

Zion United Church of Christ

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Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!

One of Zion's youth asked the question, "How is God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost?"

I explained it like this. You have eyes, ears, and a nose. While each has a different purpose or function, they are all a part of your body. The church is supposed to work in this way, too. The church works in concert with the Holy Spirit for Kingdom-building. Sometimes, the Holy spirit moves differently through each of us and sometimes the Holy Spirit moves the same. Jesus came and showed us how to live here on earth. Jesus is one essence of the Triune, the Trinity. We are all created in God's image. Though we operate in our individual earthly purposes, we are all of one body, the Kingdom of God. Ephesians 4:15-16 ESV "15 Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, 16 from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love."

Concerning Spiritual Gifts

1 Corinthians 12 "Now about the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. 2 You know that when you were pagans, somehow or other you were influenced and led astray to mute idols. 3 Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, 'Jesus be cursed,' and no one can say, 'Jesus is Lord,' except by the Holy Spirit.

4 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. 5 There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. 6 There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. 7 Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. 8 To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, 10 to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues,[a] and to still another the interpretation of tongues.

[b] 11 All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines."



Unity and Diversity in the Body

“12 Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. 13 For we were all baptized by[c] one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. 14 Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

15 Now if the foot should say, ‘Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,’ it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. 16 And if the ear should say, ‘Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,’ it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. 17 If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? 18 But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. 19 If they were all one part, where would the body be? 20 As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

21 The eye cannot say to the hand, ‘I don’t need you!’ And the head cannot say to the feet, ‘I don’t need you!’ 22 On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, 23 and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are un-presentable are treated with special modesty, 24 while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the parts that lacked it, 25 so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. 26 If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it.

27 Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. 28 And God has placed in the church first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, of guidance, and of different kinds of tongues. 29 Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? 30 Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues[d]? Do all interpret? 31 Now eagerly desire the greater gifts.”

Love Is Indispensable

“And yet I will show you the most excellent way.”

Blessings,

Pastor Tammy



- ◆ Pastor Terry
- ◆ Mother Doris Linningham
- ◆ Brandy
- ◆ Melvin and Susan Zion
- ◆ Martha Crowley & son Elliott
- ◆ Sue Vetter
- ◆ Sadie & Julian Brown
- ◆ Vince Crowley for kidney transplant
- ◆ Prayers for Ben's mother
- ◆ Kyleletta Carmenan
- ◆ Arthur W. Sawyer
- ◆ Kim Medley
- ◆ Children of our community
- ◆ Pray for Zion UCC



Please notify the office by phone or email for the following:

- Prayer requests
- Prayer quilt requests
- Changes to our prayer list
- Joys
- General announcements

Thank you

Dear Quilting Ladies,

Thank you so much for the quilt. It is beautiful and means so much.

Jim Ellison



Prayer Quilt Ministry

This month a quilt was requested for Martha Crowley. It was made, presented for knot tying, and sent to her. Please keep her in your prayers.

If prayer quilts are needed, contact church office and we will get one made. We are presently working on getting some made ahead so there will be less wait time when one is requested.

Thank you,
Quilting Ladies



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Baptism Sunday

August 20, 2023

Join us for a reception following the service.

Contact Pastor Tammy if you'd like to be baptized or want more information.



Youth Corner

We are starting a tween/teen youth group for ages 11-15, which will meet on Tuesday evenings from 5-6 in Fellowship Hall. We will provide a light dinner, enjoy fellowship, and participate in Bible Study with Pastor Tammy via Zoom. A Zoom link will be available for youth who aren't able to attend in person.

Youth Night will begin on August 15th.

Children's Church resumes on Sunday, Aug. 20th. Following the Children's Sermon, youth ages 5-10 may exit the service with a youth teacher to participate in learning activities.

If you'd like to volunteer in one or both of these areas, please contact Pastor Tammy, Jessica Danner,

Museum Hill Apartment Clothing deadline.

Please bring clothing items no later than Sunday August 6. This can include socks, underwear, t-shirts, shorts, pants, etc. They are also accepting clothes for children under 5 and for individuals 18+.





We will serve dinner at Haven House on August 21 at 5 pm. If you would like to help with food prep, donation or serving please contact Bill Luce. Zion is on the Haven House schedule for the third Monday of every month.



August 6—Soles for Christ 2023!

