2027 STEWARDSHIP

Nurturing our community



Tosa Cares

Much has changed at Tosa Cares this past year: new leaders, new location within the building, and new opportunities for ministry. This past year was a big lift for everyone involved.

This new arrangement is leading to closer relationships between Mt Zion and Tosa Cares, breaking down silos, and filling the building with joyous noise! We are looking forward to what possibilities will spring from it, including possibly bringing back the Saturday morning breakfasts.

Scouts

Two years ago we welcomed a Scouts BSA troop to Mt Zion, and we are seeking to grow that relationship this year, building new connections between Mt Zion and Troop 27.

One idea to improve our relationship is having a Scout Sunday in February, inviting the Scouts to worship and blessing them. Another is finding service projects here at Mt Zion the Scouts would love to do.



Breaking the Chains

We love the help and community Breaking the Chains prison ministry brings to Mt Zion. They are so grateful to have an opportunity to get outside the detention center, serve their neighbor, and enjoy a good meal. This year we also began hosting a Breaking the Chains alumni bible study.

Rev. Rebey is hoping to have Breaking the Chains helping at Mt Zion more regularly going forward.

Support Groups

Mt Zion is home to numerous support groups — AA, NA, ACA, and more — providing a safe space for people in need.

Because they are anonymous groups, building relationships is difficult, but we can still show our love and care. One idea is providing curtains in the Upper Room, giving support groups and others privacy.



Kidz Cave daycare

We are glad to welcome Kidz Cave & Learning Den to Mt Zion! Kidz Cave provides much-needed daycare, especially infant care, to a neighborhood with limited options. And, it's great to hear the laughter of little kids in our hallways and on our playground, bringing life and vitality to our spaces. Do you know someone looking for daycare? Recommend Kidz Cave to help their business grow!

Mt Zion and Kidz Cave are just beginning to grow into this new relationship. As Kidz Cave adjusts into their space, we'll see where there is opportunity for partnership and community building.

New Staff

Mt Zion recently welcomed Daniel Parks as our new Director of Choirs and Contemporary Music. Daniel brings with him many a wide range of experiences, and already the choir is absolutely in love with him.

We have also just brought Ricky Tipton on board as our new custodian. He has volunteered at Mt Zion before, so he is familiar with our space and plans to get our floors shining and windows gleaming.

Each person the Spirit sends to Mt Zion brings unique gifts with them, and we're looking forward to the gifts Daniel and Ricky bring and the fresh ideas they have to grow and care for our community.

Fellow Churches

Mt Zion has been home to New Command Korean Church for many years; now we've welcomed two more churches into our faith community: Grace Church of Tosa worships in our Fellowship Hall, and Jesus Christ is Lord Congregational Bible Church shares the Chapel with New Command.

We've enjoyed joint worship and meals with New Command in the past. Now with 4 congregations in the building, how might we express Christian unity among this wide variety of siblings in Christ?

Community Hub

Beyond all that, our church building has become a community hub. We offer our space for elections (welcoming over a thousand neighbors to the polls), book clubs (including a public discussion group for the Tosa's All-City Read), rehearsals for musicians (such as the 65-piece Knightwind Ensemble), and more every week. Do you know someone looking for a venue for their meeting or event? Recommend Mt Zion!

Having welcomed so many at Mt Zion, we are beginning to wonder what other needs within our community we might fulfill. We are working to ensure all who enter our facility feel welcomed and loved. And we are wondering how more people find Mt Zion to be not just a community resource but a faith home.

How Can I Help?

This chart shows all of Mt Zion's givers, categorized by how much they give each week.



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