THE UNITED MESSENGER

FIFTEENTH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
DONATION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
MANOR HILL CHARGE – ENNISVILLE; FAITH; WESLEY CHAPEL

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

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November, 2026

FROM THE PASTOR...,
NOVEMBER DEVOTIONAL, 2026

"But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." -Matthew 6:33



What does it mean to live in thanks? A young mother was shopping with her infant son one day. They went to the dairy, the grocery store, the dress shop, and finally, the candy shop. All day she charged every purchase. When they came to the candy store, the child became restless and began to fuss. The candy man reached over for a lollipop and gave it to her son. He accepted it with joy, but she said to him, "Now, what do you say, Charlie?" And the boy blurted out: "Charge it!" Sometimes we do the same. We see God's blessings as something we earned or bought. But God's blessings are love given without reservation. God gives his love to us that we can be blessed in it and respond in thanks.

It has to do with what we hope for in our lives. Do we seek ways that we think we achieve on our own by pulling up our boot straps, rolling up our sleeves and earning it? Or do we seek to look to God in hope of what God's best for our lives may be and seeking that best, even when we may not always know what that best may be.

Gratitude and hope go together. What we are most grateful for we have hoped will happen or continue to happen in our lives. As we hope, we look to God. We seek where God is leading us and where God blesses us as his people. In God we know that we are loved and in that love God gives us what is best for our hearts and lives daily. Steve Harper said, "Gratitude is our response when it happens." When God shows us blessing, leads us to new insight, uplifts us when we are low, gives us life when we feel flat, and hopeless, and enriches our lives when we feel needy, God is there for us so we can know his presence and life and respond, not in callous apathy, but in praising love.

This is what people of God should be doing and how people of God should be living, in gratitude, hope, and love for a God who seeks for us a better way of life daily and blesses us with what we need to live that life. God does so that we can live not for what the world offers, or what we think we can do on our own, but only know, accomplish, and find blessing in what God offers to us as best every day. Focus your hearts in this thanksgiving daily as you look to God for all that is best for you.

God, in giving thanks, I am expressing my hope. I am grateful for the life you have in mind for everyone, I want to live in ways that will help others seek the kingdom. Help me to do so in Jesus that I can live a gratitude that seeks your best for my life and give that best to your people in the love I offer to all. Amen. –Steve Harper

Peace and Blessing for a wonderful Thanksgiving
Pastor Jim



SOMETHING STARTED AND CONTINUING TO HAPPEN...,

COMMUNITY MEAL - FAITH UMC - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH - 12:00 P.M.

Local folks are now finding and experiencing a delicious meal, fellowship and companionship at Faith UMC as many are now attending this once a month gathering since the closure of Couch's. Starting this local ministry in September, it has been well attended and very much enjoyed. Continue to talk about it, tell your friends and spread the word.

FIFTEENTH STREET / DONATION / MANOR HILL CHARGE (ENNISVILLE – FAITH – WESLEY CHAPEL) UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES - WORSHIP SCHEDULE NOVEMBER, 2026

November 1, 2026 Twenty-third Sunday After Pentecost
All Saints Sunday
Scripture Lessons – I John 3:1-13; Matthew 23:1-12
Sermon: "Saints and Servants"

November 8, 2026 Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost
Hymn Sing At All 5 Churches
Scripture Lessons – To Be Announced



November 15, 2026 Twenty-fifth Sunday After Pentecost – Thanksgiving Sunday
Sermon / Scripture Lessons – To Be Announced

November 22, 2026 Reign Of Christ / Christ The King Sunday
Scripture Lessons – Ezekiel 34:17-24; Matthew 25:31-46
Sermon: "Who Shepherds Your Heart?"

