

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

January 1st, 2016



*“This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you:
God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim
to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and
do not live by the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he
is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the
blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.”*

1 John 1:5-7

WORSHIP SERVICE

Preparatory Worship

Call to Worship..... 1 John 1:5-9

Prayer of Invocation

* Praise Through Song

Baptism..... Emberly Paige Varkonda

* Doxology (Hymn 623)

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

***The second offering will be for the Deacons' Fund*

Special Music..... *Angels We Have Heard on High*
Cameron Michel

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

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

*Hymn 200..... *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

Scripture..... Leviticus 24:10-23

Sermon..... *Justice Required*
Pastor Richard Herbster

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Hymn 214..... *Good Christian Men Rejoice*

* 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.**

There will be no Evening Services or Youth Group held tonight.

PRAYER LIST

Bereavement ~ Barbette Ferry Family

Illness/Injury ~ Steve and Denea Aurin, Nelson Boley, Sydney Brison, Jimmy Bruce, Gavin Campbell, Bonnie Clem, Bill Coon, Tim Cotherman, Roy Cox, John Crouch, Abby Dalton, Mary Davy, Sharon Diamond, Dinger, Jim Duncan, Vinnie Forte, George Duke, Jimmy Ginther, Sue Gourley, Gene Gourley, Marie Hawk, Dwain Haymond, Joanie Heaton, Donna Herrmann, Joe Herrmann, Dorothy Homanick, Peggy Johannson, Jackie Juth, Reverend Kennedy, Carolyn Kuntz, Emily Long, Ethel Luther, Skip Malcomb, Aiden McConn, Bill Melvin, Florence Metz, Sam Mike, Gianna Morelli, Cody Musser, Sean Nolan, Caitlyn Papsan, Dennis Reagan, Frank Reed, Rich Rodgers, Butch Santicola, Heather Sanderson, Sara (Wilson) Scalise, William Schneider, Marcie Searight, Amy Shay, Fred Simunick, Betty Smith, Amy Statler, Brownie Statler, Jean Stewart, Beverly Thomas, Jr. Tindell, Charles & Nancy Whirley, Jacob Whitehill, Gabby Wiatrak, Charlotte Wilson, Tony Ziglar

This Week's Mission ~ Ministerio Apostolico Betesda

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everybody who attended the Christmas Eve Services and donated to Uncommon Grounds Cafe. We raised \$2,920.00 for the Cafe across both services.

CHRISTMAS DECOR REMOVERS WANTED

We will be removing the Christmas decorations on Saturday, January 14, at 9:00 a.m. If interested, please contact Beth Ann Enders at 724-561-2950.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes for the year 2017 are now available in the Narthex. If you use envelopes, please pick them up. If you currently do not use envelopes and wish to do so, see Sylvia Kendall, email treasurer@mpchurchpa.org, or call the office through the week and we will be happy to give you a box.

KIDS' CHOIR PRACTICE SCHEDULE

We will resume regular Kids' Choir practice this Wednesday, January 4th. Call me if you have any questions ~ 724-544-4577. --- Pat

HONDURAS MISSION TEAM SOUP SALE

The Honduras Mission Team will be holding a soup sale on January 8th. The cost of a quart of soup is by donation. Soups to be sold will include Wedding, Potato, Bean, and Stuffed Pepper., to name a few. Soup will be available between services that morning. Also, If you like to cook, please sign up to donate soup on the sheet in the Narthex.

YOUTH GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS

---There will be no youth groups tonight, January 1st.

--- Both youth groups will be bowling on January 8th, Sheffield Lanes, from 3:00-5:00 p.m. \$10/person, includes pizza, soda, shoe and lane rental.

---*Some Exciting News for Youth Groups:* Starting in 2017, the Jr. High and Sr. High Youth Groups will start meeting on Tuesday nights from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Snack will be offered. The first date will be January 10th. There will no longer be meetings for the youth groups on Sunday nights. The rationale behind this change is to offer Sundays as a family day.

CATECHISM CORNER

A QUESTION FROM THE WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM

Q. 34. What is adoption?

A. 34. *Adoption is an act of God's free grace, whereby we are received into the number, and have a right to all the privileges, of the sons of God.*

It is popular to talk about the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of all mankind. But all men are not children of God. In fact, none of us are by nature. We are God's enemies until we are adopted by him. Adoption is a great picture of our salvation, because it is dependent on the gracious action of those who choose to become parents. It is God's initiative to give us what we don't deserve – the rights and privileges of sons and daughters of God himself.

GIVING

<u>TITHING</u>	Giving	Needed	
Last Week	\$7,332.00	\$7,900.00	-\$568.00
Year to Date	\$385,116.00	\$419,683.00	-\$33,584.00
<u>BUILDING FUND</u>	Giving	Total	3 Year Pledge
Total Last Week	\$6,448.00	\$289,659.00	\$326,028.00

ASSISTING IN THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP

<i>Acolyte</i>	11:00	R.J. Ashcroft
<i>Ushers</i>	11:00	Jamie Ashcroft, Jim Enders & Neil Fabianich
<i>Greeters</i>	11:00	Bill Kendall
<i>Music Director</i>	11:00	Pat Lampe
<i>Liturgist</i>	11:00	Rick Pierce
<i>Nursery</i>	11:00	Ashley Winkle
<i>Children/Worship</i>	11:00	Sharon Ashcroft & Beth Ann Enders

ASSISTING IN NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP

<i>Acolyte</i>	8:30	Allison DeLong
	11:00	R.J. Ashcroft
<i>Ushers</i>	8:30	Dan McHattie, Billy Yoho & Jim Gray
	11:00	Jamie Ashcroft, Jim Enders & Neil Fabianich
<i>Greeters</i>	8:30	Dalton Lander & Jan Garland
	11:00	Bill Kendall
<i>Music Director</i>	8:30	Pat Lampe
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<i>Liturgist</i>	8:30	Rick Pierce
	11:00	Rick Pierce
<i>Nursery</i>	8:30	Michelle Dalton
	11:00	Ashley Winkle
<i>Children/Worship</i>	8:30	Michelle Bradford & Jennifer Stiteler
	11:00	Lee Miller & Amber Rogers

MT. PLEASANT STAFF

Rev. Dr. Richard Herbster

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Lucas Waters, Pastoral Intern

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John Foster, Administrator

Sylvia Kendall, Treasurer

Bill Kendall, Maintenance Manager

Michelle Ellison, Custodian

CHURCH LEADERS

Elders

- Beth Ann Enders (Worship)
- Rich Pierce (Worship)
- Laura Given (Christian Education)
- Lennie Miller (Missions, Outreach)
- Jim Bruce (Shepherding)
- Craig Lahtinen (Administration)
- Larry Zahn (Finance)
- Ken Davis (Personnel)
- Steve DeLong (Facilities)

Deacons

- Micki Addison (Chair)
- Rhonda Hicks
- Marie Hyre
- Joan Lyons
- Dan McHattie
- Shari McMasters
- Brownie Statler
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