

The Path To Peace



Anointed To.....

Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." Luke 4:20-21

Bulletins are sponsored this week in Memory of Gary Dailey by Pastor Deb Dailey

MUMC Worship Service on January 26th, 2025

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

PRAISE SONG *"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"* Hymn #57

CALL TO WORSHIP

Children of God, we gather to worship, to sing and proclaim with joy the good works God is doing in our midst.

We gather to worship, as is our custom.

We also gather today to pray for our families, our community, and our world. To name the challenges that press in around us, to lament the suffering in our world, to declare our trust in God in the midst of hardship.

We gather to worship, as is our custom.

We, like those in Nazareth, gather to hear and receive the Word of God proclaimed among us. To encounter the life-giving message of God's love redeems us to be bearers of love and freedom in this world.

We gather to worship, as is our custom.

Children of God, listen. Pay attention. Ready your hearts. God is here. Jesus has come among us. The Spirit brings the Word to life in our midst. Are you ready?

We gather to worship, as is our custom. Thanks be to God! Amen.

HYMNS *"When Morning Gilds the Skies"* Hymn #185
"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

SIGNS OF PEACE

TIME WITH THE YOUNG AT HEART:

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

PRAISE SONG *"Holy and Anointed One"*

SCRIPTURE LESSON *Luke 4:14-21* Becky Smith

HOMILY Anointed to..... Pastor Deb

MAKING MINISTRY HAPPEN

GIVING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS *"Step By Step"*

SONG OF PRAISE *"Praise"*

BENEDICTION AND CLOSING PRAYER



Prayer requests cards are now in each pew. Prayer requests can be placed in the offering plate or in the black offering box in the back of the sanctuary.

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Donna Hockensmith, Mike Ohler, Chris Fine, Mike Ohler, Betsy Herron (Mary Jo Churlick's sister), Kelly Fine's stepfather, J Glen Vandermark (Pastor Deb's son)

LONG TERM ILLNESS:

Dick & Esther Ocker, Michael Alexander (Bellish's son), Liz Lehman, Todd Eckenrode, Teresa Bellish, Harry Schulz, John McAllen (Asonia Wolf's son), Alesha Holsinger (Linda Kimmel's friend), Barb Elting, Gaylea Kelly, John Edwards (Andy & Mary Groshans), Asonia Wolf, Vera Egolf, Jackie Weary, Ed Hair, Stewart Lamma, Anne Stanford, Charles Sherman, Josiah Claire (Becky Smith), The Matrese Family, Steven Hair, Freddy Rodriguez (Deb Kraft).

GRIEF:

The family of Betty Witmer, The family of Loretta Calaman

OUR WORLD MISSIONS:

Mountains of Hope, Furcy, Haiti; Gideons.

THOSE DEPLOYED IN MILITARY SERVICE:

Samantha Orner (Air Force), Jady Barrett (Navy), Alex Myers (Army), Gerard Calaman (Air Force), Dylan Kupp (Navy), Justyn Padua, Brandon Padua, Dustin Jeardoe (Marine), Erin Driver (Army), John Durnin II (Marine).

NURSING HOMES:

Let's remember our shut-in MUMC family this year by sending them notes, letters or visiting them. Addresses are provided below.

Thorwald Home: 442 Walnut Bottom Rd, Carlisle, PA 17013

Pauline Hollenbaugh

Church Of God Home: 801 N Hanover St, Carlisle, PA 17013

Jane Sunday

Allen's Cove: 25 Cove Rd., Dunacannon, PA 17020

Liz Rusnik



Anniversary and Birthday Celebrations

JANUARY

- 17 Becky Smith
- 18 Clint Healey
- 18 Pam Lebo
- 19 Todd Eckenrode
- 20 Elijah Jumper
- 23 Donna Wade
- 25 Delilah Matrese
- 26 * Richard & Ruth Smith
- 29 Glenn Kimmel
- 29 Jane Sunday

FEBRUARY

- 2 Delores Coulson
- 6 Harry Priest
- 10 Lonnie McKillip II
- 10 Jane Palmer
- 17 Lily Lawton
- 19 Jim Weiss
- 23 Julia Coler
- 26 Bev Doorly
- 27 Zachary Haney
- 27 Seth Lawton
- 28 * Tim & Kristen Lohr

* Anniversaries

Susquehanna Conference of the UMC Circle of Prayer Churches for the week of January 26– February 1

- St Johns Chambersburg UMC, Chambersburg
- East Canton UMC, Canton
- Hope Alexandria UMC, Alexandria
- *Elm Park UMC, Scranton *Mattru Jong UMC, Mattru Jong - Sierra Leone
- Greenburr Trinity UMC, Loganton
- Berwick UMC, Berwick
- Spring Run UMC, Spring Run
- Lykens UMC, Lykens
- Faith Waynesboro UMC, Waynesboro
- Sky Lake Camp & Retreat Center, Windsor, NY

MUMC's 3rd Annual

Women's appreciation dinner

The MUMC men will be holding an appreciation dinner for the women in our church. More information will be coming soon. For anyone interested in helping with the dinner or to attend the dinner, please sign up on the [connection card](#). Any questions please call the office at 717-249-2449 or email at office@middlesexumc.com.

