

Mt. Nittany United Methodist Church

Sunday Worship Bulletin

Ninth Sunday in Kingdomtide

July 26, 2009



**I trust in you,
O LORD ...
“You are my God.”
My times are
in your hands.**

Psalm 31:14-15, NIV



Good Morning!

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In all circumstances, God's abundant presence sustains us and provides more than we need – food, faith, grace, salvation. We are called to respond to God's activity among us, ordering our lives in ways that proclaim and extend God's abundant gifts to others.

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

"God & God Alone"

Leatherman (1989)

GREETING and PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

***OPENING HYMN** *"Open Our Eyes"* **#2086**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

As we join in worship on this glorious day, we take the opportunity to seek out friends, old and new, and to seek the restoration of relationships broken by past offenses and hurts. As we celebrate the new life Christ offers us this day, let us also be willing to share that "newness" in our relationships, one with the other.

We Hear

*OUR FOCUS SCRIPTURE *John 6:1-21* # 938

MUSIC MEDITATION Kylee & Jetta McClenahan

ASSEMBLY TIME *"Seeds of Kindness"*

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.

We Proclaim

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** *"Kum Ba Yah"* **#494**

OUR MORNING MESSAGE *"What role do you play?"*

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 *"God Himself Is With Us"* Wilson (1967)

***Doxology** *"Bless Thou the Gifts"* **# 587**

*The Presentation

*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)*

*Ronnie Hartman; Debbie Mastromatteo; Jim Williams; Daniel Perrino;
Betty Crouse; Harry Lee; Dennis Dubbs; Fred Harman;
Dorothy Benn; Richard Fackler; Debbie Torbett; Faye Breon*

*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."*

We Serve

* OUR CLOSING HYMN	<i>"I Stand Amazed"</i>	#371
*THE BENEDICTION		
*THE BIDDING HYMN	<i>"Shalom To You"</i>	#666
POSTLUDE	<i>"Ulysses"</i>	Stickles (1960)

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.

IMPACT 2009 - TODAY is absolutely your **LAST CHANCE** to let me know if you will be attending this year's annual Youth Impact event. Talk with me immediately following this morning's service. I hope to see all of you there, it will be a great time again! *Pastor Shane*

REMINDER...Announcements and/or prayer requests for the bulletin are due in the church office by Wednesdays at 3 pm. Bulletins are completed on Thursday afternoons. Thank You. ~ Karin



IN JUST THREE WEEKS Can you believe it? Your article for the (September) issue of the church newsletter will be Past Due! So don't wait...start now to prepare and send me your articles and events, schedules, and items of interest that you want to promote for the fall season.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY... The women of Mt. Nittany are invited to a Bible Study at the home of Emily Gregory tomorrow evening (Monday-27th) @ 7 pm For directions, or additional information, please call Emily at 814-360-5032. On August 3 we will continue our study at the Grazzini's home. **ALL ARE INVITED.**



S.A.M. Dance... Saturday Aug 15 Please read insert in your bulletin for all the details and a personal note from the SAM Director, Jeffrey Goss.

ANNUAL BLOCK PARTY

Saturday, August 15th

5 to 8 pm

Welcome back to a free evening of family-friendly entertainment right here in our own backyard! Enjoy live music, indoor-outdoor games and prizes, good food, and great company.

This is a "no strings attached" night of fun for the whole family.

Immediately following the Block Party, a dance for Adult singles and couples will be held in the FLC.



BLOCK PARTY NEEDS YOU! ... The Block Party is approaching fast, and it's time to help. What's a "Cake Walk" without cakes? Games without someone to hand out prizes? Refreshment with no one to serve them? WE are the "someone" who will help make this event happen. Please sign up at either entrance and make August 15th your day for fun. If you have any questions, talk with Andrea Grazzini.

SOULS-IN-THE-STANDS



The State College District Ministerium is sponsoring the second annual United Methodist "Souls-in-the-Stands" night at the Spikes Baseball game on Friday, **August 21 at 7:05 p.m. at Medlar Field at Lubrano Park** in State College. We are hoping to get as many United Methodists in the stands as possible. Each church has a designated "Church Ball Person" responsible for taking ticket reservations, collecting money and then ordering the tickets from the District Office. Our contact is **Bob Kidder**. ***Please be sure to talk with Bob this week and order your ticket!*** The cost per ticket is \$7.00 with \$2.00 of every ticket going to support the UM Children's Home Campaign. The **deadline to order tickets is next SUNDAY, August 2nd.**

LABOR DAY SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE - As in years past we will observe our "Picnic in the Park" service on Labor Day weekend. However, this year we will hold the service on our own church lawn beginning at 10 AM, followed by picnic lunch. Watch the bulletins and the next issue of "Mt Nittany News" for more details.



