

THE UNITED MESSENGER

FIFTEENTH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

DONATION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CHURCH OFFICE

MONDAY – THURSDAY, 9:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M.

(HOURS WILL VARY FOR SUMMER-PLEASE CALL AHEAD)

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FROM THE PASTOR...,

July/August Devotional

I have contemplated what I wanted to say in the July/August newsletter. I could talk about annual conference, the lunch bunch happenings or about taking time this summer to rejuvenate our bodies and our spirits. But, then, I realized that I forgot to ask God what message I should share with you. So I prayed. God pointed out that we live in a broken world, but, yet, God is always using people like me to share a message of love, hope, peace, grace, forgiveness, and acceptance to all. Sometimes, it is hard!

God provided this statement for me to think about. Martin Luther once said, "God can draw a straight line with a crooked stick." As I prayed and contemplated what God was trying to tell me, it brought to mind the Pharisees and Sadducees, the "holy men" of God who constantly put down the people Jesus accepted especially in his inner circle of friends. People like Mary Magdalene, Matthew the tax-collector, Peter, the Samaritan woman at the well, and then there was Paul and as Paul would say in 1 Timothy 1:15, "This is a trustworthy saying, and everyone should accept it: 'Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners'—and I am the worst of them all" (NLT).

So often I see more Pharisees and Sadducees in churches than I do the people God called and used. Why is that? It's because we tend to judge. We judge those who don't fit into our idea of who should or shouldn't be in church. We judge what they wear or how they look or maybe even smell. We look at people and when we know their past, we tend to condemn them. I came across this list many years ago, and I wanted to share this with all of you. I try so hard to remember that God calls the least likely to be His hands and feet in this world. We are all sinners saved by God's redeeming grace.

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| ~ Noah was a drunk | ~ Abraham was too old |
| ~ Isaac was a daydreamer | ~ Jacob was a liar |
| ~ Leah was ugly | ~ Joseph was abused |
| ~ Moses had a stuttering problem (Moses stuttered) | ~ Gideon was afraid |
| ~ Samson had long hair and was a womanizer | ~ Rahab was a prostitute |
| ~ Jeremiah and Timothy were too young | ~ Zacchaeus was too small |
| ~ David was an adulterer and a murderer | ~ Elijah was suicidal |
| ~ Isaiah preached naked | ~ Jonah ran from God |
| ~ Naomi was a widow | ~ Job went bankrupt |
| ~ John the Baptist ate bugs | ~ Peter denied Christ |
| ~ The disciples fell asleep while praying | ~ Timothy had an ulcer |
| ~ Martha worried about everything | ~ Paul was too religious |
| ~ The Samaritan woman was divorced (more than once) | ~ Lazarus was dead! |

I pray that as we enjoy our time this summer we can look at people with an open heart and an open mind. We are all children of God. God loves us in spite of ourselves and the things we have done or not done in our life. Let us not be the Pharisees and Sadducees, but let us be the people of God who have answered the call to be disciples for Jesus.

Pastor Barb



WEDNESDAYS

is in full swing and will continue through

Wednesday, August 9th, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., at the 15th Street UMC.





HOLY COMMUNION
Donation and 15th Street UM Churches
Sunday, July 2nd - 9:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

*Do this in
Remembrance
of Me*

HOLY COMMUNION
Donation and 15th Street UM Churches
Sunday, August 6th - 9:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

WORSHIP SCHEDULES

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July 2, 2023

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Communion
Scripture Lessons – Genesis 22:1-14 NRSV; Romans 6:12-23 NRSV; Matthew 10:40-42 NRSV
Sermon: "Are We Welcoming?"

July 9, 2023

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost
Scripture Lessons – Genesis 24:34-38; 42-49, 58-67 NRSV; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 NRSV
Sermon: "Are We Yoked?"

July 16, 2023

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
Scripture Lessons – Genesis 25:19-34 NRSV; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 NRSV
Sermon: "What Is Our Potential?"

July 23, 2023

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost
Scripture Lesson – Genesis 28:10-19a NRSV; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 NRSV
Sermon: "How Do We Shine?"

July 30, 2023

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost
Joint Service / Picnic With Donation and 15th Street UM Churches
Stone Creek Lion's Barn – 10:00 a.m.

August 6, 2023

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Communion
Scripture Lessons – Genesis 32:22-31 NRSV; Romans 9:1-5 NRSV; Matthew 14:13-21 NRSV
Sermon: "What Are You Hungering For?"

