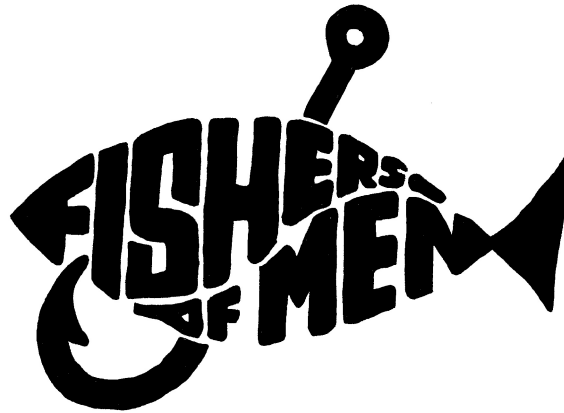


Weekly News from
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 Worship 10:15am



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Sunday, February 6, 2022
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

+++ **Worship Participants & Sponsorships** +++

Thank you to all who have made this worship experience possible.

	<u>Today - Feb 6th</u>	<u>Next Sunday - Feb 13th</u>
Usher Captain	Sue H.	Geri G.
Usher Co-Captain	Marianne M.	Elsa W.
Usher/Greeter	Ray T.	George M.
Usher/Greeter	Mary Ann S.	Dottie M.
Acolyte	Jon H.	Mike P.
Crucifer	Paul S.	Paul S.
Welcome/Lector	Cory P.	Wanda M.
St. Paul's Announcer	Elsa W.	Sheri R.
Cantor	Sheri R.	Terry P.
Children's Message	Pastor Ben	Elsa W.
AV Tech	Kirk A.	Kirk A.
Koffee Klatch	Zion	Sue H.
St. Paul's Counters	Geri G. & Kirk A.	Geri G. & Kirk A.
Bulletins	-	-
Altar Flowers	-	-

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††† General Announcements †††

Visitation Care Team

Our Visitation Care Team (VCT) is composed of lay members who have been trained for visitation. If you are in need of prayer, a visit, or just a listening ear, they are here to be of support to you. To contact the Visitation Care Team with a visitation request or to share information about a potential care need email the VCT at CareTeam@sprucc.org. For more information, go to our "[Visitation Care Ministries](#)" page at www.sprucc.org under the "ministries" tab.

Sunday School

Sunday school for adults and youth takes place each Sunday morning from 9:00-9:45am. Both adult and youth classes are shared with Zion UCC. Please join us to learn more about God's Word.

St. Paul's Installation

During the worship service today, St. Paul's will be installing their Consistory and various committee members. We pray God's blessing upon them and their service.

Valentine's Day Care Package

Thank you to everyone that contributed items, money, and helped put together the Valentine's Day care packages for our youth members that are in college. It was a nice way to let our college kids know that we are thinking about them, and we hope that they are doing well at school.

Weekly Morning Bible Study - Tuesdays

Every Tuesday morning at 9:00am, Zion UCC offers a Zoom Bible Study based on the scripture passages for the coming Sunday. The study goes from 9:00-9:45am. All are invited! The same Zoom numbers are used each week.

To join the Zoom meeting use the following:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87452124156?pwd=RzI3dTl4Uy8vWGpBQnRzOGV2bnlrdz09>

Meeting ID: 874 5212 4156 Passcode: 783249

For people joining with telephone, choose one of these numbers:

+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC) +1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

Church Choir Rehearsals - Thursdays

Please consider joining the church choir. They meet once a week on Thursdays from 6:00-7:00pm in the Upper Room on the second floor of the church. Please contact Pastor Bob if you have any questions. His phone number is 610-927-8741.

Handbell Choir Rehearsals - Thursdays

The Handbell Choir meets once a week for practice, and usually performs once a month during the Worship Service. They are a fun bunch, always on the lookout for additional ringers. Practice is on Thursdays at 7:00pm. If you would like additional information, please contact the church office.

Sponsorships

Please consider sponsoring altar flowers, the bulletin, or even the newsletter, in honor or memory of a loved one, or a special event in your life. A Flower Chart has been posted on the bulletin board in the narthex, and up-to-date sponsor sheets have been placed on clipboards nearby. Detailed information may be found on the poster display by the clipboards.

Set Your Cell Phone Alarm for Noon Every Day

Why? To thank God in unison for our blessings as congregations worshipping together. To ask for God's guidance as we begin serious discussions about the possibility of becoming a new congregation with a new name.

Pray: God, we pray for your guidance. Is this your will or is this not your will? Reveal your plan to us. Guide us through every step of your plan, whatever that is. Amen.

Psalm 119:105 - Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Attention All Instrumental Musicians

In the new year, Pastor Bob would like to try to incorporate instrumental musicians during our worship's musical ministry. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, please contact Pastor Bob and let him know your interest and what instrument you play. Any and all instruments are welcome. Contact Pastor Bob at 610-927-8741 or 484-769-4076.

Bible Case

Do you need a case for your Bible? If so, contact Pastor Mary Etta.

