



## Today's Worship Team

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| <p><b>Greeters</b></p> <p><b>Liturgists</b></p> <p><b>Music Assistant</b></p> <p><b>Lead Pastor</b></p> <p><b>AV Ministries</b></p> <p><b>Ushers</b></p> <p><b>Nursery Staff</b></p><br><p><b>MINISTRY ASSISTANTS...</b></p> <p><b>Adult Christian Education Coordinator</b></p> <p><b>Children's Christian Education Coordinator</b></p> <p><b>Bell Choir Director</b></p> <p><b>Office Manager</b></p> <p><b>Treasurer</b></p> | <p>8:30 a.m. .... Pat Sankey &amp; Joan Lassman</p> <p>11:00 a.m. .... Jerry &amp; Susan Park</p> <p>..... Brian Peters</p> <p>..... Shane Landherr</p> <p>8:30 a.m. .... Robert Kidder</p> <p>11:00 a.m. .... Rick Grazzini</p> <p>..... Aden Wertz</p> <p>..... Rev. Howard T. Woodruff</p> <p>8:30 a.m. .... Shawn Kopp</p> <p>11:00 a.m. .... Jim Young</p> <p>8:30 a.m. .... Robert &amp; Patricia Kidder</p> <p>..... John &amp; Louisa Shawver</p> <p>8:30 a.m. .... Frank &amp; Rose Baker</p> <p>11:00 a.m. .... Chip &amp; Karen Crawford</p> <p>..... Darria Dixon and Lindsey Knepp</p><br><p>..... Lisa Luse</p> <p>..... Dawn Woodruff</p> <p>..... Susan Park</p> <p>..... Karin Garner</p> <p>..... John E. Rideout</p> |
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## Mt. Nittany United Methodist Church



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Mt. Nittany United Methodist Church  
**Sunday Worship Bulletin**  
 August 16, 2009  
 Twelfth Sunday in Kingdomtide





# Good Morning!

Twelfth Sunday in Kingdomtide August 16, 2009

Friends. It once was a very popular television show about six people trying to live their lives their way. In the process they develop a relationship, but not one that would stand the test of time. Friendship should not be about getting others to be copies of you, but rather being willing to give yourself to each other in complete submission.

Please take a moment to sign the attendance register found at the end of your pew. If you are visiting with us this morning, we ask that you provide us with your name and mailing address on the attendance register or that you complete a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate during our morning offering. We also cordially invite you to return and, if you are searching for a church home, we invite you to consider making us a part of your new church family.

To enhance your worship experience with us, we want you to know that we have audio enhancement equipment available, just ask our Sound System Attendants. If you desire a large print bulletin or hymnal, please request one from one of our Worship Attendants. If you have children, we have a fully staffed nursery (located to the right of the Family Life Center just beyond the doors of the Sanctuary) and we have "Children's Pew Packs" located on the tree rack in the Narthex. Also, the places in the bulletin marked by an asterisk (\*) indicate that you should stand, if so able. The heavy print such as this indicates those areas in which you should join with your voice.

May God bless us as we worship together in His Holy Temple !

## We Gather

A TIME OF GREETING and SHARING

THE PRELUDE "Consolation" Mendelssohn (1809-1837)

GREETING and PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

\*OPENING HYMN "We Walk By Faith" # 2196



## Last Sunday at Mt. Nittany...

### OUR ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY WAS...

8:30 A.M. Worship Experience ----- 85  
11:00 A.M. Worship Experience ----- 78

### THE OFFERINGS RECEIVED LAST SUNDAY WERE ...

General Fund ----- \$7517.76  
Building Fund ----- \$813.50  
Missions ----- \$433.00

### OUR OUTSTANDING MORTGAGE BALANCE IS

\$206,500.00



Coming Next Week

On every journey we undertake, we may be at home with God wherever we are. Such a trusted dwelling place provides security and hope. But this home is not ours alone. God makes room and invites all to find place and sanctuary.

Those often deemed as least and least likely are welcomed. We celebrate together the joy of living in God's whole community.

