Welcome to Mt. Zion Christian Church! We are glad you chose to worship with us and hope you feel at home.

As our quest, be sure to pick up a gift bag in the foyer as you leave. Also, please fill out the communication card in the bulletin and drop it in the offering plate so we may know who you are!

Thank you for being with us today.

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Praise & Worship

Meet & Greet

More Praise & Worship

Communion

All baptized believers are invited to participate as the emblems are passed. Please place empty cups in the holder located under the seat in front of you.

Offering

This is our opportunity to return to God a portion of His blessings to us.

Message—Whit Criswell "Homosexuality"

Invitation Song

At the end of each message we offer a time of decision. If you want to accept Christ, be baptized, or join this church, please come to the front during this time.

Baptisms (if applicable)

MT. ZION CHRISTIAN CHURCH EXISTS TO:

WORSHIP GOD SHARE JESUS LOVE OTHERS

NURSERY

Our nursery provides a loving, warm environment for infants through age three. It is divided into three sections; sleepers, crawlers, and walkers, to ensure your child's safety.

Child registration is located at the main nursery entrance, located directly off the main lobby. When registering, you will receive a pager in the event you need to be reached.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Preschool through 5th graders meet in fellowship hall, located through the breezeway, off the east hall. They enjoy refreshments and praise time before aging to their individual classrooms (where they should be picked up following the service).

Children are encouraged to attend their own worship groups and classes. Here they learn about Jesus through drama, music, and videos that relate especially to them.

JUNIOR HIGH (6TH, 7TH, & 8TH)

The "Live Wires" meet at 10:10 a.m. on Sundays (during worship) and at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays in the classroom off of the small sanctuary. In addition to learning about God and His Word, they enjoy foosball, games and snacks.

IGNITE YOUTH GROUP (In God Nothing Is Too Extreme)

The Sr. High age group meets in the "barn" located directly behind the church, on Sundays and Wednesdays at 7pm. They enjoy lots of activities, events, and fundraisers throughout the year, however, their main ministry is an annual summer mission trip.

Immediately following church, all VBS volunteers please pick up your booklet from Nancy Gray. She will have a meeting this Wed., 6:30 p.m. in fellowship hall to go over the I information in the booklet.

THIS WEEK

TODAY

7:00 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group Sr. High Youth Group

MONDAY

- 5:15 p.m. Women's exercise class
- 6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study in the kitchenette

WEDNESDAY

5:15 p.m. Women's Exercise

- 6:30 p.m. Nancy reviews the booklet with VBS workers in fellowship hall.
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer time in the adult Sunday school room led by Ed Jernigan
- 7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study in the kitchenette
- 7:00 p.m. Joyful Noise (grades 1-5)
- 7:00 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group Sr. High Youth Group

THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. Praise Team Practice

SATURDAY

10:00 a.m. Women's Exercise Class

This is the last week to collectively donate to the Ark of Mercy Food Drive. The donation box is at the side entrance, along with food donation suggestions. A special thank you to everyone that has contributed, and to Jim and Deborah Lane for setting this up.

WELCOME

Mt. Zion welcomes new members Kevin & Missy Pate, who joined last Sunday. They will be pictured in next week's bulletin.

Beginning this Sunday, Kenny and Whit will begin a sermon series titled "HOT TOPICS"! These topics are in front of us every day; on television, radio, in conversation, and arguments. Many churches refuse to speak on these topics because it might offend those attending church; but we owe it to God and to ourselves to share the entire Word of God, and not only parts of it.

Tentative

"HOT TOPICS" schedule:

7/01— Politics (July 4th weekend) (Kenny)
7/08— Racism (Whit)
7/15— Divorce (Kenny)
7/22— Abortion (Whit)
7/29— Gambling (Whit)
8/05— Multiculturalism (Kenny)
8/12— Heaven / Hell (Kenny)
8/19— Addictions (Kenny)
8/26— Alcohol (Whit)
9/02— Work (Labor Day Weekend) (Kenny)

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Calling all ladies! Monday evenings, beginning tomorrow June 25th, all ladies are invited to participate in a study of the book "Made to Crave", which can be purchased at any Christian book store, including Bethany Book Room in Winchester. The study begins at 6:45 p.m. in the kitchenette. Come at 6:00 for a potluck light meal (emphasizing "light" since the book is about our deepest desire with God, not food). Julie Baumgardner will lead the first chapter.

