



Today's Worship Team

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| Greeters..... | Nathan & Elfriede Hartwig |
| Organist..... | Jetta McClenahan |
| Lead Pastor | Rev. Howard T. Woodruff |
| Intergenerational Pastor | Shane Landherr |
| Liturgists | Confirmands |
| Praise Band Leader..... | Aden Wertz IV |
| AV Ministries..... | |
| Roger Wurst | |
| Ushers..... | Scott & Laura Sommers, Jeff & Cindy Simpson |
| Nursery Staff..... | Darria Dixon and Lindsey Knepp |
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| MINISTRY ASSISTANTS... | |
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| Children's Christian Education Coordinator..... | Dawn Woodruff |
| Bell Choir Director | Susan Park |
| Office Manager | Karin Garner |
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Mt. Nittany United Methodist Church



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Sunday Worship Bulletin

Pentecost Sunday

May 31, 2009

Pentecost



Good Morning!
Pentecost Sunday **Sunday, May 31, 2009**

Pentecost is the call for us to make sense of what God has done and is doing in our lives and to stand tall as we triumphantly proclaim that nothing happens outside of His control. As did Peter at that first Pentecost experience, we too must stand and provide a word of clarity when others misinterpret the events of our time.

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

GREETING and PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP



Last Sunday at Mt. Nittany...

OUR ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY WAS...

8:30 a.m. Worship Experience ----- 104
 11:00 a.m. Worship Experience -----64

THE OFFERINGS RECEIVED LAST SUNDAY WERE ...

General Fund ----- \$6264.27
 Building Fund ----- \$685.00
 Benevolences ----- \$417.00

OUR OUTSTANDING MORTGAGE BALANCE IS

\$206,500.00



- 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...

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| TODAY | 9:00 a.m. | Pentecost Sunday (S) Confirmation Day |
| MONDAY | 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. | Quilting Group (Copier Rm) Women's Bible Study (Grazzinin Home) Children's Ed Meeting (Shane's Office) S.A.M. Meeting (Choir Rm) |
| TUESDAY | 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. | Leadership Team (Copiers Rm) Implementation Team (Copier Rm) Boy Scouts Troop #367 (FLC) |
| WEDNESDAY | 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. | BLOCK Party Planning Meeting (BR) Praise Band Rehearsal (S) Choir Rehearsal (CR) |
| THURSDAY | 9:00 a.m. to 9 pm 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. All Day | Pre-School Graduation (FLC) Men's Bible Study (Rm 107) Cub Scouts #67 (Rm 201) Annual Conference |
| FRIDAY | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. All Day | Pre-School Staff Meetings (BR) Annual Conference |
| SATURDAY | 9:00 a.m. | Church WORK DAY |

COMING EVENTS IN JUNE

- June 7 - Graduates Recognition Sunday
- June 10 - Nurture & Care
- June 17 - Senior Adults Summer Picnic
- June 20 - Annual Men's Picnic & Church fellowship
- June 27- Community Dinner (Chicken & Waffles)



*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

- *OPENING HYMN "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" # 155
- *OUR SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE READING John 11:1-6; 17-27 pg. 944
- MUSIC MEDITATION "You are Good" Praise Band
- *OUR FOCUS SCRIPTURE READING Acts 2:1-21 pg. 956

We Proclaim

- ASSEMBLY TIME "Understanding God"
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
- The Presentation
- *Doxology "Thank You, Lord" # 84
- *Offertory Prayer

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT - Maturity Team

- *OUR HYMN OF PREPARATION "Jesus is All the World to Me" # 469
- OUR MORNING MESSAGE "Setting the record straight"
- OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD Confirmation Sunday # 33
- THE SHARING OF THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
- 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)*

**Marge Reeder; Jo Moore-Houser; Steve Lindhorst; Jeff Cryster;
Peggy Page; Dennis Dubbs; Jeff Goss; Brian King;
Virginia Pletcher; 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

Missions Giving...

Campus Ministries... Wesley Foundation



Starting in 1920 the Wesley Foundation has been a place for Christians and those seeking a better understanding of the Christian Faith to build friendships. The ministry offers opportunities for worship, Bible studies, fellowship, retreats, mission work, leadership opportunities and a place to relax with a free cup of coffee - the Abba Java House. The hours of the Abba Java House are based on volunteer availability so if you have an hour or two to spare you could be a part of the team. The Wesley Foundation has been an amazing outreach for youth, young adults, and young at heart. Due to the close proximity to Penn State University many young hearts have been opened to Christ through this ministry.

***It is our mission to offer Jesus Christ to the Penn State Community,
equip disciples, and serve in mission.***

Wesley Student Foundation Mission Statement

<http://www.wesleypsu.org/>



UPCOMING MISSION OPPORTUNITIES:

* Mount Nittany "Mission Possible" ... July 13th - 17th 2009
... Mark your calendars!! Get ready to join in the fun!!

* Tlancualpican, Mexico ... October 2009
... Space is always available... is your passport up to date?

