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May 31, 2026

Worship

Preparatory Worship

Call to Worship: Psalm 98:1-3

Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. The LORD has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations. He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn #596 *"Count Your Blessings"* (1st service)

*Praise Through Song (2nd service)

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

Minute for Mission:

Gideons, Dennis Fetter

*Apostles Creed #627

*Doxology #623

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn #596 *"Count Your Blessings"* (2nd service)

***The children will proceed to Children & Worship during the hymn*

Scripture: Acts 12:1-25
Sermon: "Horror and Wonder"
By Pastor Rich Herbster

*Hymn #422 *"Give of Your Best to the Master"*

*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

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

MARRIAGE RETREAT COMMITTEE

We are beginning to plan for the next marriage retreat!

Please contact Amy Herbster at aherbster4@gmail.com or (724) 683-0363 if you would like join our planning committee.

VBS PARADE FLOAT

We will be putting a float for VBS in the Raccoon Twp Firemen's Fair Parade on Tuesday, June 9th. WE NEED CANDY! If you are able to donate candy for passing out, please bring it to the church by Sunday, June 7th. Thank you!

REMINDER: HONDURAS MISSION TRIP MEETING

When: Monday, June 1, 2026 at 6:30 pm

Where: Gathering Room

Be prepared to start packing!

*Prayer List

Brian Davis	Beth Knapp	Laine Turner
Tara Davis	Danny Kopach	Donna Weatherby
Lisa Duffy	Garen McDonald	Pastor Wang Yi
Mark Friday	Bill McElhaney	Patrick Whitehall
Josh & Sarah Grosso	Jerry Olson	Todd Williams
Holly Quigley Hamilton	Nina Parish	Lisa Zahn
Chuck Higgs	Christine & Tony Olszanski	Madonna Zelazny
Cali Johnston	Rowena Seigle	
John Kiss	Janis Smolinski	

Weekly Mission Focus: Ministerio Apostolico Betesda

Special Prayer Focus: Those suffering from addictions

God's Guidance & Care: Our troops and their families, John Newcomb & unit (1-year deployment) Jonathan Gudson deployed to Middle East

Bereavement: Family of Dianne Coulter, Family of Jack Weatherby, Family of Pat Wilkinson

Praise: To every veteran and service member who serve our country with courage and sacrifice to protect our freedoms.

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



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Ruth Ann Hysong & May Hill
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Donna Weatherby
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TITHING REPORT

	GIVING	NEEDED	DIFFERENCE
LAST WEEK	\$12,171	\$11,072	\$1,099
YEAR TO DATE	\$242,177	\$232,512	\$9,665

Announcements

SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS

Contact Christian Education Elder Brian Davis or Youth Directors Laura Given and Holly Garland to find support for sending your student to a Christian camping program this summer. CE will provide up to half of the cost for students in our congregation to enjoy *great discipleship in the great outdoors*. Our area boasts several excellent programs; just ask!

SMALL GROUPS - Summer schedule

*Developing deep rooted relationships
with God and each other.*

For more information please contact:

- Paul Schaefer—Chippewa area
Paul's contact info is: paul.schaefer@comcast.net

KIDS CHOIR AND LITTLE LAMBS

Kids Choir and Little Lambs practices are over until the fall when school starts again. There will be a picnic/swimming party for both groups at home of Shirley Bruce (1248 State Rt 18, Aliquippa (Raccoon Township) on June 10, 2026 from 11- 1. Families are welcome to join us, please let us know if you plan to attend so we have enough food!



VBS 2026
JUNKYARD REDEMPTION

VBS Decorating Needs

Got junk? We might want to use it! With our theme being “JUNK YARD Redemption”, we will be using a lot of *unique* JUNK to decorate our spaces. See the idea list/pictures in the narthex for inspiration. Items may be brought on our decorating day, which is Saturday, June 20th. Please plan to collect your junk and take it back home on Saturday, June 27th. If you have any questions,

VBS Donations Needs

VBS Donation Sign-ups are now located in the narthex. Please choose an item from the list, sign-up, and take the corresponding reminder card with you. All donations need to be returned by June 14th. We thank you for your support!

VBS Craft Needs

We need 120 16.9-ounce soda bottles WITH the cap. If you have any amount of these, we will be collecting them at the church until June 7th. Please remove labels and rinse the bottles before bringing in. We cannot accept water bottles as they are too soft. Thank you!

Summer Sunday School Calendar 2026

PreK – grade 4 Rm. 117

Grades 5-8— Rm. 110

High School 9-12 - Will join the adult classes

Adult Group Bible Studies

The Gospel Adult Bible Studies leads the adult student to a deeper knowledge of Bible truths through a detailed lesson exposition. Features sections with practical points, research and discussion questions, and a study of the week's golden text.

Bill Enders GATHERING ROOM

June 7th—August 30th

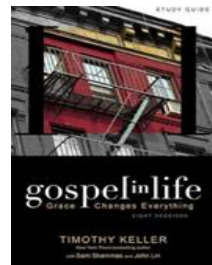


The Gospel in Life by Dr Timothy J Keller

Emphasizes confidence that Christians should have in our Advocate, in our Prayers, in our Love and Hope, in our Ministries, in our Spirit filled living in spite of paths of suffering, and our call and Sanctification towards Holy Living.

Paul Schaefer and Jan Garland, ROOM 122

June 7th—July 26th

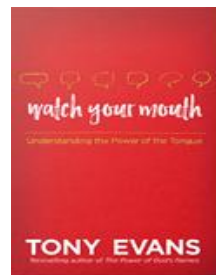


Watch Your Mouth by Tony Evans

Teaches discovering the power of the spoken word to bolster your faith even when you're doubting. Discern what should or shouldn't be said so that you honor God with your speech. Develop the ability to praise God and voice wisdom even in tough circumstances.

Joanne Rodgers, Room 122

August 2nd—August 30th



VBS 2026

JUNKYARD REDEMPTION

June 22-26 from 6:00-8:15pm

Join us and be empowered to follow Jesus and be a spiritual champion!

A former roadside attraction is now full of rusted relics.

Some say this place is hopeless—but is it?

As kids see restoration in the junkyard, they'll explore God's redemption plan in Scripture to make sense of our broken world, experience His help for today, and find sure hope for the future!

Kids ages 4-6th grade will hear the Gospel every day and enjoy Bible stories, games, music and snacks.

Scan this code to register:



New this year-
FAMILY NIGHT!

Families are invited to join us Wednesday evening at 7:15pm for an Ice Cream Social!! Children will still arrive at 6pm for opening, lesson, and closing, then we will have ice cream, playground fun, and fellowship with our families!!