November 29, 2026 First Sunday Of Advent
Combined Service With All 5 Churches At 15th Street UMC
Holy Communion
Scripture Lessons – Isaiah 64:1-9; Mark 13:24-37
Sermon: "Waiting For The Dawn"

All Saints Day – 15th Street UMC – Sunday, November 1st – 10:45 a.m.
remembering several of our congregation who have entered life triumphant during this past year:
H. Louise Mateer – July 11, 2026 Dennis A. "Tony" DeStadio – August 12, 2026 Connie Mateer – October 2, 2026
A. Keith Black – October 13, 2026 Susan Black – October 13, 2026 Ronald R. Yoder – October 22, 2026

Music! Music! Music! Community Choir
will be presenting their annual concert on Friday, November 6th,
at the 15th Street United Methodist Church, at 7:00 p.m.
Benefitting from the proceeds received that evening will be the Huntingdon Historical Society.
Please add this event to your calendar and attend.

USED BOOK SALE – 15TH STREET UM CHURCH

Thursday, November 12th–12:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.; Friday, November 13th–12:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.;
Saturday, November 14th–9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
All Profits Will Benefit The Summer Lunch Bunch Program At 15th Street UM Church.

SEPTEMBER, 2026
FINANCIAL SUMMARY

					INCOME VS EXPENSE	
	ACTUAL INCOME		ACTUAL EXPENSES		YEAR TO DATE	
		YEAR		YEAR		
	SEPTEMBER	TO DATE	SEPTEMBER	TO DATE	PLUS	MINUS
CURRENT INCOME	$16,743.14	$163,491.88				
CURRENT EXPENSES			$16,887.00	$175,281.39		
						-$11,789.51
BENEVOLENCE INCOME	$330.00	$3,651.26				
BENEVOLENCE EXPENSES			$10.00	$1,906.26		
					$1,745.00	
TRUSTEE INCOME	$870.00	$7,855.75				
TRUSTEE EXPENSES			$870.00	$7,855.75		
					$0.00	$0.00
COMBINED INCOME	$17,943.14	$174,998.89				
COMBINED EXPENSES			$17,767.00	$185,043.40		

The actual CURRENT income figure of $16,743.14 for September, 2026, includes endowment earnings from several Merrill Lynch Accounts, totaling $4,462.52 to assist with everyday operating expenses for the church.

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SPECIAL OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

November 1, 2026 World Hunger
(The goal is $1.00 for each member of the congregation. The offering is divided with 50% designated to support hunger projects within the Susquehanna Conference and 50% designated for UMCOR hunger projects.)

November 8, 2026 United Methodist Student Day
(This special offering provides loan and scholarship funds for United Methodist colleges, universities and graduate students.)

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Ennisville, Faith, Wesley Chapel, 15th Street and Donation UM Churches are inviting all men and boys from their congregations to a

Meet for Breakfast

FREE BREAKFAST / DEVOTIONS / PRAYER
Saturday, November 7th – 8:00 a.m.



at Stone Valley Bible Church–13543 Greenwood Road–Huntingdon, PA
Questions?? please contact Rod Cook 814 667-4494 / 814 500-3455.

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The "Mitten Tree" will be in place at the Educational Unit entrance of the 15th Street UM Church for your "decorations" the week of November 15th. When shopping, why not pick up a hat, scarf, pair of gloves, or even socks to help decorate the tree. It will be up until Sunday, December 13th, at which time all "decorations" will be removed and given a local charity for distribution.

- Events To Remember -

All Saints Sunday
Sunday, November 1st

Coffee / Fellowship Time – Faith UM Church
Sunday, November 1st – 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Music! Music! Music! – 15th Street UM Church
Friday, November 6th – 7:00 p.m.
Freewill Offering – Benefitting Historical Society

Free Breakfast / Devotions / Men and Boys
Ennisville – Faith – Wesley Chapel – 15th Street – Donation UM Churches At Stone Valley Bible Church
Saturday, November 7th – 8:00 a.m. (see detailed announcement)

Endowment Meeting
Monday, November 9th – 3:30 p.m.

Community Meal – Faith UM Church
Tuesday, November 10th – 12:00 p.m. (see detailed announcement)

Church Council Meeting – Ennisville UM Church
Tuesday, November 10th – 1:00 p.m.

Making Ham 'n Cheese Sandwiches – Donation UMC
Thursday, November 12th – 3:00 p.m.

Ham 'n Cheese Sandwich Sale – Pick-up 15th Street Orders
Friday, November 13th – 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Book Sale – 15th Street UM Church Social Room
Thursday, November 12th – 12:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
Friday, November 13th – 12:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 14th – 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Operation Christmas Child – Ennisville UM Church
Sunday, November 15th
All Filled Shoe Boxes Are To Be Returned To The Church.

