

Announcements

THANK YOU The Mission Team is grateful to everyone who either donated cookies or purchased a Christmas Cookie Tray for our fundraiser. Your continued support enables Mt. Pleasant to send the gospel to all nations! Blessings to you for Christmas and throughout 2019!

KIDS CHOIR PRACTICE is done for 2018. Practice will resume on Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 6:30 pm in the choir room.

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.

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

Christmas Eve Services

*Will be held at
4 pm and 6 pm*

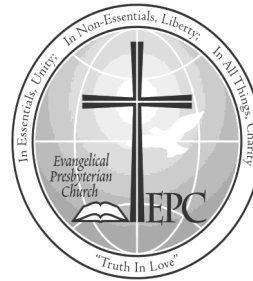


Contact us

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
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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 23, 2018 Worship Service

Preparatory Worship

Call to Worship: Revelation 2:1-7

Prayer of Invocation

*Praise Through Song

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Apostles' Creed #627

*Gloria Patri #620

Special Music "Christmas Medley"
Instrumental Group

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn #199 "It Came Upon The Midnight Clear"
**The children will proceed to Children & Worship during the hymn.

Scripture: 1 Kings 8:10-11

Sermon "God Came Near in Worship"
Pastor Rich Herbster

*Hymn #191 "Hark The Herald Angels Sing"

*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	Barry Ernhardt	Lee Miller
Tom Allison Sr.	Sue Gourley	Phyllis Miller
Tommy Allison	Hariah Hart	Tina Nine
Larry Barber Jr.	Daniel Hartman	Nina Parrish
Amanda Berjeron	Kim Henthorn	Nancy Rader
Ronda Burke	Dolores Herron	Norman Rader
Carla	Rhonda Hicks	Arthur Sanders
Sherree Clifton	Dorothy Homenick	Santana
Sue Conn	Josh	Bob Statler
Paul Coombs	Jackie Juth	Dusty Stewart
Jeremy Dalton	Dawn Kendrew	Ron Stillwagon
Vikki Dalton	Harvey Lantz	Jennifer Stiteler
Vic D'Amico	Lisa	Carol Thomas
Robert Deiley	Nikki Macio	Emogene White
Abby Dobbins	Fred Magnone	Samantha Whiteman
Sean Douglas	Pat McCon	Donna Windisch
Ed Douglass	Melissa	Andy Zelazny

Bereavement: The Virginia Simunick Family,
The Dale Reesman Family, The Dylan Elchin Family,
The Barbie McLaughlin Family, The Karen Noone Family

God's Care and Guidance: Patty, Greg Dalton, Matt Luther

Praise: Abigail Hunter, Bill Melvin, Amanda Eriwn and baby

Weekly Mission Focus: Choices Pregnancy Services

Special Prayer Focus: Church Addition Building Project

Catechism Corner

WSC Q. 20. Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery?

A. God, having out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.

God could have left us to suffer the misery that our sin had brought upon us. He would have been well justified in doing so. But, he didn't! By his sheer grace, and by his remarkable goodness, he chose to fix his love upon us by his covenant of grace! He chose to give us another inheritance – salvation by a Redeemer!

Assisting in This Morning's Worship

Acolyte	8:30	Alison DeLong
	11:00	Megan 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, John Alvarado
	11:00	Sharon Ashcroft, Nancy Kennedy

Assisting in Next Week's Worship December 30, 2018

Acolyte	8:30	Alison DeLong
	11:00	Emberly Varkonda
Ushers	8:30	Steve DeLong, Bill Enders, Dan Stiteler
	11:00	Jamie Ashcroft, Mike Given, Nate Given
Greeters	8:30	Dalton Lander, Jan Garland
	11:00	Sonnie Allison & Carol Coberly
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, John Alvarado
	11:00	Lexa Taylor, Nancy Kennedy

<u>TITHING REPORT</u>	<u>Giving</u>	<u>Needed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Last Week	\$7,421	\$7,501	-\$80
Year to Date	\$367,737	\$382,551	-\$14,814

<u>BUILDING FUND</u>	<u>Giving</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Three Year Pledge</u>
Total as of Last Week	\$1,155	\$639,904	\$712,859