

FMZBC Connection Points



Let us stay connected!

January 18, 2022

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Join us **every Sunday for Worship at 11:00 am**. If you are fully vaccinated, please join us in person. If you are unable to attend in person join us via live stream by going to our website, <https://www.fmzbc.com>. You may also join us using any of the following social media platforms.

FMZ/Life Stream: <https://live.lifestream.tv/first-mount-zion-baptist-church>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/fmzbcumdumfries>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzFC03nn-QRn0bzNDEefeGQ>

Bible Study: Wednesdays at 7:30 pm

FMZ/Life Stream: <https://www.lifestream.tv/fmz-live/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/fmzbcumdumfries>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzFC03nn-QRn0bzNDEefeGQ>

Study handouts are available online. <https://firstmountzionbc.org/bible-study-handouts/>

Sunday School (CED): Sunday School Extended, **every Sunday at 9:45 am** on ZOOM

Register in advance for Sunday School Extended:

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwrfu-upjlsH9VMx4eBFk3D3sIWl9YJZAF4>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining Sunday School Extended. This information includes the meeting link and dial-in phone number.

New Members Orientation Class (CED)

Topic: ZOOM Invitation FMZBC New Members Classes

Time: Jan 23, 2022 09:45 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Jan 23, 2022 09:45 AM	Prayer
Jan 30, 2022 09:45 AM	Holy Communion
Feb 6, 2022 09:45 AM	The Bible
Feb 13, 2022 09:45 AM	How to Study the Bible
Feb 20, 2022 09:45 AM	ABC's of Worship
Feb 27, 2022 09:45 AM	Church Leadership

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89733114170?pwd=QVRTYjYrTWFSbTRBSnhVNk1NTi9UZz09>

Meeting ID: 897 3311 4170

Passcode: 700602

Dial by your location

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 897 3311 4170

Passcode: 700602

Kids' Kingdom (CED): Kids' Kingdom, **each 3rd Sunday at 11 am** on YouTube. Subscribe to FMZBC *Kids' Kingdom Worship*, [YouTube Channel](#), or click on the Kids' Kingdom slider on the FMZ website to watch the latest Kids' Kingdom Worship Service.

January Kids' Kingdom, <https://youtu.be/HquJa1e1CZ8>

POC: Dr. Tracey D. Holley, tholley@firstmountzionbc.org.

Men's Ministry (CED): Join the Men's Ministry on the **second Saturday of each month**. Check the Sunday announcements for details.

POC, MM Director, Bro. Edward Jones and MM Co-Director, Bro. Stephen Seaberry; MensMinistry@firstmountzionbc.org.

Women's Ministry (CED): **WOMEN'S MINISTRY JOINT PRAYER FELLOWSHIP is**

Attn: WOMEN & MEN

The Women's Ministry will be hosting a Prayer Fellowship on **Saturday, January 22, 2022, from 9:00am-10:30am** via zoom. The purpose of the Prayer Fellowship is to start off the year, "2022" covering FMZ, the community, and our world in prayer. We will be reminded about "The Power of Prayer. Our guest speakers will be Rev. Kathy Russell, Deacon Willie Brown, Rev. Cozy Bailey, and Rev. Helen Parker. All Women and Men (18 and older) are invited to participate in this Ministry Blessing. For questions, please contact WM Director, Gwen L Holland, or WM Co-Director Lisa Johnson at Womensministry@firstmountzionbc.org.

Zoom Meeting Information:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81691577791?pwd=Y2dZVGhmWEZOWDNtVVNONOR2Z0VnUT09>

Meeting ID: 816 9157 7791

Passcode: 333864

Dial in 301-715-8592

POC: WM Director, Gwen L Holland, or WM Co-Director Lisa Johnson at

Womensministry@firstmountzionbc.org.

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Women's Ministry (CED): PRAYER REQUESTS, Women Uniting in Fellowship with Love, Praise, and Worship

Greetings to all our sisters in Christ. God is so awesome! He has answered our prayers and He want to answer yours too! The WM has established a dedicated email for the women of FMZBC to submit your prayer request. We desire to continually lift your prayer needs as they arise, so please use this email to submit your prayer request. Let the saints pray for you. Prayers of the righteous availeth much! Our Intercessory Prayer Team (IPT) will intercede and faithfully pray over your prayer request as you send them in.

WomensMinistryPrayers@firstmountzionbc.org.

For questions, please contact us via the WM email POC: WM Director, Gwen L Holland, or WM Co-Director Lisa Johnson at Womensministry@firstmountzionbc.org.

