

April 7, 2024

A dirt road lined with trees and fences at sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow. The trees are silhouetted against the bright light, and the fences run along both sides of the road. The overall scene is peaceful and serene.

GOD IS LIGHT,

In him there is no darkness at all. 1 John 1:5

**10:00 am Worship Service
Sunday, April 7, 2024**

***OPENING TIME OF WORSHIP**

WORDS OF WELCOME— INTRODUCTION-

“To All Who Are Thirsty”

Worship Band

CALL TO WORSHIP-

Leader: Easter People, how shall we live when shadows gather?

Congregation: The brokenness of this world causes shadows to be a part of our lives here. They are inevitable. Even so, we are drawn into God’s unquenchable light. We find solace as we are drawn into one another’s presence.

L: What was hidden has been revealed; in the light we see that we are woven together with all creation.

C: When we choose to live in the light, as God is in the light, we become one with each other embraced in the strength of God’s beloved community.

ALL: COME, LET US WORSHIP GOD, WHO IS OUR LIGHT AND OUR SALVATION.

TIME OF PRAISE

“Trust and Obey”

“Way Maker”

SIGNS OF PEACE

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE John 20: 19-31 “Peace Be With You” Seth Lawton

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD’S PRAYER

***HYMN** “Nothing But The Blood”

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 John 1:1 -2:2 Laurie Barrick

SERMON “Walking In The Light” Pastor Deb

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

The Invitation

Our Confession

The Great Thanksgiving

MAKING MINISTRY HAPPEN

***HYMN** “Shine Jesus Shine”

GIVING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

WE ARE SENT FORTH

BENEDICTION AND POSTLUDE

***STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**



**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!**

	APRIL		
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Message Title	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	1 John 1:1-2:2	1 John 3:1-7	1 John 3:16-24
Acolyte	Ella Lawton	Olivia Jones	Zac Peters
Praise Band:			
	Dave Billman	Dave Billman	Dave Billman
	Travis Clouse	Elizabeth Peters	Elizabeth Peters
	Seth Lawton	Travis Clouse	Travis Clouse
		Seth Lawton	Seth Lawton
Tech Team	Joe O'Donnell	Tim Walsh	Joe O'Donnell
Ushers:			
Gathering/Downstairs	Glenn Kimmel	Phil Coler	Earl Smith
Pastor/Sanctuary	Andy Groshans	Sue Walsh	Linda Eckenrode
Greeters:			
Hospitality Greeter	Linda Kimmel	Linda Kimmel	Darlene Smith
Bulletin	Mary Groshans	Kim Coler & Sue Lamma	Barb Simpson
Lector	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)

OUR WORLD MISSIONS:

Mountains of Hope, Furcy, Haiti; Gideons.

THOSE DEPLOYED IN MILITARY

SERVICE: Jady 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

April 7 - April 13

Hays Grove UMC, Newville
Valley Salem UMC, Milroy
15th Street Huntingdon UMC,
Huntingdon

Clarks Summit UMC, Clarks Summit
Faith Hoovers UMC, Selinsgrove
St Paul-Calvary UMC, Williamsport
Emmanuel Enola UMC, Enola
Pleasant Grove Windsor UMC, Red Lion
Ennisville UMC, Huntingdon
Dimock Community UMC, Dimock

**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, Holidaysburg, 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



Little Hearts & Souls
PRESCHOOL

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

April Celebrations

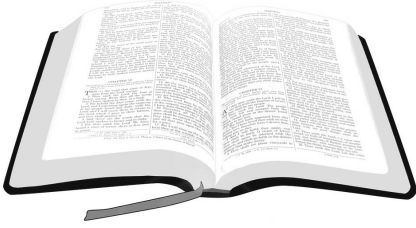
Birthdays

- 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





My Sermon Notes



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

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On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. *John 20: 19:20*