

## Announcements

**ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICE** We are happy to announce a new system to aid those with hearing deficiencies. The new system will help those with hearing loss to clearly hear and understand the message from the pulpit. The new system is in place. Please see Gary McFerren (in the sound booth) for more information and to get set-up.

**LADIES RETREAT REGISTRATION** There is still room available for this year's retreat at Das Dutch Haus in Columbiana, OH. Registration forms are in the narthex. The April 4 deadline will be extended, but if you plan to attend, please turn in a form or let Pat Lampe (724-643-9305) know as soon as possible.

**VBS VOLUNTEERS** Sign-up sheets and information are in the narthex, if you are able to help with this year's Vacation Bible School, to be held July 23 through 27 from 6 pm to 8:15 pm. Contact Jennifer DeLong (412-310-4003) if you have any questions.

**MEALS TO SHARE (MTS CLUB)** will be cooking on Wednesday, April 4 at 6:30 pm. Anyone that would like to come is welcome!

**THE WAY SPRING RETREAT** All youth, grades 5 through 12, are invited to the Spring Retreat the weekend of May 4 to 6 at the Raccoon State Park Cabins. Even if you have never attended one of The Way's meetings on Tuesday evening, consider attending this fun event full of games, outdoor activities, praise and worship time, and Outdoor Immersion hosted by Jim Skaal. Chaperones are also needed! Please RSVP to Laura Given or Katie Pierce by April 10.

**BIBLE DRIVE** Bring your used or new Bibles for a donation to the Mission Cry, Christian Resources International, up until April 15. For more info on this mission, please visit [www.missioncry.com](http://www.missioncry.com).

### Sabbatical Corner

Congregations benefit from sabbaticals; they find a new appreciation for their minister, realizing the multiple responsibilities, tasks and assignments in which their minister has been engaged. In most cases, the congregation will be surprised at how much their pastor does and will wonder how he gets it all done. There is value in better understanding what it is like to be a pastor of a congregation. When the pastor returns, they often find a congregation with a whole new heart.

### Contact us

**Rev. Dr. Richard Herbster 724-495-6362**  
**April Care Elder and Deacon available**  
**if you have a need and can't reach the Pastor.**  
**Craig Lahtinen 724-987-2154, Elder**  
**June Statler 724-777-3465, Deacon**

**Church Office 724-495-6462**  
**Child Care Office 724-495-3334**  
**Email: [info@mpchurchpa.org](mailto:info@mpchurchpa.org)**  
**Website: [www.mpchurchpa.org](http://www.mpchurchpa.org)**  
**Like us on Facebook!**

**Watch Sunday Service live at**  
**[youtube.com](http://youtube.com) "Mt. Pleasant Church Sunday Service"**



### Elders

Ken Davis  
Beth Ann Enders  
Craig Lahtinen  
Kathleen Mihalow  
Sara Beth Miller  
Nina Parrish  
Rich Pierce  
Mark Stefanini  
Larry Zahn

### Deacons

Jamie Ashcroft  
Nadine Duncan  
Marie Hyre  
Dan McHattie  
Lennie Miller  
Pat Sloan  
Brownie Statler  
June Statler  
Dave Symanowicz



**April 1, 2018 Easter Worship Service**

### Preparatory Worship

**Call to Worship: 1 Corinthians 15:16-20**

**Prayer of Invocation**

**\*Praise Through Song**

**Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon**

**Apostles' Creed #627**

**\*Doxology #623**

**Special Music "In Christ Alone"**  
**Praise Team/Choir**

**Presentation of Tithes and Offering**

**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**

**\*Hymn #269 "Christ Arose"**

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

**Scripture: Matthew 28:11-15**

**Sermon "Conspiracy Theory"**  
**Pastor Rich Herbster**

**\*Hymn #268 "Christ The Lord Is Risen Today"**

**\*Benediction and Recessional**

**\*Congregation will stand**

**\*\*Children from ages 3 to 2nd grade are welcome to**  
**Attend Children & Worship.**  
**There is nursery available for children**  
**Under the age of 3.**

**For the month of April,**  
**The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper**  
**and the Deacon's Collection will be**  
**on Sunday, April 8**  
**instead of April 1, Easter Sunday**

## 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 Everyone

Worship Service #1—Sunday—8:30 am

Worship Service #2—Sunday—11 am

Sunday School (Adult & Children)—10:00 to 10:45 am

Women's Fellowship—Tuesday—6:30 to 8 pm  
(September to May)

