



Today's Worship Team

Greeters	8:30 a.m.	MaryJane Johnson & Linda Zazworsky
	11:00 a.m.	Barb Gotwalt
Organist/Choir Director	.....	Brian Peters
Guest Pastor	.....	Rev. Dr. Joe Faulkner
Liturgists	8:30 a.m.	Andrea Grazzini
	11:00 a.m.	B.J. Wurst
AV Ministries	8:30 a.m.	Rick Edmiston
	11:00 a.m.	Roger Wurst
Ushers	8:30 a.m.	Scott & Laura Sommers, Jeff & Cindy Simpson
	11:00 a.m.	Ed Benner, Barb Gotwalt, Kay Partenheimer, Marcus Poulin
Nursery Staff	.....	Darria Dixon and Lindsey Knepp
MINISTRY ASSISTANTS...		
Intergenerational Pastor	.....	Shane Landherr
Adult Christian Education Coordinator	.....	Lisa Luse
Children's Education Coordinator	.....	Dawn Woodruff
Bell Choir Director	.....	Susan Park
Music Assistant	.....	Aden Wertz IV
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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Sunday Worship Bulletin

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 24, 2009





GOOD MORNING!

May 24, 2009

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

1 Corinthians 15:20

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 young 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 bold 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

"On Eagle's Wings"

Carter (1995)

GREETING and PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*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.

Last Sunday at Mt. Nittany...



OUR ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY WAS...

8:30 a.m. Worship Experience ----- 111
11:00 a.m. Worship Experience -----87

THE OFFERINGS RECEIVED LAST SUNDAY WERE ...

General Fund -----\$3,101.00
Building Fund -----\$781.00
Benevolences -----\$586.00

OUR OUTSTANDING MORTGAGE BALANCE IS

\$206,500.00



VISIT
OUR
ONLINE
PRAYER ROOM

- Did you ever have those moments where you wanted to ask for prayer, but weren't at the church or didn't know who to call?
- Did you ever want to lift someone up in prayer, but just didn't feel comfortable?
- Do you want to let many of your brothers and sisters celebrate an answer to prayer with you?

Well, now you can. Go to our online prayer room at

www.virtualprayerroom.net/MtNittanyUMC

and submit a request, read a request, or celebrate an answer to prayer.

It's easy. It's anonymous. And it's open 24/7!

See Barbara Sommers if you have any questions.

This Week at Mt. Nittany...

TODAY	8:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Early Morning Worship (S) Sunday School Classes for all ages Late Morning Worship (S)
MONDAY	All Day	MEMORIAL DAY (Church Offices Closed)
TUESDAY	10:30 -Noon 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Pre-School Lunch (FLC) Leadership Team (Copiers Rm) Finance Committee (BR) Boy Scouts Troop #367 (Rm 203)
WEDNESDAY	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Praise Band Rehearsal (S) Choir Rehearsal (CR)
THURSDAY	5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Estate Sale Food Table (Lemont P.O.) Men's Bible Study (Rm 107) Cub Scouts #67 Den Leader's (Rm 201)
FRIDAY	10:30 -Noon	Pre-School Lunch (FLC)
SATURDAY	10:00 a.m. 4 to 7 p.m.	Special Olympics Community Dinner (Roast Beef)
NEXT SUNDAY (5/31)	9:00 a.m.	CONFIRMATION WORSHIP SERVICE <u>One service only</u> No Youth Group or Bell Practice

We Hear

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: O God, you are my God, I seek you.

People: **My soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you.**

Leader: Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

People: **So I will bless you as long as I live; I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

ALL: Amen

SCRIPTURE READING

I Corinthians 15:1-19

*OPENING HYMN

"O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing "

57

*OPENING PRAYER

Merciful God,

We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will,

we have broken your law,

We have rebelled against your love,

We have not loved our neighbors,

And we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience,

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen



We Proclaim

MUSIC MEDITATION

8:30 a.m. "I Will Sing of His Mercies" (Parks) Sanctuary Choir
11:00 a.m. Vocal Solo Margaret Higgins

ASSEMBLY TIME

Joanna Jones

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.

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 "Sonatina" Handel

The Presentation

* **Doxology** "Thank You, Lord" **Pg. 84**

* Offertory Prayer

OUR SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 31:1-10

*OUR HYMN OF PREPARATION

"Maker In Whom We Live" # 88

OUR MORNING MESSAGE

Reverend Dr. Joseph Faulkner

"NEEDED: A New Paradigm"

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.

Missions Giving...



Salt 'n Light Youth Ministries

Forged in 1991, the Salt 'n Light vision is "Youth Reaching Youth with the Gospel of Jesus Christ." The Salt 'n Light mission is to reach, equip and encourage youth and youth workers in order to make disciples who will serve God's purpose among an adolescent generation.

Their strategies are:

- * Through the ever changing vehicles of retreats, rallies, summer camp(s), mission trips, and the Impact festival, Salt 'n Light shares the gospel of Jesus Christ among adolescents.

- * They provide student and adult leadership training through multiple sources throughout the Mid-Atlantic States region.

- * They conduct mission work camp opportunities in order to provide practical ways for adults and adolescents to live out their faith in cross cultural and socio-economically depressed areas.

- * They assist congregations, church clusters, districts, and conferences to develop holistic and transforming youth ministry practices to, with and through young people.

