



The Spire

October 2021

**Pastor
Appreciation
Month**

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR AND TEACHER



Forward into Fall

As we come to the month of October, there are so many things for which we can be grateful. God continues to keep us, as the hymn writer said, “through many dangers toils and snares.” We have been blessed to be back in public worship for three months and each Sunday, we continue to broadcast, on Facebook, Instagram, and Zoom. We are blessed to be able to serve the community in many ways, in response to the call of God. We have been blessed to have nine new members to indicate a desire to unite with this church family in the midst of a pandemic. For this, we should give God all glory and honor. Mt. Zion continues to be a place where people find healing, hope, and hospitality.

In this season, as we prepare ourselves for the cooling temperatures of Autumn, our hearts are warmed by the knowledge that we serve a God who continues to call us to service in every new season. We diligently bring the word of God to the people of God with our Sunday Worship Services, Youth Church and Bible Classes. We continue to provide food for our community through our Bountiful Harvest and Community Meals. We comfort the bereaved, not just in our church and community, but across the nation in our weekly Parakaleo/GriefShare sessions. We offer stellar educational, inspirational, and

informational experiences through our Christian Business League Masterclasses. We thank God and our faithful servant/leaders that these ministries continued in some form throughout the pandemic. As God calls, we respond with dedication and commitment as we strive to be the church the world needs in this present age.

We also come to October on the heels of one of the busiest months of the year. On the September 11, we held our 6th Annual Mike Shinn Memorial Golf Outing coordinated by the Christian Business League. This year’s outing topped all previous years with 111 golfers in attendance. Larry Saunders and Joyce Shinn, the amazing co-chairs of the Golf Outing and their committee did a tremendous job.

The weather was beautiful, and all seemed to enjoy themselves. This year, our honoree was Renee Powell, Golf Pro, and owner of Clearview Golf Course in Canton, OH. It is the only golf course in America designed, built, and owned by an African American. Due to the generosity of our members, we were able to make a significant contribution to the Clearview Foundation to assist in providing education and opportunities for women and minorities in golf. We are excited that Clearview will be the site of our 2022 outing. Our honoree will be NFL great and former Cleveland Brown, Al Jenkins. Please mark your calendars for September 10, 2022, for next year’s outing. Plan to join us in Canton.

On Sunday September 12, we celebrated our 157th Church Anniversary. It was a high and holy celebration, which featured several surprises including, a sacred dance by Nehemiah Spencer and a pipe organ postlude by Lavert Stuart. We officially began our 2022 Stewardship Campaign on Anniversary Sunday.

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In the know at Mt. Zion...

October 7 @ 4pm
**DRIVE-THRU
PRODUCE GIVEAWAY**
Parking Lot

October 22 @ 7pm
Covenant Couples
Mt. Zion

October 24 @ 4pm
Between the Covers Book Club
via Zoom

October 16 @ 10am
New Members Orientation
via Zoom

October 24 @ 4pm
**ORDINATION SERVICE FOR
REV. ROBERTO OCHOA**
Sanctuary

October 28 @ 6:30pm
MT. ZION'S QUARTERLY MEETING
via Zoom

October 30 @ 12 p.m.
COMMUNITY MEAL
Drive-Thru or Walkup
Parking Lot

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*Thank you Rev. Paul
for your commitment to our Lord and Savior Jesus
Christ. Your steadfast love for God and
Mt. Zion is unwavering.
There is no way that we can truly thank you. Please
know that we love you.*

We thank God for you, our pastor, and teacher!

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Members will have the opportunity to turn in their 2022 commitment cards through the second Sunday in November.

On Sunday, September 19, the Board of Mission and Outreach hosted Mt. Zion's first ever Virtual Mission and Ministry Fair. The Fair featured presentations by the recipients of contributions given from Mt. Zion's mission fund. In addition to presentations, two breakout sessions were held that was led by servant leaders of several of Mt. Zion's ministries. The fair was well attended, and participants left wanting more. We look forward to the next Mission and Ministry Fair, which will be held in 2023. Special thanks to Lauretha Brown Malone and her team for planning this informational and well-planned event for Mt. Zion.

On Friday, September 24, Dr. Julian Earls offered a stellar Masterclass as a part of the Christian Business League's 2021 Masterclass series. It was my privilege to interview Dr. Earls who holds a Ph.D. in Physics as well as an MBA. He served as the Director of NASA Glenn Research Center and Executive in Residence at Cleveland State University. In his Masterclass, Dr. Earls focused on leadership skills and shared with the participants his amazing story of accomplishment and professional and personal success. The next CBL Masterclass will take place on Friday, December 3 at 6:00 pm. Our presenter will be expert marketer, Alexandria Johnson Boone, President and CEO of GAP Communications and Chairwoman and Founder of the Women of Color Foundation. Please join us as the CBL rounds out the year with their final installment of their 2021 Masterclass series.