August 13, 2023

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost
Scripture Lessons – Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 NRSV; Romans 10:5-15 NRSV; Matthew 14:22-33 NRSV
Sermon: "God Moments", Donation UMC

Summer Lunch Bunch Program, 15th Street UMC, will be leading worship.

August 20, 2023

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost
Scripture Lessons – Genesis 45:1-15 NRSV; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 NRSV; Matthew 15:(10-20) 21-28 NRSV
Sermon: "What Lies Ahead?"

August 27, 2023

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Scripture Lessons – Exodus 1:8-2:10 NRSV; Romans 12:1-8 NRSV; Matthew 16:13-20 NRSV
Sermon: "What Say You?"

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july - august...,

as in previous years, the church office will have a change in hours for the summer months.

accumulated hours, vacation time, raystown, camping,

sunshine, beach time, cookouts, and more...,

the office will not be open normal hours, so please call ahead before stopping in, 643-3690.

MAY, 2023 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

					<u>INCOME VS EXPENSE</u>	
	<u>ACTUAL INCOME</u>		<u>ACTUAL EXPENSES</u>		<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>	
		<u>YEAR</u>		<u>YEAR</u>		
	<u>MAY</u>	<u>TO DATE</u>	<u>MAY</u>	<u>TO DATE</u>	<u>PLUS</u>	<u>MINUS</u>
<u>CURRENT INCOME</u>	\$10,557.35	\$87,729.98				
<u>CURRENT EXPENSES</u>			\$15,661.87	\$89,801.72		
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<u>BENEVOLENCE INCOME</u>	\$554.50	\$3,536.84				
<u>BENEVOLENCE EXPENSES</u>			\$731.00	\$3,392.84		
					\$144.00	
<u>TRUSTEE INCOME</u>	\$494.00	\$3,395.00				
<u>TRUSTEE EXPENSES</u>			\$494.00	\$3,395.00		
					\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>COMBINED INCOME</u>	\$11,605.85	\$94,661.82				
<u>COMBINED EXPENSES</u>			\$16,886.87	\$96,589.56		

Special Offerings for May

Huntingdon County Foundation \$ 100.00
 Food Bank (renovations)
 Golden Cross-Benevolent Homes \$ 25.00
 Peace With Justice \$ 16.00
 Sandwich Sale-Donation Church \$ 365.00
 SUSUMC-Conference Offerings \$ 225.00

Cancer Care Ministry

You don't have to feel alone. Come and find support with those that are experiencing what you are going through.

McConnellstown First Church Of The Nazarene
 5851 Newtown Avenue - Huntingdon, PA
 3rd Sunday Of Each Month
 4:30 p.m. - Church Fellowship Hall
 More Details-call (814) 643-7171 or (814) 386-7573.

SPECIAL OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTHS OF JULY / AUGUST

July 2, 2023 World Hunger
 (Offerings received help resource food pantries/banks throughout the world, United States, and locally.)
 July 16, 2023 Organ Fund
 (Pays for minor repairs and tuning of the church organ and piano.)
 August 13, 2023 Cash Day (Heating)
 (This offering is to assist with the cost of heating the church during the colder months of the year.)
 August 27, 2023 Forum Fuel Assistance



Donation United Methodist Church

BIRTHDAYS

July 4 Madison McCool	July 17 Bob Dysard
July 11 Beau Schleicher	July 25 Howard Hilling
August 14 Pat Larson	August 19 Hutch Moore
August 16 Rick Johns	August 21 Frank Frew
	August 23 Anna Spangler

ANNIVERSARIES

August 6 Walter & Ruth Edwards August 11 Paul & Susan McCool

- Events To Remember -

JULY EVENTS

HOLY COMMUNION – DONATION / 15TH STREET UM CHURCHES
Sunday, July 2nd – 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m.

SUMMER FUN LUNCH BUNCH
15TH STREET UM CHURCH
Wednesday, July 5th – 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

BLUEBERRIES WILL BE DELIVERED
Thursday, July 6th – 15th Street UM Church Parking Lot

SUMMER FUN LUNCH BUNCH
15TH STREET UM CHURCH
Wednesday, July 12th – 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – DONATION UM CHURCH
Monday, July 17th – 6:00 p.m.

SUMMER FUN LUNCH BUNCH
15TH STREET UM CHURCH
Wednesday, July 19th – 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

ENDOWMENT MEETING
Monday, July 24th – 3:30 p.m.

CHURCH COUNCIL – 15TH STREET UM CHURCH
Tuesday, July 25th – 6:30 p.m.

