# The Spire November 2019



## HAPPY THANKSGIVING

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### WORD FROM OUR PASTOR AND TEACHER



#### **Blessed and Grateful**

This month, we enter the season of giving thanks. As we do so, we come with much joy Remembrance. It is always a blessing to mementos of those whom we loved and lost.

Ohio. Rev. Cheryl has been called to this historic church and we know she will bring her many gifts and her anointed spirit to the work of ministry in that place.

In the United Church of Christ, November 10 is set aside as Stewardship Sunday. At that time, in our 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services, we will formally conclude our 2020 Stewardship Campaign. We will present our commitment cards for blessing at the altar and give thanks to God for the dedication and faithful stewardship of our members. I encourage all who have not yet completed their commitment cards to do so and bring them for the blessing on that day. On Stewardship Sunday immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service, the Board of Endowment, Gift and Planned Giving, will present their Annual Crock Pot Fundraiser. Please plan to support them in this fun and "delicious" event!

On Sunday, November 17, we are excited to graduate yet another JOBS class. This season, 14 students will receive their Certificates of Completion. This will signify that they have fulfilled all of their requirements and are prepared to enter the workforce. The JOBS graduation will take place immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service in the Rozel Threat Social Hall. I invite all members to

attend and to join us for a fellowship meal immediately following the graduation.

On Friday, November 22, Covenant Couples will sponsor an evening at the movies to see "Harriet." All are welcome to join us for the amazing film that is already garnering critical acclaim. Those who are interested in seeing the movie should sign up in the narthex so we can get an accurate count of how many will attend.

On Sunday, November 24, we will celebrate Homecoming at Mt. Zion. This will be an opportunity to welcome Mt. Zion family, extended family and friends, to join us in our 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services. Please invite your family and friends to come and be a part of these spirit-filled services of worship to begin the Thanksgiving season. A welcome reception will be hosted by the Junior League following both services.

On Monday, November 25, at 6:00 p.m. the Board of Deacons will once again coordinate their Annual Thanksgiving Project. On that evening, we will prepare and pack Thanksgiving boxes for the families of our and gratitude. We are overjoyed, as we begin adopted school Wade Park Elementary. On Tuesday, the month of November, to present once again, November 26, we will come to Mt. Zion at 8:00 a.m. to our African Memorial Celebration of load and deliver the boxes to Wade Park School.

remember our love ones who are departed. In On Thanksgiving Day, November 28, we will gather in the tradition of our African ancestors, we come the Sanctuary at 10:00 a.m. for the powerful experience of to celebrate them by sharing memories and Umoja Karamu. This riveting service traces the experience of African Americans from the shores of Africa to 21st century America. The service includes We are extremely grateful for the opportunity of music, readings, dance and the sharing of ritual foods that installing our former Associate Pastor, Rev. Dr. represent the various stages of our journey. After the Cheryl A. Lindsay as pastor of the First service, all are invited to join downstairs in the Rozel Congregational Church, UCC of Wellington Threat Social Hall for our Thanksgiving Community Meal.

> With all of these blessings and opportunities before us, we look forward to a truly fruitful and blessed month of ministry at Mt. Zion.

Filled with Gratitude,

Rev. Paul



#### In the know at Mt. Zion...

November 3 @ 10am & 12:30pm African Memorial Remembrance Celebration Rozel Threat Social Hall

November 3 @ 3pm Installation of Rev. Dr. Cheryl Lindsay Wellington, OH

November 10 Stewardship Sunday **Crock Pot and Dessert Fundraiser** Rozel Threat Social Hall

> November 17 @ 12:30pm JOBS GRADUATION Rozel Threat Social Hall

November 22 **Covenant Couples Movie Night TBD** 

November 24 HOMECOMING SUNDAY

November 25 @ 6pm **Deacon's Thanksgiving Project** Narthex

November 26@ 8am Thanksgiving Box Delivery Wade Park Elementary School

November 28 THANKSGIVING DAY UMOJA KARAMU @ 10am **COMMUNITY MEAL @ 12PM** 

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Is creative writing one of your talents? If yes, email samples of your writing to Lady Kim. We welcome skilled writers to cover Mt. Zion events.

### Desmond Pringle Took Audience to a Higher Place



The October birthday team ended the month with a fabulous concert presented by Dove nominated Gospel singer, Desmond Pringle.

Rev. Pringle has released three albums with all of them charting on the Billboard Magazine Gospel Album Chart. He is pastor of the Watered Garden Fellowship., located in Los Angeles. He and his beautiful wife, Lady Tanya Pringle, brought the warmth of California with them for Mt. Zion's fall concert.

Grace Butler, president of the October Birthday Team, celebrated her birthday on the day of the concert. She had the best gift of all — a concert in honor of her special day!

Andrea Johnson and the Sadlers Open New Show in Gallery at Shinn House

The beautiful and creative artwork of Andrea Johnson, Esq., Paul H. Sadler, Jr., and Mt. Zion's pastor, Rev. Paul are being displayed in the Gallery at Shinn House.

Johnson "creates one of a kind mosaic and blown glass work inspired by the dynamic qualities of glass, depth and light." "Her work is a kaleidoscope of colors and mixed media, designed to give you a 3-D perspective in a 2-D space as she reveals the wonder of God's creation."

