

FMZBC 2023 Church Theme
From Generation to Generation:
Growing Deeper, Growing Stronger, Reaching Higher
Deuteronomy 32:7



Let us stay connected!

March 8, 2023

Scroll to the green text for the latest information.

Join us **every Sunday for in-person 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/fmzbcdumfries>

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

******If you require speech to text, Facebook is recommended******

Save the Date!

Wednesday Night Bible Study: For adults and youth each, **Wednesday at 7:30pm.**
Join us in person; www.fmzbc.com; YouTube; and Facebook.

Youth attending via ZOOM, 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.

Sunday School Extended Hybrid: **Sundays at 9:45am room 229/230.** Attend in person or via ZOOM (registration required)

SHARE Ministry: SHARE distribution is on **Saturday, March 11, 2023, at 9am**

KEEP US IN THE KNOW. New phone number, new address, can we contact you by email? Please use the following link to update your contact information. If you give online please also remember to update your information in VANCO. <https://form.jotform.com/12155242234>

VANCO ONLINE GIVING: As a registered user you can make changes to your VANCO profile, giving schedule, and password reset. In the event you are locked out the system it will refresh within 2-4 hours, and you will be able to reset your password.

Tithing Envelope: It is important to include your member number on your tithing envelope. If you do not know your member number, feel free to contact the office. **Note, your member number is also included on your annual contribution statement.**

Sunday School Extended (CED):

SS-Hybrid Is Here!!

Back Together Again!
(Ecclesiastes 4:9, GMT version)

“Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.” (Isaiah 42:9)

Join Sunday School Hybrid each Sunday. For those attending the class via ZOOM Please use the following link to register for SSE-Hybrid:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89762921587?pwd=UHd2RWVuWjJrbmhNMnpPYUJkZjE4Zz09>

We look forward to seeing you there!!

Sunday School Hybrid Lesson Guides

Handouts are available for download from the FMZ (First Mount Zion) website using the following link:

<https://firstmountzionbc.org/weekly-sunday-school-lessons/>

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



ACADEMIC EDUCATION MINISTRY (AEM)

Academic Education Ministry: Parents/Guardians and High School Seniors of FMZ. We'd like to forward to you information about other scholarship opportunities! Interested? Forward your email address to aem@firstmountzionbc.org and we will add you to the distribution list. POC: Bro. Gerry Griffin, AEM Chair.

Attention all high school seniors. The FMZBC (First Mount Zion Baptist Church) Scholarship and the Scholarship applications are now available online. <https://firstmountzionbc.org/scholarships-2/>

Please be sure to review the requirements and deadline submissions. DONT MISS OUT!!!

POC: Brother Gerry Griffin, Chair, AEM at AEM@FirstMountZionBC.org.

Volunteer Screening: 2023 Session dates: **March 18**, May 20, Sept. 16 and Nov. 18
POC: Cynthia Zorn Pettigrew at 703 -730-5227, zornpettigrewcl@comcast.net or
Clarice Torian at 703-730-6353, toriancj@gmail.com.

Mens' Ministry (CED): ATTENTION ALL MEN!!!...Join our Fellowship on **Saturday, March 11, 2023, at 9:00 AM**, as we fellowship with **"Rooted, Built Up, and Established in GOD"**. This is based on the **Book of Colossians 2:6-7**. We will be in fellowship through Song, Praise, Scripture, and our Speaker will bring a DYNAMIC message that will fill our spirits and minds! We pray you seize this opportunity to Glorify GOD thru this fellowship with your time & service. To register please email mensministry@firstmountzionbc.org

We look forward to seeing you Mighty Men of GOD.

Women's Ministry (CED): WOMEN'S MINISTRY BOOK CLUB

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



The Women's Ministry (WM) will be hosting our Book Club session via zoom. We will be reading "THE LIGHT WE CARRY OVERCOMING IN UNCERTAIN TIMES" by Michelle Obama. During this 5-week session we will be discussing how when we are able to recognize our own light, we become empowered to use it," writes Michelle Obama. A rewarding blend of powerful stories and profound advice that will ignite conversation, The Light We Carry inspires readers to examine their own lives, identify their sources of gladness, and connect meaningfully in a turbulent world. The study contains stories series of fresh stories and insightful reflections on change, challenge, and power, including her belief that when we light up for others,

