

MT. PLEASANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (E.P.C.)

April 24, 2016



“Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.”

Ephesians 5:1-2

WORSHIP SERVICE

Preparatory Worship

Call to Worship..... Ephesians 4:31-5:2

Prayer of Invocation

* Praise Through Song

Minute for Mission.....Scout Sunday

Flag Ceremony (Scout Oath, Law, Pledge); Announcements; Video

Blessing God’s Children..... *“Jesus Loves Me”*

***The children will now proceed to Children & Worship.*

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

* Doxology (Hymn 623)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

Offertory Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Special Music..... *“Forever (We Sing Hallelujah)”*

Praise Choir

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Our Father,

Who art in Heaven,

Hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done,

On earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

And the power,

And the glory forever.

Amen.

- * Hymn 315..... *“The Solid Rock”*
- Scripture..... 1 Corinthians 8:1-13
- Sermon..... *“Thinking Differently On Matters Indifferent”*
Pastor Richard Herbster
- * Hymn 322..... *“I Love to Tell the Story”*
- * Benediction and Recessional

**** Congregation will stand***

***** Children from ages 3 to 2nd grade are welcome to attend Children and Worship. There is a nursery available for children under the age of 3.***

Join us tonight at 6:00 p.m. for our Sunday Evening Worship service, led by Lucas Waters.

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.

CARE ELDER & DEACON

The Care Elder and Deacon are available for you if you have a need and can't reach Pastor Rich. For the month of April, The Care Elder is Diane Luther (724-601-4179) and the Care Deacon is Drew Vinisky (724-650-3749).

SR. HIGH SPAGHETTI DINNER

The Senior High Youth Group will be hosting a spaghetti lunch immediately following the second service today. Donations will be used to fund the upcoming summer missions project. Please join us!

MINISTRIES FOR EVERYBODY

Mt. Pleasant has numerous services and programs for worship and growth available:

- Blended Worship Service #1** Sun. 8:30 - 9:45 am
- Sunday School - Children** Sun. 10:00 - 10:45 am
- Sunday School - Adults** Sun. 10:00 - 10:45 am
- Blended Worship Service #2** Sun. 11:00 - 12:15 pm
- Evening Worship Service** Sun. 6:00 - 7:00 pm
- Women's Fellowship** Tues. (Sep-May), 6:30 - 8:00 pm
- Women's Prayer, Fellowship** Fri. 10:00 am - 12:30 pm
- Men of Faith** Every 3rd Sat. 8:00 am - 10:00 am
- Bible Study & Prayer Group** Wed. 6:30 - 7:30 pm
- Jr. High Youth Group** Sun. 5:00 - 7:00 pm
- Sr. High Youth Group** Sun. 12:15 - 2:15 pm
- Christian Childcare** Mon. - Fri. 6:00 am - 6:00 pm
- Ask a Nurse** Every 1st Wed. 10:00am - 12:00 pm

Special Music Practice w/ Sound Tech ~ Wednesday, 6:30 - 7:00 pm.

Kids Choir Practice ~ September - May, Wednesday, 6:30 - 7:30 pm.

Worship Practice ~ Wednesday, 7:00 - 8:00 pm.

Praise Choir Practice ~ Wednesday, 8:00 - 9:00 pm.

LITTLE STAR SUNDAY

Mark your calendars! Little Star Sunday will be on May 15th this year. We have a lot of fun activities planned and can't wait to let "Our Little Stars" shine. We are also looking for volunteers to help with this wonderful outreach program!

DAY AT THE BALL PARK

Once again we will be having a group outing at PNC park on July 23. The Pirates take on the Philadelphia Phillies @ 4:05. Tickets are \$25 per person. This year we were able to secure seats in section 309 which is located along the first base side of the park. Sign-ups are available in the Narthex. All reservations and money will need to be turned in by May 22nd. See Jason McDonald or Kevin Lander with any questions.

PRAYER LIST

Praise ~ Dale & Kathy Reddinger, David Pence

Bereavement ~ Leroy Brown Family

Illness or Injury ~ Alice Allison, Nick Allison, Kimberly Bielby, Marjean Boyd, Michele Charlier, Gilbert Conn, Ron Coombs, Angie Dannelley, Ginny Douglass, Bill Enders, Thomas Fedinetz, Leila “Sis” Given, Jaxon Ford, Dorothy Homanick, Ken Hughes, Tom Hughes, Fran Hyre, Robert Kronk II, Carolyn Kuntz, Linda Latshaw, Skip Malcolmb, Lois McLaughlin, Rose Miles, Caitlyn Papsan, Michelle Rock, Rob Scheel, Tom Shaffer, Laretta Shaffer, Amy Shay, Sophia Shirly, William Schneider, Lewis Showrank, Fred Simunick, Richard Smith, David Turner, Beverly Vinisky, Gabby Wiatrak, Charlie Windisch, Janet Yost, Tony Ziglar

