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## WELCOME TO MOUNT ZION

We're glad you're here today and thankful to worship together! If you're joining us for the first time, text **WELCOME** to **937.377.5616** to connect, and stop by the Welcome Center for a gift before you leave.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**RENU YOUTH (GRADES 6-12) TRIP TO KINGS ISLAND | Saturday, August 8, leave Mt. Zion at 9AM**

Cost is \$25. Sign up in the Foyer.

**LADIES' GAME NIGHT | Friday, August 28, 6:30PM (76 S. Fairfield Road, 45440)**

**BACK-TO-SCHOOL BASH | Wednesday, September 2, 6PM-8PM**

We're keeping the summer vibe alive with an epic Back-to-School Bash! Kids, teens, and their families are invited for a night of food, inflatables, archery tag, games, and more as we send summer out with a bang!

**TAILGATE SUNDAY | September 13**

Wear your favorite team gear, join us for worship at 10AM, then stay for a cookout and an afternoon of fun. Enjoy a giant inflatable obstacle course, an 18-foot inflatable dartboard, a Field Goal Kick Challenge, QB Blitz, a play zone for younger kids, and more. Bring your family and friends and join us as we celebrate the fall season together!

## SUPPORT GROUPS

- **GRIEFSHARE | Wednesdays, beginning September 2; 6:30PM-8PM**  
A safe space for those grieving the loss of a loved one. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Join anytime for weekly sessions offering support, hope, and encouragement. **Register at [griefshare.org/groups/301109](http://griefshare.org/groups/301109)**
- **CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP | Thursday, September 10, 2PM-4PM**  
Find support and encouragement alongside others who are caring for a loved one.

## WEEKLY & MONTHLY

**A CHRISTIAN RESPONSE TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE | Sundays, August 9 & 16, 9AM**

Join Pastor Vance during our Adult Sunday School class for a two-week discussion about artificial intelligence, including what it is, how we use it, and how Christians can approach it with wisdom and discernment as it becomes an increasing part of everyday life.

**CARD MAKING GROUP | Monday, August 3, 10:00AM (76 S. Fairfield Road, 45440)**

Encourage and bless others by making handmade cards.

**HIKING FELLOWSHIP GROUP | Wednesday, August 5, 10AM**

Join us at Sugarcreek Metro Park on the first Wednesday of each month as we experience God's beautiful creation together. Open to men and women, young and old.

**GOLDENAGERS LUNCH | Wednesday, August 12, 11:30AM**

Senior adults, join us for lunch and time together at El Rancho Grande (4139 Wilmington Pike, 45440) in Kettering.

The next **SECOND SATURDAY SERVE** will be **September 12, 12:00PM-3:00PM**

**MEN'S ALLIANCE | Mondays, 6:30PM (Parking Lot)**

Learn more at [mensalliancetribe.com/tribes/shepherd](http://mensalliancetribe.com/tribes/shepherd)

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY | Thursdays, 10AM-12PM**

A time for women to fellowship, pray and study as we spend the summer watching *The American Heritage Collection* with Christian historian David Barton. We'll return to Thessalonians in the fall.

## CHILDREN & YOUTH

- **KIDZONE | Sundays, at 10AM (Check-in opens at 9:30AM)**  
KidZone helps children know and follow Jesus through worship, Bible teaching, and age-appropriate activities while partnering with parents to build faith at church and at home. Nursery & Pre-K options available for younger children.
- **RENU YOUTH | Wednesdays, 6PM-8PM**  
A weekly gathering for middle & high school students.

## BAPTISM

If you've recently decided to begin a relationship with Jesus, or you've never publicly professed your faith through baptism and desire to, we would love to celebrate that step with you during a worship service this summer. If you would like to be baptized or have questions, email [pastorvance@mountzionchurch.org](mailto:pastorvance@mountzionchurch.org)

## CHURCH APP & RESOURCES

Download the Mt. Zion app, by searching Mt. Zion Xenia in the Google Play Store or Apple App Store. The app includes live services, sermon recordings, upcoming events, and helpful resources like these:

- **One-Year Bible Reading Plan** - Follow the daily readings in the app by tapping **Bible** and then **Plan**, or pick up a paper copy at the kiosk in the Foyer.
- **Spiritual Gifts Survey** - Discover the gifts God has given you and how they can be used in the life of the church. Take the survey and watch Pastor Vance's videos about each of the nine Team Gifts at [mountzionchurch.org/findmygifts](http://mountzionchurch.org/findmygifts)
- **Prayer Requests** - Submit a request anytime through the app to share with our Prayer Chain. *If you need prayer today, Prayer Team members are available after the service under the front screens.*

## SERMON NOTES

### FAITH THAT WORKS: THE FAITH OF LEAST RESISTANCE

Pastor Vance Weeks | James 2:14-26

**The faith of least resistance uses words alone (2:14-17)**

**The faith of least resistance separates faith and actions (2:18-20)**

**The faith of least resistance is dead (2:17, 20, 26)**

**Living faith is seen in action (2:21-25)**



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