

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE, STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP

ADULT FELLOWSHIP: Meets the third Saturday of each month, Sept. thru May, and invites adults of all ages to join them.

Contact Person: Gail Van Dyke, 856-667-6354

UNITED METHODIST MEN: Meet at 7:45am for breakfast on the third Sunday of each month, September through May.

All men of all generations. Contacts: Doug Sell, Jr. 267-259-0621, Taylor Ruilova, 905-5198

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN: Miriam Circle meets second Monday 7:30 pm., Barbara Dapper, Leader, 235-1765

TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY: 2pm Rm. E204. All welcome! Contact Person: Dale Duffin, 609-845-3044

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: 7:30-9 A.M. at Maritsa's in Maple Shade. Contact Person: Carol Talbot, 856-235-9346

STEPHEN MINISTRY: Contact Persons: Kathy Appleton, 856-234-0089, Suanne Bryan 856-824-0672

Mike Zolty 609-261-4088, Michael Harsche 856-778-3520, Pat Cornell 856-727-9476

SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDIES: See Information Board in Narthex

PRAYER MINISTRY: Prayer Room (varied hours)

Contacts: Lonnie and Barbara DeHart, 609-261-1253

Email prayer chain: To add a name to the email prayer chain, contact Church@meetwithGod.com

TUESDAYS WITH GOD – A Weekly Prayer Gathering of the Faithful, meets every Tuesday evening from 6:00-6:45 p.m.

for prayer in the chapel. Led by Pastor HeyYoung.

LIGHT HARBOR MINISTRIES: Third Sunday of each month @ 2:30. Contact person: Linda Wanagas, 273-1298

JR. HIGH UMYF (7-8TH GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY) Meets every Sunday evening from 7-8:30, Sept. thru June

Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 866-0285

SR. HIGH UMYF (9-12TH GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY) Meets every Sunday evening from 7-8:30, Sept. thru June

Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 866-0285

C.H.U.M. (2-4th Grade) Meets every Thursday at 4:30 for choir & 5:15 for dinner, fellowship & activity

Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

CHRISTIAN TRAILBLAZERS (5th-6th Grades) Meets every Thursday, 4:30 for choir & 5:15 for dinner, fellowship & activity

Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

YOUNG FOLLOWERS (K-1st Grade) Meets every Thursday at 4:30 in Fell. Hall for dinner and proceed to choir at 5:15

Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

COLLEGE AGE: Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 866-0285

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK (IHN): Contact Person: Allan Hanlon, 802-1100

PRAISE TEAM - MUSIC AND BAND - Meets twice a month on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. (check bulletin for schedule)

GOSPEL CHOIR – Meets twice a week: Sunday at 12:15 p.m. and Thursday at 7 p.m.

CHOIRS AND HANDBELLS -

ADULT CHOIR Thursday 8:00-10:00 p.m.

YOUTH (7th -12th grade) Thursday 7:00-7:45 p.m.

WESLEY (5th - 6th grade) Thursday 4:30-5:15 p.m.

JUNIOR (2nd - 4th grade) Thursday 4:30-5:15 p.m.

PRIMARY (5 yrs. - 1st grade) Thursday 5:15-5:45 p.m.

ADULT BELLS Sunday 12:15-1:15 p.m.

YOUTH BELLS (7th - 12 grade) Sunday 6:00-6:50 p.m.

JUBILATION CHIMERS (4th-6th grade) Sunday 6:00-6:50 p.m.

Contact Person: Glenn Rodgers, 222-9369 (Music Department)

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:30 P.M. Contemporary Worship in the Chapel

Sunday: 8:30 A.M. Traditional Worship in the Chapel

9:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A community of faith committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ with a hurting world through words and actions

March 1, 2015

HOLY COMMUNION

9:30 A.M. Service

We welcome you to this service of praise and adoration. Let God speak to you through the songs and the message, and enjoy the fellowship of those who are seeking the Lord and the spiritual help that we need for daily living.

WELCOME

Curt Diehl, Worship Leader

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us worship God, who has done great things.

People: We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world.

Leader: Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.

People: We are the people God has formed through Christ; we worship him, and we rejoice!

Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

People: We praise God for the grace that has saved us. Alleluia! We rejoice!

WORSHIP IN SONG: TRADING MY SORROWS *(Darrell Evans)*

I'm trading my sorrows. I'm trading my shame. I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.

I'm trading my sickness. I'm trading my pain. I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.

Yes, Lord, yes, Lord, yes, yes, Lord. Yes, Lord, yes, Lord, yes, yes, Lord.

Yes, Lord, yes, Lord, yes, yes, Lord. Amen

I am pressed but not crushed, persecuted not abandoned, struck down but not destroyed.

I am blessed beyond the curse, for His promise will endure, that His joy's gonna be my strength.

Though the sorrow may last for the night, His joy comes in the morning. *(1988 Integrity's Hosanna!)*

GOD IS ABLE *(by Bob Fitts)*

God is able to make all grace abound to you; God is able to make all grace abound to you.

So that in all things, at all times, so that in all things having all that you need.

