

Serving Christ and His Church – 04/02/17

Acolyte
Mason Pretopapa
Lector
Becky Smith

Greeters:
Awakening – Volunteers Needed
Celebration – Jackie Weary & Mary Jayne

Projection:
Awakening – Nick Shank
Celebration – Tanner Orner

Nursery:
Beverly Morgan, Tracy Heiter, Anne Marie McKillip

Children's Church:
Sue Shughart, Erin Rose
Youth:
Chris & Shannon Weary

Ushers:
Mike Bream, Mike Heiter,
Ted Murphy (parking), Rob Sunday

Palm Sunday – Apr 9, 2017

9:00am Adult "Friends & Followers" Class – Rm 101
9:00am Life Group – Rm 101
9:00am Awakening Service
10:30am Celebration Service
10:30am Life Group – Room 101
11:30am Egg Stuffing Luncheon
1:00pm Discovery Class – Room 101
6:30pm Ignite

Monday – Apr 10, 2017

Conference Vital Signs Due
7:00pm Practice for Maundy Thursday Service (Disciples,
Actors and all helpers)

Tuesday – Apr 11, 2017

7:00pm United Methodist Women

Wednesday – Apr 12, 2017

10:30am Zumba Gold
6:00pm Zumba
6:00pm Choir
7:00pm Worship Band

Thursday – April 13, 2017

6:30pm Ballet
6:30am Actors report for Maundy Thursday Service
7:00pm Maundy Thursday Service

Good Friday, April 14, 2017

12:00-3:00pm Church Open for Prayer

Easter Sunday – Apr 16, 2017

6:30am Sunrise Service
9:00am Adult "Friends & Followers" Class – Rm 101
9:00am Life Group – Rm B05
9:00am Awakening Service
10:30am Celebration Service
10:30am Life Group – Room 101

Serving Christ and His Church – 04/16/17

Acolyte
Nathaniel Harbst
Lector
Philip Coler

Greeters:
Awakening – Volunteers Needed
Celebration – Volunteers Needed

Projection:
Awakening – Jonathan Dagen
Celebration – Ben Lamma

Nursery:
Sondra Arnold, Deborah Ocker, Wendy Murphy

Children's Church:
Jackie Weary, Linda Lynch
Youth:
Tracy Heiter

Ushers:
Rick Gines, Dick Ocker,
Steve Sunday (parking), Tim Walsh

Attendance – April 2, 2017

Number of Life Groups 17
Life Group Attendance 185
(includes Sunday School)

Awakening Service 61
Celebration Service 150
Total Worship Attendance 211

MUMC Ministry Leaders

Congregational Care *Dilip & Sharon Abayasekara*
Connections *Barb Elting*
Director of Children & Youth *Erin Rose*
Director of Missions & Outreach *Danielle Dagen*
Director of Worship *Sarah Pugh*
Facilities *Kirk Weary*
Finance Administrator *Ann Carney*
Life Groups *Amanda Shope*
Office Administrator *Angie Fowler*
Preschool Director *Aimee Peele*

April 9, 2017



PALM SUNDAY

Middlesex United Methodist Church

Serving Christ for over 146 years!
118 North Middlesex Road
Carlisle, PA 17013
717.249.2449

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Bulletin Sponsor

In Loving Memory of Bruce Bistline, III by his Parents Bruce and Bernita Bistline

Altar Flowers

Celebrating Grace & John Durnin's 70th Wedding Anniversary

*Our Mission:
"To honor God by making more disciples of Jesus Christ for
the transformation of the world"*

SENIOR PASTOR: REV. JAN HUGHES

ORGANIST: PAT BROWN

ASSOCIATE PASTOR: DR. DILIP ABAYASEKARA

Awakening Service 9:00 am

WELCOME/ GREETING

READING

PRAISE SONG "Glorious Day" Worship Band

SCRIPTURE Luke 19:28-40 (pg. 1018)

PRAISE SONG "Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)" Worship Band

OFFERING

PALMS TO PASSION Matthew 27: 11-54 (pg. 965)

"What Wondrous Love is This?" #292 (verses 1-4 (sung as indicated))

LIFE TALK "Reflections of a Fickle Heart"

PRAISE SONG "Jesus Paid It All" Worship Band

OUR CHALLENGE TO LOVE AND SERVE

Celebration Service 10:30 am

PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM

WELCOMING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST "Hosanna!" Benson

WELCOME

PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM Luke 19:28-40 (pg. 1018)

CALL TO CELEBRATION

Hosanna! Blessed is Jesus who comes in God's Name! We stand at the gates of our Jerusalem and wave our branches high. We get caught up in the excitement of the parade. Jesus sits on a donkey, a beast of burden bearing a most precious gift. Let joy fill our hearts this day as we shout our Hosannas. Praise God for the wondrous ways in which our lives have been touched. Prepare our hearts now to worship and celebrate this day!