- * Salt 'n Light provides youth ministry internships for high school, college and seminary students wherein they may observe, reflect upon, critique youth ministry practices while, at the same time, using their own gifts in ministry among adolescents.

- * They work to develop a strong, sustainable financial support base for Salt 'n Light Youth Ministry, Inc.

- * Salt 'n Light continually engages in practices, whereby they work to remain open to the leading of the Holy Spirit in adjusting any present forms of youth ministry.

www.snlym.com



Our Military Personnel...

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

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(Michael is the son of Darria Dixon)

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(Joshua is the nephew of Karin Garner)

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(Dan is the nephew of Dawn Edmiston)

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(Nate is the finance of Allie DeCapria)

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(Rachael is the granddaughter of Marjorie Rohrbeck)

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.....Fort Campbell, KY 42223
(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.

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)

Steve Lindhurst; Jeff Cryster; Peggy Page; Dennis Dubbs; Brian King;
Jacob Sunderland; Virginia Pletcher;
Brian Peters & Family; Jeff Goss; Rita & Tom Kline;
Barbara Sherlock & daughters Ilana and Courtney
Marilyn Kline ; Karin & Jeremy Garner ;
Ryleigh Benninghoff; Stanley Kush

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 "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" # 717
- *THE BENEDICTION
- *THE BIDDING HYMN "His Eye Is On the Sparrow" #2146 (refrain only)
- *POSTLUDE "Beautiful America" Lorenz (1933)

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.

GERANIUMS ordered for Pentecost Sunday (next week) must be completed **TODAY**. Please fill out the form included in your bulletin. Please print neatly.

ONE SERVICE ONLY - CONFIRMATION SUNDAY - Next week (May 31st) beginning at 9:00 a.m. Cake and fellowship will follow in the Family Life Center after the service.

CHURCH WORK DAY The Trustees have scheduled a church work day on Saturday, June 6, 2009 starting at 9 a.m. There is some painting to be done and miscellaneous carpentry work. If you are interested in doing some painting, please bring brushes and rollers with you. If you have any questions, please contact Scott Williams, Chairman of the Trustees, 861-5288.

Beth Moore Living Proof Seminar If you are planning on attending this seminar in Pittsburgh on June 12 & 13 please confirm ASAP with Emily Wertz @ ewertz@gmail.com or Andrea Grazzini agraz05@yahoo.com

COMMUNITY DINNER - This coming Saturday, May 30, from 4-7 PM. Please contact Wendy Franklin (238-0662) if you can lend a helping hand. (Volunteers must be at least 12 years old This month's menu.... Roast Beef!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED This Week: The family of the late Ilene Glenn will be having an auction on **Thursday, May 28th at 5:00** at the Lemont Granary. Our church has been asked to set up a food stand of light fare for this event. I need people to help transport the tent and tables to the Lemont Post Office and set them up. I will also need a couple of people to help serve the food. The menu will consist of hot dogs, sloppy joes (bbq), chips, carrots & celery, applesauce cups and desserts. I will need pies and a few cakes. If you can help in any way, let me know either in church or call me at 238-7529.. BJ

“4th OF JULY BENEFIT” - Again this year, the Senior Adults will sponsor the fun food benefit for the Food Bank. During the last week of May, there will be boxes lined up in the narthex indicating items needed. This will run for 2 weeks. Watch the June newsletter for all the details.



Vacation Bible School C a m p E · D · G · E · (Experience + Discover God Everywhere).

Campers mark your calendars (JULY 19-24) and grab your knapsacks for a camping experience on the EDGE! Join the adventure for an exciting week of Vacation Bible School. Registration for attendance and volunteering is available on the bulletin board in the education wing and on the tables in the narthex.

MEN'S PICNIC DINNER — Everyone is invited to attend this evening of good food friends and Music in honor of the men in our church. On June 20th, from 4-6pm we will have an all you can eat burger and hot dog buffet (please bring a side dish or dessert to pass) and enjoy a great musical program by the South Carolina Children's Choir afterward. Bring the whole family and join us in paying tribute to all of the men in our lives!

LOCAL MISSIONS: This summer during the week of July 13th – 17th you will have the opportunity to participate in LOCAL Missions work – helping those in our congregation and nearby in our community. Pray and plan for this week of rewarding ministry. Mark it on your calendar. More details will follow in the newsletters but please make time to PLAN & PRAY NOW for the Lord's direction in your participation of this missions outreach!!!

RED CROSS SHELTER TRAINING: The Red Cross *Shelter Operations Training Course* will be held this Thursday - May 28, 2009 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. at Centre Region COG Building, 2643 Gateway Drive, State College for anyone interested in knowing how things work when our church is used as an emergency shelter. If you are interested in helping with the emergency shelter, this basic course will provide individuals with the knowledge needed to operate in a Red Cross Disaster Shelter. Please RSVP to Shawn Kauffman at skauffman@rcog.net; or phone 235-7838 no later than Tuesday, May 26th.

2009 GRADS! Tuesday is the deadline. Do we have your senior profile? If you're graduating from high school or college (or if you have a family relative that's graduating) please notify Pastor Shane at slandherr@gmail.com or call Karin in the church office (237-3549) no later than noon Tuesday, May 26th.