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December 14, 2025

Worship

Preparatory Worship

Call to Worship: Isaiah 35:8-10

And a highway will be there; it will be called the Way of Holiness. The unclean will not journey on it; it will be for those who walk in that Way; wicked fools will not go about on it. No lion will be there, nor will any ferocious beast get up on it; they will not be found there. But only the redeemed will walk there, and the ransomed of the Lord will return. They will enter Zion with singing; everlasting joy will crown their heads. Gladness and joy will overtake them, and sorrow and sighing will flee away.

Prayer of Invocation

#188 “O Come All Ye Faithful” (1st Service)

*Praise Through Song (2nd service only)

Confession of Sin
(Congregation recites aloud.)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Service

Assurance of Pardon

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

Baptism: The Grove family (2nd service only)

New Member Reception (2nd service only)

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

#188 “O Come All Ye Faithful” (2nd service only)

Scripture: James 5:7-20

Sermon: “Because the Lord’s Coming Near”

By Pastor Rich Herbster

#213 “Away in a Manger” (1st and 2nd service)

*Benediction and Recessional

*Congregation will stand.

Second Service Only: Children ages 3 through 1st grade are welcome to attend Children & Worship. A nursery is available for children under the age of 3.

Announcements

WELCOME TO MT. PLEASANT!

We are glad that you have chosen to join with us in worship today.

If you are visiting for the first time, or have visited before but would like more information about our church, please fill out a blue visitor card (located in the back of the pews) and indicate how we may serve you.

If you need assistance at any time during the service, please notify an usher who will be happy to help.

If you desire special prayer or spiritual counsel, please meet with our Elders in the front of the sanctuary immediately following the service.

Assisted Listening Devices to aid those with hearing deficiencies are available in the Sound Booth at the rear of the Sanctuary. Please see one of our staff in the booth prior to the Call to Worship to get set up.

WORSHIP/SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

First Worship Service - 8:30am

Sunday School (all ages) - 9:40am

Second Worship Service - 10:30am

MINISTRIES FOR EVERYONE

Women's Fellowship - Tuesday - 1:00-2:30pm

The Way Youth Group - Tuesday - 6:15pm

Ask A Nurse - Every 2nd Wednesday - 10am - Noon

Kids' Choir - Wednesday - 6-7pm

Wednesday Evening Bible Study - 6:30pm

Young Adult Bible Study - Thursday - 7pm

The Lydia Stitchers (sewing group) - 1st & 3rd Fridays - 9am-3pm

Men of Faith Breakfast - Every 3rd Saturday - 8-10am

Christian Child Care - Monday through Friday - 6am-6pm

TODAY - DEC. 14TH



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES:

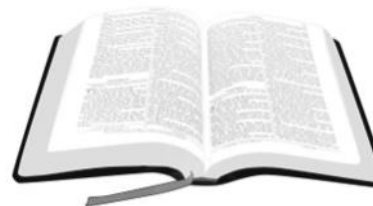
Two services will be offered this year:

4:00pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

6:00pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

2026 HONDURAS TRIP

Honduras trip for 2026 is July 6 thru July 13 if you are interested we need to know by Monday, January 5 at the meeting so Lennie Miller can get the tickets ordered. Thank you.



Men's Fellowship

Saturday, Dec. 20th @ 8:00am

Join us for breakfast, Bible study, discussion, and fellowship.

*Prayer List

Tom Allison Sr.	Easton Lander	Krista Ross
Butch Bass	Joe Marksteiner	Rowena Seigle
Marie Davis	Deb McElhaney	Ryan
Bill Enders	Lee Miller	Lou Staigvil
Frank Georgakis	Christine & Tony Olszanski	Pastor Wang Yi
Terri Goodwald	Charlie Phillips	Susan Weil
Pat Gray	Danny Rains	Todd Williams
Cindy Hineman	Paul Reft	Lisa Zahn
Jackson Joyce	Eli Rogers	
Sylvia Kendall	Bertha Rogish	

Weekly Mission Focus: Ministerio Apostolico Betesda

Special Prayer Focus: Good News Club

God's Guidance & Care: John Newcomb & unit (1-year deployment)

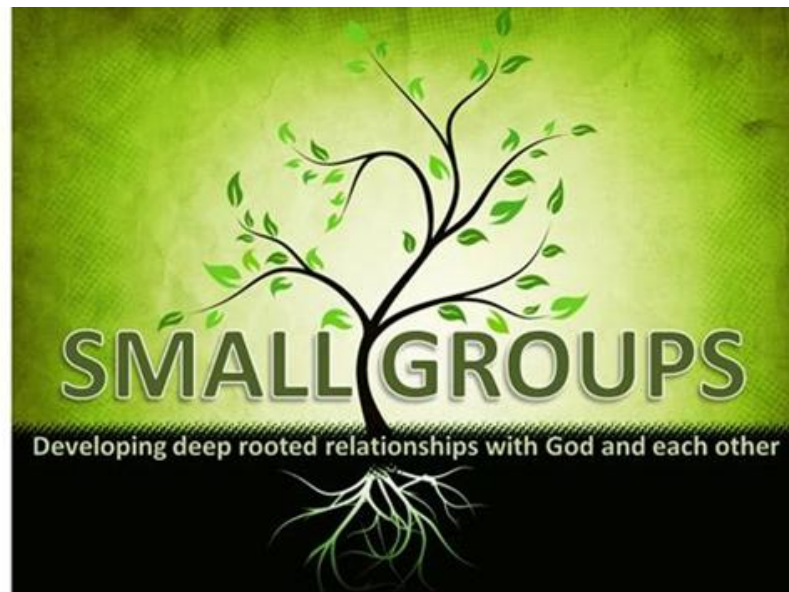
Praise: Michelle and Nathan Marksteiner baby due June 2026, Mike and Janet Grosso birth of grandson William Jack.

Weekly Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q102. For what do we pray in the second request?

Answer: In the second request (your kingdom come) we pray that Satan's kingdom may be destroyed, that the kingdom of grace may be advanced, with ourselves and others brought into and kept in it, and that the kingdom of glory may come quickly.

Weekly Memorization Verse: The Lord's Prayer, "Thy kingdom come"



Small Groups are already underway, but if you are interested, you are welcome to join at any time!

Two groups are actively meeting. One located in the Hopewell area and one located in the Chippewa area. Below is the contact information for each group.

- Joanne Rogers - Hopewell area.
Joanne's contact info is: rogersjoanne84@gmail.com
- Paul Schaefer - Chippewa area.
Paul's contact info is: paulschaefer@comcast.net

TITHING REPORT

	GIVING	NEEDED	DIFFERENCE
LAST WEEK	\$16,203	\$11,072	\$5,131
YEAR TO DATE	\$544,140	\$531,456	\$12,684

Keep them in your thoughts by sending a card...



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