

September 8th congregational email

We are producing a NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY of our MEMBERS. We would love to have 100% participation to help us know each other better! Please sign up! There is no obligation to buy anything, but we need everyone's photo in the directory!

Photos will be taken October 5-8 from 2pm to 8:30pm and October 9 from 10:30am to 4 pm.

ONLINE SCHEDULING IS AVAILABLE BEGINNING TODAY!

To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to www.ucdir.com, click on photography appointment scheduling login on the right side, enter [mi1607](#) in the Church Code field and enter [photos](#) in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time.

If you have 6 or more in your family, please use 2 consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is available **Monday Noon through 3:30p Thursday**. Appointments fill up quickly, so schedule as soon as possible to secure your preferred date and time.

If you are unable to sign up online, there will be signup sheets in front to the sanctuary before worship services from September 5 through the 26.

Resuming our fall programs in September!!!

Wednesday night dinner and classes return Sept 8th at 5:15pm

9/8 Menu Chicken Enchiladas
Southwest Chopped Salad
Pineapple, Bananas

Sunday morning classes return Sept 12th at 9:15am

Weekly Online and Radio Ministry

Sunday 8am worship live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube

(you may also watch later)

Sunday Radio Sermon WKZO 590AM at 9:30 am

Facebook devotions (Mon., Fri.)

Sunday lesson helps posted midweek

Here is the Link to view our **Face to Face Conversations Part II** -- Small Group Bible Study sharing how their faith has grown this past year. https://youtu.be/VBLXKX_tdis

Also, a link to small group bible studies: <https://www.zionkazoo.org/family-life>

Small group gatherings information.

Linda Stieve: Meets every Wednesday at 7:30p through Zoom for an hour. Her study will be about Ruth. Begins Sept. 8th.

Chuck Wendling: Meets at church every other Sunday evening at 6:30p.m. Chuck's group will decide the topic and when to start meeting.

Dave Mayer: Meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:15p - 7:20p at church. (Basement) Dave will do a podcast of various topics presented with a hybrid approach (people can be at church or on Zoom) The first podcast will cover forgiveness!

John and Candy Buetows: Meets every Sunday at 9:15a in the church basement. This last for an hour with an emphasis on parenting of all age children. They are working within a book titled, The Five Love Languages of Children.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: as ushers, greeters, communion assistants, lectors, altar ministry, sound board, Sunday Coffee, and kitchen help.

Please email (zion@zionkazoo.org) or call the office (382-2360) to get back on schedules or to learn how to help.

Worship Schedule – Late Service Changed to 10:30 beginning 9/12

Saturdays at 5:30 pm / Sundays at 8am and 10:30 am

The 10:30am service is moving back indoors as of this week

Church Office hours expanding: Mon - Thurs 9am to 4pm, Friday 9a - Noon 382-2360

Pastoral assistance: Pastor Seeber 501-3624 / Aaron 271-2848

Pastor Brelje 330-9538 / Pastor Couch 598-8167

FINANCIAL UPDATE:

Finance Update for 9-5-2021	
Offerings received	\$11,746
Needed to meet weekly budget:	\$16,175
Offerings received year-to-date:	\$166,588
Needed to meet year-to-date budget:	\$182,375

Thank you for your financial support. Any additional, regular support would be greatly appreciated. Thank you also for your prayers and the many other ways you are involved in and support our ministry!

To make an online donation, or to set up regular online giving, follow this link:

<https://www.kindridgiving.com/app/giving/zionkazoo>

Kalamazoo County has a grant to give the **COVID vaccine to homebound** people through the end of September. If you know of anyone in need contact Cassie Bailey at 269-373-5239 to schedule.

*** If you have been hospitalized, or are now confined to home or have a new address, please call the church or one of the pastors and let us know! ***

LOAVES AND FISHES FOOD COLLECTION!

We have resumed gathering food for the hungry at worship services on Saturdays and Sundays. Bins are by the office where they have always been. September's need is:

Canned Meat

Prayers: Troy Cosgrove – upcoming surgery

For our students' First Communion on Sunday, Sept 12th: Alexander Dobbin, James Mayer, Sarah Skuratowicz, Colton Woodhams, Sydney Woods