SUMMER FUN LUNCH BUNCH
15TH STREET UM CHURCH
Wednesday, July 26th – 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

DONATION CHURCH PREPARING / SERVING SOUP KITCHEN
Thursday, July 27th – 4:00 p.m.

JOINT SERVICE WITH DONATION / 15TH STREET UM CHURCHES
Stone Creek Lion's Barn
Sunday, July 30th – 10:00 a.m.

AUGUST EVENTS

STAFF PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, August 1st – 6:30 p.m.

SUMMER FUN LUNCH BUNCH
15TH STREET UM CHURCH
Wednesday, August 2nd – 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

HOLY COMMUNION – DONATION / 15TH STREET UM CHURCHES
Sunday, August 6th – 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m.

TRUSTEE MEETING
Monday, August 7th – 6:00 p.m.

SUMMER FUN LUNCH BUNCH
15TH STREET UM CHURCH
Wednesday, August 9th – 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

SUMMER LUNCH BUNCH
WILL BE HAVING THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
Sunday, August 13th – 10:45 a.m.

FAITH NIGHT AT THE CURVE
Sunday, August 13th – 6:00 p.m.

MONDAYS

6:45 p.m. – Music! Music! Music! Community Choir
note: no Community Choir on Monday, July 3rd.

Chancel Choir
will have their first rehearsal on
August, Wednesday 23rd, at 6:45 p.m.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ABOVE ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE...

COMBINED SERVICE WITH DONATION AND 15TH STREET UM CHURCHES

AT THE STONE CREEK LION'S BARN ON SUNDAY, JULY 30TH.

There will be a picnic following the worship service. Meat, beverages and table service will be provided.
You are asked to bring a covered dish to share. Plan to attend and enjoy the fun, food and fellowship.



congratulations on the upcoming **BABY BAPTISM** at **15TH STREET UM CHURCH** on **SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2023.**

- SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM -

EMERI KAYE ISETT - BORN ON JULY 12, 2022 - PARENTS: CHAD AND ALIXANDRA SELLERS





Sympathy is extended to the family of
Kris Conlon,
 who entered life triumphant on Wednesday, May 31, 2023.
 Continued prayers for her family will be appreciated.



Mary Gladfelter will be celebrating her 99th birthday
 on Tuesday, July 4th. Let's shower her with
 many birthday cards for her special day.
 Her mailing address at this time is:
 Room 204 – 120 Aspen Lane – Huntingdon, PA 16652



\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ **FOOD BANK NEED** \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$

Instead of a particular food bank item for July and August, Monetary Donations Are Still Needed.
 The Huntingdon Food Pantry will soon be in their new location (former Busko's Service Station)
 on Penn Street and renovations to the facility will be finished. If contributing by check,
 please make payable to the 15th Street UMC / Donation UMC for contribution income tax credit.



15th Street United Methodist Church

BIRTHDAYS

happy birthday

July 3 David Faust	July 7 Alix Isett	July 15 Karen Mort
July 3 Pete Sellers	July 8 Susie Black	July 16 Keith Black
July 4 Mary Gladfelter	July 10 Scarlett Speck	July 16 Cleo Mann
July 7 Frank Campopiano	July 12 Emeri Isett	July 18 Betty Norris
	July 13 Karen Campopiano	

happy anniversary

August 2 Sue Reed	August 13 Linda Faust	August 21 Elizabeth Walters
August 9 Mark Minor	August 16 Kimberly Stratton	August 30 Bill Hendricks
	August 19 Dan Aurandt	

ANNIVERSARIES

July 13 Mike & Regina Sellers	July 21 Bob and Paula Mohler	July 26 Keith & Susie Black
July 21 John & Kris Cunningham	July 22 Ron & Carol Yoder	July 30 Chuck and Polly Streightiff

August 8 Jack and Pastor Barb Servello	August 14 Neil & Dianne Barben
August 9 Allan & Sue Stratton	August 28 Bill & Sharon Hendricks
August 29 Robert & Karen Mort	



FAITH NIGHT AT ALTOONA CURVE



The congregations of 15th Street and Donation UM Churches are invited to attend the Altoona Curve Faith Night, Sunday, August 13th, 6:00 p.m.

There will be live music prior to the game and fireworks following the game. Tickets are \$9.00 per person and must be paid for by Sunday, July 30th.

Please make checks payable to Mike Knott.

A sign up sheet in on the table in the vestibule (Donation UMC) and the radiator at the back of the sanctuary (15th Street UMC).