Please join us and invite other ladies to share in this spiritual journey. **Session dates are 3/18, 3/25, 4/1 & 4/15. Session times are 10:00am -11:30am. Register by emailing up until February 28th.** POC, WM Book Club Lead, Sister Lisa Johnson & WM Book Club Co-Lead, Sister Sharon Lawrence.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY (CED): Monthly Fellowship

The Women's Ministry will be hosting a Fellowship "Spiritually Dressed For Success" on **Saturday, March 11, 2023, from 9:00am-10:30am via zoom**. The purpose of the Fellowship is to remind us that we are to put aside all the vintage clothing of the past, the old clothing that represented past sin, regret, despair, and hopelessness. God has given us garments to wear, the garments of forgiveness, love, godliness, virtuousness, encouragement, and the full armor of God. Our guest speaker will be Rev. Maxine Thompson, FMZBC Associate Minister.

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

The Zoom Meeting Information:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85112613811?pwd=TmdrSXR3VEZGQnVMK0d2emlVdVZ6UT09>

Meeting ID: 851 1261 3811

Passcode: 476850

Dial in: (301) 715-8592

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.

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.

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>.

Deaf Ministry: Monthly Deaf Ministry Meetings are held **via ZOOM**.

Topic: Deaf ministry meeting

Date/Time: **Second Monday of each month at 07:00 PM** Eastern Time (US and Canada). Please check back for the ZOOM link.

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

Kids' Kingdom (CED): This is our Virtual YouTube worship experience for our children PreK- 5th grade. It takes place each 3rd Sunday at 11 am on YouTube: **FMZBC Kids' Kingdom Worship**. Please note that Worship packs for each month are distributed on the Saturday before 3rd Sunday from 11 am – 12 noon at DOOR A. For additional information or questions, contact Dr. Holley at tholley@firstmountzionbc.org

New Members Orientation Class (CED)

FMZBC New Members Orientation Class (NMOC)

Topic: NMOC Class

Time: **09:45 AM** Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Mar 12, 2023 - Church Leadership/Church Ministry

Mar 19, 2023 - TBD

Mar 26, 2023 - Salvation

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84620737704?pwd=VHN6K0xIV2VmSFhHRVA4OERGYmRsQT09>

Meeting ID: 846 2073 7704

Passcode: 997579

Dial by your location

+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

You can download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Weekly:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZArdemvrTwtGtB7wmqXsW8GDI0s1GZ7HVap/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGsqDkqHdeStxmDRpwlBljoc-3ztmZajbd_ywjoEhhAVVvREu4SleNYKo_4

Meeting ID: 846 2073 7704

Passcode: 997579

fmzbc.nmoc@gmail.com

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

Seniors' Ministry (CED): The Seniors Ministry will meet via Zoom on Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at 1:00 pm. The theme for this month's meeting is ***A Generation Growing in God's Grace***, Romans 5:20. The POC for the Seniors Ministry is Shirley Hardy. She can be reached at shirleybhardy@gmail.com. All Seniors 55 and older are welcome to attend.

The Seniors Ministry is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: SENIORS MINISTRY MARCH MEETING

Time: Mar 15, 2023, 01:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86287662235>

Meeting ID: 862 8766 2235

One tap mobile

+19292056099,,86287662235# US (New York)

+13017158592,,86287662235# US (Washington DC)

Dial by your location

+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

Meeting ID: 862 8766 2235

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86287662235>

Please join us each month on the 3rd Wednesday for a time of fellowship. POC: Ms. Shirley Hardy at shirleybhardy@gmail.com.

Singles' Ministry (CED):

Please join us! POC: Pamela Knight at nohim2@yahoo.com

Youth Ministry (CED):

Youth Ministry Announcements:

Youth Ministry Group Meeting for those in **grades 6-12** will be **Sunday, March 19, 2023, immediately after 11:00 am service until 2:30**. Youth are encouraged to come and help plan **their** Youth Ministry activities for March through June. Contact Rev. Beverly Jiggetts bjiggetts@firstmountzionbc.org if questions.

2023 Youth Ministry Missions Trip applications with reference letter forms are due by **4:30 pm on Monday, March 20, 2023**.

Contact Rev. Beverly Jiggetts, bjiggetts@firstmountzionbc.org if questions.

Beverly Waddell-Jiggetts
Youth Minister, First Mount Zion Baptist Church

Youth on Blast: We have a 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.