Rev. Paul's paintings are acrylic abstracts that are inspired by the works of Alma W. Thomas, renowned 20th century artist, who Rev. Sadler met while a student at Howard University.

Paul Jr's work is intricately designed acrylic dots which bear great similarity to Aboriginal art. He began his art work as a clothing art designer in High School.

The show will be in the gallery through December 8.

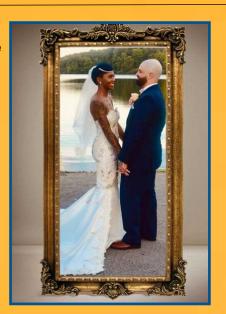


#### MT. ZION IN COMMUNITY

Congratulations to Mt. Zion members Sharrone and Dwayne Frisco on the marriage of their daughter Jazzmine to Roger Parrilla. May God bless them with joy, happiness and prosperity!



First Lady Kim Martin Sadler presented a workshop on "The Business of Book Publishing and What Authors Can Learn from Bestsellers" at the Great Lakes African American Writers Conference.



On Halloween, Minister Jeffrey took Mt. Zion youth to the Rollhouse in Solon. The newly confirmed members had the opportunity to gather together in a fun atmosphere. All had fun bowling and enjoyed dinner.





Rev. Paul was one of several noted clergy who were panelists at The Soul of Philanthropy discussion on "Giving Beyond Sunday" held at the Cleveland History Center.

## Thank You Mt. Zion



My Dear Mt. Zion Family,
#85 is one for the books.
I am overwhelmed with thanks to God for allowing me to witness
the love and blessings that was bestowed upon me on October 20,
2019. Thank you for sharing this day with me and my family.
Thank you for your gifts of time, talent and treasure that made
this a special day. May God continue to bless and keep you.
I love you all.
Charlie Billy Miller

In Observance of ALL SAINT'S DAY Join us in an

## AFRICAN MEMORIAL CELEBRATION OF REMEMBRANCE

Hosted by GriefShare/Parakeleo

Sunday, November 3, 2019 following 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. worship services

### Merry Christmas from The Board of Missions & Outreach

Our joy at Christmas is a response to God's promise of new life through the birth of Jesus. It is a joy we are called to share widely, through our witness and gifts, both to loved ones and to distant neighbors. The Board of Missions & Outreach believes in a deeper hope that moves beyond the "wrappings" of Christmas around us. We proclaim a hope that brings Good News, Joy and Compassion for all of God's people. As we prepare for the Christmas Holiday, we want to ask each of you to share a portion of what God has given you by making an offering to the Christmas Fund.

The Christmas Fund offering supports retired UCC clergy and lay employees. This special gift at Christmas time reminds them that they are not forgotten and that the Church is grateful for their service. The need of our retirees sometimes exceeds their own funds. They rely on this gift for basic needs such as food, utilities, living or medical expenses. These funds also subsidize the UCC Medicare Supplement Plan with Rx so that retirees can afford and receive quality health care. Emergency grants are given to active or retired UCC clergy and lay employees. Like us sometimes those who serve the Church face unforeseen circumstances that creates financial need. Our help—and emergency funds—are available to assist in covering those costs.

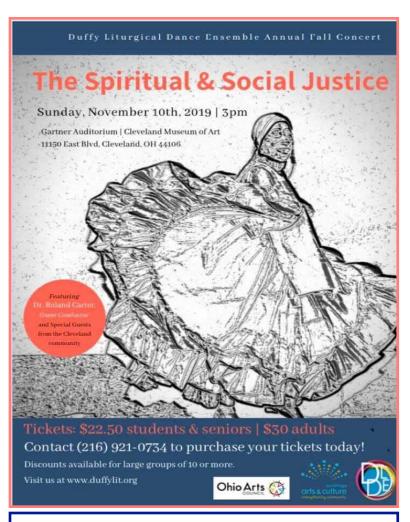
The Christmas Fund offering will be taken on Sunday December 22, 2019. If you will not be with us on collection date, please make your offering early by marking the offering envelope in the pews with Christmas Fund, you can also utilize online giving by going to our website www.mtzioncleveland.com! Your generous gifts will make a difference in the lives of the retired clergy and employees of the United Church of Christ! In this season of giving PLEASE give GENEROUSLY!

Peace & Blessings!

Christmas Fund information from www.ucc.org/

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	EVERY MONDAY CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED DAY OF SABBATH FOR REV. PAUL				7am Prayer Call 6:30pm Sisters in the Spirit - Woodmere, OH	9am Deacon Board 11:30am Christian Stwrd
						Darlene Collins Mollieta Dorsey
7am Worship Prayer Call 9am & 11am WORSHIP COMMUNION SUNDAY African Memorial Remembrance Celebration 3pm	4	7:30am Care Shep. 4:30pm REAL Re-Entry 6pm FA 5:30pm JOBS 7pm Choir Rehearsal	7am Prayer Call 10:30am Bible Study 12:30pm Craft Coop. 1pm Staff Meeting 7pm Bible Study	1pm CBL Steering Cmte 6:30pm GriefShare 7:00pm Leadership Team Conf. Call	<b>7am</b> Prayer Call	9 11:30am Mission & Outreach 4pm Deacon's Training
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Jean Kincaid			Jeannette Lacey	Alissa Mullen		