

No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.. 1 Corinthians 10:13

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Our Mission:

To honor God by making more disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

<u>Our Vision:</u>

Alive in Christ in the Community so that the Community is Alive in Christ. Serving Christ for over 150 years!

Our Discipleship Pathway/Action Statement:
We show our LOVE of God by how we LIVE and SHARE with our community

MUMC Worship Service on March 23rd, 2025

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

PSALM 63:1-8

CALL TO WORSHIP

Children of God, what has God done for you?

God saves, provides, and holds us in God's steadfast love.

Consider and remember: in the joyful times and in the sorrowful times, what has God done for you?

God covers us and lifts us up, protecting and empowering us with steadfast love.

When you have been like the fig tree in Jesus' story that seems unable to produce and that everyone has given up on, what has God done for you?

God tends the soil and waters the ground, nurturing us into life with steadfast love.

Children of God, come, let us worship God who never gives up on us!

We come to worship and cling to God, for God's steadfast love never fails!

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, September 2024.

SONGS OF PRAISE "All Who Are Thirsty" "Holy Spirit"

SIGNS OF PEACE

TIME WITH THE YOUNG AT HEART

PASTORAL PRAYER /OUR LORD'S PRAYER

SONG OF PRAISE "Waiting Here for You"

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Sue Billman

HOMILY A Deeper Hunger: A More Powerful Thirst Pastor Deb

STATEMENT OF FAITH Apostle's Creed #881

MAKING MINISTRY HAPPEN

GIVING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS "Worthy You Are Worthy"

WE OFFER PRAISE "He Reigns"

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE "A 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:

Amy Hershey, Grace Wetzel, Brenda Webb Lester, Mary Groshans, Owen Engle (Mary Groshan's nephew), Liz Rusnik, Alesha Hollinger, Mike Ohler

LONG TERM ILLNESS:

Chris Fine, Dick & Esther Ocker, Michael Alexander (Bellish' son), Liz Lehman, Todd Eckenrode, Teresa Bellish, Harry Schulz, John McAllen (Asonia Wolfs 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 Conner Martinez (CV student), The Family of Robert Waggoner

OUR WORLD MISSIONS:

Mountains of Hope, Furcy, Haiti; Gideons.

THOSE DEPLOYED IN MILITARY SERVICE:

Samantha Orner (Air Force), Jadyn Barrett (Navy), Alex Myers (Army), Gerad 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

Susquehanna Conference of the UMC Circle of Prayer Churches for the week of March 23-29

Centre Grove Clearfield UMC, Clearfield
Ebenezer Middletown UMC, Middletown
Firwood UMC, Wilkes Barre
Faith Sunbury UMC, Sunbury
Hollenback UMC, Sugar Run
New Buffalo UMC, New Buffalo
Park Avenue Chambersburg UMC, Chambersburg
Fairview Altoona UMC, Altoona
Pine Grove Mifflintown UMC, Mifflintown
Wesley Forest Camp & Retreat Center, Weikert

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

March Anniversary & Birthday Celebrations

- 19 Ruth Smith
- 20 Jim Cohick
- 22 Jackie Weary
- 23 Jack Coulson
- 28 Jo Gelbaugh
- 30 George Bellish
- 30 Jennifer Lopiano

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Anniversary & Birthday Celebrations

- **Cathy Barrick** 1
- * Jack & Delores Coulson
- 3 **Ruth Hair**
- 7 Jessica Clouse
- 10 John Cable
- 18 **Becky Cohick**
- 24 * Todd & Linda Eckenrode
- 24 * Pat & Barb Simpson
- 27 **Ed Hair**
- 27 Jim Stevens
- 28 * Andy & Mary Groshans



It's Easter Flower Ordering time again!!

Order forms are inserted in this bulletin for your convenance and envelopes with order forms are also available in the gathering area.

Order forms are due THIS Sunday, March 23rd.

Considering 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

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

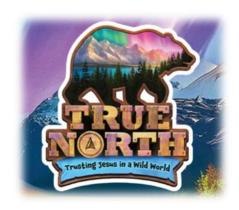
Wednesday afternoon book study meets at 2:30pm in Room 101



Family Sunday School March 9 - April 20

Join us at 9:30 am in the Nursery as we rediscover the Easter story, enjoy yummy treats and play fun games. The whole family is encouraged to attend. Hope to see you all there!

Save the Date True North VBS June 15 - 19



Thank You!

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!

	MARCH		APRIL
ROLE	23	30	6
Preaching	Pastor Deb	Pastor John	Pastor John
Acolyte	Zac Peters	Holden Clouse-Beddia	Ella Lawton
organist/pianist		Linda Kimmel	Linda Kimmel
Praise Band:			
	Dave Billman	Dave Billman	Dave Billman
	Seth Lawton	Seth Lawton	Seth Lawton
	Elizabeth Peters	Elizabeth Peters	Elizabeth Peters
	Travis Clouse	Travis Clouse	Travis Clouse
Tech Team	Joe O'Donnell	Todd Eckenrode	Joe O'Donnell
Greeters:			
Hospitality Greeter	Mary Otey	Linda Kimmel	Mary Groshans
Bulletin	Fred & Ruth Hair	Kim Coler	Marian Smyser & Gwynn Sorrentino
Ushers:			
Gathering/ Downstairs	Jim Otey	Glenn Kimmel	Andy Groshans
Pastor/ Sanctuary	Linda Eckenrode	Jim Cohick	Rick Orner
Lector	Sue Billman	Becky Smith	0
Communion:			
bread maker			Linda Eckenrode
serving			Sue Billman & Becky Smith

Ministry Leaders and Support Staff

George Bellish Acting Facilities Director **Assisting Pastor** John Zimmerman Custodian Jenn Lopiano Director of Children's Ministries Carol Lawton Director of Connections Linda Kimmel Finance Administrator Amy Hershey Office Administrator Shari Bellish Pastor Deb Dailev **Preschool Director** Aimee Peele Preschool Teacher's Aide Amanda Otto Social Media Coordinator Amber Earhart Worship Leader Dave Billman

MUMC Vital Signs- Week of 3/9-3/15

Worship Attendance – 58

Online Worship Attendance- 156

Number of Life Groups-9

Total Persons in Life Groups-122

Sunday School-11

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