

Easter Sunday March 31, 2024



He is
RISEN !

10:00 am Worship Service
Sunday, March 31, 2024

EASTER : The Depths of Love

***OPENING TIME OF WORSHIP**

Worship Band

"Blessed Redeemer"

"No One In His Grave"

"Death Was Arrested"

CALL TO WORSHIP-

Leader: The tomb is dark, but empty.

Congregation: The One you are looking for has overcome the darkness!

L: The stone has been rolled away.

C: The One you are looking for has overcome death!

L: The burial clothes are put aside.

C: The One you are looking for is Alive!

L: Christ is Risen!

ALL: CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED! LET US WORSHIP OUR RISEN SAVIOR! AMEN

TIME OF PRAISE

"Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me) "

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Dick Ocker

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN**

"Christ The Lord Is Risen Today" (v. 1-4)

UMH #302

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 20: 1-18

George Bellish

SERMON

"There is JOY! A Mother Remembers...."

A STATEMENT OF FAITH (Unison)

UMH #881

MAKING MINISTRY HAPPEN

***HYMN**

"Crown Him With Many Crowns"

UMH #327

GIVING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

CLOSING SONG

"God's Not Dead"

Worship Band

WE ARE SENT FORTH

BENEDICTION AND POSTLUDE

***STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

*Bulletins are sponsored this week
in Memory of James & Mary & Ronald Barrick
by Earl & Darlene Smith*



Each Week it takes many hands to prepare for worship. Thank you to our Worship team who are serving this Month and to those scheduled to serve next week!

	MARCH	APRIL		
ROLE	EASTER-31	7	14	21
Message Title	Depths of Love	How Shall We Live Now: "Walking In The Light"	How Shall We Live Now: "Purified In Hope"	How Shall We Live Now: "Abiding In Christ"
Scripture	John 20:1-18	1 John 1:1-7	1 John 3:1-7	1 John 3:16-24
Acolyte	Holden Clouse-Beddia	Ella Lawton	Olivia Jones	Zac Peters
Praise Band:				
	Brian Moore	Dave Billman	Dave Billman	Dave Billman
	Elizabeth Peters	Elizabeth Peters	Elizabeth Peters	Elizabeth Peters
	Travis Clouse	Travis Clouse	Travis Clouse	Travis Clouse
	Seth Lawton	Seth Lawton	Seth Lawton	Seth Lawton
Tech Team	Tim Walsh	Joe O'Donnell	Tim Walsh	Joe O'Donnell
Ushers:				
Gathering/ Downstairs	Rick Orner	Glenn Kimmel	Phil Coler	Earl Smith
Pastor/Sanctuary	Ed Shipley	Andy Groshans	Sue Walsh	Linda Eckenrode
Greeters:				
Hospitality Greeter	Linda Kimmel	Linda Kimmel	Linda Kimmel	Darlene Smith
Bulletin	Deb Shipley	Mary Groshans	Kim Coler & Sue Lamma	Barb Simpson
Lector	George Bellish	Laurie Barrick	Carolyn Bloom	Linda Eckenrode

PRAYER CONCERNS: Dennis Byerly (Pastor Deb's father), Julie Wagner (Glenn Kimmel's cousin), Cathy Barrick, Mr. Agostini (Cheryl Brady's neighbor, Gary Dailey, Todd Eckenrode, Liz Lehman (Sandi Lehman's DIL)

LONG TERM ILLNESS: Teresa Bellish, Harry Schulz, John McAllen (Asonia Wolf's son), Alesha Holsinger (Linda Kimmel's friend), Barb Elting, Gaylea Kelly, Loretta Calaman, John Edwards (Andy & Mary Groshans), Asonia Wolf, Vera Egolf, Jackie Weary, Ed Hair, Stewart Lamma, Anne Stanford, Dick Lindsey, Charles Sherman, Josiah Claire (Becky Smith), The Matrese Family, Steven Hair, Jeannie Wagner (Mary Jayne), Freddy Rodriguez (Deb Kraft).

