

This Week at Mt. Zion

Sunday	14	Youth travel to Jocko's Mini Golf after worship
Monday	15	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 5:20 & 6:30 PM - Camp Gladiator 5:30-7:00 PM - Pickleball
Tuesday	16	5:20 & 6:30 PM - Camp Gladiator 5:30-7:00 PM - Pickleball
Wednesday	17	10:00-12:00 PM - Lectionary Group 7:00 PM - Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	18	5:20 & 6:30 PM - Camp Gladiator

September Sexton Volunteer - Max Corriher

September 21 Homecoming

Scriptures - Psalm 113, Luke 16:1-13 | Sermon - God loves Solvers

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 20 2025
5PM-9PM

A NIGHT OF ELEGANCE

SENIOR

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Concordia Lutheran Church
PACKATHON

FEED THE HUNGER

Friday, October 3
6:30pm - 8:30pm

Saturday, October 4
10:00am - 12:00pm

A Packathon is a high-energy food packing event that gets everyone involved and working toward the same goal: equipping hungry children with nutritious meals so they can thrive! Please come join us October 3-4, 2025 to pack nutritious meals for hungry people both in our own community and around the world!

SIGN UP TODAY

Contact Sarah Brandt | sarahgbrandt@gmail.com
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MOUNT ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

September 14, 2025



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost † September 14, 2025

Words of Greeting

Prelude

(1) You are kind, God!
Please have pity on me.
You are always merciful!
Please wipe away my sins.

(2) Wash me clean from all of my sin and guilt.

(3) I know about my sins, and I cannot forget the burden of my guilt.

(4) You are really the one I have sinned against;
I have disobeyed you and have done wrong.
So it is right and fair for you to correct and punish me.

(5) I have sinned and done wrong since the day I was born.

(6) But you want complete honesty, so teach me true wisdom.

(7) Wash me with hyssop until I am clean and whiter than snow.

***Prayer of Invocation (Unison)**
Thank You God for this house of mercy. Thank You God for this family who
accepts us as we are. Thank You God for cleaned hearts and voices that can sing
Your praise as we worship. Amen.

(8) Jesus told the people another story
What will a woman do if she has ten silver coins and loses one of them?
Won't she light a lamp, sweep the floor,
and look carefully until she finds it?

(9) Then she will call in her friends and neighbors and say,
"Let's celebrate!
I've found the coin I lost."

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Thank You God for choosing to be in relationship with us. We celebrate the way You give us what we need and more. Please bless these offerings to invite others to a relationship with You. Amen. (page 2)

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*Hymn *"Just As I Am, without One Plea"* 445

*Benediction

*Benediction Response *"Revive Us Again"* (vs. 4) 723

*Postlude ***All able please stand**

Welcome to Mount Zion United Church of Christ. If you're looking for a family that accepts people as they are and works to spread God's love, we'd love to have you join us. Please speak to Pastor Jim if God is leading you to join the MTZ family! You can call or text him at **336-682-9649**. Or you can email him at **pastorszion@gmail.com**.

Please lift our sick and shut-ins in prayer, and show your concern through visits, cards, calls and prayers. **Convalescing at Home:** Jewel Thompson, Dennis Corriher, Peyton Bare. Jeanne Kirk is at Big Elm. Pat Archie is at Liberty Commons. Doris Campbell is at Trinity Oaks. Thelma Corriher is at Brookdale High Point North. Judy Beaver is at The Laurels of Salisbury. Doris Hileman is at Morningside of Concord. Members and Friends of the congregation are reminded to help the pastor and secretary by informing them of any persons who are sick or in the hospital.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Southside Church of God Food Ministry Donation: September - Oil & Cereal

Be sure you are following the Mt. Zion Facebook page so you will be able to find our live-streamed services and other important information! **www.facebook.com/mtzioncg** or search your Facebook for "Mount Zion United Church of Christ, China Grove, NC" then click the "Like" button!



Our deepest sympathies are extended to the family of Becky Drye, who passed away Saturday, September 6, surrounded by her family who loved her so. A Celebration of Life Service was held on Saturday, September 13 at Mt. Zion United Church of Christ. Becky's family is so grateful for the outpouring of cards, visits, calls, texts, emails, and more from those who loved them and loved Becky. May we continue to remember them in prayer.

September Clothing Drive

For the month of September, the youth are encouraged to bring their used clothes and clothes of friends to be donated on behalf of the church to a local clothing ministry so local children can enjoy their generosity.

Homecoming Sunday | September 21

Mark your calendar and plan to bring the whole family, a meal to share and, invite former members and other friends to join us for Homecoming Sunday, September 21.
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JOY Club | September 24

The JOY Club will meet at Gary's BBQ for the monthly meeting, beginning at 11:00am on Wednesday, September 24. Please sign up at handbell tables if you plan to attend.

Liberty Commons Worship Service | September 28 | 2:30 PM

Once again Mt. Zion will meet at Liberty Commons for worship service, Sunday, September 28, beginning at 2:30pm. We hope you will be able to join us. Invite your friends!

Hayride and Weenie Roast | October 5 | 5:00 PM

Once again EVERYONE is invited for the Mt. Zion annual Hayride and Weenie Roast. Join us at the Bancroft home at 170 Corriher Farm Road, Sunday, October 5, beginning at 5:00pm. Please bring a side dish, drink and/ or dessert to share with everyone. Please RSVP to Emily Bancroft.

CHURCH WIDE



October 10 & 11

The church yard sale is set for October 10 & 11 and will benefit our Building & Improvement Fund. Drop off your **PRICED, CLEAN** and **WORKING** items in the church hut during office hours or contact Mary Corriher.
Please **NO TV's or clothes.**

Mount Zion United Church of Christ

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HOMECOMING 2025



Homecoming
message presented by

Reverend Dr. Ed Davis

September 21
10:30 AM



Covered Dish Dinner
After Worship