



## Today's Worship Team

Greeters 8:30 a.m. .... Lance & Vija Wilkinson  
 11:00 a.m. .... Jim & Billie Young  
 Organist/Choir Director ..... Brian Peters  
 Lead Pastor ..... Rev. Howard T. Woodruff  
 Intergenerational Pastor ..... Shane Landherr  
 Music Assistant ..... Aden Wertz  
 Ushers 11:00 a.m. .... Scott Williams, & Courtney  
 ..... Robert Neff and Ed Benner  
 AV Ministries 8:30 a.m. .... Shawn Kopp  
 11:00 a.m. .... Chip Crawford  
 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



Reverend Jane Allen Middleton, Resident Bishop  
 Rev. Dr. Pamela Ford, State College District Superintendent  
 Reverend Howard T. Woodruff, Lead Pastor (238-1630)  
 Shane Landherr, Intergenerational Pastor (359-9447)  
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*Mt. Nittany United Methodist Church*  
**SUNDAY WORSHIP BULLETIN**  
*February 14, 2010*

Welcome to Today's Worship Experience!  
February 14, 2010

Today we bring to close our discussion on identity theft. Yet we have to examine one other way we can lose our sense of "whose we are" in this world.



As we seek to change our behavior and to become more like Christ, the visions and realities of our past flood our memories and remind us of who we were, pick-pocketing any effort on our part to change. Today we will learn how to keep the past, just that; in the past and move towards becoming the person God desires.

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!



## Next Week @ Worship

Lent. A time of looking deep within yourself and seeing where "our" self conflicts with God's sense of self. For the next six weeks, we will journey on an intensive study of the self in an attempt to help each of us better

understand who we are and to what we've been called.

Next week we see where it all started...in the story of creation. But we will look much deeper as we examine just "what" He created.

Just a reminder...



## ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP EXPERIENCES

THIS WEDNESDAY,  
FEBRUARY 17TH  
12:00 NOON  
7:00 P.M.



## This Week at Mt. Nittany...

<b>TODAY</b>	8:30 a.m.	Early Morning Worship Experience (S)
	9:45 a.m.	Christian Education Classes Fusion Youth Group Meeting
	11:00 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Experience (S)
<b>MONDAY</b>	6:00 p.m.	Quilting group (Choir Rm)
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee (Copier Rm)
<b>TUESDAY</b>	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Team (Board Rm)
	1:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting (Pastor's office)
	6:00 p.m.	Leadership Meeting (Copier Rm)
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop #367 (FLC)
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (off-site)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	8:00 a.m.	Global Connections (FLC/Kitchen)
	12:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service (S)
	7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service (S)
<b>THURSDAY</b>	10:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study (BR)
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (off-site)
	8:30 p.m.	Volleyball (FLC)
<b>FRIDAY</b>	6:30 p.m.	Family "Movie Night" (FLC)
<b>SATURDAY</b>	6:00 p.m.	Fusion Youth Girls Sleepover (off-site)
	8:00 p.m.	S.A.M. Dance (FLC)

### COMING EVENTS

- \* Healing Arms Cancer Support Group (Wed. 2/24)
- \* Community Dinner (Sat. 2/27)
- \* St. Patrick's Day Dinner (Sat. 3/13)
- \* Lifeline Screening (Tues. 3/9)



## We Gather

PRELUDE *The Musical Clocks* Haydn (1732-1809)  
 GREETING and PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP  
 \*OPENING HYMN *"In His Time"* #2203

## We Hear and Proclaim

### PASSING OF THE PEACE

#### MUSIC MEDITATION

8:30 a.m. *"Revelation Song"* Sanctuary Choir  
 11:00 a.m.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT *"Have you ever wanted more from your church?"*

#### ASSEMBLY TIME

*"Memories"*  
*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.*

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION *"Change My Heart O God"* #2152

OUR MORNING MESSAGE *Identity Theft, Part 4: Pick-pocketed by the Past*

## We Respond

### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM (8:30 A.M. Experience)

*This morning we are blessed to baptize Chassity James Houck, daughter of Todd and Nicole Houck. Chassity was born on September 25, 2009 in the Mt. Nittany Medical Center.*

### 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)*

*Dillon Jones; Jesse & Margie Essamen; Dick Pletcher; Family of Rick Madore; Jo Moore-Houser; Greg Boros; Everett Mulbey; Randy Putt*

*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)

**The Collection**

Offertory "Dance of the Hours" Ponchielli (1834-1886)  
 \*Doxology "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" #95  
 \*Offertory Prayer



*"Be strong and courageous.  
 Do not be afraid or terrified because of them,  
 for the Lord your God goes with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you".  
 Deuteronomy 31:6*