Focus Scripture: ..... Psalm 84

# This Week at Mt. Nittany...

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| <b>TODAY</b>     | 8:30 a.m.<br>9:45 a.m.<br>11:00 a.m.<br>2:00 p.m. | Early Morning Worship Experience (S)<br>Sunday School Classes for All Ages<br>Late Morning Worship Experience (S)<br>"Apollo's" Home Party (FLC) |
| <b>MONDAY</b>    | 7:00 p.m.   | Worship Committee Meeting  |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | 7:00 p.m.   | Missions Meeting (Copier Rm)   |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | 6:00 p.m.   | Erlich Pest Control Spraying (FLC)   |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  |   | <b>No Events Scheduled</b>   |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    |   | <b>No Events Scheduled</b>   |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | 10:00 a.m.  | In-Home Communion Training (FLC)   |

## COMING EVENTS

- Labor Day Worship Experience
- Membership Classes
- Football Suppers
- S.A.M. Dance
- Healing Arms Cancer Support Group
- Church Picnic



## \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*The "Passing of the Peace" is scripturally a time of seeking out those with whom you have struggled to offer and receive God's peace. This is not a time for idle chatter, but for the words, "The peace of God be with you" to which your response is, "And also with you!"*

## We Hear

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| *OUR FOCUS SCRIPTURE | <i>John 15:12-17</i>  | # 949             |
| MUSIC MEDITATION     | <i>Bells &amp; Piano</i>  | Susan Park & Alex |
| ASSEMBLY TIME        | <i>"The taste of friendship"</i>  |                   |
|                      | <i>This is a time when we invite our children through the age of 11 to come to the front of the Sanctuary to share time with the Pastor and each other.</i> |                   |
| MINISTRY MOMENT      | <i>"Sound Ministry"</i>   | Chip Crawford     |

## We Proclaim

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| *HYMN OF PREPARATION                               | <i>"Seek Ye First"</i>  | #405               |
| OUR MORNING MESSAGE                                | <i>"Who needs friends?"</i>   |                    |
| THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM (11:00 a.m. Worship) |   | # 33               |
| OUR OFFERING                                       | <i>If you are visiting with us, please consider yourself our guest. Please feel no obligation to give money to the church. Freely enjoy this service allowing God's Spirit and His Word to minister to your heart. However, if you are considering making this your new church home, scripture teaches us that the responsibility to support the ministries of this church are ours. Tithes and offerings are given as an act of worship unto the LORD.</i> |                    |
|  | (Proverbs 11:25-26; 2 Corinthians 9:6-7)  |                    |
| The Collection                                     |   |                    |
| Offertory  | <i>"Solomon's Prayer"</i>   | Wesley (1810-1876) |
| *The Presentation                                  |   |                    |
| *Doxology  | <i>"Holy, Holy, Holy"</i>   | # 64, Vs. 4        |
| *Offertory Prayer                                  |   |                    |

## CONCERNS AND PRAYERS

*During this time, we lift up our concerns for the needs of our church and community and express our praises for the many ways in which God has blessed us this past week. Please feel free to openly share your concerns and praises when the worship leader invites you to do so. Open your heart and give those concerns over to the Lord.*

### Prayer List

*To start the prayer chain call Barb Gotwalt @ 238-9583  
(If you're unable to contact Barb, please call Phyllis Dreibelbis @ 238-3610)*

*Dick Franks; Steve Fellows: Jack McHugh; Donna Jane Benner  
Cecelia Vavreck; R. John McChesney, jr; Eric McHugh;  
Dan Novak family; Ronnie Hartman; Debbie Mastromatteo;  
Jim Williams; Betty Crouse; Harry Lee*

*If you desire to send a card to any of these people please take a Prayer List from the table at the rear of the Sanctuary that includes their address. **Please call the office with updates** on your prayer needs and/or requests so the information (in the bulletin) is current. If you are going to the hospital or know of one of our members who is, please contact the church office. If there is someone who is in need of support from the prayer chain, please contact Barbara Gotwalt or make a note on the Prayer Request card found in the pew rack, and drop it in the offering plate.*

*Following the pastoral prayer, you will be invited to join us as we pray*

### The Lord's Prayer:

*"Our Father, who is in heaven,  
Holy is Your name.  
Your kingdom come,  
Your will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.*

# Missions Giving..

## Holy Ground Campaign

*"Building Bridges to People on Holy Grounds"*



Camp Greene Hills, formerly the Barree Iron Forge in the 1800's, was acquired by the United Methodist in 1963. Greene Hills Camp consists of 220 acres of woods, fields, wetland, stream and river; it is surrounded on three sides by the Rothrock State Forest with the Little Juniata River as the southern border. Greene Hills provides a place where all are welcomed and challenged to follow Jesus.

