

FMZBC Connection Points



Let us stay connected!
November 1, 2022

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Join us **every Sunday for Worship at 11:00am**. If you are fully vaccinated, please join us in person. If you are unable to attend in person, please join us via live stream by going to the website, <https://www.fmzbc.com>. You may also join us using any of the following social media platforms.
FMZ/LifeStream: <https://live.lifestream.tv/first-mount-zion-baptist-church>
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/fmzbcumfries>
YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzFC03nn-QRn0bzNDEefeGQ>

******If you require speech to text, please use Facebook******

Sunday School Extended, Sundays at, 9:45am on ZOOM. You must register in advance. 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.

SSE Registration link: <https://bit.ly/FMZBC-SSE>

Sunday School Extended Lesson Guides

Thank you for supporting Sunday School Extended. Our books have not been delivered due to supply chain challenges. Therefore, Urban Ministries Inc. is provided electronic versions of the first four lessons for September. Visit the following two links to download the lesson guides:

https://bit.ly/Lessons_1-2

https://bit.ly/UMI_Lessons_3-4

Urban Ministries continues to have supply chain challenges, further delaying the delivery of books. We are working to provide links to the October lessons

POC: Rev. Gillis Taylor, Sunday School Superintendent,
SundaySchool@FirstMountZionBC.org

Bible Study: In Person Adult and Youth Bible Study Resumes tonight!!

Please join us tonight for in person Adult and Youth Bible Study tonight at **7:30pm. www.fmzbc.com at 7:30pm.**

Both youth and adults are welcome to attend in person. For adult Bible study in addition to viewing the live stream and Facebook Live you may also attend via ZOOM. The opening will begin for adults and youth in the Chapel at 7:30pm. For those attending via ZOOM you must register in advance to receive the ZOOM link for Bible Study.

Adults, please register using the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZllcuCqqj8rGNZjitKHaMxs-goDQBjNVnCZK>

Youth, at 7:45pm please register using the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAsceurrjkuH9Rm8sk243fTqpJjWk-btSxl>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Youth Bible Study every Wednesday at 7:30pm. You may attend in-person or participate via ZOOM. If attending via ZOOM the session begins at 7:45pm. You must please register in advance using the following link to receive the meeting link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAsceurrjkuH9Rm8sk243fTqpJjWk-btSxl>

Music and Arts Ministry: Please check the church calendar for rehearsal dates and times. Interested in joining the Music and Arts Ministry? Contact the **POC Minister Sylstea Sledge**, ssledge@firstmountzionbc.org

Virtual Volunteer Screening: In Person November 19, 2022 POC: Cynthia Zorn Pettigrew at 703 -730- 5227, zornpettigrewcl@comcast.net or Clarice Torian at 703-730-6353, toriancj@gmail.com.

Zone Ministry: As a member you are assigned to a ZONE based on geographical location. Each Zone has a team of zone leaders consisting of at least a Deacon, Deaconess and Associate Minister. If you do not know how to contact your Zone Leader, please contact the Church and someone will provide you with their contact information. If you have not been in touch because you need to update your contact information, please use the following link <https://form.jotform.com/12155242234>

Calling the return of middle school and high school youth to

First Fridays Join in on the fun, food, and fellowship!

When: This Friday, November 4th

Time: 7pm-8:45pm

Enter Check-In at Door B

(Proof of vaccination and temperature checks required)

Deaf Ministry: Monthly Deaf Ministry Meeting are held **via ZOOM**.
November 07, and December 12.

POC for the ZOOM link is Deaconess Pam Ford, pdford61@verizon.net.

Christian Education

Academic Education Ministry (AEM), (CED): POC: Brother Gerry Griffin, Chair, AEM at AEM@FirstMountZionBC.org.



