



Today's Worship Team

Greeters	8:30 a.m.....	Edgar & Barb Sommers
	11:00 a.m.....	John & Louisa Shawver
Organist	.....	Brian Peters
Intergenerational Pastor	.....	Shane Landherr
Liturgists	8:30 a.m.	Aden Wertz
	11:00 a.m.	Joanna Jones
Music Assistant	.....	Aden Wertz
Lead Pastor	.....	Rev. Howard T. Woodruff
AV Ministries	8:30 a.m.	Mark Whitfield
	11:00 a.m.	Patrick Jones
Ushers	8:30 a.m.	Kari Corbett, Bill & Colin & Betty Williams
	11:00 a.m.	Rose & Frank Baker; John & Lori Williams
Nursery Staff	.....	Darria Dixon and Lindsey Knepp

MINISTRY ASSISTANTS...

Adult Christian Education Coordinator	.....	Lisa Luse
Children's Christian Education Coordinator	.....	Dawn Woodruff
Bell Choir Director	.....	Susan Park
Office Manager	.....	Karin Garner
Treasurer	.....	John E. Rideout

Mt. Nittany United Methodist Church



Reverend Jane Allen Middleton, Resident Bishop
 Reverend Dr. Pamela Ford, State College District Superintendent
 Reverend Howard T. Woodruff, Lead Pastor (238-1630)
 Shane Landherr, Intergenerational Pastor (359-9447)
 Karin Garner, Office Manager (237-3549)
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 Barbara Sommers, Assistant Lay Leader (466-6086)

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Sunday Worship Bulletin

August 30, 2009

Fourteenth Sunday in Kingdomtide



Do not merely
LISTEN
 to the word....

**DO WHAT
 IT SAYS.**

James 1:22



Good Morning!

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To be called and led by God's Spirit beckons us to be doers of God's word. God's generous gift of love in Christ models the love we then practice toward God and others. Such love changes hearts. Such love cares for the vulnerable. The wisdom of enacted love moves religion from how we talk about God into the ways we

act as the image of God. Be love.

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

"The Gift of Love"

Carter (1995)

GREETING and PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMN

"Blessed Be The Name" (2X's)

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Last Sunday at Mt. Nittany...



OUR ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY WAS...

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

THE OFFERINGS RECEIVED LAST SUNDAY WERE ...

General Fund -----\$5216.18
Building Fund ----- \$514.00
Missions----- \$425.50

OUR OUTSTANDING MORTGAGE BALANCE IS

\$206,500.00



Next week's

Worship on the Lawn

Change for the good may come when we listen with care, speak with compassion, and enact our faith. Such wisdom sees that the persistent practice of mercy, like love, comes as gift and calling from God. As we continue in the Season after Pentecost, hear the invitation to be open to the welcome God

extends to all by responding to the presence and needs of others.

Focus Scripture: Mark 7:24-37

This Week at Mt. Nittany...

TODAY	8:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Early Morning Worship Experience (S) Sunday School Classes for All Ages Late Morning Worship Experience (S) GYTTE Meeting (S) Special Olympics (FLC) Parent-Youth Meeting (FLC)
MONDAY		No Events Scheduled
TUESDAY	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Leadership Team Meeting (Copier Rm) Implementation Team (BR) Scouts Troop #367 (FLC)
WEDNESDAY	9:00 a.m.	Pre-School Inservice Meetings (BR)
THURSDAY		No Events Scheduled
FRIDAY		No Events Scheduled
SATURDAY	4:00 p.m.	(Turkey) Football Supper (FLC)

COMING EVENTS

Worship On The Lawn... Sunday, Sept 6
All Church Corn Boil/Hot Dog Roast...Sunday, Sept 13
Nurture & Care... Wednesday, Sept 9



*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

*OUR FOCUS SCRIPTURE *James 1:17-27* # 1058

MUSIC MEDITATION Emily Gregory

ASSEMBLY TIME *"The Language of Love"*
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.

MINISTRY MOMENT *"Music/Choir"* Brian Peters

We Proclaim

*HYMN OF PREPARATION *"They'll Know We Are Christians"* # 2223

OUR MORNING MESSAGE *"Love in action"*

We Respond

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)*

Ashley Button; Bob Yohn; Frank & Debbie McHugh & family;
Donna Jane Benner; Dick Franks; Steve Fellows;
Daniel Perrino; Cecelia Vavreck;
R. John McChesney, jr; Dan Novak family

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:

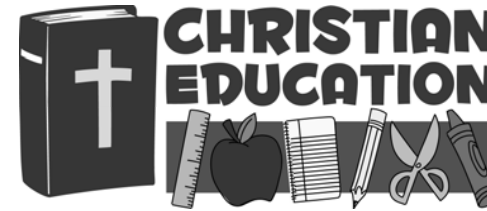
**"Our Father, who is in heaven,
Holy is Your name.
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the
glory, Forever and ever. Amen."**

OUR OFFERING

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.

(Proverbs 11:25-26; 2 Corinthians 9:6-7)

Missions Giving..