We look forward with great anticipation to the ordination service of Rev. Roberto Ochoa on Sunday, October 24, at 4:00 pm, in Mt. Zion's sanctuary. Please register and plan to join us and support Rev. Roberto as he makes this milestone step in his ministry. Finally, please don't forget our Fall Quarterly Meeting on Thursday, October 28 at 6:30 pm on Zoom. We will approve the budget for 2022 and elect new officers. As we forge victoriously into this new month, I am praying that God would bless each of you with God's abundance and fix your feet on the path of faithfulness and service in the Kingdom of God.

In Fervent Faithfulness,

Rev. Paul

AT MT. ZION

157th Church Anniversary



On Sunday, September 12, Rev. Paul, Mt. Zion members and guests, celebrated the 157th anniversary of Mt. Zion's founding. It was a blessing for all to join together in public worship for the celebration after more than a year of quarantine.

The Praise Team blessed the congregation with music, Nehemiah Spencer danced to the song Total Praise sung by the Praise Team, and Mt. Zion's own Levert Stuart returned to play a selection on the pipe organ. During his selection, everyone was mesmerized by the beautiful light show that was displayed on the organ.

After 16 months of virtual worship, it was a blessing for many to gather in safety to give thanks to God for the many blessings bestowed upon Mt. Zion. In spite of the pandemic, Mt. Zion's ministries continued to move forward through the blessings of technology and the dedication of its leadership and members, and people who have been blessed by its ministry have joined the church.

We give thanks to God for our anointed leader, Rev. Paul, and pray for God's blessing on another 157 years of ministry.

Mission and Ministry Fair is a Huge Success

Under the leadership of Lauretha Brown Malone, the Board of Mission and Outreach held a very engaging and informative Virtual Ministry Fair. Participants were able to hear from representatives whose organizations receive financial support from Mt. Zion, and also from representatives of selected church ministries. The organizations represented were The Distinguished Gentlemen of Spoken Word, Eliza Bryant Village, the Living Water Association of the United Church of Christ, American Sickle Cell Anemia Association, the East 88th Street Browns Youth Organization, United Black Christians, Wade Park Elementary School, and United Protestant Campus Ministry (UPCAM).

Attendees went to breakout rooms to hear representatives from the Mt. Zion Youth Leadership Ministry, Christian Business League, GriefShare/Parakeleo, Sisters in the Spirit, and the Mt. Zion Men's Ministry. Music was provided by the Praise Team.

All participants, except presenters, were eligible to win \$25 gift cards throughout the program. The event was a great success. Everyone looks forward to the next event.



MT. ZION IN COMMUNITY

CBL Mike Shinn Memorial Golf Outing Honors Golf Pro Renee Powell

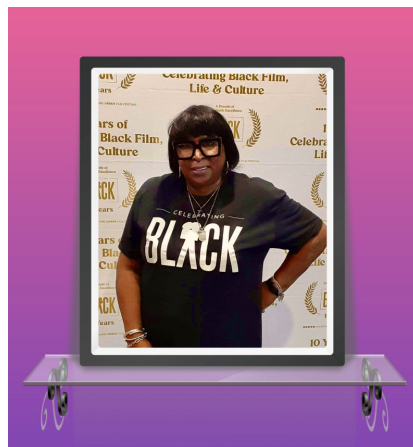


Mt. Zion Members in the Spotlight

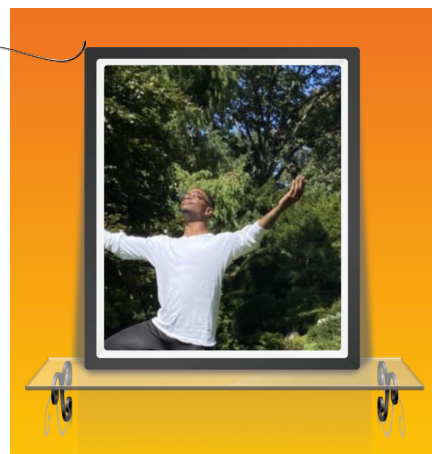
let your light shine



Kudos to Darwin Saunders
for reopening YUM YUM'S HIBACHI at
5830 Lee South, Maple Heights, OH.
Please support his new business!



Congratulations to
Deacon Verona Johnson-Gardner
for her ten years of volunteering at the
Greater Cleveland Urban Film Festival.



Nehemiah Spencer
will teach *Be Moved by Trees: Dance Series*
at the Cleveland Botanical Garden on
Saturdays, October 9 - 30 from 9am - 10am,
\$80 for members, \$120 for non-members.

*Mark your calendar for the next
Christian Business League
Masterclass with marketing guru,
Alexandria Johnson Boone*

2021 Colynn Shinn Scholarship Awardees



Nina Feliciano and Tareeq Roper

The Scholarship Committee, consisting of Cindy Laisure-Banks and Linda Shateen, were diligent in their responsibility to identify deserving students for scholarships. The 2021 Colynn Shinn Scholarship has been awarded to Nina Feliciano and Tareeq Roper. In the fall, Feliciano will attend Georgia State University and Roper will attend Bryant and Stratton College.

