

Serving Christ and His Church – 04/16/17

Acolyte
Nathaniel Harbst
Lector
Philip Coler

Greeters:
Awakening – Mike and Wendy Bream
Celebration – Ann Carney

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



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

Monday – Apr 17, 2017
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
Conference Vital Signs Due

Wednesday – Apr 19, 2017
9:00am Women’s Life Group
10:30am Zumba Gold
6:00pm Zumba
7:00pm Worship Band

Thursday – April 20, 2017
11:00am Lunch Bunch @ Middlesex Elementary
6:30pm Ballet

Sunday – Apr 23, 2017
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
3:00pm Sparks
7:00pm Staff & Ushers Fire Drill Practice

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Acolyte
Selena Morrow
Lector
Stacey Harbst

Greeters:
Awakening – Volunteers Needed
Celebration – Jason & Sharon Stambaugh

Projection:
Awakening – Tim Walsh
Celebration – Ed Beleck

Nursery:
Kim Harris, Becky Smith

Children’s Church:
Amanda Shope, Carol Lawton
Youth:
Erin Rose

Ushers:
Greg Crouse, Jonathan Dagen,
Brad Ocker (parking), Mike Shope, Jim Stevens

Attendance – April 9, 2017

Number of Life Groups 19
Life Group Attendance 216
(includes Sunday School)

Awakening Service 61
Celebration Service 160
Total Worship Attendance 221

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 16, 2017

EASTER SUNDAY

Middlesex United Methodist Church

Serving Christ for over 146 years!
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Blessed Easter to our Church Family by John and Lois Weary

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

SENIOR PASTOR: REV. JAN HUGHES

ORGANIST: EMILIE STUART

ASSOCIATE PASTOR: DR. DILIP ABAYASEKARA

SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2017

EASTER SUNDAY

THE RESURRECTION

How often do we really open our eyes to see the Risen Christ in our midst? The resurrected Christ is in our midst — this week and every week! Let us not miss the evidence that Christ is alive in our world! Live for Him!

Awakening Service 9:00 am

WELCOME/ GREETING

THE EMPTY TOMB

"Death was Arrested"
Liturgical Dance Troupe

Northpoint

PRAISE SONGS

*"This is Amazing Grace",
"No Longer Slaves"*

Worship Band

OFFERING

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 118:1-2; 14-24 (pg. 597), Luke 24:1-5 (pg. 1025)

LIFE TALK

"No Longer Bound!"

PRAISE SONG

"Mighty to Save"

Worship Band

OUR CHALLENGE TO LOVE AND SERVE

Celebration Service 10:30 am

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

WELCOMING THE LIGHT

"The Resurrection"

Roger C. Wilson

THE WORLD WITHOUT HOPE

Luke 23:44-46 (pg. 1024)

WELCOMING THE ANGEL'S PROCLAMATION

Luke 24:1-5 (pg. 1025)

THE EMPTY TOMB

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***CALL TO WORSHIP**

(On Screen)

***REJOICING IN THE RESURRECTION**

"Up from the Grave He Arose"

322

SHARING SIGN'S OF GOD'S LOVE AND PEACE

He is Risen; He is Risen Indeed!

CHILDREN'S TIME

(All children 5th grade and under are invited to Children's Church following Children's time)

PRAYER HYMN

"He Lives"

310

COLLECTIVE PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

(Debts and Debtors)

LISTENING AND RESPONDING TO THE LORD

ENCOUNTERING SCRIPTURE

Psalm 118:1-2; 14-24 (pg. 597)

Sharonn Halderman

John 20: 1-18 (pg. 1025)

Phil Coler

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"No Longer Bound!"

OUR OFFERINGS OF LOVE AND GRATITUDE

CHOIR ANTHEM

"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"

arr. by Sarah Pugh

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

"WE MAKE A LIVING BY WHAT WE GET. WE MAKE A LIFE BY WHAT WE GIVE."

THE COMMUNITY IS SENT FORTH

ANNOUNCEMENTS EMPOWERING OUR SERVICE TO CHRIST

***CLOSING PRAISE**

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

302 (vs 1-4)

***BENEDICTION**

TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

Stewart Landon

(*Standing as able)

**Thank you to our Liturgical Dancers:
Bella Rose, Sadie Osborne, Olivia Ocker, Malia Ocker**

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. All **Ushers and Staff** are asked to attend a Fire Drill Practice on **April 23rd @ 7pm**.
- **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**

Thank you to everyone who sponsored a special person or event in the Bulletin for the 2017 year. We appreciate your prompt response.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - WEEK OF APR 16, 2017

Upcoming Dates:

- ◆ Spring Cleaning @ MUMC. **May 6th 9-1pm**. This is a time when we gather to do the deep clean and small projects that need attention. Many hands make light work. Come when you can and leave when you must. We appreciate all the help to make our facility ready for summer ministries.
- ◆ Barefoot Sunday: **May 21st**: Bring your gently used shoes to church for Mission Central distribution.
- ◆ Pentecost: **June 4th**: Let's wear red to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit
- ◆ Reach Youth Mission trip: **June 25th — July 1st**
- ◆ Vacation Bible School: **July 9 — July 14**



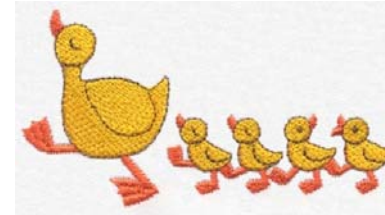
New Members

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



Upcoming Project Share Distribution Dates

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



GOLDEN LIGHTS LUNCHEON
“GET YOUR DUCKS IN A ROW”
Monday, May 1, 2017 – 12:00 noon

What would happen if you were to disappear tonight? I mean, literally disappear, forever? Would your spouse/executor be able to easily take care of all your affairs, starting tomorrow morning? Would all of your important papers be easy to find? On Monday, May 1st, you will get answers to these questions, and more, if you come to the Golden Lights program. After a delicious, home-cooked meal is served promptly at 12:00 noon, a representative of Hoffman-Roth Funeral Home and Crematory will help you “Get Your Ducks in a Row”.

