



Zion United Methodist Church
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Bibles for Findlay Inmates

Carl Etta Capes is part of a unique program at the Hancock County Jail that puts God's word literally in the hands of inmates. "The program was started two years ago by Jim Woodward," explains Carl Etta who has been involved in the program since October. "There are six of us who meet every Thursday with inmates to lead discussions about the Bible."

The ultimate message to the inmates is simple. The group hopes that once the inmates are released that they go to church - any church - as long as they study the Bible. Currently there are 20 men and 10-12 women who attend the Bible study. The first Thursday of each month is reserved for guest speakers and special programs.

Zion United Methodist has supported the outreach by supplying Bibles for the program. Several sets have been ordered with more on the way. At only \$2.60 each, it's a small price to deliver a big message. A message that some inmates take with them once they are released.

"The inmates are truly grateful for the Bibles. It's a great program and I want to personally thank the Zion family for being so supportive," says Carl Etta.

UMW Women's Salad Buffet Big Success

On May 10, the United Methodist Women celebrated at the annual UMW Salad Buffet. About 35 attended the event which is the last official UMW event until they start meeting again in the Fall. Entertainment for the evening was provided by The Parkview Players, a drama troupe from the Parkview Christian Church. The group presented several skits with music in between productions. Everyone brought a salad to share. "With such great cooks at Zion, it was good food and a lot of fun," according to Deb Foust.

Speaking of great cooks, the UMW is creating a cookbook full of Zion Family Favorites. The goal is to have the cookbook finished before the bazaar. Faye Newman is organizing the effort and encourages everyone to submit their favorites. Place your recipes in the basket in the fellowship hall. Grandma Brown - Have you submitted your cherry pie recipe yet?

The next meeting for UMW will be held the second Thursday in September. "There's always an open invitation for all women to attend UMW," explains Deb Foust, current President of UMW. "We are thinking about adding another unit in the church that is centered around younger mothers." If you are interested in leading another UMW group, contact Deb Foust.

Graduates Honored

On June 3, the Zion graduates were honored at the first and second worship services. The high school graduates include: Amy Asbury, Tracy Fox, Nathen Holdman, Jeremiah Hummel, Sam Morrison, Tracy Newcomer, Anna Polovcik, Alicia Stennett, Alexis Washer. The college graduates include Nick Cramer and Heath Haddix. Good luck to everyone on their future endeavors!

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Liturgist Schedule

1st Sunday - Joe Adams
2nd Sunday - Keith Willford
3rd Sunday - Tom Foust
4th Sunday - Gregg Fox

Newsletter Articles

Please submit your newsletter articles to Jen Iliff or Marilyn Willford by June 25 for the July newsletter or visit www.findlayzion.com to submit your newsletter information.

Greeter Schedule

Be sure to pass out bulletins and greet all who attend our services.

June 10
Grothaus' & Deb Core & Girls

June 17
Geaman's & Stennett's

June 24
Rettig's & Roger Brown's

July 1
Dorman's & Linda Doolittle

July 8
Holdman's & Gene Brown's

July 15
Rickle's & Karl Cramer's

July 22
Tom Foust & Sara Fry

Building Committee Meeting

Everyone is urged to attend the building committee meeting scheduled for Monday, June 18 at 7:00 p.m. at Zion. Continued progress has been made to obtain fill dirt along with stone to extend the parking/driving areas around the church. Attend the meeting to learn more about the future of our new building.

Youth/Church Fun Day Scheduled

The youth has invited the entire church to join them at a fun day that will be held at the State Beach at Indian Lake on July 14. Kids and adults who want to enjoy the day swimming and boating should plan to arrive around noon. Lunch is on your own and a church dinner will be held at 5:00 p.m. Please bring a hot and cold dish to share. After dinner, there's still time for plenty of fun with go carts, putt putt and other games. Mark your calendar and plan to attend!

Church Directory In Development

The communications committee is working on updating the church directory. Since Easter, photos have been taken and entries updated for about half of the church family. A proof of the directory will be hanging in the fellowship hall starting June 17. Please review your entry and make corrections if needed. If you have yet to have your photo taken or would like a re-take, please contact Jen Iliff at 419-424-6605 to schedule your photo session. The session takes about five minutes and can be scheduled for any Sunday.

VBS Goes West

Howdy, Friends! Join us for a wild ride through God's Word at Avalanche Ranch! Get ready for an exciting celebration of God's love filled with stampeding cattle, yapping cattle dogs, soaring eagles and a whole herd of friends.

