April 7, 2021

 **Luke 24:30-32 (NIV)**

**When He was at the table with then, He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized Him, and He disappeared from their sight. They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the scriptures to us?”**

The theologian, Henri J. M. Nouwen says that the resurrection of Jesus Christ is the glorious manifestation of the victory of love over death. The same love that makes us mourn and protest against death will now free us to live in hope. Do you realize that Jesus appeared only to those who knew Him, who had listened to His words and who had come to love Him deeply? It was that love that gave them the eyes to see His face and the ears to hear His voice when He appeared to them on the third day after His death. Once they had seen and heard Him and believed, the rest of their lives became a continuing recognition of His presence in their midst. This is what life in the Spirit of the risen Christ is all about. It makes us see that under the veil of all that is visible to our bodily eyes, the risen Lord shows us his inexhaustible love and calls us to enter even more fully into that love.

**Did You Know?**

On **Wednesday, April 7, 2021** we will have a **worship service** and our own **Rev. Irv Moore** will be bringing the message. You can join us in worship via FaceBook, YouTube or Dial in. The service will begin at 7:00 p.m. and we pray that you will join us. Please keep Rev. Moore lifted in prayer as he prepares to bring the message.

Sister Doris Willis passed away on Monday, April 5, 2021. At this time home going services are incomplete. Please keep Sister Willis’ family lifted in prayer as they adjust to life without her.

**Men’s Day**

We will be celebrating **Men’s Day** on **Sunday, April 25, 2021**. Our guest preacher will be Rev. KZ Smith. Rev. Smith is the pastor of Corinthian Baptist Church located here in Cincinnati. This year’s theme is: **Men, Putting Out Into the Deep**. Our theme Scripture is **Luke 5:1-11**. Please pray for a successful men’s day.

**Pulpit Search Committee**

Please continue to **lift up the Pulpit Search Committee in prayer as they make their way through the many resumes and profiles that they have received**.  They expect some significant challenges, in view of the COVID-19 constraints, but with God on their side, they will be successful. Please see their attached report.

**Senior COVID-19 Vaccination**

The Lincoln Heights Health Department has the vaccine and you can call them to make an appointment. You do not have to go online to make your appointment, just call on the phone. If you are 70 or older, you can go to the front of the line. Listed are phone numbers you can call to make an appointment for the COVID vaccination:

Lincoln Heights Health Center (513) 554-4100

Mt. Healthy Family Practice (513) 728-2125

Kroger 1(866) 211-5320

You can also call Walmart at (513) 825-3804 to schedule an appointment for the vaccine. This Walmart is located at 1143 Smiley Road in Forest Park.

We encourage everyone to talk with their primary care physician and determine if you can receive the vaccine. If your **primary care physician** and **you** decide that you can receive the vaccine, please register for your vaccination. The sooner we are vaccinated, the sooner we can return to worship.

**Volunteers Needed**

Mt. Zion will be hosting the food giveaway this year on Saturday, May 1, 2021. This event is sponsored by the Valley Boosters. Like last year, this will be a drive thru our parking lot. There are three time slots where we will need volunteers:

 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Set Up and Packing Boxes

 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Loading Vehicles

 11:00 a.m. -- Clean Up

We need at least 15 people for each time slot. If you are willing to volunteer, please contact Sister Phyllis McKinley by April 7, 2021. You can reach Sister McKinley at the following numbers (513) 851-7146 or (513) 319-7267. Thank you in advance for your spirit of cooperation.

**Help Needed**

City Gospel Mission could use our help in providing supplies for their residents. Mt. Zion, let’s provide new socks for the men and women of City Gospel Mission. Please drop off your donation of new socks at the Church between April 1st and April 15th. We will ensure that these items are delivered. Thank you in advance for helping out our brothers and sisters.

**Forest Park Senior Members**

The Tax Department is in the Senior Center through April 15, 2021. If you need help with your taxes United Way of Greater Cincinnati is available and their services are free. COVID-19 testing is done every Tuesday at Inspirational Baptist Church of Destiny located at 11450 Sebring Drive from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. There is also a food give-a-way every Tuesday at Inspirational Baptist Church from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Thank you**

My dear, dear sisters, “Little” Dorothy is grateful for your cards of remembrances. Each day is God’s blessing on me and others here at this facility. Thank you for thinking of me. You make glad my heart. Sweet blessings to all of you, Sister Dorothy F. Armstrong

Thank you for remembering to support your church financially while we are sheltering in place. God is so good and He has blessed us with being able to receive the stimulus payment. **Please remember to show God your appreciation for blessing you.** As a reminder you have the choice to stop by the church on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to drop off your tithes and offerings. You still have the ability to use Givelify and of course your checks are still welcomed and accepted. Place your check (no cash) in a secure envelop and mail to:

 Mt. Zion Baptist Church

 10180 Woodlawn Blvd.

 Woodlawn, OH 45215

If you are having trouble receiving Church Correspondence, please let us know and we will make every effort to ensure that you receive the correspondence. Also, **if you know of any member that is not receiving the correspondence, please have them to notify the church.**

Please continue to pray for those who are sick, shut-in and in nursing homes/care centers. I have

attached a list of our sick and shut-in members as well as those that are in the nursing homes. Please remember that you cannot visit the nursing homes during this time. Please pray that all the residents will remain safe.

Please join us for the following weekly worship services/Bible Studies:

**Wednesday Noon Bible Study (Wednesdays at 12:15 p.m.)**

**Teacher:** **Deacon Sanford Kirksey**

**Study Scripture:** **I Corinthians 14**

**Dial in Number:** (470) 480-9361

**Wednesday Evening Bible Study (Wednesday at 7:15 p.m.)**

**Wednesday Evening Worship Service (April 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.)**

**Teacher: Rev. Patricia Stone**

**Scripture:** **Amos 1**

**Dial in Number:** **(470) 480-9361**

**Saturday Morning Bible Study (Saturdays at 10:15 a.m.)**

**Teacher:** **Bro. Steve McCullom**

**Study Scripture: John 1**

**Dial in Number:** (470) 480-9361 Freeconferencecall.com

**Sunday School (Sunday, April 11, 2021 at 9:15 a.m.)**

**Sunday’s Lesson: Ezra: Faith and Action Preacher**

**Teacher: Sister Tina Merriweather**

**Study Scripture: Ezra 10**

**Dial in Number:** (470) 480-9361

**Sunday Morning Worship Service (Sunday, April 11, 2021 at 10:45)**

**Morning Message:** **Rev. Norma Holt Davis**

**Sermon:**

**Sermon Text:**

 **Dial in Number:** (470) 480-9361

**Facebook Live and YouTube is also available for this event: Mt. Zion Baptist Church Woodlawn; YouTube—Type in MtZionWoodlawn (It is case sensitive)**

**Saturday Evening Prayer**

**Receiving Prayer Request Every Saturday Evening at 4:15 p.m.**

**Evening Prayer: Deacons**

**Dial in Number:** (470) 480-9361

**Monday Morning Prayer**

**Receiving Prayer Request Every Monday Morning at 8:15 a.m.**

**Morning Prayer: Rev. Eddie Martin**

**Dial in Number:** (470) 480-9361

We encourage you to continue to reach out to each other to minister the Good News. Most importantly, our hope rests in the Lord Almighty, Emmanuel, God-with-Us. In the words of the Psalmist:

**If you make the Most High your dwelling—even the Lord who is my refuge—then no harm will befall you, no disaster will come near your tent. (Psalm 91:9-10 NIV)**

During this time of isolation, we are not alone! God is with us, and we have each other as members of the Body of Christ.

In His Service,

Rev. Patricia Stone