GRIEF: Family of Randy Clouse (Travis Clouse), Family of Glenn Linn (Amy Hershey's uncle), Family of Carolyn Jumper (Delores Coulson's sister), Family of Rhea Sheffler (Linda Kimmel's mother)

OUR WORLD MISSIONS: Mountains of Hope, Furcy, Haiti; Gideons.

THOSE DEPLOYED IN MILITARY SERVICE: Jadyn Barrett (Navy), Alex Myers (Army), Gerad Calaman (Air Force), Dylan Kupp (Navy), Justyn Padua, Brandon Padua, Dustin Jeardoe (Marine), Erin Driver (Army), John Durnin II (Marine).

NURSING HOMES:

Thorwald Home: Pauline Hollenbaugh
COG: Jane Sunday

**Susquehanna
Conference of the UMC
Circle of Prayer Churches**

**For the week of
March 31 - April 6**

Wenksville UMC, Biglerville
Lincoln Chapel UMC, Laurelton
Grove Memorial UMC, Lewistown
Calvary Harrisburg UMC, Harrisburg
First Blossburg, Blossburg
Shavertown UMC, Shavertown
Wagner UMC, McClure
Shirleysburg UMC, Shirleysburg
St Andrews Valley View UMC, Valley View
Kunkle UMC, Dallas
Wesley Forest Camp & Retreat Center,
Weikert

**LET US REMEMBER WITH
PRAYERS AND CARDS**

***Please use the Connection card to
convey your prayer concerns.***

*Prayer concerns are included with
permission and by request only, to
protect the privacy of individuals.*

***Requests remain on the prayer list
for one month, unless requested
otherwise.***

*Thank you for your passion for
prayer!*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST

It's that time of year when appointment changes are beginning, here is a current list of those who will be making these transitions. Please be in prayer for these congregations, the pastors and their families, as they all transition with new appointments. Thank you for your passion for prayer!

- **Rev. Dr. Paul C. Amara** from Conference Superintendent, Williamsport Supervisory Area to Trucksville, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area
- **Pastor Susan L. Arnold** to Philipsburg/Osceola Mills Charge, State College Supervisory Area
- **Rev. Dr. James P. Bohanan** from Christ Mountaintop, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area to Asbury York, Harrisburg Supervisory Area
- **Sarah M. Church** to Mehoopany Charge, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area
- **Pastor Kymberly A. Eichelberger** from Manor Hill Charge, Altoona Supervisory Area to Catawissa Parish, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area
- **Pastor Carol Folk** from Loyalville Extended, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area to Center Moreland, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area
- **Rev. Craig C. Gommer** from Wilkes-Barre Cooperative Parish, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area to Christ Mountaintop, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area
- **Rev. Dr. Nancy J. Hale** from Sunbury Catawissa Avenue, Williamsport Supervisory Area to Roseville/Mainesburg Parish, Williamsport Supervisory Area
- **Pastor Patricia A. Hall** from Cito, Altoona Supervisory Area to Shade Valley Parish, Altoona Supervisory Area
- **Rev. Susan L. Hardman-Zimmerman** from Poultney Charge and Rutland UMC, Green Mountain District, Vermont to Trinity, Walnut Bottom, Harrisburg Supervisory Area
- **Rev. Dr. Karl R. Herman** from Neidig Memorial Extended, Harrisburg Supervisory Area to Waynesboro Christ, Altoona Supervisory Area
- **Rev. Mira A. Hewlett** from Carlisle, Harrisburg Supervisory Area to First, Mechanicsburg, Harrisburg Supervisory Area
- **Pastor John A. Hocker** from Farrandsville, Lock Haven Parish, State College Supervisory Area to Lock Haven Parish, State College Supervisory Area
- **Rev. Lenore C. Hosier** from Extension Ministry to Christ Community/Llyswen, Altoona Supervisory Area
- **Pastor Laura M. Kincaid** from First, New Milford/South Montrose Community, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area to Messiah, Shippensburg, Harrisburg Supervisory Area
- **Pastor William M. Klebe** from Berwick First Extended, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area to Woolrich/Caldwell, State College Supervisory Area
- **Rev. Brian L. Lucas** from Christ, Waynesboro, Altoona Supervisory Area to St. Andrew's Milton, Williamsport Supervisory Area
- **Rev. John F. Mackey** from Clarks Summit, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area to Shepherdstown, Harrisburg Supervisory Area
- **Rev. Adam W. Miller** from Catawissa Parish, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area to Clarks Green/Clarks Summit, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area
- **Pastor Martin L. Parr** from Jerseytown Charge, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area to Pine Creek Charge, Williamsport Supervisory Area
- **Pastor George Price III** from Mehoopany Charge, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area to Berwick First Extended, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area
- **Pastor Julie A. Rosensteel** from Greater Broad Top/New Hope Parish, Altoona Supervisory Area to South Montrose Community/First, New Milford, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area
- **Pastor Ethan T. Shearer** to St. Pauls Lewisburg, Williamsport Supervisory Area
- **Rev. Dr. Lillian Smith** from Cheverly, Baltimore-Washington Conference to Conference Superintendent, Altoona Supervisory Area
- **Rev. Mark R. Terwilliger** from Asbury York, Harrisburg Supervisory Area to Chambersburg First, Altoona Supervisory Area
- **Richard A. Wallace** from Lock Haven Parish, State College Supervisory Area to Clearfield Parish, State College Supervisory Area
- **Pastor Nathan E. Weaver** from Noxen and Kunkle, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area to Jerseytown Charge, Scranton Wilkes-Barre Supervisory Area
- **Rev. Dr. Joleen A. Willis** from Conference Superintendent, Altoona Supervisory Area to First, Hollidaysburg, Altoona Supervisory Area
- **Rev. Daniel L. Wilt** from Lewisburg St. Paul's, Williamsport Supervisory Area to Conference Superintendent, Williamsport Supervisory Area
- **Jenny J. Woods** to Manor Hill Charge, Altoona Supervisory Area

