



The Dance of Worship series

The Living Word: The Dance of Truth with Love

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. ~ Ephesians 4: 1-16

August 4, 2024

10:00 am Worship Service
Sunday, August 4, 2024

WELCOME– OPENING PRAYER

PRAISE SONG “This Is Amazing Grace”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Family of God, what is our story?

We are part of God’s good creation, created and sustained by the Triune God.

Family of God, what is our story?

Though created by our loving God, we have sinned and harmed ourselves, one another, and creation.

Family of God, what is our story?

While we were yet sinners, God sent Jesus to show us how to turn away from sin and toward the love of God.

Family of God, what is our story?

We carry the weight of the Word in our hearts, our hands, and our voices, proclaiming with our lives the good news of God’s love and the mercy of God’s grace.

Family of God, this is our story and our song!

Thanks be to God! Amen.

PRAISE SONG “Blessed Be Your Name”

PRAISE SONG “I Can Only Imagine”

SIGNS OF PEACE

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD’S PRAYER

PRAISE SONG “Blessed Assurance” **UMH #369**

SCRIPTURE LESSON Ephesians 4: 1-16 **Seth Lawton**

MESSAGE “The Living Word : The Dance Of Truth With Love”

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

Invitation

Prayer of Confession

The Great Thanksgiving

MAKING MINISTRY HAPPEN

GIVING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

The Doxology

Offering Prayer

HYMN “Life Song”

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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:

Pam Dunkleberger, Unborn baby to Heather & Mike Hertzler (Andy/Mary Groshans) Jane Wagner (Linda Preston's friend), Sherry Shu (Jim/Mary Otey) Chris Perdikoylis (Jim/Mary Otey), Betty Witmer, Dick and Esther Ocker, Donna Hockensmith, Norma Sherman, Austin Selby, Ann Carney, Deb Shipley,

LONG TERM ILLNESS: Judy Waggoner, Dennis Byerly (Pastor Deb's father), Liz Lehman, Todd Eckenrode, Teresa Bellish, Harry Schulz, John McAllen (Asonia Wolf's son), Alesha Holsinger (Linda Kimmel's friend), Barb Elting, Gaylea Kelly, Loretta Calaman, 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: Family of William Mack (Linda Preston's friend), Family of Tim Barrick

OUR WORLD MISSIONS: Mountains of Hope, Furcy, Haiti; Gideons.

THOSE DEPLOYED IN MILITARY SERVICE: 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: Thorwald Home: Pauline Hollenbaugh

COG: Jane Sunday Forrest Park: Judy Waggoner

**Susquehanna Conference of the
UMC Circle of Prayer Churches
August 4 - 10**

Catawissa Avenue Sunbury UMC, Sunbury
Mines UMC, Williamsburg
Rose Valley UMC, Trout Run
Beach Lake UMC, Beach Lake
Christ Tower City UMC, Tower City
Paddletown St Pauls UMC, Etters
Ridge Street UMC, Bloomsburg
Hillsgrove UMC, Hillsgrove
Loyalville UMC, Harveys Lake



Each Week it takes many hands to prepare for worship. Thank you to our Worship team who are serving this Month and to those scheduled to serve this week!



2024 WORSHIP SERVING SCHEDULE

	AUGUST	
ROLE	4	11
Acolyte		Zac Peters
organist/pianist	Linda Kimmel	Linda Kimmel
Praise Band:		
	Dave Billman	Dave Billman
		Elizabeth Peters
	Travis Clouse	Travis Clouse
	Seth Lawton	Seth Lawton
	Jaden Peet	Jaden Peet
Tech Team	Tim Walsh	Joe O'Donnell
Sound Team		
Ushers:		
Gathering/Downstairs	Rick Orner	Andy Groshans
Pastor/Sanctuary	Glenn Kimmel	Jim Stevens
Greeters:		
Hospitality Greeter	Linda Kimmel	Mary Groshans
Bulletin	Becky Smith	Ed & Evie Hair
Lector	Seth Lawton	Seth Lawton
Communion:		
bread maker	Bety McCorkel	
serving	Marian Smyser, Becky Smith	



ANNIVERSARIES

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| 7- Frank & Jolie Rankin | 22- Ed & Eva Hair |
| 14- George & Shari Bellish | 25- Glenn & Linda Kimmel |
| 14- Steve & Mel Matrese | 31- Bob & Vera Egolf |

BIRTHDAYS

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| 3- Mary Jo Churlick | 23- Kristen Lohr |
| 5- Ed Shipley | 24- Merle Zinn |
| 8- Linda Preston | 27- Donald Jayne |
| 9- Krissy Barrick | 28- Joshua Peters |
| 9- Mel Matrese | 29- Doris Aleman |
| 10- Michael Peters | 29- Tanner Orner |
| 11- Barb Elting | 30- Kaitlyn McKillip |
| 11- Fred Hair | 30- Anne Marie McKillip |
| 13- Patricia Lynch | |
| 15- Chris Fine | |
| 15- Jan Sheaffer | |
| 16- Mike Ohler | |
| 23- Abby Clouse | |
| 23- Mary Groshans | |

Ways you can help through Food Donations?