You will abound in ev'ry good thing, abound, having all that you need;

Abound, in ev'ry good deed you'll abound. *(1993 Integrity's Hosanna!)*

10, 000 REASONS (Bless the Lord) *by Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman*

Chorus: Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship His holy name.

Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing Your song again.

Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes. (chorus)

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger. Your name is great and Your heart is kind.

For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing; ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. (chorus)

And on that day, when my strength is failing, the end draws near, and my time has come;

still, my soul will sing Your praise unending – ten thousand years, and then forever more! (chorus 2x)

(2011 SHOUT! Publishing)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: O Lord, who hast mercy upon all, take away from me my sins, and mercifully kindle in me the fire of thy Holy Spirit. Take away from me the heart of stone, and give me a heart of flesh, a heart to love and adore Thee, a heart to delight in Thee, to follow and enjoy Thee, for Christ's sake. Amen.

St. Ambrose of Milan

HERE I AM TO WORSHIP *(by Tim Hughes)*

Light of the World, You stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see.

Beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You.

So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that You're my God.

And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, oh so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above.
Humbly You came to the Earth You created, all for love's sake became poor.
So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that You're my God.
And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.
And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross. (Repeat)
So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that You're my God.
And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me. (2000 Kingsway's Thankyou Music)

AGNUS DEI (By Michael W. Smith)

Alleluia, alleluia, for the Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia, for the Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia.
Holy, holy are You, Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb. You are holy, holy.
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb. You are Holy are You, Lord God Almighty. (1990 Sony/ATV Tune LLC)

BRINGING OUR NEEDS TO GOD

PRAYER RESPONSE LORD, LISTEN TO YOUR CHILDREN PRAYING (by Ken Medema)

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace. (1973 Hope Pub. Co.)

WORSHIP IN GIVING: Offering

SPECIAL MUSIC

Part the Waters/I Need Thee Every Hour
Glenn Rodgers, Elmine van den Berg, Duet

SHARING THE WORD

Scripture: John 6:25-35
Sermon: The I Am Sayings of Jesus Pastor Richard Nichols
I Am the Bread of Life

RESPONSE: Invitation to Holy Communion - The congregation is invited to receive Communion at the Communion rails. Come forward when you are ready, and receive the Communion elements with joy. These symbols represent the Body and Blood of Jesus offered for our forgiveness and new life. The invitation to receive comes from Jesus himself, and is not based on membership in this or any other Church. While you are waiting for your place at the Communion rail, take advantage of this quiet time to meditate, and offer your personal prayer and praise to God. *(If you are unable to come forward, let an usher know, and the Elements will be brought to you).*
For those members with grape juice allergies, whole grapes are available. There will also be gluten-free wafers available. Both are located on the end of the communion rails at the center aisle.

CLOSING HYMN 127 GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH (By William Williams)

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more;
feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee; I will ever give to thee. (Public Domain)

GOING FORTH: The Benediction

A NOTE TO PARENTS: Child care is available in Room E101 for children up to age four. We love children and little ones are welcome in our worship service. On those days when your child is fussy, the parlor located behind the sanctuary provides an excellent place to care for your children and still participate in the worship service. There is a powder room right outside the parlor that can be used for changing diapers.

USHERS: Lynn Andreacola, Thomas Trasser, Rob Grassmyer, Maureen Grassmyer, David Stepp

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: Worship: 288

PLEASE LET US KNOW...If you or someone you know is ill or in the hospital, let the church office know so that we can help in their healing process through our prayers, visits, food preparation, etc. Thank you!

THE CHANCEL BOUQUET HAS BEEN GIVEN BY: Bob Kessler, to the glory of God and in memory of wife, Sylvia.
PRAYER CONCERNS: Charles Simon (brother of Bob Simon), Ann Kenny (friend of Beth Fisher), Shirley VanDuser, Harris Fister, James Vine (father of Keith Vine), Sueanne Krout (daughter of Sarah Buchanan), Jesse Atkins (Dana Young's uncle), Pat Mengel, Paul Haynes, Nancy Bogden (friend of Bruce Van Dyke), Sumiko Young (Moorestown Girl Scout Leader), The Davies Family, Tracy Cramer (friend of Keith Vine's niece), Dan Hill (cousin of Denise Gattton), Carolyn Emme, Kim Moore (sister of Jackie Murray), Colin Saari (friend of Dick Loring), Rose Marie Sturtevant (mother of Karen Pry), Mary Berner, Louis Purul (father of Pre-School mom), Charlie Delaney, Rick Loring (son of Dick Loring), Laura Gould (sister of Ed Youse), Tyler Davis (grandson of Doris and Alan Coshland), Doug Nemeth (son of Dot & Zollie Nemeth), Marion Keefe (friend of Ada Campanile), Janet Durand, Bruce Slocum, Esther Wesley, Bertha Bendel, Karen Pearce (mother of William Pearce), Bob Scheyhing, Susan Moody (daughter-in-law of Joan Moody), Nitin Shah & Malvika Cherukara (friends of Barun McArthur), Shirley Ridgway, Marion Stepp, Harry Noyes (father of Bonnee Noyes-Bongiorno), Joe Van Osten (father of Cindy Suta), Jane Mertz, Mark McCoy (son of Bob McCoy).

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