Saturday, February 15th At 5:00pm



Come join the **BREW CREW**...

feeling lonely with those long winter days....

want to share a cup of coffee with some friends....

need some cheering up... want to play games.... reminisce.....

Join us every Tuesday starting January 7th 9am-11am at Middlesex United Methodist Church in our Gathering Area for a time of fellowship. Loneliness is a challenge for many of our seniors especially during the winter months.

Looking forward to sharing some java with you.

ATTENTION

If you have lost something recently, please check the lost and found box located in the **gathering space on the bench**. Items in this box will be removed at the end of each month.





BIBLE STUDY SERIES

Tuesday evenings at 7pm
starting January 28th.

Discover what it means to **Belong** to and be
Blessed by God!

What Does It Mean to Be Chosen? This study parallels each episode, connecting readers to the Bible in a brand-new way. It includes:

- A deeper look at Isaiah 43 and its fulfillment in Jesus and the lives of His followers (including us!)
- Script excerpts, quotes, and illustrations from the show
- Guiding questions for groups or individuals

Being chosen by Jesus has beautiful and far-reaching implications—although it says even more about the Chooser than the chooses. We are loved because He is love. We are saved because He is merciful. We belong to the family of God because Jesus invites us, making the Bible and all its promises as true for us today as it was for God's chosen people.

What does it actually mean to be Chosen? To answer that question, we're going Old school—Testament that is—which leads us back to the New. Which always leads us directly to Jesus.

If you are interested in Participating in this very rewarding study, please sign up on the connection card or contact the church office.

Welcome Fall by Joining a Life Group!

**Life Groups at MUMC help us grow
in our faith and grow closer to one another.
You're invited to plug in with the one of our groups:**

Sunday School meets at 9:00am in Room 101

Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesday mornings at 9:00am in a local home and connects relevant news topics to our faith and the Bible today.

Tuesday Night Bible Study meets at 7:00pm in Room 101



To our faithful and humble servants. It takes many hands to prepare and lead worship services each week, and we are so very grateful for each one of you!

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	
ROLE	26	2	9
Acolyte	Holden Clouse-Beddia	Ella Lawton	Zac Peters
organist/pianist	Linda Kimmel	Linda Kimmel	Linda Kimmel
Praise Band:			
	Dave Billman	Dave Billman	Dave Billman
	Seth Lawton	Seth Lawton	Seth Lawton
	Elizabeth Peters	Elizabeth Peters	Elizabeth Peters
	Jaden Peet	Jaden Peet	Jaden Peet
	Travis Clouse	Travis Clouse	Travis Clouse
Tech Team	Joe O'Donnell	Todd Eckenrode	Joe O'Donnell
Greeters:			
Hospitality Greeter	Carolyn Bloom	Mary Otey	Mary Groshans
Bulletin	Deb Shipley	Darlene Smith	Ed & Evie Hair
Ushers:			
Gathering/Downstairs	Jim Cohick	Jim Otey	Andy Groshans
Pastor/Sanctuary	Ed Shipley	Earl Smith	Jim Stevens
Lector	Becky Smith	Marian Smyser	Ed Beleck
Communion:			
bread maker		Barb Simpson	
serving		Linda Eckenrode/ Ed Beleck	

In response to the truth that it is important for all of God's people to pray for Christ's church in this world. The Leadership Council would like you to pray for MUMC each day. The women of the Wednesday morning bible study, wrote a prayer to get us started and want to share it with the whole congregation in hopes that everyone will use this prayer as part of their daily prayer life.

Awaken our hearts, Lord that we may be a beacon of light and hope to each other, our community and our world. Ignite a fire and passion in MUMC so that we may grow in our desire to know and love and serve you more. Empower us to welcome and encourage people from all walks of life. Give us the wisdom to prayerfully embrace new ideas that we might truly have open minds, hearts, and doors. Amen



Middlesex United Methodist Church

*Our Vision: Alive in Christ in the Community
so that the Community is Alive in Christ.
Serving Christ for over 150 years!*

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