

Announcements

SPECIAL MISSION VISITORS FOR DECEMBER Today during the Sunday School hour, Brenda Schaefer will be sharing information regarding her ministry work with an underground church in China that focuses on Christian schools and homeschools.

KID'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM Join us tonight at 6 pm for the annual kid's Christmas production titled "The Christmas Express".

DEACON CHRISTMAS TREE TOY DRIVE Thanks to all who claimed a tag from the tree. The gifts are due today. If you forgot to bring your purchases in today, please contact Nadine Duncan at 412-973-4574 to make arrangements to turn in your gifts as soon as possible.

KIDS CLUB 2019 Our upcoming Kids Club will run February 21 through April 11, every Thursday from 4:45 pm to 6:30 pm. Registration forms for children, Pre-Kindergarten through 4th grade, will be available in January. Volunteers are needed for group leaders, music leader, craft leader, and snack preparation help. If you can help in any way, please contact Holly Garland at 412-853-3591 (call or text) or hlgarland1@hotmail.com. Please be on the lookout for a snack donation sign up sheet. It will be in the narthex in January.

MISSION TEAM COOKIE TRAYS The Mission Team is selling Christmas Cookie trays for \$25 a tray. Please see the order sign up sheet in the narthex. They will be ready for pick up on December 18. Bakers are also needed to donate the cookies for the sale. Please see Kathleen Mihalow if you have any questions.

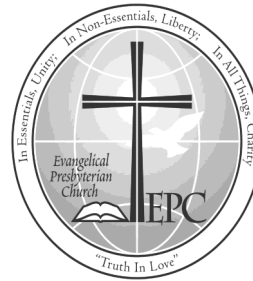
THE 2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE READY AND IN THE NARTHEX FOR YOUR PICKUP.

Contact us

Rev. Dr. Richard Herbster 724-495-6362
December Care Elder and Deacon available
if you have a need and can't reach the Pastor.
Beth Ann Enders 724-561-2950, Elder
June Statler 724-777-3465, Deacon

Church Office 724-495-6462
Child Care Office 724-495-3334
Email: info@mpchurchpa.org
Website: www.mpchurchpa.org
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[youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...) "Mt. Pleasant Church Sunday Service"



Elders

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



December 9, 2018 Worship Service

Preparatory Worship

Call to Worship: Psalm 99:1-3

Prayer of Invocation

*Praise Through Song

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Apostles' Creed #627

*Gloria Patri #620

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn #186 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

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

Scripture: Galatians 5:16-25

Sermon "Good Fruit: Self-Control"
Pastor Rich Herbster

*Hymn #188 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

*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.*

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.

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	Daniel Hartman	Steve Morrison
Tom Allison Sr.	Kim Henthorn	John Morrow
Tommy Allison	Dolores Herron	Tillie Morrow
Amanda Berjeron	Rhonda Hicks	Tina Nine
Dave Burgess	Dorothy Homenick	Nina Parrish
Ronda Burke	Abigail Hunter	Nancy Rader
Carla	Josh	Norman Rader
Sherree Clifton	Jackie Juth	Arthur Sanders
Paul Coombs	Dawn Kendrew	Santana
Sue Conn	Harvey Lantz	Virginia Simunick
Jeremy Dalton	Lisa	Bob Statler
Vikki Dalton	Nikki Macio	Dusty Stewart
Vic D’Amico	Fred Magnone	Ron Stillwagon
Sean Douglas	Bob McBee	Jennifer Stiteler
Ed Douglass	Donna McBee	Carol Thomas
Barry Ernhardt	Pat McCon	Emogene White
Joann Estel	Donna McLaughlin	Samantha Whiteman
Sue Gourley	Melissa	Donna Windisch
Theresa Greathouse	Bill Melvin	Andy Zelazny
Hariah Hart	Corrie Miller	
	Lee Miller	

Bereavement: The Dylan Elchin Family,
The Barbie McLaughlin Family, The Karen Noone Family,
The Roger Illig Family, The Karen Winland Family

God’s Care and Guidance: Greg Dalton, Matt Luther, New Freedom Farm

Praise: Amanda Eriwn and baby

Weekly Mission Focus: Ministerio Apostolico Betesda

Special Prayer Focus: Church Addition Building Project

Catechism Corner

WSC Q. 18. Wherein consists the sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell?

A. The sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell, consists in the guilt of Adam's first sin, the want of original righteousness, and the corruption of his whole nature, which is commonly called original sin; together with all actual transgressions which proceed from it.

This answer is a particularly long and potentially confusing one, but it is important. It describes the reality that our natures have been corrupted by sin. We call this original sin. We are sinners by nature. It isn’t just that we sin (we do); rather it is that we *are* sinners. We aren’t sinners because we sin; we sin because we are sinners! We are conceived in guilt, we want (as in *lack*) righteousness, our whole nature is corrupt (total depravity), and, therefore, we sin.

Assisting in This Morning’s Worship

Acolyte	8:30	Emma DeLong
	11:00	Sammy Milligan
Ushers	8:30	Steve DeLong, Bill Enders, Dan Stiteler
	11:00	Jamie Ashcroft, Mike Given, Nate Given
Greeters	8:30	Dalton Lander, Viginia Mihalik
	11:00	Bruce & Nina Parrish
Music Director	10:00	Pat Lampe
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Liturgist	8:30	Rich Pierce
	11:00	Rich Pierce
Children & Worship	8:30	Jennifer DeLong, Tammy Symanowicz
	11:00	Lexa Taylor, Luann Frasier

**Assisting in Next Week’s Worship
December 16, 2018**

Acolyte	8:30	Emma DeLong
	11:00	Cameron Michel
Ushers	8:30	Steve DeLong, Bill Enders, Dan Stiteler
	11:00	Jamie Ashcroft, Mike Given, Nate Given
Greeters	8:30	Dalton Lander, Lorna Tarquinio
	11:00	Brownie & June Statler
Music Director	10:00	Pat Lampe
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Liturgist	8:30	Rich Pierce
	11:00	Rich Pierce
Children & Worship	8:30	Beth Ann Enders, Karen Herman
	11:00	Lexa Taylor, Luann Frasier

TITHING REPORT	Giving	Needed	Difference
Last Week	\$9,073	\$7,501	\$1,572
Year to Date	\$352,636	\$367,549	-\$14,913

BUILDING FUND	Giving	Total	Three Year Pledge
Total as of Last Week	\$1,122	\$637,944	\$712,859