024,
 we had an all-church Family Game
 Night in the Fellowship Hall at 3:30
 p.m. Although we had a small turnout, we had a
 variety of games to choose from, and everyone
 had a great time. There were also a variety of
 delicious appetizers for everyone.

March – No activity planned.

Sunday, April 21 – Sunday Brunch in the
 Fellowship Hall after the church service. Bring a
 food item to share, and also bring ideas for
 possible future events we can do as a group.
 There will be a sign up sheet on the Bulletin
 Board in the lower commons.

Check the monthly Newsletters, also the
 weekly Bulletins, for any change of event
 dates/times that might occur. **Anyone** is
 welcome to join us for these events. If you have
 any questions, please contact Fern Dewert
 (President), Carl or Jane Ridder (Vice Presidents),
 Ruth Parker or Bruce Templer (Treasurers), or
 myself.

- Sharon TenEyck, secretary

**Save the Date: Earth Day Event
 at Camp MoVal**

Description: Celebrate Earth Day & spend a
 day at Camp MoVal with other members of UCC
 churches within the Missouri Mid-South
 Conference.

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Date: Saturday, April 20, 2024

Cost: \$12.00 per person (if eating lunch at
 camp, children age four and under are free)

Schedule: 9:00-12:00 service projects. 12:00
 Lunch. 1:00-3:00 Camp Activities.

Watch for registration to open in mid-March.

Called to Care Team Request

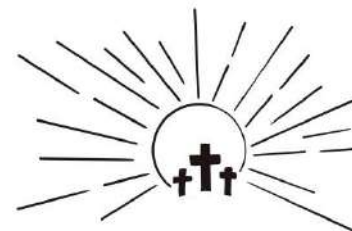
The Called to Care Team is asking that if you or
 someone you know would like a visit from the
 team or our pastor, please contact the church
 office. If you or members you know are in
 nursing homes, homebound, or staying close to
 home please contact the church office. Our
 mission is to minister to and care for the entire
 community of Zion Church, whether able to be
 present in worship or not. Thank you!



**Little Free Pantry and
 Union Food Pantry**

Thank you for the great support in
 keeping the Little Free Pantry going!
 A list of the most needed items is
 posted on the bulletin board in the
 lower commons. Monetary donations can also be
 given – contact the church office.

Likewise, there is also a list of items most
 needed for the Union Food Pantry posted on the
 bulletin board in the lower commons with a
 barrel for your donations. Or you may also give a
 monetary donation to support the Union Food
 Pantry.



2024 Camp MoVal Schedule

Registration is open!

Register at ultracamp via link at www.missourimidsouth.org/camp-moval

<u>Camp Description</u>	<u>Camp Date</u>	<u>Price with Camp Scholarship</u>	
		<u>Discount</u>	<u>Full Price</u>
Young Adult Camp (ages 18-30)	May 29-June 2	\$ 80.00	\$199.00
Mini Camp Session (ages 7-9)	June 9-12	\$ 132.00	\$329.00
Leadership Camp (ages 14-17)	June 9-14	\$ 240.00	\$599.00
All Ages Camp (ages 8-15)	June 16-21	\$ 240.00	\$599.00
All Ages Camp (ages 8-15)	June 23-28	\$ 240.00	\$599.00
PRIDE – Summer Camp (ages 8-17)	June 23-28	\$ 240.00	\$599.00
Family Camp (all ages)	June 30-July 4	\$ 80.00	\$199.00
All Ages Camp (ages 8-15)	July 7-12	\$ 240.00	\$599.00
M.A.D.D. Camp (ages 8-17)	July 7-12	\$ 240.00	\$599.00
All Ages Camp (ages 8-15)*	July 14-19	\$ 240.00	\$599.00
S.T.E.M. – Summer Camp (ages 8-17)*	July 14-19	\$ 240.00	\$599.00
Adventures in Community (ages 18+)	August 4-9	\$ 240.00	\$599.00