If you can take a picture (and they have their head on) and come on a regular basis, then you are gualified! Mt. Zion is looking for a backup photographer to help out,

taking photos of new members, baptisms, special events, etc. If you would be willing to take on this responsibility when needed, please contact Judy Speakes at 859-771-8088.



JUNE 24. 2012 COMMUNICATION CARD

To assist the ministers and congregation, the following ministry groups have been assigned to the Elders:

<u>Facilities Mgmt. and Outdoor</u> <u>Maintenance</u> Steve Haskins—859-621-6581 email: ksmith63@gmail.com

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Greeting this week:	<u>Greeting next week:</u>
Paul & Judy Blackwell	Tad & Nikki Cain
Dawn Raines	Francis Chism
Terri Bryant	Ed Haddix
Serving this week:	Serving next week:
David Drusicke	Paul Blackwell
Steve Newsome	Ed Haddix
Marvin Grashel	Jim Maxam
Jim Hawkins	Shane Oldfield
Ricky Oldfield	Larry Lawson
Donovan Mitchell	Willis Jackson
Gary Stanfield	Gary Lawson
Louie Allison	Randy Palmer
Dennis Belcher	Mike Provence

prayer concerns	Date: June 24, 2012
For	
Attends Mt. Zion	
Sick at home	
In the hospital (name of hospital)	
Death	
Other Special Needs	
Submitted by	
Phone Email	



HOMOSEXUALITY

Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:31-32

Two Fields of Study (be very suspicious) -	The field of
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I Frequently Asked Questions

- > Is 10% of the population really gay? Research shows
- > Are homosexuals born gay? Research shows
- > Is aids as much a risk for heterosexuals as it is for homosexuals? Research shows___
- > Is homosexuality an unchangeable behavior? Research shows

III In the Field of Theology: The Fundamental Christians say:

- The Pro Gay Christians use:
- (1) The Social Justice Argument_
- (2) The Religious Argument:
- (3) The ______ Argument. They believe, as I do, that the Bible is the inspired Word of God. Where we start to disagree in our discussions is this, they imply that Christians for the last 2000 years have misread, misunderstood, misinterpreted and misapplied the scriptures, saying that Christians today are more informed and enlightened than Paul was and they couldn't foresee in Paul's day what we now know today.
- IV Scriptures used to discuss homosexuality:

Leviticus 18:22—"...do not lie with a man as one lies with a woman; that is detestable." The whole theme of the Book of Leviticus is ______. Leviticus is not a law book or rule book as a lot of fundamental Christians believe. God always has the best interests of us all in mind. Pro Gay theology says that God is not condemning homosexuality in Leviticus, but rather God is condemning ceremonial homosexuality. "Toebah" means ______. are never "toebah" to God.

Certain ______ are "toebah" to God, but people never are.

Romans 1:24-28. Pro Gay theology would say Paul is referring to heterosexuals who dabble in homosexuality, not "real" homosexuals. Also, they would say the real sin is to change what is natural to you. *Arsen means Men. Thelys means Women*. The objective truth never asked what is natural to me. Rather it always asked what is natural to _____? Only God can define what is natural and what is not natural. If it were objective, I would be left to choose my own behavior patterns based on ______ alone.

I Corinthians 6:9-10 "Do you not know that the wicked will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor male prostitutes nor homosexual offenders nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. Vs. 11 "And that is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God." "Arsenkoitai" Pro Gay theology teaches this is in reference to prostitution not homosexuality. "Arsen" means male gender; "Koitai" means bed or couch. It does mean buying or selling of sex.

V What do you do with all the research, and what do you do with the language of the texts, what do we do with what we consider to be true? You can ______ from it. You can ______ it. Both are ______ and will ______ you something. To my brothers and sisters in Christ actively engaged in homosexual behavior or actively struggling with the temptation of same sex attraction: I will

To Families: (1) You are not a ______ for what a loved one has chosen to do with his or her life. There is not a perfect parent or family, not ONE. (2) This church will do whatever we can to ______

To the Church: (1) Be full of ______ balanced with the ______. (2) ______ of our own immorality and get passionate about our pursuit to personal _______ and corporate holiness and back to our mission to connect all people to Jesus Christ. (3) Be a community, a family of help and hope for ______ wounded people.

God loves you just the way you are, BUT God loves you too much to leave you that way. Additional Resources: Exodus International—www.exodus-international.org

Focus on the Family—www.family.org, NARTH– www.narth.org Mt. Zion Christian Church—859-745-2446

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