SONG OF PRAISE "Glorious Day" Worship Band

*SHARING SIGNS OF GOD'S LOVE AND PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Erin Rose

HYMN OF PRAISE "Hosanna Loud Hosanna" # 278

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (On Screen)

PASTORAL PRAYER

OUR OFFERINGS OF LOVE AND GRATITUDE "I Surrender All" Smith

*PRESENTING OUR GIFTS "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" #95

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

PROCLAMATION OF THE PASSION STORY

THE PASSION NARRATIVE Matthew 27: 11-54 (pg. 965)

"What Wondrous Love is This?" #292 (verses 1-4 (sung as indicated))

REFLECTIONS OF A FICKLE HEART Rev. Jan Hughes

OUR RESPONSE

Leader: How bold of Jesus to ride into Jerusalem at the holy time of Passover. He rode as a humble king. We hoped it was to claim the throne; but it was to claim our lives.

People: Lord Jesus, let us walk with you, the path to the cross.

Leader: Each day as he taught, he was reminded of the faithlessness of those in power. He saw corruption and oppression at every turn in the Temple.

People: Lord Jesus, let us be aware of the seductiveness of power as we walk with you on the path to the cross.

Leader: From the cross he forgave the executioners and welcomed a thief to paradise.

People: Lord Jesus, forgive us our sins and welcome us as forgiven people into your paradise. AMEN.

*CLOSING PRAISE "Just as I Am, Without One Plea" # 357 (1,2,5,6)

(The altar is open during our closing hymn for you to meet with your Savior)

*BENEDICTION

TAKING CHRIST'S LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" Broughton

(* Standing as able)

REMINDERS

- **Placing Altar Flowers** – Call the church office to reserve. (Cost: \$30.00)
- **FIRE DRILL** - We will have a fire drill during our **April 30th** Celebration Service.
- **PHOTO DIRECTORY Pictures!** We are scheduling Photographers to be here on **April 30th between 9-12:30** to finish up any photos not yet taken. We want everyone to be included—no appointment necessary!
- **Spring Clean Day: May 6th from 9am to 1pm—Volunteers Needed**

~ HAITI ~

There is an interest to continue our relationship with Haiti and return next January for a mission trip to the village outside of Port au Prince. If you're interested, please sign the connection card. We will gather over the summer to plan and to begin to learn the language. **Questions: Please see Pastor Jan**

New Members

We will be receiving New Members on **May 14th**. Please be sure to be here to formally welcome them!



Upcoming Project Share Distribution Dates

Tues. Apr. 18 12:00pm-2:00pm	Wed. Apr. 19 9:00am-11:00am
Thurs. Apr. 20 3:30pm-5:30pm	Sat. Apr. 22 9:00am-11:00am

~ Special Note ~

If you enjoy having your children worship with you, we have coloring bags; a crying room; changing table; and restroom available in the back of the Sanctuary for your convenience.

School age children are invited to attend a class after hearing a sermon just for them early in the service and they can be picked up on the lower level after the service.

*Nursery care is also provided on the lower level for children up to age 5 starting at **10:15am**.*

Have any questions? Please ask an usher or stop by the connections table in the entrance.

Mobile Giving! Donate from your Smart Phone!



MISSED A SUNDAY?

Check out our website at www.middlesexumc.com and find videos of our sermons, bulletins, prayer lists, and announcements.

Just go to the **“Sunday Mornings”** drop down list on our home page and click on the link to **“Sunday Sermon's.”**

ANNOUNCEMENTS - WEEK OF APR 9, 2017



Please join us for our Easter Services:

April 13, Maundy Thursday 7:00 pm

A dramatic worship service depicting the Last Supper and “The Ragman”. This is an interactive service that will prepare you for the true meaning of the cross.