- \* **CMDR Allen L. Edmiston**.... 4917 Evergreen Way #401 Everett WA 98203-2828  
 (Allen is the son of Ron Edmiston)
- \* **SGT. Fellows, Amber 0581** ..... 422 CA BN COB Speicher APO AE 09393  
 (Amber is the neice of a friend of Gretta Klinefelter)
- \* **SGT Daniel E Hannigan** ..... 101 Chickadee Court, Clarksville, TN 37042  
 (Dan is the nephew of Dawn Edmiston)
- \* **A1C Horn, Corey** ..... 877ESFS-SFOC APO, AE 09375  
 (Corey is the son to friends of Pastor Howard & Dawn)
- \* **Limbaugh, Glenn** ..... KBR Services APO, AE 09391  
 (Glenn is the nephew of Robert & Patricia Kidder. He is a civilian working in Iraq)
- \* **Lorson, Benjamin** ..... B-4/319th AFAR CPO McLain APO/AE 09364  
 (Ben is a friend of Pastor Howard & Dawn)
- \* **Jacob Scalise** ..... Anchor Mail P O Box 820 #80 Groton CT 06340-0820  
 (Jacob is a cousin of Brian & Paula Peters)
- \* **E-6 Staff Sgt. Melissa Shoup** ..... 67347B Kaiea Place Waihua, HI 96791  
 (Melissa is the granddaughter of Sonny & Lois Swanger)
- \* **CPL Cannon, Rachael M (Stepler)** 100 Talon Dr Apt @G Jacksonville NC 28546  
 (Rachael is the granddaughter of Marjorie Rohrbeck)
- \* **Cpl. Robert Wertz** .....CMR#3 Box 6816, Fort Rucker AL 36362  
 (Rob is the brother of Aden Wertz)

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 **2010 CONGREGATIONAL DIRECTORY** is finished!! Directories will be distributed as follows beginning at the Vision Dinner on Feb. 21: **First** to those who submitted a information update form and requested a directory, **then** to those who submitted a form but did not reserve a copy. Any copies left after those distributions will be available for sale on a first-come, first-served basis. Directories not paid for by March 24 will be sold as extra copies. Each directory costs \$5 and there is a one-per household limit. If we should run out, and there is enough interest, we can order additional copies but the cost of those is likely to be more.

**CHONDA PIERCE, Comedian** will entertain at the State College Assembly of God, 2201 University Drive on *Saturday February 27 at 7pm*. The daughter of a Midwestern preacher, Chonda is a Christian comedian who became known through appearances with Bill Gaither, Women of Faith, as well as on television and UTube. Her humor is a combination of storytelling, sketches and one-liners, all tied together with hope, inspiration and spirituality. Often called 'the Carol Burnett of Christian humor,' Chonda has released eight DVD's and has authored four books. Tickets to the event are \$20 (groups of 10 or more @ \$15 ea) and are available at [itickets.com](http://itickets.com) or by calling 1-800-861-0850. You can also call the State College A/G directly @ 238-3800 and talk with Nancy.

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE** for the March issue is past due. Please submit your articles to the church office by this evening. ([mtnittanyumc@comcast.net](mailto:mtnittanyumc@comcast.net))



**FAMILY FUN NIGHT**—This Friday, February 19th— 6:30 to 8:30 PM Join us for Movie Night. “The Princess Bride” a classic fairytale story told in a unique light. Filled with adventure surprises, and even a Rodent of unusual size. This film is rated PG. A Christian review of the film is available through a link on our website.

**LIFELINE SCREENING** Tests sponsored by the Susquehanna Health Institute will be held in the FLC on Tuesday, March 9. Pre-registration is required. Please see details on the insert included in your bulletin.

**REMINDER:** The Choir will be singing at the 7 pm Ash Wednesday service

**OFFERING ENVELOPES:** If you don't have your own set of envelopes for 2010, please consider using them during the year, as they are a tremendous help for record keeping, and year-end reports. Stop by the office and talk with Karin.

Several **CONTAINERS & DISHWARE** have accumulated from past events and need to be taken home. If any of the containers are yours, they can be found on the counter in the Kitchen. Items remaining here at the end of the month will be given to Goodwill.

There is also a substantial number of **UMBRELLAS** atop the coat rack (in the narthex). If one of them is yours, please take it home with you today.



**BLANKET DRIVE** benefitting Interfaith Missions. New & cleaned gently used blankets are needed Infant to King size during the remainder of the month. They can be put in the Copier room and delivered weekly to Interfaith Missions who will supply those individuals or families in need. Talk with a member of the missions team if you have any questions.

There will be a **NURTURE AND CARE** Team meeting this Tuesday, February 16th at 6:30 p.m.

Our first **VBS PLANNING MEETING** will be Feb 25 at 7pm. The dates for VBS will be July 18-22. The program will be "*Galactic Blast*" a program we hope all of our little space cadets and future astronauts will enjoy. (Contact: D. Woodruff)

The schedule for Adopting a **Day of Fasting** for Lent is in the Narthax. Please check your schedule and if you are able, sign up for a day of fasting and prayer. Fasting allows people to use that time they would spend eating, to be in prayer with God. It is a blessed experience and a time of growth in your personal relationship with God. If you have questions, please contact Patty DeCapria, 238-6794.

**Liturgist** schedule for March is on the greeter's stand. Please sign up for this ministry.



Next Sunday, February 21 will be our first, and hopefully annual, **Vision Dinner**. Join your church family for fellowship, volunteer recognition and great food as we talk about the coming year's ministries. It promises to be a wonderful time together as we advance God's vision for our congregation.

Members and friends should all plan to attend. Dinner will begin at 5pm; families please bring side dishes, the meat and desserts and table service will be provided for us here!