Announcements

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS are still needed. The Fellowship Committee is a great way to get to know some of your fellow worshippers and build friendships. Members of this committee plan and serve for our special events and dinners. If you would like more information or to volunteer, please contact the church office or email Sara Beth Miller at smiller324@gmail.com.

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 <u>hlgarlard1@hotmail.com</u>. 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.

Contact us Rev. Dr. Richard Herbster 724-495-6362 January Care Elder and Deacon available if you have a need and can't reach the Pastor. Rick Pierce 724-622-7987, Elder Lennie Miller 412-671-4047, Deacon

> Church Office 724-495-6462 Child Care Office 724-495-3334 Email: info@mpchurchpa.org Website: www.mpchurchpa.org Like us on Facebook!

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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 30, 2018 Worship Service

Preparatory Worship Call to Worship: Philippians 3:7-12 Prayer of Invocation *Praise Through Song Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon Apostles' Creed #627 *Gloria Patri #620 Special Music "Joy To The World" Sage McHattie, Emma Thompson and Jordyn Herman Presentation of Tithes and Offering

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn #213 "Away In A Manger" ** The children will proceed to Children & Worship during the hymn.

Scripture: Genesis 1 - 3

Sermon "God Came Near to Know" Pastor Rich Herbster

*Hymn #214 "Good Christian Men, Rejoice

*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 Sue Gourley Tom Allison Sr. Hariah Hart Tommy Allison Larry Barber Jr. Daniel Hartman Amanda Berjeron Kim Henthorn Ronda Burke **Dolores** Herron Carla Rhonda Hicks Sherree Clifton Sue Conn Josh Jackie Juth Paul Coombs Greg Dalton Dawn Kendrew Jeremy Dalton Lisa Vikki Dalton Nikki Macio Vic D'Amico Fred Magnone Pat McCon Robert Deilev Abby Dobbins Melissa Sean Douglas Lee Miller Ed Douglass

Phvllis Miller Tina Nine Nina Parrish Nancy Rader Norman Rader Arthur Sanders Santana Dorothy Homenick Bob Statler Dusty Stewart Ron Stillwagon Jennifer Stiteler Carol Thomas Donna Westbrook Emogene White Samantha Whiteman Donna Windisch Andy Zelazny

Bereavement:	The Vincent Tomei Family, The Virginia Simunick Family,				
	The Dale Reesman Family				
God's Care and Guidance: Patty, Greg Dalton, Matt Luther					
Praise: Abigail Hunter, Bill Melvin					
Weekly Missio	n Focus: Campus Crusade (Don & Melanie Roths)				
Special Prayer	Focus: Church Addition Building Project				

Catechism Corner

WSC Q. 21. Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

A. The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever.

Jesus Christ is the only Redeemer from our misery in sin. There can be no other. This truth is tied to his identity as the God-man. Christ is fully God and fully man. As a man he can represent us before God. As God he can fulfill all righteousness, something that no other human ever has or could do. There is only one way possible, and God provided it!

Assisting in This Morning's Worship

Acolyte	8:30 11:00	Alison DeLong Emberly Varkonda
Ushers	8:30 11:00	Steve DeLong, Bill Enders, Dan Stiteler Jamie Ashcroft, Mike Given, Nate Given
Greeters	8:30 11:00	Dalton Lander, Jan Garland Sonnie Allison & Carol Coberly
Music Director		Pat Lampe Pat Lampe
Liturgist	8:30 11:00	Rich Pierce Rich Pierce
Children &Worship	8:30 11:00	Jennifer DeLong, John Alvarado Lexa Taylor, Michelle Bradford

Assisting in Next Week's Worship January 6, 2019

Acolyte	8:30 11:00	Bryce Symanowicz Megan Michel		
Ushers	8:30 11:00	Virginia Mihalik, Dan McHattie, Drew Vinisky Mike McDonald, Tom Rupik, Jason Michel		
Greeters	8:30 11:00	Dalton Lander, Dave & Mertz Whitehill Ron Campbell		
Music Director		Pat Lampe Pat Lampe		
Liturgist	8:30 11:00	Craig Lahtinen) Craig Lahtinen		
Children &Worship	8:30 11:00	Michelle Bradford, Billy Yoho Amy Herbster, Deb McDonald		

TITHING REPORT	Giving	Needed	Difference
Last Week	\$7,508	\$7,501	\$7
Year to Date	\$375,245	\$390,052	-\$14,808
BUILDING FUND	Giving	Total	Three Year Pledge
Total as of Last Week	\$3,690	\$643,594	\$712,859