Youth Ministry (CED):

Keep It 100: Teen Conversations with Revs. J. McNeill & K. Franklin-Taylor
(Saturdays, January 22, 29 from 11am to 12pm)

Youth Ministry is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88643933879?pwd=NGt6dGJiZmNnU09wQzFDbHVsaUNOUT09>

Meeting ID: 886 4393 3879

Passcode: Keep100

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+16465588656,,88643933879#,,,,*7207491# US (New York)

Dial by your location

+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

Meeting ID: 886 4393 3879

Passcode: 7207491

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/knUhTnOK>

POC: Rev. John C. McNeill, FMZ Youth Minister; jmcneill@firstmountzionbc.org

SHARE Ministry: SHARE Distribution is ON for this Saturday, January 22, 2022, from 9:00 am-11:00 am. POC: Thomas Bates, 703-772-8837.

Virtual Volunteer Screening: February 19th; April 16th; June 18th; September 17th; October 15th; and November 19, 2022

POC: Cynthia Zorn Pettigrew at 703 -730-5227, zornpettigrewcl@comcast.net or Clarice Torian at 703-730-6353, toriancj@gmail.com.

Communion: Communion elements are available for pick up on a quarterly basis. The next distribution will be in **March 2022**.

Music and Arts Ministry:

Women's Choir Zoom Meeting - **Tues. Jan. 18th 7:30PM.**

Jewels Choir Zoom Meeting - Thurs. Jan. 20th 7:00PM.

Music Ministry Zoom 2022 - Thurs. Jan. 27th - 7:30PM.

POC: Minister Sylstea Sledge, ssledge@firstmountzionbc.org

Zone Ministry:

Zone M2

Zoom Fellowship and Prayer Call **Time: Jan 29, 2022, 10:00**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87277099048?pwd=bFITdVRNMIFwOEZoT3JyRnZvbWpEQT09>

Meeting ID: 872 7709 9048

Passcode: 991056

Dial in 301-715-8592

Small Groups Ministry:

Fall 2021-2022 Interest-Based Small Groups

Registration Is Open!

Register at: <https://firstmountzionbc.org/small-group/>

1. The Fall Semester Small Group Meetings begin **October 01, 2021-January 31, 2022.**
2. We will continue to use Zoom and or Conference Calls for our group meetings.
3. You do not have to be a member of First Mount Zion Baptist Church to join a Small Group.
3. You must be a First Mount Zion Baptist Church member to lead a Small Group.

We welcome you to join a Small Group! We have a variety of groups from discipleship groups, sports, health and wellness, service, shared interest, support, and book groups for all ages. Regardless of the type of group, the main purpose of each group is to create a place where you can develop and cultivate friendships, receive encouragement and support while lives are being transformed into the image of Christ. There is a group for everyone, including YOU!! Review our directory of Groups and connect with a Small Group today.

Leading a Small Group

Consider leading a Small Group while utilizing your gifts, passions, and talents. We'd love to hear from you. Please contact the Small Group Director, share the topic of interest and name of your prospective group, along with the date and time of your online meetings.

You will receive essential tools, an initial Small Group leader training as well as training throughout the year with fellow group leaders. Your group will be placed in the First Mount Zion online Small Groups directory where others can locate your group and register throughout the Fall and Spring semesters. We believe God creatively uses Small Groups while implementing our mission to Make the Connection – Make Disciples – Make a Difference. As a Small Group leader, you are an essential part of that transformation.

Point of Contact: **Sister Stephanie M. Craddock, Small Groups Director**
@ Scraddock@firstmountzionbc.org or 703-670-0184.

Weekly Operational Hours

Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm and Fridays, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Staff office and Fitness Center hours are Monday – Thursday from, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm and Friday from, 9:00 am – 1:00pm. Please note: The Fitness Center is open to members only. The Beauty and Barber Shops are also open during this time by appointment only.

Holiday Closure

The office will be closed on Presidents' Day, Monday, February 21, 2022

Closings and Cancellations Due to Inclement Weather

During times of inclement weather please check the Church website and voicemail for closings and cancellations. Notices are also posted to WTOP and WJLA. You may also register to receive notifications from, www.cancellations.com

Vanco On-line Giving

VANCO, FMZBC's on-line giving platform, operates with a high level of security. As a result, users' access will be temporarily denied when using a VPN, virtual personal network, and because of too many failed login attempts. If you've forgotten your password, after some time the account will reset to allow you to select the forgot password option. Another option is to call the office with your IEP address. The office will then contact VANCO with the IP address to have your VANCO account reset.

Be In the Know. KNOW your member number.

Member Number. It is important to confirm that you are using the correct member number. One way to verify is to review your online giving account. You may also confirm your member number by calling the office, 703-670-0184.

Maintain the Connection. Change of address or phone number? Updates may be made through the FMZ website using the following link.

<https://form.jotform.com/12155242234>

COVID-19 Test Kit Distribution
Saturday, January 22, 2022, 10:00 am-1:00 pm

First Mount Zion Baptist Church has partnered with, iHealth Labs to obtain 2,000 COVID-19 Antigen Rapid Tests. The test is authorized by the US Food and Drug Administration for non-prescription home use for those with symptoms of COVID-19. Given the number of tests available to us, the distribution will be to individual, active FMZ members only, with a limit of two test kits per household on a first come, first serve basis. Note, each member will only receive one test kit. No more than two members from a single household will be given a test kit. A member may not pick up a kit for another member.