Women's Prayer, Fellowship—Friday—10:00 am to 12 pm

Grief Support Group—1st and 3rd Wed. of Month—1 pm

Kids Choir—Wednesday—6:30 to 7:30 pm

Bible Study & Prayer Group—Wednesday—6:30 to 7:30 pm

Men of Faith—Every 3rd Saturday—8:00 to 10:00 am

The Way Youth Group—Tuesday—6:30 to 8:00 pm

Ask A Nurse—1st Wed. of Month—10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Christian Child Care—Mon. to Friday—6:00 am to 6:00 pm

## Prayer List

Tom Allison Sr.	Matthew Hoffman	Tim Ramsey
Tommy Allison	Dorothy Homenick	Joyce Reed
Amanda Berjeron	Chuck Hysong	Grace Riddle
Joe Bishop	Shirley Hysong	Christine Rice
Candy Heck Blair	Jim Ireland	Dennis Ring
Ronda Burke	Joyceann Jumper	Gene Roberts
Dennis Bryson	Linda	Rich Rogers
Carla	Glenna Loudermilk	Luke Sciulli
Dan Clemons	Nikki Macio	Bud Smeltz Sr.
David Clark	Kathy McBee	Larry Smith
Janet Conn	Iris McConn	Martin Sosa
Sue Conn	Missy McConn	Lou Staigvil
Greg Dalton	Dorma McHattie	Ron Stillwagon
Vic D'Amico	Melissa	Cindy Sulkowski
Sean Douglas	Bill Melvin	Carol Thomas
Ed Douglass	A.J. Mihalik	Ruth Ann Wilkinson
Crystal Elkins	Brooks Miller	Karen Winland
Sue Gourley	Madison Nelson	LannyWinters
Kim Henthorn	Nancy Rader	Bobbie Yarger
	Norman Rader	Andy Zelazny

**Praise:** Bill Coon

**Gods Care and Guidance:** Tara Hlista, Tonya Sherbine, Kayln Marksteiner, Justin Williams and family, Dustin Lander

**Bereavement:** The Robert Fike Family, The Frances Hyre Family, The Nancy Farley Family, The Sue Roberts Family The Duane Hayman Family, The Hazel Palmer Family, The Joseph Placidi Jr. Family, The Ginny Douglass Family, The Evelyn Douglas Family, The Steve Aurin Family, The Dave Dusold Family

**Missions:** Christians United in Beaver County (Denny Ugoletti)

## WSC Q. 91. How do the sacraments become effectual means of salvation?

*A. The sacraments become effectual means of salvation, not from any virtue in them, or in him that doth administer them; but only by the blessing of Christ, and the working of his Spirit in them that by faith receive them.*

The sacraments (Baptism and the Lord's Supper) "work." But they don't work by magic! They are outward signs of an inward work of grace. The Holy Spirit applies the sacraments to our hearts and minds, inwardly working spiritually to accomplish the thing signified physically. Their effectiveness is not tied to the one who ministers them (even a sinful pastor legitimately administers the sacraments – good news!). They are, however, tied to faith. They do no good (though they can do harm!) to non-believers.

## Assisting in This Morning's Worship

Acolyte	8:30	Kiersten Bruce
	11:00	Megan Michel
Ushers	8:30	Joe Marksteiner, Russ Werme, Brownie Statler
	11:00	Jamie Ashcroft, Bruce Parrish
Greeters	8:30	Dalton Lander & Jan Garland
	11:00	Sonnie Allison & Carol Coberly
Music Director	Both	Pat Lampe
Liturgist	Both	Rick Pierce
Children & Worship	8:30	Holly Garland & Janet Conn
	11:00	Lexa Taylor & Marie Hyre

## Assisting in Next Week's Worship April 8, 2018

Acolyte	8:30	Kiersten Bruce
	11:00	Megan Michel
Ushers	8:30	Joe Marksteiner, Russ Werme
	11:00	Jamie Ashcroft, Mike & Nate Given
Greeters	8:30	Dalton Lander & Jan Garland
	11:00	Sonnie Allison & Carol Coberly
Music Director	Both	Pat Lampe
Liturgist	Both	Rick Pierce
Children & Worship	8:30	Jennifer DeLong & Janet Conn
	11:00	Lexa Taylor & Marie Hyre

<u>TITHING REPORT</u>	<u>Giving</u>	<u>Needed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Last Week	\$7,026	\$7,501	-\$475
Year to Date	\$106,586	\$97,513	\$9,073

<u>BUILDING FUND</u>	<u>Giving</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total Pledged</u>
Total as of Last Week	\$1,365	\$603,015	\$712,859