

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

June 5, 2016



“For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.”

1 Corinthians 1:18-23

WORSHIP SERVICE

Preparatory Worship

Call to Worship..... I Corinthians 1:18-23

Prayer of Invocation

* Praise Through Song

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

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

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

L: Merciful God,

You pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.
We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.
We have not loved you with a pure heart,
nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We have not done justice, loved kindness,
or walked humbly with you, our God.
Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.
In your great compassion,
Cleanse us from our sin.

**C: Create in us a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within us.
Do not cast us from your presence,
or take your Holy Spirit from us.
Restore to us the joy of your salvation
and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

* Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
And born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day He rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic Church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting.
Amen.

* 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

Offertory

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

* Hymn 253..... *"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"*

Scripture..... Romans 6:3-6

Sermon..... *"The Uncomfortable Cross"*
Elder Rick Pierce

* Hymn 40..... *"This is My Father's World"*

* 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 ~ "They Do Not Call on the Lord" Hosea 6:11-7:16

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.

MINISTRIES FOR EVERYBODY

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

PRACTICE SESSIONS

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.

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 June, The Care Elder is Craig Lahtinen (724-987-2154) and the Care Deacon is Micki Addison (724-495-9556).

PRAYER LIST

Praise ~ Carol Thomas

Bereavement ~ Andrew Yuhasz Family

Illness or Injury ~ Marjean Boyd, Michele Charlier, Gilbert Conn, Ron Coombs, Angie Dannelley, Mary Davy, Ginny Douglass, Bill Enders, Thomas Fedinetz, Jaxon Ford, Mary Foxall, Francesca, Leila "Sis" Given, Dorothy Homanick, Tom Hughes, Fran Hyre, Donnie Hyre, Rev. Kennedy, Robert Kronk II, Carolyn Kuntz, Linda Latshaw, Skip Malcolmb, Lois McLaughlin, Rose Miles, Rosa Miller, Connie Owen, Caitlyn Papsan, Michelle Rock, Rob Scheel, Tom Shaffer, Laretta Shaffer, Amy Shay, Sophia Shirly, William Schneider, Lewis Showrank, Fred Simunick, Betty Smith, Richard Smith, Billy Stapleton, Jean Stewart, David Turner, Beverly Vinisky, Gabby Wiatrak, Charlie Windisch, Janet Yost, Tony Ziglar

God's Guidance and Care ~ Jeanie Aspey

This Week's Mission ~ Honduras Mission Team

JR. HIGH YOUTH GROUP YARD SALE

The Mt Pleasant Jr High Youth Group's semi annual yard sale will be Saturday, June 11. Doors open at 8:00 am and close at 1:00 pm. Donations will be gratefully accepted on Friday evening, June 10 from 6:30pm to 10pm. Because we have no means of finding a home for certain items remaining at day's end, we can no longer accept:

- electronics of any kind
- stuffed animals
- Christmas lights

Our church is blessed with some wonderful bakers!

We are accepting donations of Baked goods; this table is always busy!

Thank you for your supporting our mission trip. Blessings!

CHILDREN'S SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School children ages 3 through 4th grade will be combining this summer for a mini-VBS style session each Sunday called Outtrigger Island. This will begin on Sunday, June 12th. Teachers are in place, but parent volunteers are needed to assist each Sunday. Please contact Beth Thompson to reserve a Sunday at 724-777-9255. Prizes will be awarded at the end of summer for perfect and good attendance!

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 for more details. A signup sheet is available in the Narthex.

BAKE SALE

Mt. Pleasant will be participating in the Annual Raccon Township Firemen's Fair June 14 - June 18, 2016 to benefit our New Building Fund. We will need bakers and workers to help. The fair is from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. Tuesday - Friday, and 6:00 to 11:00 p.m. On Saturday. See Alice Allison for more info: 724-495-7841. Signup sheets are in the Narthex. Thanks for your help and support!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School is fast approaching! Please fill out your registration so we can order shirts! We also need volunteers. Please contact Michelle Dalton 724-601-0679 or Laura Given 724-312-2127. VBS is July 11-15, 6:15-8:30 p.m.

CHURCHES ARE SERVING TOGETHER (C.A.S.T)

The deacons are collecting back to school supplies for C.A.S.T. A list of needed items, as well as the collection container, can be found in the Narthex. Items need to be received by July 17th. Thank you for supporting this worthy cause.

TITHING

	Giving	Needed	
Last Week	\$4,414.00	\$7,900.00	-\$3,486.00
Year to Date	\$170,657.00	\$181,700.00	-\$11,043.00

BUILDING FUND

	Giving	Total	3 Year Pledge
Total Last Week	\$438.00	\$238,067.00	\$325,908.00

ASSISTING IN THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP

Acolyte 8:30 Alison DeLong
11:00 Lucas Gielata

Ushers 8:30 Tom Allison, Steve DeLong, Billy Yoho
11:00 Gary Hicks, Sean Hicks, Dave Rose

Greeters 8:30 Dave Whitehill
11:00 Donna Weatherby & Joan Lyons

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
11:00 Ashley Winkle

Children/Worship Leaders 8:30 Paul Conn
11:00 Beth Ann Enders

Children/Worship Helpers 8:30 Gwen Alvarado
11:00 Luann Frasier & Marie Hyre

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11:00 Ashley Winkle

Children/Worship Leaders 8:30 Paul Conn
11:00 Brenda Michel

Children/Worship Helpers 8:30 Gwen Alvarado
11:00 Bethie Pierce & Vicki Gielata

MT. PLEASANT STAFF

Rev. Dr. Richard Herbster

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Lucas Waters, Pastoral Intern

Lee Hudson, Junior High Youth Minister

Pam McDonald, Senior High Youth Minister

Patricia Lampe, Music Director

Buddy Smeltz, Praise Team Leader

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

Deacons

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)

Micki Addison (Chair)
Rhonda Hicks
Marie Hyre
Joan Lyons
Jannel Martinez
Shari McMasters
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