Spread the Love
Prayer Shawl Club



Save the date, Thursday, April 18th at

6:30 p.m. First meeting of the season.

Calling all knitters and crocheters no

matter your skill level, and crafters too! Meeting will be at the home of Carolyn Bloom. We will discuss project ideas including prayer shawls. For directions call Carolyn at 717-645-2818. Please sign up on the connection card.

Hope to see you on the 18th! Darlene Smith & Carolyn Bloom.

Women's Bible Study



Weekly on Wednesday Morning at 9:00am

This study is led by a rotation of facilitators and meets at the home of Barb Simpson.

Please contact the office at

office@middlesexumc.com, 717-249-2449,

or sign up on your [Connection card](#) if you will be attending.

Men's Ministry

Come Join Us the First Saturday of each month. Our next meetings will be **April 6th at 9:00am at Sunnyside Diner.**

Please contact the office at

office@middlesexumc.com, 717-249-2449,

or sign up on your [Connection card](#) if you will be attending.



Mondays with Golden Lights
(Seniors)

Join us Monthly from Noon to 2:00pm for lunch with presentations or entertainment. RSVP by phoning Shari, the Office Administrator at 717-249-2449.

A \$5 donation is appreciated. **2024 schedule; April 1st, May 6th, June 3rd, July 8th, August 5th, September 9th, October 7th, November 4th, December 2nd.**

COMMUNITY CARES BREAKFAST

Join us as we serve breakfast
to residents of the Resource Center!

You are invited to join us inside or drop items off
at **50 West Penn Street, Carlisle,**

on the first **Saturday of each month at 8:00am;** May 4th, June
1st, July 6th, August 3rd, Sept. 7th, Oct. 5th, Nov.

2nd, December, 7th. If you have questions, please
email **Sue Walsh** at sew1251@gmail.com or sign up
on your [Connection card](#).



