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WESLEY A.M.E. ZION CHURCH

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EVERY MEMBER OF THE BODY OF CHRIST HAS A GIFT, AND EVERY gift is needed. Paul says the eye cannot say to the hand, "*I have no need of thee.*" Big Wesley has served for more than two hundred years, and on this corner since 1885, because ordinary people kept showing up to serve: singing in the choir, ushering at the door, teaching the children, feeding the hungry and keeping a very old building standing.

This booklet shows the ways you can serve right now, and the new ministries we are praying and planning toward. Find the place that fits you.

*As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the
same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold
grace of God.*

1 PETER 4:10 · KJV

WHERE DO YOU FIT?

FIND *your* gift



IF YOU ENJOY...

YOU MIGHT SERVE WITH...

Welcoming people

The Usher Board, or greeting visitors

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IF YOU ENJOY...	YOU MIGHT SERVE WITH...
Singing or music	The senior choir, male chorus, young adult ensemble or praise team
Teaching	Sunday School, Vacation Bible School or Christian Education
Caring for people	Class Leaders, the Pastor's Aide, or visiting the sick and shut-in
Organizing and details	The Stewardess Board, Trustees or the church office
Missions and giving	The Women's Home and Overseas Missionary Society
Young people	Youth ministry, the Buds of Promise, or the Young Adult Missionary Society
Fixing and building	The Trustees, who care for our historic building

SERVING NOW

MINISTRIES *today*

- ◆ **Stewards** — care for the spiritual life of the congregation and prepare the Lord's table.
- ◆ **Trustees** — hold and care for a two-hundred-year-old building and everything in it.
- ◆ **Class Leaders** — small-group shepherds in the Methodist tradition.
- ◆ **Stewardess Board** — prepare the elements for Communion and baptism.
- ◆ **Usher Board** — the first face every visitor sees. Training provided.
- ◆ **Lay Council** — the organized laity of the church.
- ◆ **Missionary Society** — mission giving at home and abroad.
- ◆ **Christian Education** — Sunday School, Vacation Bible School and Children's Day.
- ◆ **Music and Worship Arts** — choirs and praise team.
- ◆ **Pastor's Aide** — supporting the pastor's ministry in practical ways.



"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these." Matthew 25:40

WHAT WE ARE BUILDING NEXT

ON *the* Horizon



Two hundred years of ministry, and the work is not finished. These are the plans being prayed over, planned and prepared right now. Each one will need volunteers, donors, prayer partners and people with skills. If one of them stirs your heart, tell us.

COMING SOON	THE PLAN	HOW YOU CAN HELP
Early Learning Center	A small, licensed early learning program for young children in our lower level, planned for 2027.	Early-childhood teachers, builders, grant writers, prayer
Food Ministry	A neighborhood food pantry and a hot community meal, with no paperwork and no questions.	Drivers, cooks, packers, food donations

COMING SOON	THE PLAN	HOW YOU CAN HELP
Weddings	Opening our 1926 sanctuary for weddings, with receptions in the fellowship hall.	Hospitality, decorating, coordinators
Rent Our Space	Making the sanctuary, hall, kitchen and meeting rooms available for recitals, trainings and receptions.	Event hosts, setup crew, cleaning
Facade restoration	Restoring the front facade and the stone tracery around the great window.	Giving, and telling the story

HOW TO *get started*

1

PRAY ABOUT IT

Ask God where He wants you to serve. Read 1 Corinthians 12 and Romans 12:4-8.

2

VISIT A MINISTRY

Ask to sit in on a choir rehearsal, a board meeting or a Sunday School class.

3

TALK TO US

Tell the pastor or any ministry leader, fill out a card on Sunday, or call the office.

4

START SMALL

Serve once a month. You can always do more.

READY TO SERVE?

Call the church office at (215) 735-8961, email wesleyamezion1500@gmail.com, or use the Get Involved form on our website. Tell us what you are good at, and we will help you find your place.

GET INVOLVED

- ☐ I would like to learn more about: _____
 - ☐ I have a skill to offer: _____
 - ☐ I can give this much time: _____ hours a month
 - ☐ I would like to pray for the plans *On the Horizon*
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SIT WITH IT

What gift has God given me?

Where will I start serving this month?



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SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:30 AM
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SUNDAY WORSHIP	11:00 AM
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