Greene Hills, like all the camping and retreat centers of the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church, has a rich history of blessing the lives of men, women, youth, and children with a closer relationship with Jesus Christ. "Building Bridges to People on Holy Grounds" is a comprehensive plan to address pressing facility expansions, repairs, and improvements at our camping and retreat sites.

Central Pennsylvania Camp and Retreat Ministries provide environments of Christian hospitality, renewal and experiential learning designed to help persons affirm and expand their faith in God and develop as Christian disciples and Spiritual leaders. All Mission offerings today will go to Camp Green Hills.... Thanks for your generosity.

<http://www.umcamps.info/cms/name/GreeneHills>

### Upcoming Mission Opportunities:

Tlancualpican, Mexico ... October 2009

... Space is always available... is your passport up to date?

*"Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth but yours.  
Yours are the eyes through which he looks with compassion on the world.*

*Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good.*

*Yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world.*

*Christ has no body now but yours."*

Prayer of Saint Theresa



# Our Military Personnel..o

**Spc. Dillen, Brian A** ..... C 2-112 Unit #43007  
(Brian is the son of Kathy Sulkowski) ..... Camp Liberty, APO AE 09344-3005

**PFC Dixon, Michael B** ..... HHC 2/112 56 SBCT Unit #43007  
(Michael is the son of Darria Dixon) ..... Camp Liberty, APO AE 09344-3005

**SGT. Joshua Garner** ..... PSC 103 Box 3584  
(Joshua is the nephew of Karin Garner) ..... APO AE 09603-0035

**SGT Daniel E Hannigan** ..... 101 Chickadee Ct  
(Dan is the nephew of Dawn Edmiston) ..... Clarksville TN 37042

**A1C Horn, Corey** ..... 877 ESFS-SFOC  
(Corey is a son to friends of Pastor Howard & Dawn) ..... APO, AE 09375

**PC Kingsbury Nathan M** ..... Headquarters 2-112th 56th SBCT  
..... Unit #43007 Camp Liberty, Iraq APO AE 09344-3005  
(Nate is the fiance of Allie DeCapria)

**Neidigh, Madylin** ..... Delta Company, 1st Battalion, 34th InfRegt  
(Maddie is part of MNUMC) ..... 3rd Platoon (war dawgs) Fort Jackson, SC 29207

**E-6 Staff Sgt. Melissa Shoup** ..... 67347B Kaiea Place  
(Melissa is the granddaughter of Sonny & Lois Swanger) ..... Waiahua, HI 96791

**CPL Stepler, Rachael M** ..... 2046 Barnett Ave Box 7015  
(Rachael is the granddaughter of Marjorie Rohrbeck) ..... Quantico, VA 22134

**SPC Robert A Wertz** ..... CMR# 3 Box 6816  
(Rob is the brother of Aden Wertz) ..... Fort Rucker, AL 36362

If you have friends, or family members, or know of an individual in our Armed Forces, please contact the church office to have their name and address included in this listing.

***IF THESE ADDRESSES CHANGE, PLEASE notify the office.***

*And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the  
glory, Forever and ever. Amen."*

## **We Serve**

**\*OUR CLOSING HYMN**      *"Living For Jesus"*      **#2149, Vs. 1 & 3**

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

**\*THE BIDDING HYMN**      *"Lord I Want To Be A Christian"*      **#402, Vs. 4**

**POSTLUDE**      *"Post Motivo"*      W. A. Mozart (1756-91)

**OUR PARISH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS** Join with us as we rejoice over the many ministries, events, and joys of our church which we have recently experienced and as we welcome our visitors present with us this morning.