ALTOONA HUB NEEDS include..., jeans, plastic bags, diapers, receiving blankets, towels, baby washcloths, insect repellent, air fresheners, packing tape, and activities bags. Please bring into the church office.

JULY



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2 Holy Communion 9:15 a.m. Donation UMC 10:45 a.m. 15th Street UMC	3 No Community Choir	4 HAPPY 4th OF JULY!	5 Summer Fun Lunch Bunch 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	6 Blueberries Will Be Delivered In The Church Parking Lot.	7	8
9	6:45 p.m. Community Choir	10	11	12 Summer Fun Lunch Bunch 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	13	14
16	6:00 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting At Donation UMC 6:45 p.m. Community Choir	17	18	19 Summer Fun Lunch Bunch 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	20	21
23	3:30 p.m. Endowment Meeting 6:45 p.m. Community Choir	24	25 6:30 p.m. Church Council	26 Summer Fun Lunch Bunch 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	27 4:00 p.m. Donation UMC preparing/ serving Soup Kitchen	28
30 10:00 a.m. Joint Service / Picnic With Donation/15th Street UM Churches At Stone Creek Lion's Barn meat, drinks, table service will be provided.	31 6:45 p.m. Community Choir		15th Street UM Church 9:30 a.m.-Sunday School / 10:45 a.m.-Worship Donation UM Church 9:15 a.m.-Worship / 10:45 a.m.-Sunday School Food Bank Item For July & August – Monetary Donations			

August



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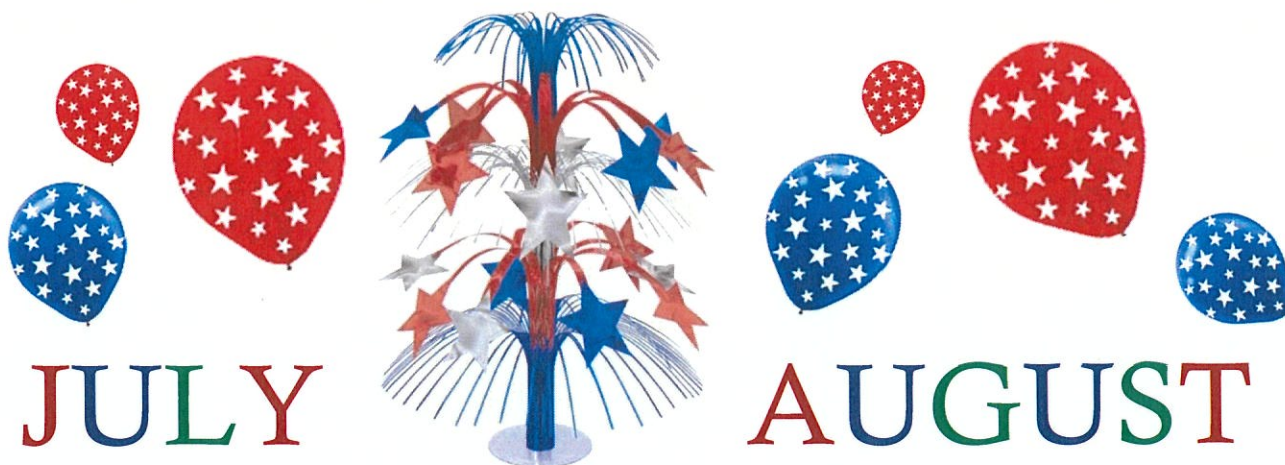
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>Donation UM Church 9:15 a.m.-Worship 10:45 a.m.-Sunday School</p> <p>15th Street UM Church 9:30 a.m.-Sunday School 10:45 a.m.-Worship</p>		<p>1</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Staff Parish Relations Committee Meeting</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Summer Fun Lunch Bunch 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>6</p> <p>Holy Communion 9:15 a.m. Donation UMC 10:45 a.m. 15th Street UMC</p>	<p>7</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting</p> <p>6:45 p.m. Community Choir</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Summer Fun Lunch Bunch 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13</p> <p>10:45 a.m. Summer Fun Lunch Bunch will be sharing in the morning worship service.</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Faith Night At The Curve</p>	<p>14</p> <p>6:45 p.m. Community Choir</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>
<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>6:45 p.m. Community Choir</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Begins Rehearsals</p> <p>8:00 p.m. Bell Choir Begins Rehearsals</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>6:45 p.m. Community Choir</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>Food Bank Item- July/August-Monetary Donations</p>	

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