Coffee / Fellowship Time – Wesley Chapel
Sunday, November 15th – 8:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m.

Church Council Meeting – Faith UM Church
Sunday, November 15th – Following Worship Service At Noon

Administrative Council Meeting – Donation UM Church
Monday, November 16th – 1:00 p.m.

Bible Study With Pastor House
Thursday, November 19th
Wesley Chapel – 3:00 p.m.; 15th Street UMC – 6:30 p.m.

Church Council – 15th Street Church
Tuesday, November 24th – 6:30 p.m.

Decorate The Church – 15th Street UM Church
Saturday, November 28th – Time To Be Announced

First Sunday Of Advent – Holy Communion
Sunday, November 29th – Combined Service With All 5 Churches

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MONDAYS
5:00 p.m. – Music! Music! Music! Community Choir

WEDNESDAYS
Bell Choir – 5:30 p.m.; Chancel Choir – 6:30 p.m.

-PLEASE NOTE DAY CHANGE
NO Chancel Choir / NO Bell Choir – Wednesday, November 25th.
It is scheduled THAT WEEK for TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24th.

15th Street United Methodist Church

BIRTHDAYS

November 6 Shirley McBrayer
November 22 Randy Rennell
November 23 Dan Greenleaf
November 24 Sue Glenny
November 24 Crystal Querry

ANNIVERSARIES

November 21 Larry and Donna Isenberg

Donation United Methodist Church

BIRTHDAYS

November 15 Debbie Lear - November 19 Nancy Moyer - November 22 Pat McCool - November 28 Calin McCool

Ennisville United Methodist Church

BIRTHDAYS

November 14 Alberta Keller
November 29 Jay White

ANNIVERSARY

November 07 Jay and Darla White

Faith United Methodist Church

BIRTHDAY

November 24 Joan Daub

ANNIVERSARY

November 19 Christopher and Kimberly Connelly

happy birthday

happy anniversary



NOVEMBER 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 All Saints Day Faith UMC Coffee/Fellowship 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m.	2 5:00 p.m. Community Choir	3	4 5:30 p.m. Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir	5	6 7:00 p.m. Music! Music! Music! Concert 15th Street UMC Benefitting Historical Society	7 8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast/ Prayer / Devotions Ennisville / Faith / Wesley Chapel / 15th Street / Donation UM Churches At Stone Valley Bible Church
8	9 3:30 p.m. Endowment Meeting 5:00 p.m. Community Choir	10 12:00 p.m. Community Meal Faith UMC (see detailed announcement) 1:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting For Ennisville UMC	11 5:30 p.m. Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir	12 3:00 p.m. Making Ham 'n Cheese Sandwiches At Donation UMC	13 10:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. Sandwich Sale Pick-up At 15th Street UMC	14 USED BOOK SALE Thursday & Friday Times Are: 12:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.; Saturday Time Is: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. 15th Street UM Church
15 Wesley Chapel UMC Coffee / Fellowship 8:00 a.m.–8:30 a.m. Worship 8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. Church Council For Faith UMC Following Worship	16 1:00 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting Donation UMC 5:00 p.m. Community Choir	17	18 5:30 p.m. Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir	19 Bible Study With Pastor House 3:00 p.m. Wesley Chapel 6:30 p.m. 15th Street UMC	20	21
22	23 5:00 p.m. Community Choir	24 5:30 p.m. Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir 6:30 p.m. Church Council 15th Street UMC	25	26 	27	28 8:00 a.m. Decorate 15th Street Church For Christmas
First Sunday 29 Of Advent Holy Communion Combined Service At 15th Street UMC With All 5 Churches	30 5:00 p.m. Community Choir		Manor Hill Charge Wesley Chapel UMC–8:45 a.m.; Ennisville UMC–9:45 a.m.; Faith UMC–11:00 a.m. 15th Street UMC 9:30 a.m.-Sunday School; 10:45 a.m.-Worship Donation UMC 9:15 a.m.-Worship			

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