Christian Education Sunday

For I know the plans I have for you...
plans to give you a future with HOPE

Jeremiah 29:11

Christian Education Sunday is one of four church wide Special Sundays—Christian Education, Disability Awareness, Golden Cross and Rural Life—that provides opportunities for annual conference offerings; each conference determines the dates of these observances and how the offerings will be used. The Mission Funds collected on this day will be used at the discretion of the conference.

*When we give, we are sharing the love of Christ with others
and giving back a small portion of all that he has given to us.*

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

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
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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)

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(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.

The Collection
Offertory *"Here's One"* Rinehart (1993)
*The Presentation
***Doxology** *"Holy, Holy, Holy"* # 64, Vs. 4
*Offertory Prayer

We Serve

***OUR CLOSING HYMN** *"Be Still My Soul"* # 534

*THE BENEDICTION

***THE BIDDING HYMN** *"Lord I Want To Be A Christian"* #402, Vs. 1

POSTLUDE *"Festlied"* Mayer (1944)

The Flowers on the Altar table this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory and honor of my parents, Robert & Cecil McNinch Wedding Anniversary and my Dad's Birthday this past week, by Mary Jane Johnson.

The flowers on the altar stand are given to the glory of God the Father, in celebration of the wedding service uniting Jennifer Driver & Clint Eury. God's richest blessings as you begin your life together.

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.

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

FOOTBALL SUPPER VOLUNTEERS are still needed for the football suppers. There's a sign-up book in the narthex on the table. Any questions, please call BJ Wurst 238-7529 after Sept 3rd. I will follow-up with E-mail. *BJ Wurst*

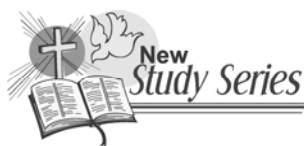
SUNDAY, SEPT 6th - LABOR DAY WEEKEND ... ONE MORNING WORSHIP EXPERIENCE ONLY beginning at 10:00am. We are extending an open invitation to our neighbors and also challenging you to “bring-a-friend” as we seek to kick off our Fall worship calendar! Following our worship, we will have a cookout with Pastors 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!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - The women of Mt. Nittany are invited to participate in a weekly Bible study beginning Thursday morning, Sept 3 @ 10 am in the Board Rm at the church. This study will cover the book of Daniel over 12 weeks. The first portion, from Daniel chapters 1-6 deals with Daniel's life as he faced the kind of pressures and temptation Christians encounter today. Daniel models how to develop enduring integrity in an enticing world. The second portion, chapters 7-12, explores thrilling prophecies from the time of Daniel through the second coming of Christ. We will spend about 15 minutes each week reviewing the independent study and then watch a lesson by Bible scholar Beth Moore. We promise to keep to a prompt 11:30 ending time. Workbooks are provided—just bring your Bible. For more information, contact Andrea Grazzini (353-1593). All are welcome !



SUMMER BIBLE STUDY CONCLUDES: The women's Bible study will meet tomorrow evening Monday, August 31 @7 pm at the Grazzini's home (Buffalo Run). This is the last session for the summer. In September the groups will move to Tuesdays & Thursdays. If you have any questions or need directions, please contact Emily Wertz (eawertz@gmail.com) or Andrea Grazzini 353-1593 or agraz05@yahoo.com

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - Now meeting 2 different days to help avoid conflicts with your busy schedules! New series Beth Moore's "Believing God" starting Tuesday Sept. 15th from 7-9pm...at 1457 Harris St w/ Stacey LeVan and Thursday Sept 17th... at 140 Birchtree Court w/ Emily Wertz.



MISSION POSSIBLE - We are thankful to the Lord for the opportunities we had to serve Him through ministry to family, friends and neighbors last month. There are still a few jobs that remain to be completed or finished. If you can give a few hours of your time please contact Jerry Park (880-1185) for projects and job site.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN will resume meeting in September/October. You are cordially invited to attend your choice of two times: the daytime meeting starts in September and the evening meeting starts in October. The groups will meet once each month (second week). Times are Tuesday at 10am (in the church board room) and Thursday at 7pm (at the home of Joanna Jones). You are encouraged to invite a friend or neighbor to come as your guest. The focus for this year will be service to our church and community. Each meeting will last approximately one hour, beginning with a short devotional time, followed by planning or activities and fellowship. If you have any questions, please contact Andrea Grazzini, Joanna Jones or Cathy Rideout. We look forward to seeing you there!

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 Meeting Today... 5:30pm to 8pm. Parents Meeting for all students entering 6th to 12th grade 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! Please RSVP to Pastor Shane following today's service so we have preparations for the meal. 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 MINISTRY - We are proud to announce the beginning of Healing Arms, our newest small group at Mt Nittany. This ministry is a cancer support group open to cancer survivors and their families. Meeting monthly, usually on the last Wednesday of the month with exception of holidays, at 7pm in the Mt Nittany in the small group room, this group is open to the public and anyone battling cancer, or a cancer survivor or a friend or family member of someone who has had cancer. All are welcome. More information forthcoming in the September newsletter.