We're going to enjoy Chuck Wagon Chow snacks, experience Wild Bible Adventures, have some fun during Horseplay Games, create some Cowpoke Crafts & Missions, watch Chadder's Wild West Theatre and learn some unforgettable songs!

So mark your calendar for July 8 - 12 from 5:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. and plan to volunteer or enroll your child(ren) to attend. To volunteer or enroll, visit www.findlayzion.com and click on any of the VBS links to visit our very own Avalanche Ranch VBS website. Or, feel free to contact Audrey Brown at 419-420-1956.

In addition, every Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m. will be a work night at the church to prepare decorations. Come one, come all and share your talents and enthusiasm for VBS.

Sunday Social Time

June 10

PPR Providing Snacks

June 17 (Birthday Sunday)

Tidd's & Hooper's

July 15 (Birthday Sunday)

Elizabeth Snyder &

Dorothy Roy

Up to the Task

When work - or life - gets difficult, we may think back to childhood. Things were a lot easier and our problems were much smaller when we were young. Or were they?

The challenges we faced back then may seem small and insignificant now, but they surely didn't feel that way at the time. Somehow we endured each challenge - and grew as a result. The next time you face a difficulty, remember this: The task before us is no greater than the power behind us. And there is power behind you. "For my yoke is easy and my burden is light"

(Matthew 11:30)

- *The Newsletter Newsletter*

Welcome Pastor Kelly

Zion United Methodist will soon be welcoming our new pastor. On July 1, Pastor Brett Kelly and his family will be joining the Zion United Methodist family. In honor of his first Sunday behind the pulpit, we will have Sunday School at 9:00 a.m., a special combined service at 10:00 a.m. followed by a carry-in dinner. The main dishes will be provided by the PPR committee. Please bring a dish to share.

Choir Outing at Riverside Park

The choir is on their annual summer break and will be meeting at Riverside Park on July 25th at 5:30 p.m. for dinner before the Concert in the Park. Each is asked to bring a dish, drink and tableservice. The chicken for sandwiches will be provided.

Ad Council Minutes

The Administrative Council of Zion United Methodist Church met on Monday, June 4, 2007. Tom Foust called the meeting to order with prayer at 7:05 p.m.

Present were: Harriet Adams, Joe Adams, Marie Eichar, Roger Brown, Barb Tidd, Carl Grothaus, Jen Iliff, Mel Fox, Gregg Fox, Bill Geaman, Tom Brown, Kay Zeisloft, Marilyn Willford and Tom Foust.

Mel Fox reported that the youth has scheduled a church fun day at the state park at Indian Lake on July 14.

Geaman reported that Stomp will be held on August 12 in Wharton and October 14 in McComb.

Geaman reported that the cub scouts have purchased a trailer and would like Zion to license and insure the trailer like we have done for the boy scouts. The board previously approved this action.

Geaman reported that the communications group will be publishing the newsletter for June and are also working on updating the church directory. A preliminary proof of the directory was circulated.

Tom Brown reported that the church doors have been fixed. A building committee meeting was scheduled for June 18 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the next steps. A secondary source for free dirt has been found and a request was presented to bring in stone to extend the parking lot to the West and East of the church. Geaman moved to allocate \$4000 from the building fund for stone. Iliff seconded. Motion was unanimously approved. Gregg Fox asked about the electrical connection on the pole to the South of the church. Will touch base with Denny Dorman. Discussed cleaning the parsonage once Pastor Karen moves. A June 30 work day to clean the parsonage was set. The youth will clean the parsonage as one of their service projects. Pastor Karen will be purchasing her refrigerator and the washer and dryer will be brought to the church and silent bids accepted to sell these items.

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Leadership Team

Fellowship
Bill Geaman

Trustees
Tom Brown

Finance
Mel Fox

Treasurer
Carl Grothaus

Financial Secretary
Marie Eichar

Lay Member Conference
Marie Eichar

Chairman
Tom Foust

Communication
Jen Iliff

Reaching Out
Bill Geaman

Worship
Marie Eichar
Roger Brown
Jody Rucker

Real Ministry
Barb Tidd
Carl Etta Capes

Discipleship
Kay Zeisloft

Pastor
Reverend Karen Walters

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Barb Tidd reported that the pastor parish committee will bring treats for the farewell gathering for Pastor Karen on Sunday. A carry-in will be held on July 1 to welcome Pastor Kelly. The PPR committee will supply the main dishes.