The Book of Acts Bible Study

The next session of the Book of Acts Bible Study will take place on Wednesday, **February 16th** from **6:00-7:00pm**. Pastor Mary Etta is our teacher and guide. We hope you will join us in-person or remotely via Zoom. The necessary Zoom info is as follows:

Meeting ID: 874 5212 4156 Passcode: 783249

For people joining with telephone: 1-301-715-8592

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87452124156?pwd=RzI3dTI4Uy8vWGpBQnRzOGV2bnlrdz09>

Wanted: Clean, Used Plastic Grocery Bags

St. John's Hain's UCC is making blankets for homeless people by crocheting strips of plastic bags. If you do not already have a good place for your bags, please bring them to the stage in Miller Fellowship Hall and place them in the labeled green bin. If you would be interested in helping to make these blankets, please contact Pat Roberts at PatRoberts@stjhains.org. **The last day to bring in bags will be Sunday, February 13th.**

A Witness Talk

Have you ever had a God moment? A time when you felt the presence of God in your midst, or knew that God had spoken to you through another person, or that God had spoken to you directly. Would you be willing to share your experience with us? Please think about it and consider being a witness. Let Pastor Mary Etta or Pastor Ben know if you think you would be willing, or just want to discuss the possibility.

Redner's Tapes

If you would like to help the local Meals on Wheels (Berks Encore/Wernersville), an easy way to do it is with Redner's Tapes. Please place your Redner's receipts in the brown paper bag on the table in the upstairs hallway. The bag is labeled "Redner's Tapes". There are some stipulations:

- You must use your reward card when you checkout your groceries.
- The tape must say: "Today's 1% Save-A-Tape Total \$ _____."
- **Please Do Not Make Any Marks On Your Tape.**
- Tapes cannot be more than 3 years old.
- We need the whole tape.

Telephone Live Streaming & Playback Worship

This feature is offered to those who do not have internet access. You may call us at our toll free number **1-888-649-5770** and listen to the worship service live using a landline or cell phone. (No internet, smartphone, tablet, or computer is necessary - this works with a standard corded phone, cell phone, or even with a rotary phone). You also have the option for the church to automatically call you when the live stream worship begins (rather than you calling the church); which you can sign up for at the above toll free number, or you can call the church office, and we can add you to the call list. If you have any questions, difficulties, or issues, please let us know by calling the office at 610-621-5770. There is no charge to you for this service. If you know of someone who does not have internet access, please let them know of this feature.

High Five for Disaster Relief

The Susquehanna Area Mission Council is challenging all PA Southeast and Northeast Conference churches to invite every member to donate \$5 to their Conference office and earmark it for Disaster Relief. **This fund raising project will go from January 16th to February 13th.** All money collected will stay within each respective conference and will be used specifically for Disaster Relief Services. The goal is to raise \$5,000. Please, let your dollars bless those in need.

Additional Help

Starting March 6, Rev. M will be serving as a supply pastor with St. Daniel's Church on the first Sunday of each month for their 9:00am service. So, if you wonder why her car is not in the parking lot early, now you know!

Wanted: Acolytes

Please let Pastor Mary Etta or Pastor Ben know if you would be willing to acolyte. All ages are welcome!

Egg Carton Drive

Starting today, the Youth Group will be collecting empty egg cartons. A family that donates eggs (3,600 eggs/year) to a food pantry is in need of the cartons. Please place your cartons within the bin placed outside by the fellowship hall doors (along Pearl Street). Your donation helps us help others in the larger community. Thank you!

*Please lift up those listed here in your prayers this week.
“Pray for one another, so that you may be healed.
The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.” ~ James 5:16b*

† St. Paul’s Prayer List †

Medical Concerns & Healing:

Rich D.
Nevin K.
Jim & Donna K.
Caitlin & Brandon L. & Family
Ella L.
George M.
John R.

Medical Concerns & Healing:

Sheri R.
Jim S.
Rob & Jodi S.
Robert S.
Bailey U.
Nancy & Lee V.
Elsa W.

Mourning:

Family & Friends of Anna Mae B.
Family & Friends of Jed C.
Family & Friends of Chris E.
Family & Friends of Richard H.

Social Concerns:

Those impacted by COVID-19
Those working on a vaccine for COVID-19
Those who serve in the armed forces
Peaceful outcome in the Ukraine

† Zion’s Prayer List †

Help & Healing:

Sharon F. & Jimmy F.
Heather G.
Candace H.
Kathie K.
Carolyn M.
Tim & Sheri R. & Family
Sensenig Family: Jared, Landon,
Kasen
Zayden
All people dealing with catastrophes

Military People:

Sgt. Benjamin
Senior Airman Sarah
MASN Cody
LanCpl Ben

College People:

Madison H.
Jack S.
Shane M.

In Thankfulness:

For God’s Provision for Zion UCC

Guidance:

For decisions which Zion & St. Paul’s
will be making

Mourning:

Family & Friends of Lester B.
Family & Friends of Helen H.
Family & Friends of Linda K.
Family & Friends of Duane K.

*Please let us know if we can be in prayer with you.
All are welcome to add names to the prayer list.*

*Names are generally left on the list for about four weeks.
Please let us know if you would like a name to remain longer or shorter.*

*If you would like someone’s name added to the prayer list,
please contact the church office at 610-621-5770 or office@sprucc.org or Pastor Mary Etta.*

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