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✠Contemporary—Saturdays at 5 P.M.

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Ash Wednesday Service Feb. 22nd at 7PM

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Ash
 Wednesday



80+ Year Club

Please remember these members with a card. If we have missed anyone, please call the church office at 330-477-6731.

Feb. 1 **Frieda Henning**

9312 Beech Lane NE
Atwood Glens
Mineral City, OH 44656

Feb. 1 **Carole Miday**

3907 Crestwood NW
Canton, OH 44708

Feb. 15 **Stanley Evans**

1598 1st St NE, Apt K
Massillon, OH 44646

Feb. 20 **Janice Morris**

1819 Harbour Circle NW
Canton, OH 44708

Homebound Members

Please call the church office if you would appreciate receiving communion in your home!!

(330)-477-6731

Advertisements

Want to advertise for your business, have a memorial, or just wish someone a happy birthday ? For a suggested donation of \$25, you can place a small ad in our **Z.I.P.** Proceeds will help offset printing and mailing costs of our newsletter.

Please call the church office at 330-477-6731 for more information.

Letter From The Finance Committee

If every family unit could give an extra \$10 per month (\$2.50), our annual church income would increase by \$10,000 - \$12,000. The finance committee challenges everyone to pack a lunch, give up a fancy coffee, toss your loose change in a can, recycle cans, ...be creative! The Finance Committee thanks you for your consideration.

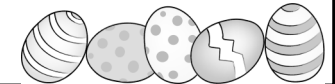
Harry Rennecker
Chairman Finance

WINDOWS CAMPAIGN:

Debt:	\$42,340.00
Received to date:	\$29,007.85
Needed to	
Repay Debt:	\$13,232.15

Easter Egg Hunt

Its never to early to begin thinking about our annual Easter Egg Hunt. The Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, April 7th at 10 AM. We are now beginning to take donations of small kid-friendly candies to fill the Easter Eggs. Please drop your donations off in the office window.



Supplies Needed for Sunday School:

- Markers
- Elmer's Glue
- Glue Sticks
- Colored Pencils
- Construction Paper
- Yarn
- Colored Beads
- Baby Wipes
- Popsicle Sticks
- Dixie Cups



Zion's Recycling Program

Paper Retriever



Tell your family, tell your friends, tell your local businesses, Paper Retriever is now at Zion. Please help us fill up our two new recycling bins. Zion will earn money for your recycled paper. Bring in your old newspapers, magazines, mail, phone books, soft covered books, office or school papers, and bagged shredded paper.

Offering Envelopes are available for pickup in the Narthex behind the Sanctuary.



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Reflections

This year Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22. Lent invites us into a deeper, more introspective time of living and being in touch with our faith, and what our faith means. It is a solemn season which reminds us of all that Jesus taught, was, is, and suffered and died on the cross for our sakes.

Lent invites us to slow down and intentionally focus on the things we so often take for granted or rush by without much notice. Engaging in Lenten practices helps us to be more attentive in the living of our faith as followers of Jesus Christ.

Traditionally, Lenten practices have included, fasting, prayer, sacrificial giving and studying Scripture. We engage in Lenten practices not only in devotion to our Lord and Savior but to ultimately transform our body, soul and spirit. These practices help us to become more Christ-like; more faithful, more trusting, more obedient, more open to God's Spirit and will at work within us, more loving, more forgiving, and more generous.

Often we give up something for Lent, be it our mocha lattes or some television time. In its place, we can give the extra money saved from our lattes to the church or some special mission project or we can spend time in prayer or studying the Bible during that hour of no television. A couple of years ago, I heard of a few Bishops in the Church of England that called for the giving up of ipods during Lent. Which leads us to consider how much of our time is consumed or spent on the internet, on our computers, smart phones and texting. Could we spend some of that time attending to God in prayer or sitting with Scripture?

This Lent we are invited to spend time, forty days, reflecting on the life, teaching and sacrifice of Christ our Lord. How is God inviting you to spend this forty days of Lent? What practices will you engage in to deepen and enrich your faith and relationship with our Lord and Savior?

Perhaps this is the year you attend Zion's Ash Wednesday worship service or participate in our Wednesday potluck suppers as we discover our Spiritual Gifts and how living into these Spiritual Gifts can transform our lives and the life of Zion. Each week we will learn more about Spiritual Gifts and inventory our own individual gifts.