God's Guidance and Care ~ Brandyn Massie, J.C. Enders

This Week's Mission ~ New Tribes Mission (Bill & Debby Bosley)

MT. PLEASANT CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Mt. Pleasant Child Care has several opportunities for employment. These positions involve direct care for children, as well as some cleaning. We need staff willing to work between the hours of 6:00 am and 6:00 pm. The applicant must have at least a high school degree or a GED, be 18 years of age and have a love for children. Three clearances must be obtained, a physical and a TB test must be on file as well. If you wish to be considered for a position, please call the office at 724.495.3334 or email your resume' to mtpchurch@hotmail.com.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of nursery volunteers to work both services on an “as needed” basis. If you have a passion for caregiving and are willing and able to serve in this capacity, please see Diane Luther or Sharon Ashcroft for more details. A signup sheet is available in the Narthex.

MAINTENANCE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Calling all people with a talent for fixing things! Mt. Pleasant is looking for some volunteers to serve as part of the church maintenance crew. Please see Bill Kendall if interested. A signup sheet is available in the Narthex.

KID'S CHOIR

There will be NO Kid's Choir Practice this next week....April 27. We will have one more regular practice on May 4 and a group home visit on May 11 and then we will be off for summer. Picnic details later!

CHOICES PREGNANCY SERVICES

Choices Pregnancy Services has a number of opportunities for ministry available:

- The Choices Pregnancy Services Walk for Life will be held Saturday May 7th at Moon Park. To register as a walker or for more information, visit www.WalkForMyLife.org.
- Do you know anyone who is in their 1st or 2nd trimester of pregnancy? We are looking for pregnant "models" to be a part of a clinical training at Choices Pregnancy Services. They will be given a free ultrasound (and of course a picture is included too)! To reserve a half hour appointment at our Coraopolis clinic, please call 412-264-0200 and mention "sono model appointment."
- We are looking for a trustworthy person who loves to clean and has a heart for our work! This is a paid janitor position, approximately 4 hours per week at our Coraopolis clinic. Please email info@pregnancychoice.org or call 724-457-1220 for more information.

TITHING

Last Week	\$7,198.53	\$7,900.00	-\$701.47
Year to Date	\$129,491.86	\$134,300.00	-\$4,808.14

BUILDING FUND

Total Last Week	\$1,101.00	\$231,032.00	\$325,908.00
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CATECHISM CORNER

Q. 9. What is the work of creation?

A. 9. *The work of creation is, God's making all things of nothing, by the word of his power, in the space of six days, and all very good.*

We affirm that God is maker of all things. He made these things out of nothing, using no pre-existent matter (God alone is eternal). We also affirm that God made all things “very good.” The world as we see it around us today exhibits warfare, deceit, disease, death. But, this is our fault, not God's. God made all things very good, in a state of innocence and uprightness; it is our sin which led to this evil.

ASSISTING IN THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP

Acolyte 8:30 Dalton Lander
11:00 Sam Milligan

Ushers 8:30 Steve DeLong, Billy Yoho, Virginia Mihalik
11:00 Mike McDonald, Neil Fabianich, Gary
Hicks

Greeters 8:30 Carl & Happy Hennen
11:00 Bill Kendall & Donna Weatherby

Organist/Music Director 8:30 Pat Lampe
11:00 Pat Lampe

Liturgist 8:30 Craig Lahtinen
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Toddler/Infant Nursery 8:00 Michelle Dalton & Mackenzie Hartman
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Children/Worship Leaders 8:30 Jennifer DeLong
11:00 Brad Funkhouser

Children/Worship Helpers 8:30 Jen Stiteler
11:00 Chrissy Funkhouser

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MT. PLEASANT STAFF

Rev. Dr. Richard Herbster

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Lucas Waters, Pastoral Intern

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Patricia Lampe, Music Director

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Gary McFerren, Lead Sound Booth Technician

Sara Beth Miller, Child Care Director

John Foster, Administrator

Sylvia Kendall, Treasurer

Bill Kendall, Maintenance Manager

Michelle Ellison, Custodian

CHURCH LEADERS

Elders

Beth Ann Enders (Worship)
Laura Given (Christian Education)
Lennie Miller (Missions, Outreach)
Jim Bruce (Shepherding)
Jason McDonald (Fellowship)
Craig Lahtinen (Administration)
Larry Zahn (Finance)
Diane Luther (Personnel)
Steve DeLong (Facilities)

Deacons

Micki Addison (Chair)
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