Shoe collection

Friends we would like to collect shoes for Mission Central. All donated shoes will be redistributed throughout the Funds2Orgs network of microenterprise partners in developing nations. Funds2Orgs helps impoverished people start, maintain and grow business in countries such as Haiti, Honduras and other nations in Central America and Africa. Proceeds from the shoe sales are used to feed, clothe and house their families. One budding entrepreneur in Haiti even earned enough to send her son to law school. By donating shoes to

Mission Central, you are giving someone a second chance and making a difference!



There will be a collection area in the gathering for these shoes. Thank you!



The grass will be growing soon, and our Facilities Team is looking for more volunteers to help with cutting the grass. Many hands make light work so the saying goes! Currently there are 4 people sharing in this necessary task. Thank you Earl Smith, Jim Otey, Cliff Jones and Chris Fine!! If 4-8 more people would sign up to help, it's possible that each volunteer may only have to cut the grass 1 or 2 times total for the season. If you are interested in helping keep our church property beautiful through the season, or want more information please contact Earl Smith or sign up on your connection card.

April Celebrations

Birthdays

- 1 Cathy Barrick
- 3 Ruth Hair
- 7 Jessica Clouse
- 9 Jerry Stuart
- 10 John Cable
- 17 Ben Lamma
- 18 Becky Cohick
- 25 Jay Mc Dermond
- 27 Ed Hair
- 27 Jim Stevens

Anniversaries

- 1 Jack & Delores Coulson
- 24 Todd & Linda Eckenrode
- 24 Pat & Barb Simpson
- 28 Andy & Mary Groshans



"Ignite" - MUMC Youth

6th through 12th Grade



Join us **1st & 3rd Sundays at 6 pm–8pm (Sept. thru June)**

Email office@middlesex.com for information.

Follow Ignite MUMC Youth on Facebook & Instagram

Little Lights

When: Thursdays at 10am (**NOTICE this is a day change**)

Who: Ages Birth to Preschool

Location: Church Gym

What: Enjoy an hour of indoor fun with your child! We will supply the toys, a craft and circle time. This is an on-going event: no registration required.



Little Hearts and Souls

is now enrolling for 2024/2025

If you have a child who is ready for preschool or know of someone that does, please check out our wonderful Preschool.

Pre K—Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00—11:30am, \$150 Monthly (Child must be 4 years old by August 31, 2023)

3 year olds—Tuesday, Thursday 9-11:30am, \$125 Monthly (child must be 3 years old by August 31, 2023)

\$35 Registration Fee

Contact LH & S (717) 249-1311 September -May

Contact Church office (717)-249-2449 June- August

Email the director Aimee Peele for more information at preschool@middlesexumc.com

**Chair Yoga will restart on
Tues, March 26th at 11:30 am**



These sessions are for both men and women and will be gentle using chairs and standing poses. The classes are suitable for all ages and participants will feel results after their first session. Please wear clothing that is comfortable and suitable for exercising.

If you are interested, please contact our church office by phoning **(717) 249-2449** and indicating the number of people in your party. Bring your friends because all are welcome.

Payment may be made for all 5 sessions at the first class or individually if you are unable to make all the sessions.

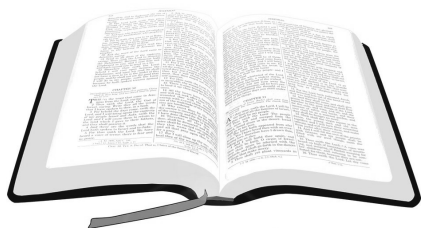
**If Dancing is more your
style...Join Lisa Lynch on
Wednesday evenings at
6pm in the gym here at
MUMC!**



2024 Bulletin Sponsorships

Bulletin Sponsorship is a unique way to honor or remember a special day or person. If you would like to sponsor a bulletin in 2023, **please see Betty Witmer in the Gathering Space on Sunday mornings**, or contact the church office with a Sunday that interests you.

The cost is \$15.00 per sponsorship and information will be printed in the bulletin.



My Sermon Notes



He is not here; he has risen, just as
he said. Come and see the place
where he lay. *Matthew 28:6*



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so that the Community is Alive in Christ.***

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