



First Mount Zion Baptist Church

Our Vision: "Sharing the light from the Promise, to Pentecost, to Points around the world!"

Our Mission: To connect people who have a desire to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

Our Four-Step Strategy:

- Worship
- Study of God's Word
- Stewardship
- Service

CONNECTION POINTS

February 4, 2025

Connection Points is a weekly communication to keep you connected by providing information on ways to be informed, to sign up for ministry activity, to serve, and to give.

Virtual Bible Study during March 2025.

FMZBC.COM | FaceBook | YouTube

Check your email for the Zoom meeting ID and passcode or call FMZBC at (703) 670-0184. The same link is for both the 11:00 a.m. and the 7:30 p.m. Bible Studies.

[Click for this week's Bible Study](#)

**Several Ways to Learn of Updates
During Inclement Weather**

WWW.FMZBC.COM

Call the church at (703) 670-0184 for a recorded message.

Email your Zone Leader.

Tune in to WTOP.

More to come...

SPIRITUAL GIFTS

The Spiritual Gifts Ministry is conducting the first workshop of 2025 on Saturday, February 22, 2025, from 9:00 am – 12 noon. Join us to discover, affirm or reaffirm your Spiritual Gifts and to where and how God has gifted you to serve.

Registration is required at

SpiritualGiftsMinistry@FirstMountZionBC.org.

Registration will be open until Thursday, February 20th.

Line Dancing- Thursday nights!

Six-session program, with teacher Gwen Mathews, **in the gymnasium from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.** Free for members of FMZ and their guests. Members are allowed 2 guests per visit. Guests must be with a member. Come, learn, dance, and fellowship! For more information, email Lori at LValkenburg@FirstMountZionBC.org or call 703-670-0225.

PULPIT COMMITTEE

Click on, request to review this week's prayer from the Pulpit Committee.

[Prayer request](#)

Click the following link to review the Pulpit Committee FAQ's:

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

"I WAS SICK AND YE VISITED ME."

Keep the following known, sick, and/or shut-in members in prayer:

Benjamin Bond [N]
Teresa Bridges [I]
Jessica Butler [B]
Terry Carey [F1]
William Daily [E1]
Denyse Farquharson [E1]
Edwin Green [M3]
Cardell Hunter [M1]
Beulah (B.J.) Harper [D1]
Janet Mulubah [M2]
Essie Pullman [Z]
Arthur White [K1]

MEN'S & WOMEN'S MINISTRIES JOINT PRAYER FELLOWSHIP (CED)

The Men's & Women's Ministries will be hosting our annual Joint Prayer Fellowship on **Saturday, February 8, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at FMZ.** Continental Breakfast will be available from 9:00 a.m. to 9:55 a.m. Everyone is welcomed.

The purpose of the Prayer Fellowship is to start off the year 2025 covering FMZ, the community, and our world in prayer. We will be reminded to "P.U.S.H. (Pray Until Something Supernatural Happens)". Our guest speakers are Rev. Robert Jones and Rev. Dr. Tracey Dawkins-Holley. **Women and men (18 and older) are invited to participate in this ministry blessing.** For questions, please contact Women's Ministry Director, Gwen L Holland, or Men's Ministry Director, James Gaskins at Womensministry@firstmountzionbc.org

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Ministry Bible Study Wednesday nights virtually from 7:30-8:30 pm.

Youth Ministry Bible Study is **only** available via Zoom.

This month we will study "Black History and Faith."

To attend: To register, click on the following link [Youth Bible Study](#) or

Go to the FMZ website and click on the "Ministries" tab.

On the dropdown then click on "Youth Ministry"

This will bring up the Youth Ministry Page, there click on Bible Study and that will bring up the link to register for Bible Study.

Complete the registration information and you will then receive the Zoom link and passcode.

You only need to register once. Please have a Bible with you.

February First Friday, Feb. 7, 2025, from 7-9 pm in the Gym and Grain of Heaven. For members and guests in grades 6-12. Join us for "Heart Starting Games." Enter through Door P (gym door) Parents need to check youth in and out.

Youth Group Meeting Feb. 16, 2025, is cancelled due to the President's Day Holiday.

Third Sunday Worship Service, a youth volunteer is needed to do the Responsive Reading on Feb. 16, 2025

FMZ High School Retreat for youth who are FMZ members in grades 9-12

Pine Creek Retreat Center, April 4-6, 2025.

"Influence YOUR Generation."