Scholarship session at FMZBC for High School Seniors following the Sunday worship service on November 20, 2022, 1pm

Kids' Kingdom (CED): Join us each **3rd Sunday at 11 am on YouTube**. Subscribe to FMZBC *Kids' Kingdom Worship*, YouTube Channel, or click on the Kids' Kingdom slide on the FMZ website, WWW.FMZBC.COM to watch the latest Kids' Kingdom Worship Service.

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

POC: Dr. Tracey D. Holley, Director of Christian Education

New Members Orientation Class

Nov 6, 2022 09:45 AM	The Bible
Nov 13, 2022 09:45 AM	How to Study the Bible
Nov 20, 2022 09:45 AM	Spiritual Warfare with Pastor Torian
Nov 27, 2022 09:45 AM	no class -Attend Regular Sunday School
Dec 4, 2022 09:45 AM	TBD
Dec 11, 2022 09:45 AM	ABC's of Worship
Dec 18, 2022 09:45 AM	Prayer
Dec 25, 2022 09:45 AM	no class -Attend Regular Sunday School
Jan 1, 2023 09:45 AM	no class -Attend Regular Sunday School
Jan 8, 2023 09:45 AM	Overview of Christian Education

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81563232280?pwd=ckU5SIBlY2RPUGdOYkdYZkVWTGJMdz09>

Meeting ID: 815 6323 2280

Passcode: 395110

Dial by your location

+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

Meeting ID: 815 6323 2280

Passcode: 395110

Respectfully,

FMZBC New Members Orientation Class (NMOC)

fmzbc.nmoc@gmail.com

[757-377-5679](tel:757-377-5679)

Seniors' Ministry (CED): We always look forward to seeing our amazing seniors (55+). The Seniors Ministry will celebrate Veterans Day by celebrating our Senior Members who have served in the United States military. All Seniors 55 and over are invited to join this Zoom presentation on Wednesday, November 16 2022, at 1:00 pm. Please contact sister Shirley Hardy at shirleybhardy@gmail.com to receive the Zoom link.

POC: Ms. Shirley Hardy at shirleybhardy@gmail.com.

Singles' Ministry (CED): Please join us! POC: Pamela Knight at nohim2@yahoo.com

WOMEN'S MINISTRY (CED):

WOMEN'S MINISTRY NOVEMBER CONCERT & CONFERENCE

"Women United in Faith, Prayer, Fellowship, Love and Worship"

The Women's Ministry (WM) will be hosting our annual Concert on **Friday, November 4, 2022 @ 7:00 pm at FMZ**. The concert is open to all both in person and virtually. COVID - 19 protocols remain in place. Masks are required to be worn; proof of vaccination and temperature will be checked upon entry. Enter Check-In through Door B. **Live Stream, www.fmzbc.com**

Attn: BEAUTIFUL RESILIENT WOMEN OF GOD

The Women's Ministry will be hosting our Conference titled **"S.O.A.R with Resilient Faith – Sisters Overcoming~ with Anointing Resilience"** on **Saturday, November 5, 2022, from 9:00 am-11:00 am via zoom**. Our dynamic guest speakers will be announced soon.

All Women and Young Ladies (18 and older) are invited to participate in this Ministry Blessing (please invite your daughters, mothers, sisters, nieces, aunts, grandmothers, mothers-in-law, cousins, and friends so that they can receive God's blessings through his words spoken by our own Dr Holley. We look forward to seeing you on Zoom!

Zoom Meeting Information:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88227014839?pwd=Zkg0Q1RwbWhHL1ZOZU5rditXa0ZHQT09>

Meeting ID: 882 2701 4839

Passcode: 285130

(301) 715-8592

For questions, please contact WM Director, Gwen L Holland, or WM Co-Director Lisa Johnson at Womensministry@firstmountzionbc.org.

Thanking you in advance, and many blessings!

