

Focus on Missions



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This Week's Prayer: Pray for peace in Ukraine.

Leading Worship Today

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March 6, 2022
8:30, 10 am

f Livestream:
Mt Nittany Church
(8:30 am)

Welcome to worship at
Mount Nittany Church!

During the season of Lent, we're called to a self-examination, and the standard to which we hold ourselves is none other than Christ himself. While we fall short, we are reminded that through any wildernesses we face, we can lean into our Savior to make opportunities to build our faith, or we can look away from our Savior and fall into temptation. Jesus shows us how to go with faith.

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GREETING

PRELUDE

CENTERING WORDS

OPENING PRAYER

***OPENING PRAISE**

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus #349
Are Ye Able, Said the Master #530

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:30 am)

SCRIPTURE Luke 4:1-13

MESSAGE An Opportune Time

***GOSPEL PRAISE** Jesus, Draw Me Close

My Faith Looks Up to Thee #452

THE PEACE

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE** Bless His Holy Name

***A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

COMMUNION HYMN Worthy Is the Lamb

HOLY COMMUNION

***CLOSING PRAISE** At the Cross (Love Ran Red)

SENDING

POSTLUDE

Announcements:

Parents' Night Out Begins April 1!

We know that trying to shop, work or just have a date night with children in tow can be a challenge for parents, which is why the Mount Nittany Church children's education staff is beginning Parents' Night Out on the first Friday of every month, starting April 1 from 6-7:30 pm. Drop off your children at the registration desk in the Family Life Center, and the children — ages 5-12 — will be engaged in new and exciting activities each month, such as cooking class, drum circle, movie night, science night, and more. On April 1, the kids will enjoy Easter-themed activities, such as egg coloring and an indoor egg hunt! Snacks will be provided, and Parents' Night Out is free and open to all community members. Note that all childcare staff are Safe Sanctuaries certified. Childcare for younger children may be provided: check with Pastor Steph in advance. If you would like to help volunteer, also talk with Pastor Steph. Finally, candy and plastic egg donations are requested. Please drop off in the church lobby.

Membership Session March 13

If you are interested in becoming a member at Mount Nittany Church, there will be an informational meeting immediately following the 10 am worship service on Sunday, March 13 in the sanctuary with Pastor Chris. The brief meeting (under one hour) will give you the chance to learn more about Mount Nittany Church and the United Methodist Church, and forms will be available to fill out to either indicate a transfer of membership from another church or a re-affirmation of faith. Please note that all new members of the UMC must be baptized or will be on membership Sunday. New members will be welcomed into the church Sunday, April 3, at the 10 am service. For more information, please contact Pastor Chris at 814-232-1717 or email cpassante@susumc.org.

Masking Mandate Lifted for Vaccinated

Beginning today, the masking mandate has been lifted, as the numbers of Covid cases have dropped to a safer level. We still strongly encourage wearing face masks for all people, and those who are unvaccinated must still mask. Also, nursery and children's ministry staff must mask while working with children.

Children's Sunday School Moves to 10 am Worship

Beginning Sunday, March 13, children's Sunday school and children's message will move to the 10 am service. Also, the Sunday Evening Kids Club will be on hold til further notice.

Prayer List:

Ron Strapel, Jon Hickey, Paul Kurtz, Dana Megginson, Aphrodite Kakouros, The Warner family, Ellen Copper, Pat Sankey, Pat Messner

Birthdays:

Ed Hoch, Darla Franks, Dawn Edminston, Ed Glantz

Calendar:

Sunday, March 6

Worship	8:30 & 10 am (Sanctuary)
Adult Sunday school	8:30 am (Boardroom)
Kids Club AM (5-12)	10 am (Child Ed Bldg)

Monday, March 7

Quilting Group	9:30 am (Spring Creek Room)
Lenten Book Study	7-8:30 pm (Room TBA)

Tuesday, March 8

Pastor Chris's Office Hour	9-10 am (Pastor's Office)
Scout Night	7:30 pm (FLC)

Wednesday, March 9

Knitting Group	9 am (Spring Creek Room)
Choir Practice	6:30 pm (Sanctuary)
Cantata Practice	7 pm (Sanctuary)

Saturday, March 12

Lenten Book Study	9-10:30 am (Room TBA)
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Worship	8:30 & 10 am (Sanctuary)
Adult Sunday school	8:30 am (Boardroom)
Kids Club AM (5-12)	10 am (Child Ed Bldg)
New Members Meeting	After 10 am worship (Sanctuary)