Cost \$25.00. RSVP with payment by Monday, March 3,

2025. Payment can be made at the FMZ “Giving” tab. Line item “High School Retreat.”

Youth Clothing Give Away Closet: The Youth Clothing Give Away Closet has new and gently used free clothing for youth. It is in Room 156. Confidential shopping is by appointment only. Point of contact-Deaconess Ledora Akanni- Akanni_ledora@yahoo.com

Community Service Opportunity: “Clothing Give Away” Store in room 156 beside the Barber Shop. Community Service hours can be earned by working in the store. Deaconess Ledora Akanni is the point of contact. Akanni_ledora@yahoo.com

YOUTH MINISTRY ON BLAST! Highlight the amazing youth at First Mount Zion and their notable accomplishments. To have a youth profiled in this section send their name, picture, contact information, and accomplishments to Rev. Beverly Jiggetts- bjiggetts@firstmountzionbc.org or youthministry@firstmountzionbc.org. Accomplishments can be in athletics, community service, scholastics, overcoming personal challenges, or simply a youth who needs encouragement

FMZBC JOB VACANCIES

FMZBC is actively recruiting for the following vacancies: Food Service Assistant, Executive Assistant, Administrative Assistant, Youth/Young Adult Choir Director. Contact Renee Woolfolk, CBA to learn more at (703) 670-0184 or rwoolfolk@firstmountzionbc.org

**CONSTITUTION AND
BY-LAWS
(C&B) Committee**

Point of Contact is Ken

**CHANGE IN CONTACT
INFORMATION**

Please use the following link to update your contact information:

Spencer, Chair, C&B
Committee, at
cbl@firstmountzionbc.org

**GRIEF SHARE HOSTED
by FMZBC
JOURNEY TO JOY
MINISTRY**

GriefShare is a support program for people who have lost loved ones -- a spouse, child, other family member, or friend through death. GriefShare considers the loss of a pet as the loss of a loved one. For additional information, contact Reverend Kathy Russell, journeytojoy@firstmountzionbc.org

**WOMEN'S MINISTRY
PRAYER LINE**

WM offers a dedicated email address for the women of FMZBC to submit prayer requests. Our desire is to continually lift up your prayer needs as they arise, so please use this address to submit your requests. Our Intercessory Prayer Team (IPT) will intercede and faithfully pray over your requests as you send them in. Remember, the prayers of the righteous avail much. Let the saints pray for you!

Member Update Form

ONLINE GIVING

You may give online: Use the following link, [Online Giving Link](#) or access the link through the FMZBC website: [FMZBC](#) and click on ONLINE GIVING (Vanco). If you are interested in learning more about Vanco or have any questions as a Vanco online giver, please contact FMZBC at 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.

Online Giving Best Practice:

To ensure your Vanco giving history is fully captured, it is best to login to Vanco using your username and password. When not used, at a minimum be sure to use the same email address associated with your username and password. When users do not use the username and password, Vanco assigns a different profile number to the

For more information,
please contact WM
Director Gwen L Holland
at
Womensministry@firstmountzionbc.org

MEN'S MINISTRY (CED)

To receive additional
information, please email
mensministry@firstmountzionbc.org

IT4U

Need assistance
navigating Microsoft,
TEAMS meetings, or
Zoom? For tech support,
email
IT4U@firstmountzionbc.org

DEAF MINISTRY

ASL (American Sign
Language) interpreters are
onsite each Sunday during
the 11:00 a.m. worship
service. You may observe
in-person and online at
www.fmzbc.com The
monthly Zoom meetings
are also held with an
interpreter. The next Deaf
Ministry meeting will be on
February 10, 2025.

Have questions? Please
email
fmzdeafministry@firstmountzionbc.org

transaction, which may
result in an incomplete
transaction history.

THE ACADEMIC EDUCATION COMMITTEE (CED)

The First Mount Zion
Baptist Church (FMZBC)
and Hinkitch Bell
Memorial Scholarships
applications are going
paperless for the 2025
academic year. All 2025
graduating high school
seniors who plan to attend
an institution of higher
learning will be able to
apply for the scholarships
exclusively online.

Students can apply online
at the church's website at
[Scholarships](#) . Once on the
website, navigate to the
Resources Tab,
Scholarships – New and
select 2025 FMZBC and
Bell Scholarship Program.
The deadline for
submitting the scholarship
applications with
attachments is 4:30 p.m.,
April 1, 2025.

**AEM Gazette
Ministry Scholarship
Newsletter.** Want to
know what is happening
with the FMZBC
Scholarship, other
available scholarships,

**HYBRID SUNDAY
SCHOOL for Adults and
Young Adults (CED)**

Sundays at 9:45 a.m.
Check the monitors in the
narthex for classroom
locations or via Zoom
(registration required).

(Ecclesiastes 4:9, GMT)
*“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 Hybrid Sunday
School each Sunday. For
those attending the class
via Zoom, please Register
Here We look forward to
seeing you there.

Handouts are available for
download from the FMZ
website at
Sunday School Lessons

POC: Rev. Gillis Taylor,
Sunday School
Superintendent,
sundayschool@firstmount
zionbc.org

**VOLUNTEER
SCREENING**

**Next session is March 15,
2025**

Contact Sister Brenda

and events? Just click the
link below.