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM** will be shared at the late worship experience with Ms. Tyler Elizabeth Ishler. Tyler and her fiancée, Bernie Rayno, have been attending Mt. Nittany UMC for a few years and will be getting married here at Mt. Nittany on October 10th.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS and HYMNALS** are available upon request. Please request one from one of our Worship Attendants.

**SUNDAY, SEPT 6th - LABOR DAY WEEKEND ...  
ONE MORNING WORSHIP EXPERIENCE**

**ONLY** beginning at 10:00am. We are extending an open invitation to our neighbors and also challenging you to "bring-a-friend" as we seek to kick off our Fall worship calendar! Following our worship, we will have a cookout with Pastors Howard and Shane doing the cooking. You are asked to bring your own place setting and a dish to pass. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided!



**CONCERT INFORMATION:** DC Concerts presents the **Winter Wonder Slam Tour**, coming to Penn State's Bryce Jordan Center on **Thursday, November 19 at 7:00 PM** with special guests **Toby Mac, Relient K, mB. Reith & Stephanie Smith**. Thirty tickets have been reserved @ \$31.50 p/ person. Look for the sign-up sheet or talk with Kari Corbett for more information.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** - Beth Moore "Believing God"  
Starting Tuesday Sept 15th from 7-9pm and Thursday Sept 17th...with two possible meeting times to help..." Contact *Stacey Levan*, PH: 861-7097 or Email: [stacey.levan@gmail.com](mailto:stacey.levan@gmail.com) or *Emily Wertz*, PH: 235-0698 or Email: [eawertz@gmail.com](mailto:eawertz@gmail.com)



**ANNUAL CHURCH CORN BOIL & Hot Dog Roast** Sunday, Sept 13th @ 4 pm. Please bring a covered dish to share and your own place settings. Call *Stacey LeVan* at 861-7097 for more information.

**YOUTH-PARENTS** - Parents Meeting for all students entering 6th to 12th grade. Sunday August 30th from 5:30pm to 8pm. We will be having a parent meeting to start off our upcoming ministry year. All parents and youth are invited, even younger siblings may join us. We will have a meal together as we get to know new additions to our youth ministry, followed by the information session and then we will share in a (slightly modified) version of Balderdash! If you could RSVP to Pastor Shane with a head count so we can prepare for the meal as soon as you can. I hope to see all of you there!

**WHAT DOES MEMBERSHIP MEAN, ANYWAY?** - Beginning on Sunday, September 13th, we will be offering our new "**Membership 101**" course. This course is intended for anyone who would like to consider joining Mt. Nittany United Methodist Church as a full member as well as for those current members who would like to revisit what membership here is all about. The course will be held during our education hour, 9:45 to 10:45 and will meet four consecutive Sundays through October 4th. Please see Pastor Howard if you have any more questions.

**"HEALING ARMS"** - We are proud to announce the beginning of Healing Arms, our newest small group at Mt Nittany. Healing Arms is a cancer support group that is open to cancer survivors and their families. The idea for the group came from Nancy Thomas' battle with cancer and the impact it had on her family. She is passionate about helping other families deal with the intense emotions and influences of cancer treatment. This group will meet monthly, usually on the last Wednesday of the month with exception of holidays, at 7pm in the Mt Nittany small group room. This group is open to the public and anyone that is battling cancer, is a cancer survivor or is a friend or family member of someone who has had cancer is welcome. The fall meeting dates are as follows, September 30<sup>th</sup>, October 28<sup>th</sup>, November 18<sup>th</sup>, and December 30<sup>th</sup>.

Mount Nittany member *Morgan Higgins* will appear at the Boal Barn Playhouse in "Children of Eden" Tuesdays through Saturdays, August 18-22 and 25-29 at 8 pm. Children of Eden is a musical by Stephen Schwartz, who also composed music for Godspell and Wicked. The stories of Adam and Eve, Cain and Abel, and Noah and the flood are portrayed. The music is fantastic and the show is appropriate for the whole family. Tickets can be reserved by calling the State College Community Theater at 814-466-7141 Tuesday - Saturday from 2-8 pm or visiting the box office during those hours.  
(Submitted by Margaret Higgins)