Last Sunday to bring shoes for AFL-CIO Community Services will be August 6. The program is planned for August 8 & 9, from 9am-7pm daily; this year it will be held at St. Joseph Scottish Rite, 515 N. 6th St.

Shoes will be distributed on a first come, first-serve basis. Children must be present to receive shoes. A full list of program requirement can be found on the agency website at helpmenow.org and on the Soles for Christ programs Facebook page.

Donors can contribute to this program by giving new tennis shoes, monetary donations or by volunteering during the distribution days. NEW shoes can be donated at the agency, 1203 N. 6th St., until Friday July 28th. Hours for drop off are 8am-5pm, Monday thru Friday. Monetary donations are also welcome, and all donations are tax deductible. Volunteers for the program would help size and fit children with their shoes, keep stock organized or help with family registration. If Interested in volunteering or to make a donation by phone, please contact our office at 816-364-1131. Donations may also be made online at helpmenow.org or by mail.

Donation suggestions

New tennis shoes, as schools do not allow flip-flop, dress or slip-on styles to used in gym. Shoes needed include toddler 5-10, youth 11-6 and all adult sizes



Zion Weekly Prayer Meeting

Tuesdays 6 p.m. CST.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85608524297?pwd=SHVhbU0rbXJhOWw3KzJvc0F3Nlcvdz09>

Meeting ID: 856 0852 4297

Passcode: 457300



The Church Council met on Sunday, July 23rd

Below is a summary of the meeting. Should you have questions or want more information, please contact Pastor Tammy, a Council member, or email the office.

- May & June Minutes approved
- Treasurer's report approved. Net income at the end of July is -\$4,729.21.
- Unexpected expenses this month - air conditioner leak and kitchen faucet repair.
- Building Use/Rentals going well - Wise Guys Italian Catering, Lucky Thai Food Truck, Gym, and Parsonage. We are considering a possible pickleball tournament this fall in the gym.
- The Council reviewed the most recent set of bylaws, which were composed in 2008. The Council will schedule work session(s) to revise these by the Annual Meeting in January.
- The Council will continue applying for grants for the church. If you would like to assist with this, please let Pastor Tammy or a Council member know.
- We will be installing three security cameras outside the parsonage/church and five security cameras inside the building.
- Baptism Sunday on August 20th - so far, four individuals will be baptized and a reception will follow the service.
- We will resume filming Sunday services on Sunday, August 6.
- We are in the process of scheduling a tour of Haven House
- Stephanie Crowley and Jessica Danner have volunteered to lead the youth ministry. Youth ages 11-15 will meet Tuesday evenings from 5-6 in Fellowship Hall beginning on August 15th. Youth ages 5-10 will meet on Sunday mornings during worship following the Children's Sermon beginning on August 20th. Details to follow.
- The Council approved two individuals' requests to join Council.
- Pastor Tammy and Bill Luce updated the Council on the Downtown Coalition meeting they attended this week.
- The format of Sunday service will be changing.
- Pastor Tammy has asked Vincent Crowley, Jr. to lead a deacon's ministry and men's group
- The next Council meeting is scheduled for Sunday, August 27th following worship. Again, all are welcome to attend.



August Birthdays

- 5 Katherine McBeth
- 18 Chrissy Rehm
- 26 Bryceton Bolinger
- 28 Mallori DeShon

August Anniversary

- 7 Tom & Kat Crowley
- 24 Sam & Bev Crowley
- 26 Bill & Sharon Luce

“Learning how to be still, to really be still and let life happen – that stillness becomes a radiance.”
— Morgan Freeman

“Happiness is not something you postpone for the future; it is something you design for the present.”
— Jim Rohn



Visit our website!

<https://zionuccsaintjoseph.com>

During the summer, we will meet for worship in Fellowship Hall beginning Sunday, July 2.

Messenger deadline is the 25th of each month.

Submit items electronically to zionchurchoffice@yahoo.com **OR** place items in the basket on the counter in the church office.

Thank you.



August 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Worship 10:30 am Bring shoes & clothes	7	8 Zoom 6pm	9	10	11	12
13 Worship 10:30 am	14	15 Zoom 6pm Youth Night 5-6pm	16	17	18	19
20 Worship 10:30 am Baptism Sunday	21 Haven House 5pm	22 Zoom 6pm	23	24	25	26
27 Worship 10:30am Council Mtg	28	29 Zoom 6pm	30	31		