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**WELCOME TO MT. ZION!** We are so glad that you're here and that you chose to worship with us today. If it's your first time with us, please pick up a gift at the Welcome Center. No strings attached; we just want to say thanks for coming.

**INTERESTED IN BEING BAPTIZED?** If you've recently decided to begin a relationship with Jesus or you've never made this public profession of your faith and desire to, Pastor Vance would love to talk with you about setting up a time for you to be baptized. Contact [pastorvance@mountzionchurch.org](mailto:pastorvance@mountzionchurch.org) or call the Church Office if you are interested.

**NEED PRAYER?** Members of our Prayer Team are available to pray with you under the screens in the front of the Gym following the service or submit a request to our Prayer Chain at [mountzionchurch.org](http://mountzionchurch.org).

**DOWNLOAD OUR CHURCH APP TODAY!** Stay connected with our church community anytime, anywhere by downloading our church app. Search **Mt. Zion Xenia** in the Google Play Store (for Android devices) or the Apple App Store (for iOS devices).

**THE MAIN BUILDING AND PARKING LOT WILL BE CLOSED FOR MAINTENANCE** on Monday, August 12 and Tuesday, August 13. All scheduled groups and meetings will meet as planned at our S. Fairfield Rd campus. We will reopen on Wednesday, August 14. Please plan accordingly.

**OPEN GYM BASKETBALL | Tuesday, July 30, 6PM-8PM at Mt. Zion**

The Gym will be open to everyone age 12 and up to come play some hoops together.

**HOPE RISING CHURCH OF THE MONTH**

For the month of August, Mt. Zion will be the Church of Month at the Hope Rising Pregnancy Center in Xenia. Being the Church of the Month is an opportunity for us to share the love of Jesus with the women, children, families, and volunteers at Hope Rising. We will have several different opportunities to serve them, from potentially making baked goods to going to the center and working on a needed project there. Please sign up at the Welcome Center if you are interested in finding out more about the various service opportunities that will be available at Hope Rising in August.

**BOOK CLUB | Thursday, August 1, 6PM at Mt. Zion**

Ladies, read our Book of the Month *Forgiving Paris* by Karen Kingsbury and join us to discuss.

**RENU YOUTH LAKE DAY CAMPOUT | August 9-10**

Students (grades 6-12) are invited to our annual campout and day at the lake. Sign up and find more details at RENU Youth on Wednesdays or email Pastor Daniel at [mtzstudents@mountzionchurch.org](mailto:mtzstudents@mountzionchurch.org).

**GOLDENAGER'S LUNCH | Wednesday, August 14, 11:30AM**

Our seniors will meet for lunch at El Toro at The Greene (4402 Walnut St. Beaver creek, 45440 – formerly Mimi's Cafe). Please sign up in the Foyer if you plan to attend.

**SMALL GROUP LEADER'S TRAINING | Saturday, August 17, 9AM at Mt. Zion**

**MEN'S BACKYARD HEROES' COMPETITION | Saturday, August 17, 5PM at Mt. Zion**

Men, save the date and invite your friends for an evening of free food, fun, and a little friendly competition. Please sign up at the Welcome Center if you plan to attend.

### **COJOURNER EVANGELISM SEMINAR | Saturday, August 24, 9AM at Mt. Zion**

Everyone in the world is on a spiritual journey whether they know it or not. As faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, we are called to join people on their journey to Jesus and to help them along the way. Join us as Dr. Mark Covell leads us through the Cojourner training from Cru Ministries. Cojourner will help you gain confidence and skills in spiritual conversations, teach you how to ask the right questions, lead you to become an explorer in understanding what keeps people from faith in Jesus, and even give you some practical tools to help with these conversations. Please sign up at the Welcome Center today to join us for this exciting opportunity.

### **CHURCH PICNIC | Sunday, August 25 at Dominick Lofino Park (640 Grange Hall Rd. Beaver Creek, 45430)**

Save the date and join us for some good food, fellowship, and fun for all at our annual Church Picnic. Hot dogs, buns, plates/utensils, and condiments provided. Please bring a salad OR side dish OR dessert to share, drinks, and your own lawn seating. Arrive any time after 2PM. There will be games for the kids, and we will eat at 4PM.

### **RENU YOUTH | Wednesdays, 6PM-8PM at Mt. Zion**

A place where students (grades 6-12) can come as they are, have fun, and learn more about Jesus.

### **TOGETHER RETREAT | October 18-20**

Ladies, Mt. Zion's Women's Ministry invites you to a fun and relaxing weekend away during our Together Retreat in Sugar Creek, Ohio. Sugar Creek (considered the 'gateway to Amish country') is located about three hours from Mt. Zion. Complete details, including cost, are available at the Welcome Center. Register with Amanda Weeks.

### **WOMEN'S GROUP | Thursdays, 10AM at Mt. Zion**

All women are welcome for a time of prayer, fellowship, and study. Join us as we take a break from our study of Luke's Gospel and begin a new video series by Bruce Wilkinson called *Survey of the Bible*.

### **MEN'S GROUP | Thursdays, 6PM at 76 S. Fairfield Rd. 45440**

Come as you are able and join us for a time of fellowship, snacks, topical Bible study, and prayer.

## **SERMON NOTES**

### **THE STORIES OF JESUS: PRICELESS**

July 28, 2024 | Pastor Vance Weeks | Matthew 13:24-50

**The Kingdom will make things right** (vv. 24-30, 36-43, 47-50)

**The Kingdom is more than you think** (vv. 31-33)

**The Kingdom is worth everything** (vv. 44-46)

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