Perhaps, you may wish to engage in "green" practices that honor the earth and make us more mindful of our impact on creation and one another. You might recycle more items, reduce your use of others, give away clothing and items you are no longer wearing or using, or use less energy by turning off lights, unplugging certain appliances when not in use, turning on the faucet at half-strength instead of full strength, and combining your shopping and errands into fewer trips with your car.

Perhaps, you will choose to eat healthier and light fare during Lent, or walk 40 steps, do 40 laps, or walk 40 miles - one mile a day, and use your workout time as prayer time. If you choose to eat lighter or even skip a meal once a week, give the money you save as an extra offering to the church, or bring canned goods and staples on Sunday for our food collection for the hungry.

I encourage you to engage some practice or practices during this season of Lent and look to see you at our Wednesday potluck suppers.

May your Lent be rich, full and deep with practices that bring you nearer to God, inspire and encourage you in living faithfully and transform you to become more like Christ our Lord.

Sharing the journey to the cross with you,
Pastor B



Worship and Music

Readings For February

Feb. 5th: Isaiah 40:21-31, Psalm 147:1-11, 20c, 1 Corinthians 9:16-23, Mark 1:29-39

Feb. 12th: 2 Kings 5:1-14, Psalm 30, 1 Corinthians 9:24-27, Mark 1:40-45

Feb. 19th: 2 Kings 2:1-12, Psalm 50:1-6, 2 Corinthians 4:3-6, Mark 9:2-9

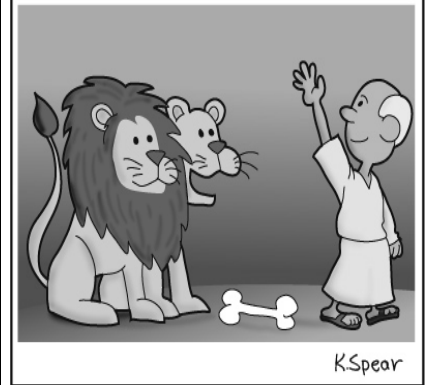
Feb. 26th: Genesis 9:8-17, Psalm 25:1-10, 1 Peter 3:18-22, Mark 1:9-15

Adult Forum

The Book of Daniel

What does this Old Testament book bring to mind? Daniel and The Lion's Den or how about the 4th Figure in The Fiery Furnace? Join us at the Adult forum on Sunday mornings at 10:45. Enjoy a relaxed Bible study and good conversation. Whether your expanding on your early childhood Sunday School lessons or hearing them for the first time, there's a place for everyone!

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"That Daniel is a great guy. That's the most fun I ever had with a person without eating them!"

Children's Sunday School

During the month of January, the children spent time learning about John the Baptist and sharing the Good News that Jesus was born to save us from our sins. The children have had fun making puppets, coloring pictures and using their imagination to draw what they believe John looked like. As we leap into February we will be learning to Trust In God.

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"You're a trendsetter! Everyone wants the John the Baptist, camel hair bathing suit!"

Preschool News



ZCDC/Little Angels Preschool is now collecting ACME receipts. Look for our display in the pre-school hallway to drop off your receipts, Boxtops and Campbells labels. We appreciate your help!



January Birthdays

Jan 3rd: Ms. Alice
Jan. 6th: Cordelia M.
Jan.9th: ZaRaye W.
Jan. 24th: Dominic W.

February Birthdays

Feb. 14th: Kenzie M.
Feb. 5th: Emari S.
Feb .6th: Brodee B.
Feb. 16th: Ms. Terri & Ms. Karen
Feb. 20th: Devin M.



Family Fun!!

Dinner & A Movie



Come join us and bring a dish to share on February 25th at 6:30PM in Fellowship Hall for a potluck dinner followed by the movie, Cars 2 on the big screen. Come meet some of the new Cars friends, like Jeff Corvette and our old friend Mater as we have a thrilling evening full of meeting new and old friends.



Super Bowl Party!!

February 5th @ 6PM

Indianapolis isn't the only one with a new look. Come join us in the newly remodeled Fellowship Hall and watch the big game on the big screen. The party begins at 6PM and kickoff is at 6:30PM. Bring your favorite football munchies to share and B.Y.O.B. .

Lenten Wednesday

When: Feb. 29th, Mar. 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd.

Time: 6PM

Theme: Discover Your Spiritual Gifts

Come join us on Wednesdays during Lent for a potluck dinner followed by a short lesson.

2012 Church Council Members



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Members are encouraged to support the work the council members do on behalf of the congregation through their prayers, suggestions, and comments.

Join the fun! Join a Committee!