See Susan Park or call @ 234-3041 if you have any questions or are interested in joining the Mission Team.



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)

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

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

SGT Daniel E Hannigan 417A Lawrence Circle
.....Fort Campbell, KY 42223
(Dan is the nephew of Dawn Edmiston)

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..... Unit #43007 Camp Liberty, Iraq APO AE 09344-3005
(Nate is the fiance of Allie DeCapria)

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..... 3rd Platoon (war dawgs) Fort Jackson, SC 29207
(Madylin is a part of MNUMC)

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

Cpl. Robert WertzB Co 2/502 Inf Reg
.....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.

***OUR CLOSING HYMN**

“Here I Am, Lord”

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***THE BENEDICTION**

***THE BIDDING HYMN**

“His Eye Is On the Sparrow”

#2146 (refrain only)

***POSTLUDE**

MOUNT NITTANY UMC WELCOMES NEW IDEAS FOR SMALL GROUP WORSHIP

We encourage members of our community - both inside and outside the congregation-to step forward with new ideas for small-group worship meetings to get in touch. To get started, simply contact *Charlie DuBois*, Maturity Team lead, at ccd@psu.edu PH: 364-9305. The church already has a number of thriving small groups—the Women’s Group, United Methodist Men, Quilting Group, Single Adult Ministry, and many more— created to meet the specific spiritual needs of people within our community. In these small groups, church members with common interests can share with one another. Already, interest has been expressed in developing groups to support:

**Parents; *Singles; *Marrieds; *Young Adults;*

**Those Experiencing Loss and * Visitation Ministry for the Homebound*

As part of its efforts to help members of our congregation grow in their faith, the Maturity Team will provide help and support for new groups whose goals are consistent with the mission and vision of our church. Red tape and rules will be at a minimum. All that’s really required is a critical mass of individuals to form the group and someone among them willing to lead and coordinate.

The Maturity Team can help you get the word out about your idea for a new small group. And, early thinking is already under way to offer “leadership training” as a Sunday School class or at another convenient time.

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.

CHURCH WORK DAY The Trustees have scheduled a church work day this *Saturday, June 6th 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.

"4th OF JULY BENEFIT" - Again this year, the Senior Adults will sponsor the fun food benefit for the Food Bank. Continuing this week there will be brown bags in the narthex indicating items needed. Your donations (by letter of your last name) will be graciously accepted during the week. Watch the June newsletter for more details.

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, 4-6pm** we will have an all you can eat burger and hot dog buffet. Please bring a side dish or dessert to pass, followed by a great musical program by the "Wings For The Lord" Youth Choir afterward. Bring the whole family and join us in paying tribute to all of the men in our lives!

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Vacation Bible School



Campers mark your calendars 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.

SENIOR ADULTS SUMMER PICNIC - *Wednesday, June 17th at 12 Noon*
Food will be provided. Mark Your Calendars...please make plans to join us and enjoy a great time of fellowship, good food and a special presentation by Barbara Sommers .

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE - Sunday, June 7th - during the 11:00 service
Please join us for a time of uplifting praise & worship.

SPIKES GAME TICKETS - Interfaith Mission has about 100 tickets still available for the Human Services day at the Spikes game on Wednesday, *July 8*. Cost is \$7 each ticket which will give IFM a \$2 profit from each one sold. It is a fund raiser for IFM and a fun evening at the ballpark. Please contact the Interfaith Missions office at 234-7731 if you're interested in obtaining a ticket for the game.

INTERFAITH MISSION OPEN HOUSE (2100C E College Ave) has scheduled their 40th Anniversary celebration Friday, June 19th from 11 am - 2 pm at the IFM Office. Member congregations are encouraged to provide potato chips, paper products and condiments. The Food Bank has offered to provide the hot dogs/buns.



Some of the ball players from the Spikes organization and "IKE", the mascot will be there with some Spikes handouts.

To My Mount Nittany Church Family: I just wanted to thank everyone for the support, prayers, and thoughtful expressions of sympathy following the death of my mother Patricia A. Martin. May God Bless you in a special way for your kindness. Gratefully, Paul Martin Jr.

The Women's Bible Study is on vacation until June 22 (Monday group). During the summer months we will meet informally at 7pm on Monday evenings for fellowship and a topical Bible study that is not video- or homework-based, so feel free to participate as your schedule allows! More information to come.

The June-July **FLOWER CHART** is posted on the bulletin board in the copier room. If you're interested in sponsoring flowers for any given Sunday, please mark your name beside the week. Any questions, please call the office.

PLEASE NOTE: **GERANIUMS** that remain at the church *after today* will be planted in and around the church and prayer garden later in the week.



JUST A REMINDER: Bulletins are prepared and printed on **THURSDAY** of the week. Please try to send in announcements, prayer requests, and/or other information for the bulletin no later than **Wednesdays @ 3 pm.**

Dear family at Mt. Nittany UMC - These past few weeks have been made easier to bear