Carl Grothaus gave the treasurer's report. May was a strong month for income this year. Paid \$500 for apportionments and not made any payments in 2007 towards maintenance fund. Group agreed it was okay to provide Pastor Karen her future paychecks for the remainder of her service. The finances have been filed for audit.

Marie Eichar gave the financial secretary report. Marie reported that \$97.63 was spent on Worship DVDs from Wally Cramer's memorial.

Roger Brown reported that the worship team will be training Chuck Eichar to run the powerpoint equipment. The June 17 worship services will celebrate Father's day and the committee is looking for someone at the district level to lead the June 24 service.

Barb Tidd reported that real ministry will be donating extra money to the Bible program at the Findlay jail.

Kay Zeisloft reported that Vacation Bible School planning is in full swing. Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. will be work nights at the church to help prepare for VBS.

Kay also reported that a Sunday School kick-off date has been tentatively set for September 9. In addition, her committee discussed have a Fall Bible study with Pastor Kelly. The Impact World Tour is holding a June 16 wrap-up at 7:00 p.m. at Winebrenner Seminary.

The meeting was closed in prayer at 7:55 p.m.

Plant Happiness

First plant five rows of peas:

Perseverance - Presence - Preparation - Promptness and Purity

Next plant three rows of squash:

Squash Gossip - Squash Criticism and Squash Indifference


Then five rows of lettuce:

Let us be faithful to duty
Let us be unselfish and loyal
Let us be true to our own
Let us love one another.

No garden is complete without turnips:

Turn up for important meetings
Turn up with a smile
Turn up with new ideas
Turn up with determination to make everything count for something good and worthwhile.

- Author Unknown

<u>SUN</u>	<u>MON</u>	<u>TUE</u>	<u>WED</u>	<u>THU</u>	<u>FRI</u>	<u>SAT</u>
Jun 10 10 AM Pastor Karen Farewell Gathering	Jun 11 Wendy Harvey Birthday	Jun 12 Audrey Powell Birthday Elizabeth Snyder Birthday	Jun 13 Norma Harpst Birthday Andi Cramer Birthday	Jun 14 Harvey & Midge Beck Anniv.	Jun 15 7 PM World Impact Meeting @ Winebrenner Theology Center	Jun 16 Andrew Adams Birthday
Jun 17 Birthday Sunday - Tidd/Hooper Father's Day Greeters: Geaman's & Stennett's	Jun 18 7 PM Meeting on New Building - Everyone Encouraged to Attend! Jeff Holdman Birthday	Jun 19 7 PM VBS Worknight @ Zion Gene & Margaret Brown Anniv. Mike and Jill Harmon Anniv.	Jun 20	Jun 21 First Day of Summer	Jun 22 Angie Rader Birthday T.J. Washer Birthday	Jun 23
Jun 24 Building Offering Greeters: Rettig's & R. Brown's Pat Brown Birthday Dale Zeisloft Birthday	Jun 25 Bill & Ginny Geaman Anniv. Kyle Grothaus Birthday	Jun 26 7 PM VBS Worknight @ Zion Kaylee Rader Birthday Kyle Rickle Birthday	Jun 27	Jun 28 Brady Cramer Birthday	Jun 29 Blair Harmon Birthday	Jun 30 Cleaning Day at Parsonage Jody Rucker Birthday
Jul 1 Mission Sunday Pastor Kelly's 1st Sunday 10 AM Combined Worship with Carry-In Lunch	Jul 2 6 PM Fellowship Team 7 PM Ad Board	Jul 3 7 PM VBS Worknight @ Zion Britta Fenstermaker Birthday	Jul 4 Independence Day	Jul 5 Tom Brown Birthday	Jul 6	Jul 7
Jul 8 Nicole Rucker Birthday	Jul 9	Jul 10 Feather Brown Birthday	Jul 11	Jul 12	Jul 13	Jul 14 Church/Youth Fun Day at Indian Lake
 <p><i>Vacation Bible School 5:30 - 8:30 PM</i></p>						
Jul 15 Birthday Sunday-Elizabeth Snyder & Dorothy Roy Ashley Fox Birthday	Jul 16	Jul 17 Jean Adams Birthday	Jul 18 Jack Brown Birthday John & Faye Newman Anniv.	Jul 19	Jul 20 Shawn Koch Birthday Mike & Audrey Brown Anniv.	Jul 21 Starr Woodruff Birthday