April 14, Good Friday 12:00pm-3:00pm

The Church will be open for meditation and prayer.

COME CELEBRATE THE GLORIOUS RESURRECTION EASTER SUNDAY:

Sunrise Service 6:30 am (in the outdoor chapel)

Easter is late this year, so we are able to have an outdoor Easter sunrise service at our outdoor chapel. Come and be impacted by the truth of the resurrection. Continental breakfast will be available following the service in the gathering area of the church.

Awakening Service 9:00am and Celebration Service 10:30am

Both services will include a special Sacred Dance.



The annual **Easter Eggstravaganza** will be held on **Saturday, April 15th** from noon until 3:00. We need your help! We need volunteers to make this event a success every year. Please sign up on the back of your connection card so that we can get you and your loved ones involved! Please indicate where you would like to help during the event. We will need volunteers for the following areas:

*Parking *Games *Greeters

We also need donations of candy, specifically individually wrapped sweet tarts, twizzlers, nerds, fire balls, starburst, tootsie rolls (small size), and jolly ranchers. **PLEASE NO CHOCOLATE CANDY OR CANDY WITH NUTS.** There will be a bin to collect candy in the gathering area.

PLUG IN

Softball Update

An email to the team will be coming soon about practices and game schedule.
Season Opens on May 1st.



Spring Tea Party Saturday, April 29, 2017 at 12:00pm

Attention Ladies – We invite Moms, Grandmas, Daughters and Sisters in the Lord to join us for an afternoon Spring Tea Party that will include soup, tea sandwiches, delectable tiny desserts, “tea”, and fellowship!

You will enjoy a program that will affirm your worth as a child of God!

Please make your reservation on your Connection card or by calling the church office!

CHILDREN AND YOUTH NEWS

Ignite youth night **TONIGHT 6:30-8:30pm**. Jr and Sr High kids bring your creative spirit and an appetite.

Save the Date for the next Sparks event on **April 23rd 3-5pm**. Stay tuned for details or e-mail kids@middlesexumc.com to be added to e-mail reminder lists.

Mark your calendars for the best most fun, exciting exhausting week of the year! Kingdom Rocks VBS July 9th-13th - Talk to Carol Lawton to volunteer or you can email magnito_cm@yahoo.com.

CHARGE UP

Knights of the 21st Century

The Knights of the 21st Century continue to meet on **Tuesdays at 6:30pm in Room 101**. The lessons have been great as well as the snacks, discussions, and time spent together.



YOUR WORLD NEEDS A HERO

As we near the halfway point in this series, we invite all men to join us. We think you will find it a fun and worthwhile time together. Plan to join us when you can. For more information, contact Harry Foltz at 717.609.2285 or hfoltz@verizon.net

Come join MUMC as we celebrate and support Carlisle CARES at their annual fundraising Banquet on April 18th @ 6:00pm.

Middlesex will be hosting a table (or two if we can fill them). If you are interested in attending, please email office@middlesexumc.com or call the church office @ 249-2449.

SHARE AND SHINE



Lunch Bunch is in full swing at Middlesex Elementary! Everyone is welcome to attend as volunteers sit with the elementary children during lunch and talk. It really is that easy!

The event is held the third Thursday of every month and begins with Kindergarten at 11:00am and goes through fifth grade lunch at 1:00pm. You can come when you can and leave when you must!

If you would like to participate with us at Lunch Bunch on **April 20th**, please email Danielle Dagen at dap91300@hotmail.com

It is a great time for both the volunteers and the children! Thank you in advance for helping out!

Please sign up on your connection card!

Eggstravaganza News

We will hold an **egg stuffing luncheon is TODAY** after the celebration service. We have 10,000 eggs to stuff so we will need as many “stuffers” as we can. If you are able to supply food for the luncheon for this event, please sign up on your connection card. You will receive a phone call regarding the food choices available. Thank you for your help in making this event a success!

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Hillsgrove
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Burlington
Grazierville, Tyrone

East Troy
Curwensville
West Fairview (Extended), Enola
Peckville
First Mt. Union

LET US REMEMBER WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS

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HOMEBOUND: Wahneta Wingert, Bernita Bistline

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