Gwen L Holland, WM Director

Lisa Johnson, WM Co-Director

BOOK CLUB

“Women United in Faith, Prayer, Fellowship, Love and Worship”

The Women’s Ministry (WM) will be hosting our Autumn Book Club session via zoom. We will be reading “What Happens When Women Say Yes to God: *Live More Fully *Love More Deeply *Experience God's Best for You” by Lysa TerKeurst. During this 6- week session we will be discussing how *Your job is obedience. God's job is everything else.* If you've ever found yourself wondering...*What is God's plan for my life?* or *Can He really use me?* you're not alone. We were absolutely created to participate in God's divine activity and experience His rich blessings. We just have to say yes to Him!

Please join us and invite other ladies to share in this spiritual journey. **Session dates are 11/19 & 12/3 session times are 10:00am -11:30am.** Register by emailing WomensMinistry@firstmountzionbc.org. Input “Book Club” in the subject line and provide your name, telephone number, and email address that you can be reached at. POC - Sister Sharon Lawrence will be the Facilitator for this session. WM Book Club Lead, Sister Lisa Johnson & WM Book Club Co-Lead, Sister Sharon Lawrence.

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 requests as you send them in.

WomensMinistryPrayers@firstmountzionbc.org.

Youth Ministry (CED): We have a new feature in the Church Newsletter called **YOUTH ON BLAST!** This is an opportunity to highlight the amazing youth at First Mount Zion and their notable accomplishments. If you know of a youth that you would like to have profiled in these sections, please send their name, contact information, and accomplishments to youthministry@firstmountzionbc.org. Accomplishments can be in the areas of athletic, community, scholastic, overcoming personal challenges, or simply a youth who is in need of encouragement. For additional information or questions, contact Dr. Holley on 703-670-0184.



*Have You Considered
Leading A Small
Group This Fall?*

*What are Your Interest, Gifts and Talents?
I'd Like to Hear From You ~ Learn More!*

POC: Stephanie M. Craddock, Small Groups Director – Scraddock@firstmountzionbc.org Or 703-670-0184

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

FMZBC Job Vacancies

Currently actively recruiting for the following positions

Youth Minister

Please see a detailed announcement and employment application

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

You may return the completed application and resume by email, employment@firstmountzionbc.org or in person during office hours, Monday through Thursday 9 am-4 pm and Fridays 9 am-1pm. Applications will also be accepted by mail. Positions will remain open until filled. First Mount Zion Baptist Church, 16622Dumfries Road, Dumfries, Virginia 22025. Attention: Hiring Manager

Volunteers Needed for 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 would like to volunteer for Check-In, please use the following Sign-Up Genius link.

<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!!

Be In the Know!

1. Check In at door A or B for 11am Sunday worship service.
2. The parking lot is fully open
3. Door Q Check-In Station when back parking lot is in use.
4. Two temperature stations at Doors A and B on Sunday
5. Check-In sign-in sheets for contact tracing are no longer in use.
6. The Fitness Center Locker Rooms are now open.

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

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>

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)

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 have 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 IP address. The office will then contact VANCO with the IP address to have your VANCO account reset.

You may give online using the following online giving link:

https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco_ver3.vps?appver3=wWsk24ZWJSTZKsGd1RMKlg0BDvsSG3VIWQCPJNNxD8upkiY7JlDavDsozUE7KG0nFx2NSo8LdUKGuGuF396vbcjOdOpuGh5p9VUzbG-MUX6XHubq5Z7ap5JVmPErc4ZeYHCKCZhESjGNQmZ5B-6dxxaHhzX-YjOncGsSrUtYU7E=&ver=3

Or access the link through the FMZBC website: 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.

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

FMZ COVID GUIDELINES-WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

Check the FMZ website for recent updates (October 2022)

Am I required to show proof of vaccination? 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.

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 twelve 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 arrival show proof of vaccination and your name will be added to the database.

Obtaining a copy of your COVID-19 VACCINATION CARD

The Virginia Department of Health now provides copies of vaccination cards. To obtain a copy, go to their Virginia Immunization Information System, <https://vase.vdh.virginia.gov/vacapps/f?p=545:1>

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/VqomCzNii4>