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
(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, Corey877 ESFS-SFOC
(Corey is a son to friends of Pastor Howard & Dawn) APO, AE 09375

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

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

CPL Stepler, Rachael M2046 Barnett Ave Box 7015
(Rachael is the granddaughter of Marjorie Rohrbeck) Quantico, VA 22134

Cpl. Robert WertzB Co 2/502 Inf Reg
(Rob is the brother of Aden Wertz)Fort Campbell, KY 42223

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.

Missions Giving...



"with God all things are possible"
Matthew 19:26

Mission **POSSIBLE**
Be the hands, feet,
& heart of Jesus Christ!

The week of July 13th - 18th you will have the opportunity to participate in LOCAL Mission work - helping those in our congregation and nearby in our community. It will be wonderful to have you with the Mission Team this week serving in homes of Mt. Nittany family and friends. Last year we had over 50 volunteers serving in 10 different homes. Tasks varied from moving a refrigerator so that the single lady homeowner could clean behind it, to trimming shrubbery, cutting down trees, building a deck, praying with homeowners, landscaping, painting, cleaning spouting, sharing God's Love, power-washing siding and sidewalks, sealing driveways, insulating walls, hanging drywall....if you need more examples I'm sure I forgot something in there! We had volunteers who had serious knowledge of tasks completed and we had volunteers who talked and laughed and did all they could. We had volunteers ranging in age from 8 to 82. We had numerous volunteers who took a week of their vacation from their employers and gave it to others within our church family as they served with them! We had volunteers who ran errands. We had volunteers in the kitchen preparing us breakfast, lunch and dinner each day. We had volunteers praying for us throughout the day.

There is a way to help for everyone - **YOU** will be rewarded in ways you can only imagine. It's not too late to come in and help if you haven't already signed up. Just show up at Mt. Nittany the morning of July 13th or call to get more details. There will be many opportunities to serve using your God given skills whether they are a specialized trade, a good talker, a prayer leader, have general knowledge as a handyman/handywoman, a cook or someone that is willing to run errands.

YOUR skills fit into one of these categories... If not we'll ask God's help in finding something special just for you! Our prayer is that we have lots of volunteers to complete lots of good will for those in our congregation and our community. Any funds collected through the month of July will assist with costs involved in this project. A mailing was sent the week of June 15th to everyone on the Mt. Nittany mailing list seeking opportunities to serve and for Mission servers for the week. If you have a special need or know of someone who does please share it with a Mission Team member and we'll do all we can to help them. Missions begin here - at HOME!

Questions can be directed to any of the Mission Team members: Kari Corbett, Patty DeCapria, Rick Grazzini, Jackie Raiser, Jerry/Susan Park (234-3041), and Howard/Dawn Woodruff. Blessings in His name, Your Missions Committee

This Week at Mt. Nittany...

TODAY	8:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Early Morning Worship Experience (S) Sunday School Classes for All Ages Late Morning Worship Experience (S)
MONDAY	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
TUESDAY	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Leadership Team Meeting (Copier Rm) Finance Meeting (Copier Rm) Boy Scouts Troop #367 (FLC)
WEDNESDAY	11:00 a.m.	Departure Time for IMPACT
THURSDAY	3:00 p.m.	PICCC Banquet Set-up IMPACT
FRIDAY	10:30 a.m.	PICCC Banquet (FLC) IMPACT
SATURDAY	9 - 4 p.m. 11am - 5 pm	Girl Scout Training (Rms 102-03-04) Retirement event (FLC) IMPACT

COMING IN AUGUST

Block Party
S.A.M. Dance
Youth "Back-To-School" Bash
Newsletter Deadline Friday August 14th



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OUR ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY WAS...

8:30 A.M. Worship Experience ----- 104
11:00 A.M. Worship Experience ----- 106

THE OFFERINGS RECEIVED LAST SUNDAY WERE ...

General Fund ----- Report unavailable
Missions----- Report unavailable
Benevolence----- Report unavailable

OUR OUTSTANDING MORTGAGE BALANCE IS

\$206,500.00



While Pastor Howard is on vacation and Pastor Shane and the youth are returning from IMPACT, we will welcome Pastor Jim Williams to the pulpit. You won't want to miss his exciting message!



Today's Worship Team

Greeters	8:30 a.m.....	Gerri Betts and Shirley Reichard
	11:00 a.m...	Kay Partenheimer & Michael Poulin
Organist	.....	Brian Peters
Intergenerational Pastor	.....	Shane Landherr
Liturgists	8:30 a.m.	Darla Franks
	11:00 a.m.	Ralph McChesney
Music Assistant	.....	Aden Wertz
Lead Pastor	.....	Rev. Howard T. Woodruff
AV Ministries	8:30 a.m.	Roger Wurst
	11:00 a.m.	Patrick Jones
Ushers	8:30 a.m.	Rick & Andrea Grazzini
	.....	Robert & Patricia Kidder
	11:00 a.m.	Roger & BJ Wurst; Jerry & Susan Park
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)
 Patty DeCapria, Lay Leader (238-6794)
 Emily Gregory, Associate Lay Leader (238-8769)
 Barbara Sommers, Assistant Lay Leader (466-6086)

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