Our Outdoor Concerts: (Last Fridays of the month)

Baked goods (individually wrapped, NO NUTS please)

Hot dogs

Hot dog buns

Individual serving size snacks (chips, pretzels, etc.)

Ice

Bottled water

Country Meadows Food Pantry: (year round)

Non-perishable food

Community CARES Breakfast:

(1st Saturday of each month.)

Breakfast items hot or cold.



Have you completed your
"Town Hall Survey" yet?

No Worries, there is still time to do so.

You can use this link

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/D9GTVGL>

or fill out a paper copy located in the gathering area. We value you and we value your thoughts and opinions! Please consider filling out the survey and be a part of the future of Middlesex United Methodist Church.

Church Directory

We are currently updating our church directory, and have placed a draft in the gathering space. We would like you to tell us if your information is correct, and please edit your information on that draft copy if there is anything incorrect.

We hope to have an updated directory by August 18th.

Thank you!





Upcoming Events

August:

30th 6pm–8pm Outdoor Concert and Chicken BBQ

September:

1st Church Picnic after church services
@ Middlesex Twp Park

21st 12pm—4pm Fall Festival
@ Middlesex Twp Park

26th Indoor Concert featuring “Chi Rho”

October:

4th & 5th (tentative) Happy Feet

December:

6th & 7th Hayride To Bethlehem

Bulletin sponsorship

Do you have someone you want to honor/memory of or a special occasion? We still have a few open spots for the remainder of the year. If you would like to sponsor a bulletin week a sign up sheet is in the gathering or contact the church office for available weeks.



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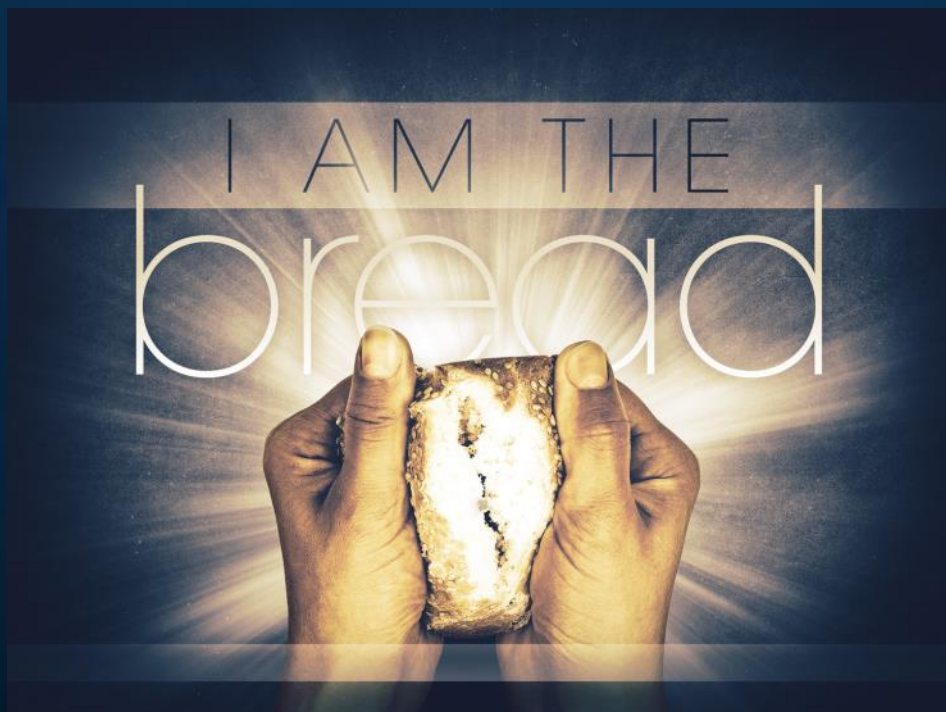
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²⁶ Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. ²⁷ Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. ~John 6: 26-27