Who is a member? A member has an FMZ issued 2-4, digit member number. Note: A 5-digit number is not an FMZ member number. If you need clarification, please call the office.

Member's name must be on the active church roster. Active roster includes members who have regular attendance/participation in ministry activity; and/or in regular contact with their zone leader; and/or give regularly.

Member's home address must be current on the roster.

Distribution will occur on Saturday; January 22 from 10 am to 1pm.

Upon arrival you will be directed to the drive through area to pick up the test kits.

To facilitate the drive thru pick up of test kits, please be prepared by having your member number and address readily available.

Change in Check-In Procedures

Revised 9/12/21

For anyone 12 years and older proof of being fully vaccinated is required. Proof of vaccination is only required once. Once proof is shown your name will be entered into a data base. At subsequent check-ins you need only to provide your name. Wearing a mask, having temperature taken, and social distancing are required.

Am I required to pre-register for Sunday service or to enter the building?

No, providing verification of being fully vaccinated eliminates the need to pre-register.

What forms of proof of vaccination are accepted? A legible vaccination card showing your name and date(s) of vaccination; a copy of your card; or a picture on your electronic device are acceptable forms of proof.

Are children required to show proof of vaccination? Children 12 years and older are required to show proof of vaccination. Children under the age of 12 are not.

What if I have a medical condition that prevents me from being vaccinated? In lieu of a vaccination card, provide medical documentation from a physician stating the medical exemption.

How do I get my name into the database? Upon your next arrival to the Church, for any reason, show proof of being fully vaccinated and your name will be added to the database.

Check www.fmzbc.com for additional information and updates.

Volunteers Needed for Check-In

Check-In

FMZBC requires anyone who enters the Church to go through Check-In to ensure; proof of vaccination is provided; temperatures are taken, and that masks are worn. **As ministry activity increases so does the need for volunteers.** If you'd like to volunteer for, Check-In use the following Sign-Up Genius link to serve.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4CADAB2E5-check>

If you have any questions, please contact, Renee Woolfolk, Church Business Administrator, at rwoolfolk@firstmountzionbc.org, or call (703) 670-0184.

Thank you to those that have served and continue to serve at Check-In!!



FMZBC is seeking to employ the following:
Food Service Assistant Cook-Full-Time

The job announcement and the employment application are available for download.

<https://firstmountzionbc.org/job-vacancy-announcement/>

Please return by email, employment@firstmountzionbc.org, or return to the office during office hours, Monday -Thursday 9 am-4 pm and Fridays 9 am-1pm. Applications will also be accepted by mail. First Mount Zion Baptist Church, 16622 Dumfries Road, Dumfries, Virginia 22025. Attention: Hiring Manager

Remain Connected with us by keeping your contact information current. Please submit a change of contact information online using the following link:

<https://form.jotform.com/12155242234>

IT Help Desk. Have questions about ZOOM or OFFICE365? Need an Email or password reset? Please email us for assistance at, IT4U@FirstMountZionBC.Org or rwoolfolk@firstmountzionbc.org.

Giving Tithes and Offerings: (Point of Contact: Ms. Sherry Hilliard, financial secretary, shilliard@firstmountzionbc.org)

You may give online. WWW.FMZBC.COM and click on ONLINE GIVING(VANCO) at any time. To avoid failed transaction fees, please regularly review your online giving account to ensure contact and payment sources are up to date. When submitting a change of address to the Church, please also log on to VANCO to update your address. If you are interested in learning more about VANCO or have any questions as a VANCO online giver, please contact, Ms. Sherry Hilliard by email, shilliard@firstmountzionbc.org , or by phone, (703) 670-0184.

You may give by Mail. First Mount Zion Baptist Church, 16622 Dumfries Road, Dumfries, Va. 22025.

You may also schedule a time for pick up, from your home, with your Zone Leader.

ATTENTION ALL ZOOM MEETING HOSTS: To protect our ministries from potential “Zoom bombing” by miscreants and hackers, it is no longer recommended to post-meeting ID and passcodes to the website or social media. As an alternative, Zoom offers a registration feature for meeting participants to register for a meeting using a registration link. Once the registration link is established by the host, the link can be shared as usual via Connection Points, email, text, etc. The organizer/host will receive a roster of registrants and, if necessary, can use the list to verify people before they are allowed in the meeting.

For those who schedule ZOOM meetings, to follow is a short video on how to enable the registration feature to Zoom meetings.

How to set up a Zoom registration link for better security: <https://youtu.be/VgomCzNnii4>

Please check the FMZ website regularly for a complete listing of ministry activities and updates regarding weather closings during office hours. As always, during these times of uncertainty, safety is of the utmost importance as we do our best to keep the congregation connected and informed while maintaining the health and welfare of all. Please check your email and the Church website for regular updates. Looking forward to our return in the future!