

Weekly News from  
**St. Paul's United Church of Christ**  
**and**  
**Zion United Church of Christ**

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 Worship 10:15am



**Sunday, February 13, 2022**  
**Sixth Sunday after Epiphany**

††† **Worship Participants & Sponsorships** †††

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

	<u>Today - Feb 13<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Next Sunday - Feb 20<sup>th</sup></u>
Usher Captain	Geri G.	Michael P.
Usher Co-Captain	Elsa W.	Terry P.
Usher/Greeter	George M.	Sharon B.
Usher/Greeter	Dottie M.	Karen S.
Acolyte	Mike P.	Geri G.
Crucifer	Paul S.	Paul S.
Welcome/Lector	Wanda M.	Sheri R.
St. Paul's Messenger	Sheri R.	-
Cantor	Terry P.	Wanda M.
Children's Message	Elsa W.	Akira P.
AV Tech	Kirk A.	Eric O.
Koffee Klatch	Sue H.	Zion
St. Paul's Counters	Geri G. & Kirk A.	Geri G. & Jon H.
Bulletins	-	-
Altar Flowers	-	-

**The Rosebud on the Altar**  
**is placed in honor of the birth of**

*Jaxon Henry Gembe,*  
*infant son of Megan Hildebrand and Nathan Gembe.*  
*Jaxon was born on November 9, 2021.*  
*We pray God's blessings on Jaxon, his parents and family.*

## ††† 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](mailto:CareTeam@sprucc.org). For more information, go to our "[Visitation Care Ministries](#)" page at [www.sprucc.org](http://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.

### 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:

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### The Book of Acts Bible Study - This Wednesday

The next session of the Book of Acts Bible Study will take place this Wednesday, **February 16<sup>th</sup>** 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.

To join the Zoom meeting use the following:

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### Women's Lunch - This Thursday

All women of the church and their friends are invited to the monthly lunch to be held this Thursday (2/17) at noon at Country Fare Restaurant in Myerstown. Please let Pastor Mary Etta know if you plan to attend by tomorrow, Monday, so she may make the reservation.

### 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 would we do that? To thank God in unison for our blessings as a congregation.

*God, we pray for your guidance. Reveal your plan to us. Guide us every step of your plan.*

*Amen.*

*James 1:5 - If any of you need wisdom, you should ask God, and it will be given to you.*

*God is generous and won't correct you for asking.*

*But when you ask for something, you must have faith and not doubt.*

### **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.

### **Wanted: Clean, Used Plastic Grocery Bags - Last Day**

**Today is the last day** to donate clean, used plastic grocery bags. Please place your bags in the labeled green bin located on the stage in the Miller Fellowship Hall. Thank you to everyone who has donated bags.

### **You are Invited - A Conversation by Zoom**

Please join Zion UCC Womelsdorf and St. Paul's UCC via Zoom on Sunday evening, February 27 at 7:00pm, to say hello and chat with each other. It's a great way to catch up with others during these Covid-times especially if you have not yet returned to church in person. The necessary Zoom information is below. Please note that you may join this gathering by phone (landline or cell phone) if you do not have access to a computer or tablet.

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### **A Witness Talk**

Did God say hello to you in a big way one day? Would you have the courage to share the experience with us? Like up front, with a microphone? 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.

### **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**

The Youth Group is 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 inside by the fellowship hall doors (along Pearl Street). Your donation helps us help others in the larger community. **So far we have collected over 50 12-hole cartons and about half dozen 18-hole cartons. Thank you!**

### **Valentine Packages**

Thank you everyone for your contributions for the Valentine Packages for our college students! We have \$129.47 left which will be earmarked as postage for our military people.

*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.

#### **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.  
Family & Friends of John R.

#### **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.  
Loretta G.  
Herbert H.  
Kevin H.  
Candace H.  
Kathie K.  
Carolyn M.  
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 Heather G.  
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](mailto:office@sprucc.org) or Pastor Mary Etta.*

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**Password (for both):** iamheretoserve



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Upcoming Events Link