

OCTOBER

2025



MUMC Information and Announcement Folder





Information

Welcome to the MUMC Announcements & Information Folder

We are pleased to introduce the second edition of the MUMC Announcements and Information Folder. This new folder will be printed monthly, available on the first Sunday of each month, to help us be fiscally responsible. If you have news or announcements for next month's edition, please complete and submit the (yellow paper) "Announcement request Form" by the last Monday of the month.

Forms and folders can be found in the Greeting Area. For more information contact Shari Bellish at office@middlesexumc.com or call the church office at 717-249-2449.

UPCOMING MUMC MEETINGS & EVENTS

Leadership Council Meetings:

October 13th 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

November 10th 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

October 5th— World Wide Communion/Laity Sunday

October 12th— Healthy Living Workshop 3pm to 6pm

November 15th— Church Conference 6:30pm at Carlisle UMC



Worship

Share Your Gifts, Serve Our Congregation

We're looking for volunteers to help with *offering counting*, *scripture reading*, *preparing and serving communion*, *greeting* and *ushering*, *tech and sound*, and *acolyte duties*.

No experience needed—just a willing heart! All ages welcome. To sign up, contact or visit the church office.

Be a part of something meaningful. Join our team today!

Bulletin Sponsorships Available

Would you like to honor or remember someone?

Sponsorship forms are now available with Becky Smith
in the Gathering space before/after worship service or
call the Church Office 717-249-2449.

Cost: \$15.00 per sponsorship.

Thank you for your support.



Bountiful Harvest Table

Do you have extra garden produce?

Your extras can be put on the

Produce Table in the Gathering Space.

We have friends here in our own congregation as well as at Country Manor West who would enjoy your veggies. Gardeners always like to share their summer garden bounty and this is a wonderful way to help our neighbors out with healthy food options.



Missions

Serve Community CARES breakfast

1st Saturday every month-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, at 8:00am. If you have questions, please email Sue Walsh at sew1251@gmail.com or sign up on your Connection card.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Meets every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm to 7pm in the nursery on the lower level of the church.

Knitting, Crocheting, Card Making, Sewing, Etc. Any craft to serve the community is Welcomed!

Congregational Care



Caring and sharing corner

We are delighted to introduce our Caring and Sharing space, located in the corner of our gathering space—a place where generosity blossoms and compassion is at the heart of our community. With collection bins and shelves dedicated to local ministries, this space welcomes anyone in our congregation or visiting to both give and receive. Let's come together to support one another: offer what you can and embrace the gifts you need.

Together, we can make a difference.





***OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS
&
ANNIVERSARIES***

- 2- Kathy Campbell**
- 3 * Dave & Sue Billman**
- 4- Kim Coler**
- 5- Ginger Gines**
- 6- Doug Preston**
- 7- Darlene Smith**
- 12- John Churlick**
- 12- Jolie Rankin**
- 13- *Jim & Dulcie Stevens**
- 21- Carolyn Bloom**
- 21- Steve Matrese**
- 24- Charles Lynch**
- 29- Aimee Peele**

***NOVEMBER BIRTH-
DAYS &
ANNIVERSARIES***

- 8 Linda Eckenrode**
- 9 Dave Billman**
- 12 Andy Groshans**
- 14 Jim Otey**
- 17 Sue Billman**
- 18 Pat Ohler**
- 19 Judy Oatman-Weiss**
- 21 Pam Dunkleberger**
- 23 Gaylea Kelly**
- 23 * Rick & Ginger Gines**
- 24 Mackenzie Lohr**
- 25 Elizabeth Peters**



Events

Community Engagement Team

Have a heart for our community? Love the events we host throughout the year? Gifted in organization and team building? This team will work together to coordinate our community events, and will play a pivotal role in coordinating and organizing volunteers for and during Vacation Bible School by working with our Children's Director. It is essential that this team be an active part of the MUMC community. For a full description and more details, email the church office at office@middlesexumc.com.

Hayride to Bethlehem – Volunteers & Donations Needed!

Planning is underway for our Annual *Hayride to Bethlehem*!

We are collecting **milk jugs** for our lighted path and **cookies** for refreshments (collection bin in the gathering space).

Volunteers are needed for:

- Actors (speaking & non-speaking)
- Set builders & costume helpers
- Tech team (lighting/sound)
- Narrators & wagon hosts
- Parking attendants & greeters
- Setup/teardown crew
- Refreshment hosts

Community members and friends from Cowboy Church will be joining us to volunteer this year. Please sign up soon and let us know how you'd like to help!

Please indicate your interest on the connection card provided in your worship bulletin.