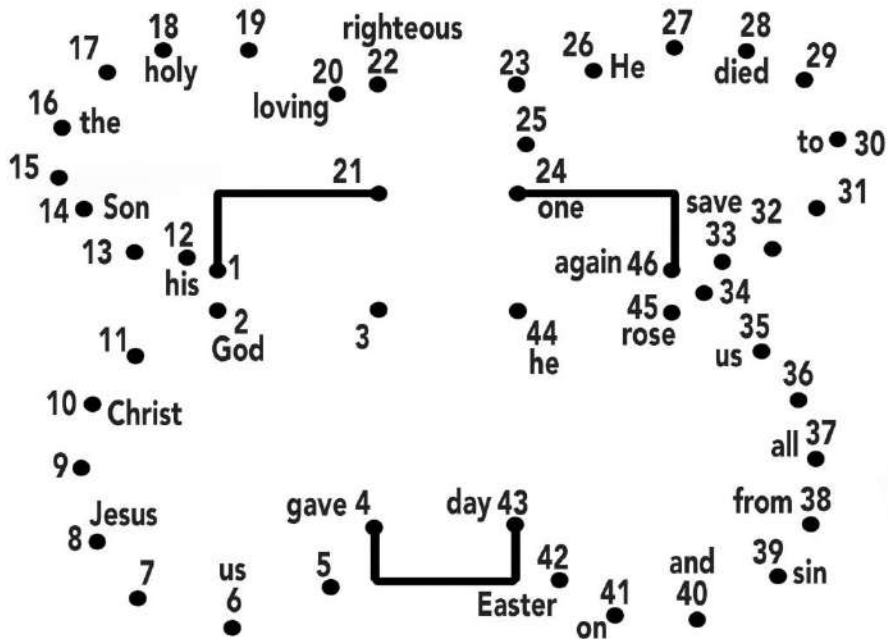
*Alysha Petry will be a shepherd at these two camps.

Contact the church office for your camp scholarship gift certificate.



Puzzle!



Connect the dots to find two symbols of Easter. Then write the words in the correct blanks to complete an Easter poem.



2	4	6	8	10	12	14
16	18	20	22	24		
26	28	30	33	35	37	38
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Answer: God gave us Jesus Christ, his Son, the holy, loving, righteous one. He died to save us all from sin, and on Easter day he rose again.

March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 The 3rd Sunday in Lent/ Communion 	4	5	6 10a Bible Study 12 Loops of Love 5-7:30p LOGOS 6:30 Zion Ringers 7:30 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal	7 8 am-12 noon Quilting Circle 9 am Help Thyself Comm. 6 pm Fellowship Hall in Use 6:30 pm Bible Study	1 7 pm Fellowship Hall in Use 8 7 pm Fellowship Hall in Use	2 9
10 The 4th Sunday in Lent 10 am Usher 'Refresher' Training	11 6:30 pm Finance	12	13 9:30a Called to Care 10a Bible Study 12 Loops of Love 5-7:30p LOGOS 6:30 Zion Ringers 7:30 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal	14 8 am-12 noon Quilting Circle 6:30 pm Bible Study	15 7 pm Fellowship Hall in Use	16
17 The 5th Sunday in Lent 10 am Usher 'Refresher' Training	18 7 pm Church Council April Newsletter items due	19 9 am-4 pm Fellowship Hall in Use	20 10 am Bible Study 12 Loops of Love 6 pm Joyful Noise 7:30 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal	21 8 am-12 noon Quilting Circle 1 pm Historical Team 6:30 pm Bible Study	22 7 pm Fellowship Hall in Use	23
24 Palm/Passion Sunday	25	26	27 10 am April newsletter assembled 12 Loops of Love 6 pm Joyful Noise 7:30 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal	28 8 am-12 noon Quilting Circle Maundy Thursday 6:30 pm Worship/ Communion	29 Good Friday 6:30 pm Worship	30
31 Easter Sunday/ Communion 						



March Birthdays

- 2 - Carol Whisenand
- 3 - Paul Berger
Sandy Breitenbach
- 4 - Jim Doehring
Eddy Koelling
Shirley Truel
Abigail Wilson
Abigail Dewert
- 6 - Jennifer Hawkins
- 7 - Mandy Frick
Ramah Fitzgerald
- 8 - Jenna Klenke Galbreath
Samantha Williams
Owen Mertz
- 10 - Gary Toelke
- 11 - Amy Pecka
Bonnie Vemmer
- 12 - Shelby Puls
- 13 - Bob Williams
Ian Crane
Larry Ingle
- 16 - Danny Thompson
Jessica Oltmann
- 17 - Will Bright
Barrett Short
- 18 - Delores Musket
- 19 - Patsy Pope
Gayle Williams
- 20 - Christopher Griffin

- 21 - Blake Dewert
- 22 - John Crane
Hannah Dewert
- 23 - Vanessa Pehle
- 24 - Wanda Brooks
Maria Blankenship
- 25 - Skip Buehrle
Carolyn George
Amelia Camden
- 26 - Joyce Brown
Betty Zumwalt
- 27 - Norma Klemme
Jeff Vemmer
Luke Brinker
- 28 - Lindsay Traffas
Rob Vemmer
Ben Vemmer
- 30 - Chase Manhart
- 31 - Donna Bocklage

April Birthdays

- 1 - Greg Toelke
Caeli Manhart
- 2 - David Bean
- 3 - Abby Templer-Rodrigues
Wayne Bean
Matthew Seely
- 4 - Pam Griffin
- 6 - Linda Kroeter
Bob Overschmidt
Reed Petry
- 7 - Gracie Helms
- 8 - Sharon Rosenkoetter
- 9 - Bill Koch
- 10 - Harvey Mefford
Andrew Koelling