All are welcome and we encourage you to bring a friend. Please contact the church office before the event date or **mark on your connection card** if you plan to attend and how many will be in your party. We hope to see you at Golden Lights!

~ 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.

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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.”**

Little Hearts & Souls Preschool

Little Hearts and Souls preschool is now enrolling for the 2017/2018 school year. Applications are available in the gathering area. To schedule a tour or ask any questions please contact director Aimee Peele at 249-1311 or at preschool@middlesexumc.com

PLUG IN

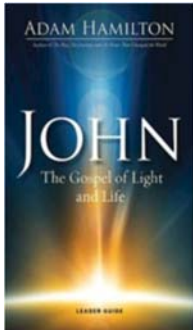
CHILDREN AND YOUTH NEWS

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**.

CHARGE UP

NEW ADULT STUDY BEGINNING ON SUNDAY APRIL 23rd at 9am in Room B05



The Gospel of John is the most deeply spiritual of the four gospels. It includes some of the loftiest and most loved verses in all the Bible: "*And the Word became flesh.*" "*For God so loved the world.*" "*You who are without sin cast the first stone.*" "*I am the resurrection and the life.*" "*I am the way, and the truth, and the life.*" The writing is filled with rich images and profound truths, but John notes that his aim in writing the gospel is that his readers will not only believe in Jesus Christ, but that they "*may have life in his name.*" **Beginning on Sunday April 23rd at 9 am**, join us in **room B05** as we explore the major themes of John while reading the entire Gospel of John. This is 5 week study.

The **10:30am Sunday Life Group** will be taking a break until May 21st. We will resume with a study by Ray Vander Laan. Please watch your bulletin next month for more details.

SHARE AND SHINE

A huge Thank You to everyone who helped out with Eggstravaganza. We appreciate all the volunteers who helped with the Egg Stuffing last week and the very successful event yesterday. We couldn't do it without you!!



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!

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.



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!

Susquehanna Conference of the UMC – Circle of Prayer Churches

April 16 - April 22

Fetterhoff Chapel, Chambersburg	Nisbet, Williamsport
Damascus Manor	Chinchilla, South Abington Twp
Bethany Marysville	Luzerne
Hemlock, Muncy Valley	East End Altoona
Baughman Memorial, New Cumberland	Mill Hall

LET US REMEMBER WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS

PRAYER CONCERNS: Rev. Sharonn Halderman (Cumberland Crossing), Sandi Burt (home), Marian Smyser, Kim Seavers, Pat Brown (upcoming surgery) Kathy Albright, Brad Ocker, Randy Morrow (recovery from surgery)

LONG TERM ILLNESS: Steven Hair, Levi Potteiger, Bray Bates; Gaylea Kelly's great-grandnephew (heart disease/aneurism), John Kelly (home), Phil Luckenbach (ALS), Michael Armour, Lance Line, Jake Stiles (17 yrs. old new heart), John Andrews, Florence Veale, Annette Chaney (cardiac), Jeannie Wagner (stroke), Freddy Rodriguez, Shirley Walsh, Tim Richwine, Crystal Blenderman

THOSE BATTLING CANCER: John Weary, Eva Lloyd (Barb Gleim's Mom), Patti Bucci, Vera Egolf (PTL – good report), Verna Dagan (good report), Trevor Hart, Maddie Shura (brain tumor), Betty Lundeen, Hansen Lee, Beverly Bishop, William Nesbit (11 yr. old), Marla Wahl, Judy Prosser, Jim Weakley, Barb Thomas (Liver), Cindy Mauer (liver cancer), Leo Dadigan (brain cancer), Vicky Sweger

GRIEF: The Family of Dusty Marple (family member of Donna Hockensmith and Shari Bellish), The Family of Michelle Pryor, The family of Gwen Sunday on the loss of her sister, The Heiter Family on the loss of Michael's father, The Family of Diane Beam

OUR WORLD MISSIONS: St. Matthews UMC Magburaka Sierra Leone, Mark & Rebecca Smallwood (missionaries at Red Bird Mission, KY)

THOSE DEPLOYED IN MILITARY SERVICE: Sarah Freeman (Marine), John Durnin II (Marine)

NURSING HOMES: Sarah Todd: Joyce McClure; COG: Grace & John Durnin, Jane Sunday, Evelyn Barrick; Cumberland Crossings: William Kann; Claremont: Betty Miller

HOMEBOUND: Wahneta Wingert, Bernita Bistline

Please use the connection card to convey your Prayer concerns to the body. Prayer concerns are included with permission and by request only to protect the privacy of individuals. Requests remain on prayer list for one month, unless noted or request otherwise. Thank you for your passion for prayer!