The scholarship is awarded annually to Shaker High School seniors in memory of Colynn Shinn, the late daughter of Joyce and Michael Shinn. At the age of 17, Colynn lost her battle with brain cancer. Both students had to exemplify Colynn's characteristics of outstanding courage, religious faith, love of school work and a ZEST FOR LIFE!

Christian BUSINESS LEAGUE

Alexandria Johnson Boone
President & CEO
GAP Communications Group
Chairwoman & Founder
Women of Color Foundation

Friday
December 3rd | 6pm
A Virtual Event | zoom
Registration - \$15

MASTERCLASS

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**Please remember our
sick and shut-in members
with your prayers and cards**

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**Deacons Rudolph
and Evelyn Bacchus**
18221 Euclid Avenue, Apt. 206
Cleveland, OH 44112

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Cleveland Heights, OH 444210

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Mr. George Whitehead
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23311 Harvard Road
Beachwood, OH 44122



**Mt. Zion Congregational Church, UCC
Women's Fellowship**

**BOUNTIFUL HARVEST
DRIVE-THRU
PRODUCE GIVEAWAY**

**Every 1st Thursday of the Month
May - October
October 7
4 p.m.**



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You are not alone

Mt. Zion Parakaleo Ministry presents:

GriefShare

**Grieving the loss of someone close to you?
Find comfort and support with *GriefShare*.**

Fall 2021

**August 12 – November 11, 2021
Thursdays, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. EST**

All session will be held virtually via Zoom

Registration fee: \$15, scholarships are available

Please register at:

<https://www.griefshare.org/groups/136498>

For more information, contact the

GriefShare Support Team:

mtzionparakaleo@gmail.com

You're Invited to a Celebration of Ordination for
Rev. Roberto Ochoa



To Authorized Ministry in the United Church of Christ
Living Water Association of the Heartland Conference UCC

Sunday, October 24, 2021

4:00 pm EST

Mt Zion Congregational UCC

10723 Magnolia Drive - Cleveland, OH 44106

(Due to Covid-19 social distancing protocols please RSVP by sending an email to mtzioncleveland@gmail.com. Masks will be required. Thank you for your cooperation. Ordination will also be live streamed via Zoom and Facebook)

Thanksgiving

HOT MEAL DRIVE-THRU.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2021, 12 P.M.

following the Umoja Karamu Service

Volunteers are needed to help distribute food

Send an email to mtzioncleveland@gmail.com

Social Distancing will be observed & Masks MUST be worn

Arrive at 11am

UMOJA KARAMU

Thanksgiving Day

Ritual of the Black Family

Thursday, November 25, 2021 @ 10 a.m.

also via Mt. Zion FaceBook Live, & Zoom



Parakeleo/GriefShare's
*African Memorial
Remembrance Celebration*
Sunday, November 7, 1 p.m.
via Zoom



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OCTOBER
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MONTH

OCTOBER 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Day of Sabbath for Rev. Paul				1 7am Prayer Call 2pm Staff Meeting 6:30pm Sisters in the Spirit 7pm Mt. Zion's Men Ministry	2 11am Deacon Bd
3 7am Worship Prayer Call COMMUNION SUNDAY 11am Facebook Live & Public Worship 12:30pm Coffee Hour & Youth Church School via Zoom Mary Bustamante	4	5 7:30am Care Shep. 6pm FA via Zoom 6pm Praise Team Yahala Smith	6 7am Prayer Call 10:30am Bible Study 7pm Bible Study Lisa Lennette Pointer Deacon Jocelyn Taylor	7 6:15pm FA via Zoom 4pm PRODUCE GIVEAWAY 6:30pm GriefShare via Zoom 7pm Leadership Mtg via Zoom	8 7am Prayer Call 2pm Staff Meeting	9 10am Sacred Conversations via Zoom 11:30am Mission & Outreach Narihsha Smith
10 7am Worship Prayer Call 11am Facebook Live & Public Worship 12:30pm Coffee Hour & Youth Church School via Zoom Kimberley Bogan	11 Trey Durr	12 7:30am Care Shep. 6pm FA via Zoom 6pm Praise Team Cheryl Copeland Rev. Paul Hobson Sadler, Sr.	13 7am Prayer Call 10:30am Bible Study 7pm Bible Study Deacon Jibreel Gould	14 6:15pm FA via Zoom 6:30pm GriefShare via Zoom	15 7am Prayer Call 2pm Staff Meeting	16 10:00am New Mbrs Orientation 12 noon Women's Fellowship via Zoom Sarah Richards
17 7am Worship Prayer Call 11am Facebook Live & Public Worship 12:30pm Coffee Hour & Youth Church School via Zoom Deacon Robin Sadler	18 Darnell Epps Charlie Miller	19 7:30am Care Shep. 6pm FA via Zoom 6pm Praise Team Ian Burrows	20 7am Prayer Call 10:30am Bible Study 7pm Bible Study	21 6:15pm FA via Zoom 6:30pm GriefShare via Zoom	22 7am Prayer Call 2pm Staff Meeting 7pm Covenant Couples at Mt. Zion	23 5:30pm Trustee Board via Zoom Deacon George Ellis Brandon King Matilda Henderson
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