Thank you for the years of support and dedication to this community loved event!!



Life of Colonel Washington

Presented by Jeff Finegan

The Golden Lights team hopes that you will join us for a delicious homemade meal prepared on site, then following we will hear our presented speaker. We do ask that you RSVP by calling the church office, **717-249-2449**, or sign up on the church connection card in the Sunday bulletin, so we may have an accurate count for food at the event. Thank you.

Middlesex United Methodist Church

118 N Middlesex Rd,

Carlisle, Pennsylvania 17013

October

6th

12 PM

TO

2 PM

We hope to see
you there

\$5 donation appreciated but not expected to attend event



Connect & Grow

Chair Yoga

The chair yoga sessions resume again Tuesday, October 7th @
11:30am in room 101.

Bible Studies coming this Fall

- * Tuesday night @ 7pm **Season 3** of the
"Chosen" Series beginning 9/23/25,
lead by Becky Smith in rm 101
 - * Wednesday Morning @ 9am **Season 1** of the
"Chosen" Series beginning 10/1, lead by Pastor
Deb in the nursery on the lower level
 - ♦ Thursday morning @ 9am Max Lucado's
"Embraced by God", lead by Pastor at Barb
Simpson's house (this is the formerly known as
Wednesday morning women's bible study, is now
moving to Thursday morning.)
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1st Saturday of the month

Men's Ministry

Come Join Us the First Saturday of each month.

Sunnyside Diner at 9:00am .

Please contact Church office at office@middlesexumc.com or 717-249-2449, or
sign up on your [Connection card](#) if you will be attending.



Connect & Grow

HEALTHY LIVING

WORKSHOPS

Join Us for Monthly Mind-Body-Soul Living Workshops!

Nourish Every Part of Your Wellbeing!

Are you ready to embark on a journey toward healthy, balanced living? We warmly invite you—and encourage you to bring a friend!—to our enriching monthly workshops focused on mind, body, and soul wellbeing at : **Middlesex United Methodist Church, 118 N. Middlesex Rd., Carlisle, PA 17013.**

Why Attend?

Connect and Grow: Explore a rich tapestry of topics that weave physical and mental health with spirituality in a welcoming setting.

Holistic Approach: Each session integrates nutrition, practical activities, and inspiring Discussions for whole-person wellness.

Community Spirit: Enjoy fellowship and fresh perspectives culminating each meeting with a heartwarming potluck meal.

Workshop Schedule & Topics

Spirituality: October 12, 2025

Finance: November 9, 2025

Body: January 11, 2026

Mind/Soul: February 8, 2026

Relationships: March 8, 2026

Serving: April 12, 2026

Presenter— Pr. John

What to Expect

When: Second Sunday of each month, 3 pm – 5 pm (workshop), followed by a potluck meal from 5 pm – 6 pm.

Where: Middlesex UMC
118 N. Middlesex Rd.,
Carlisle, PA 17013

Food & Fellowship: Please bring a dish to share—each dish should include an ingredient or recipe card to add a delicious educational twist!

Nutrition: Every gathering will spotlight nutrition, blending it with the monthly topic for practical, tasty learning.



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A word from Middlesex Township



On behalf of Middlesex Township and the Recreation Board, please share our appreciation for Middlesex United Methodist Church's assistance with the Fall Festival on Saturday, September 20, 2025. Your wonderful crew served lots of people on Saturday, and you made it affordable. I heard the food was delicious and it seemed your line was long, but moved along quickly. Special thanks to those who provided games and fun for lots of families too.

Truly appreciate everyone's generous donation of time and talents. The event is such a group effort, and I am so glad you have been willing to work with us for over 20 years.

Thank you for your dedication to the community!

Denise Jumper

Middlesex Township

Recreation Director



Connect & Grow

Middlesex United Methodist Church's

Family FUN Night!

Join us for a **FREE** night of family fun!

Craft Night

September 25th 5:30 to 7:30 pm

Families will enjoy different craft stations

Movie Night

October 16th 5:30 to 7:30 pm

The Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown and get to decorate mini pumpkins

Game Night

November 20th 5:30 to 7:30 pm

Families will enjoy playing games with other families

Family Trivia Night

December 12th 5:30 to 7:30 pm

Families will compete to win the holiday trivia game

Event takes place in the church gym. Light refreshments will be available.

Please email kids@middlesexumc.com to let us know you can make it.

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Our Mission:

*To honor God by making more disciples of
Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.*

Our Vision:

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

Our Discipleship Pathway/Action Statement:

*We show our LOVE of God by how we LIVE and SHARE
with our community.*