POC: bjiggetts@firstmountzionbc.org

SMALL GROUPS MINISTRY: Point of Contact: Sister Stephanie M. Craddock, Small Groups Director; scraddock@firstmountzionbc.org or 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

**SPRING
SMALL GROUPS FAIR!
(New Date)
Sunday, March 12th**

**Sign Up for Virtual Groups
Following the 11a.m.
Worship Service in the Narthex**

POC: Stephanie M. Craddock, Small Groups Director
Scraddock@firstmountzionbc.org or 703 670 184

**We'd
Love**

For You To Join Us!

There is a variety of groups
for everyone, including
YOU!

Visit our Small Groups Pages and Directory, to view the variety of Interest Based Small Groups that are available to our First Mount Zion Baptist Church members and Community.
[Small Groups Directory - First Mount Zion Baptist Church \(firstmountzionbc.org\)](http://firstmountzionbc.org)

Volunteers Needed

Ministry Event set-up and break-down. Is your ministry looking for a way to serve others. Are you in need of volunteer hours or simply want to support the ministry activities of the church? If so, please contact Ernest Robbins, Facilities Manager at erobbins@firstmountzionbc.org. Opportunities to serve in **food service with the Grain of Heaven** contact, Sherise Campbell, Food Service Director at scampbell@firstmountzionbc.org. **Audio Visual to include**, Wednesday Night Bible Study, Sunday Worship, Homegoing Services, Weddings, and Ministry Activities, please contact Renee Woolfolk, CBA at rwoolfolk@firstmountzionbc.org .

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

FMZBC welcomes Ms. Tameca Miles, Financial Secretary. You may reach Tameca through the front office at extension 1106. You may also reach her by email, tmiles@firstmountzionbc.org.

FMZBC Job Vacancies. For complete information please visit the FMZ website.
<https://firstmountzionbc.org/job-vacancy-announcement/>

Financial Secretary Assistant

Part-Time (20 hours per week)
Pay Range \$27.00-\$30.00 per hour

First Mount Zion Baptist Church is actively recruiting candidates for the position of Financial Secretary Assistant in support of the accounts payable and payroll functions of the Church. The ideal candidate has more than three years of experience having a working knowledge of complete payroll processes and accounts payable processes in line with general accounting practices. Upon offer the candidate is subject to a criminal background check and drug screening. Working remotely is not an option. The church requires proof of COVID-19 vaccination and temperature check upon entry. Recruiting will continue until the position is filled. Interested candidates should email resume and job application to employment@firstmountzionbc.org

AV Director

Part-Time (20 hours per week minimum)
Pay beginning at \$40 per hour.

FMZBC is actively recruiting an AV Director. The position requires a technical background in sound engineering in a live production environment, additional expertise in live video production is desirable. The position is responsible for acquiring and maintaining audio and visual equipment for the organization. The Director supports and resources weekly worship, services, Bible study, Sunday School, ministry meetings, activities, homegoing services, weddings, and events. The position requires the support of volunteers to staff the events therefore the ideal candidate has experience with recruiting and training volunteers. The candidate will work with staff and members to develop time and tasks outlying schedules, setup, equipment, staging, rehearsals, run throughs, and compilation of electronic files for video presentations. The work schedule includes evenings, weekends, holidays, and core office hours between 9am and 4pm therefore requires the candidate to have a great deal of flexibility in their availability. Upon offer the candidate is subject to a criminal background check and drug screening. Working remotely is not an option. The church requires proof of COVID-19 vaccination and temperature check upon entry. Recruiting will continue until the position is filled. Interested candidates should email resume and job application to employment@firstmountzionbc.org

Good to KNOW

IT (Information Technology) 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.

Vanco On-line Giving

VANCO, FMZBC's on-line giving platform, operates with an elevated 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 (up to 4 hours) the account will automatically reset to allow users to select the forgotten password option.

You may give online using the following online giving link:

https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco_ver3.vps?appver3=wWsk24ZWJSTZKsGd1RMKlq0BDvsSG3VIWQCPJNNxD8upkiY7JIDavDsozUE7KG0nFx2NSo8LdUKGuGuF396vbcjOdOpuGh5p9VUzbG-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. Tameca Miles, Financial Secretary by email, tmiles@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 (December 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 database. 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 wear a mask? **Effective, Sunday, December 18, 2022, wearing of masks is optional.**

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 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/VqomCzNnii4>