[https://firstmountzionbc.
org/scholarships-2/](https://firstmountzionbc.org/scholarships-2/)

Point of Contact: Brother
Gerry Griffin, AEM Chair
or Sister Sandra Grimes,
Scholarship Committee
Chair at

aem@firstmountzionbc.org

&

[https://firstmountzionbc.
org/scholarships-2/](https://firstmountzionbc.org/scholarships-2/)

Parent/guardians/
students, if you have
questions, please email at
aem@firstmountzionbc.org

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH
(CED)**

Children's Church meets
the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd
Sundays of each month
with the exception of
holiday weekends and
when noted. Our children
need YOU! Children's
Church needs servants in
several areas to support
our children. If you want
to make a difference in the
life of a child, please
register today by clicking
the link below. Please note
that volunteer screening is
required of all servants
that work with
children. Contact

Byrd at 571-237-0111,
byrdbj@comcast.net

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

Interest-based small groups meet for two semesters each year. The spring meetings will take place from **March 2, 2025 through June 30, 2025.**

Consider joining an Interest-Based Small Group.

We have a variety of groups in three categories from discipleship, sports, shared interests, outreach, health, support, and book groups for all ages.

Regardless of the type of group, through that common interest, we seek to love God, grow in God, serve God, and share God together as a group and with others. There is a group for everyone, including YOU! Visit the [Small Groups Directory - First Mount Zion Baptist Church](#) (firstmountzionbc.org)

Point of Contact:
Stephanie M. Craddock,
Small Groups Director,
703-670-0184
scraddock@firstmountzionbc.org

information for the screening is on the form. Thank you in advance for registering!

FMZ Children's Church Servant Registration

For additional information, please contact Dr. Holley via email at tholley@firstmountzionbc.org or Sister Stephany Stewart at stephanystewart@yahoo.com.

NEW MEMBERS ORIENTATION CLASS (CED)

Time: Sunday @ 9:45 a.m.
Every week on Sunday until Feb 23, 2025.

February 9 **Church**
Leadership **Rev. Bailey**

February 16 No class.
Attend Hybrid Sunday
School - President's Day
Holiday

February 23 Zone
Ministry Deacon Cox
and Deaconess Coates

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84512175876?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84512175876?pwd=XI3lbMaiuAT9DcLrRnaUQaZsA0uTHP.1)
[pwd=XI3lbMaiuAT9DcLrRnaUQaZsA0uTHP.1](#)

Meeting ID: 845 1217 5876

Passcode: 541102

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

There are numerous volunteer opportunities available. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Renee Woolfolk, Church Business Administrator, or the ministry point of contact. Here are a few volunteer opportunities currently available.

Dial by your location

• +1 301 715 8592 US
(Washington DC)

Meeting ID: 845 1217 5876
Passcode: 541102

-Receptionist, contact rwoolfolk@firstmountzionbc.org

-Facilities

FMZ Poster Print Shop
Ministry Event Set Up and
Breakdown. Contact wholmes@firstmountzionbc.org

-Grain of Heaven, contact
Sherise Campbell, Food
Service Director, at
scampbell@firstmountzionbc.org.

- Audio-Visual Ministry,
contact Bro. Dijae North,
Audio-Visual Director, at
dnorth@firstmountzionbc.org

-IT support for ministry
meetings.
Renee Woolfolk, Church
Business Administrator, at

BE IN THE KNOW

Building Use Request.
All meetings and events begin with a Building Use Request Form. Use the following link to schedule your next FMZBC ministry or committee meeting:

[Building Use Request Form](#)

FITNESS CENTER

Hours are as follows

- Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Please check the website for changes in hours of operation.

CANCELLATIONS DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER

As always, during times of inclement weather, 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.

During times of inclement weather, please check your email, the church website, and calendar for cancellations and/or office closure.

HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURE

The office will be closed
on
Monday,
February 17, 2025

WEEKLY SUBMISSIONS

**Due by noon each
Tuesday**

Connection Points entries
to
rwoolfolk@firstmountzionbc.org

Weekly announcements to
announcements@firstmountzionbc.org

Purchase Requisition (PR)
forms to
pr@firstmountzionbc.org

CAPTURING MINISTRY MOMENTS

FMZ in action. Share your photos here! Photos will be incorporated into the weekly Bible Study and Sunday Worship Countdown. Click on the following link to share your photos.

Capturing Ministry Moments

Wednesday Hybrid Bible Study:
Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m and 7:30 p.m.

Sunday Service Worship:

Service: 11:00 a.m.

Kids' Kingdom Worship Service:

First, Second, and Third Sundays at 11 a.m. on YouTube

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. in-person or via Zoom

Fitness Center

Monday -Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. (No evening hours on the 3rd week of the month.)

Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Please check the Fitness Calendar

[Fitness Calendar](#)



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