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September 6, 2026

Worship

Preparatory Worship

Call to Worship: Proverbs 3: 13-15

Blessed are those who find wisdom, those who gain understanding, for she is more profitable than silver and yields better returns than gold. She is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with her.

Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn #136 We're Marching to Zion (1st service)

*Praise Through Song (2nd service)

Confession of Sin
(Congregation recites aloud.)

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Service

Assurance of Pardon

Minute for Mission: Good News Club, Bev Foxall

*Apostles Creed #627

*Doxology #623

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn #136 We're Marching to Zion (2nd service)
**The children will proceed to Children & Worship during the hymn

Scripture: Acts 16:11-40

Sermon: "Chains Fall"

By Pastor Rich Herbster

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We will partake of the elements together after everyone has been served.

*Hymn #602 America

*Benediction and Recessional

***Congregation will stand.**

****Second Service Only:** Children ages **3 through 1st grade** are welcome to attend Children & Worship. A nursery is available for children under the age of 3.

*Prayer List

Rich Ashcroft	Beth Knapp	Laine Turner
Tara Davis	Jay Mayhue	Aubrey Ward
Mark Friday	Bill McElhaney	Donna Weatherby
Josh & Sarah Grosso	Christine & Tony Olszanski	Pastor Wang Yi
Holly Quigley Hamilton	Rowena Seigle	Todd Williams
Sylvia Kendall	Lou Staigvil	Lisa Zahn

Weekly Mission Focus: Overcomers in Christ (Milan Mrkonja)

Special Prayer Focus: Good News Club

God's Guidance & Care: Our troops and their families

Praise: The Senior Luncheon presented by the Deacons.

Wedding Anniversaries: Rev. Robert & Nancy Kennedy 62 years,

Dan & Jen Stiteler 32 years.

"...pray for each other..."

James 5:16

Keep them in your thoughts by sending a card...



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TITHING REPORT

	GIVING	NEEDED	DIFFERENCE
LAST WEEK	\$9,995	\$11,072	\$-1,077
YEAR TO DATE	\$397,592	\$387,520	\$10,072

Announcements

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.

WORSHIP/SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

First Worship Service - 8:30am

Sunday School (all ages) - 9:40am

Second Worship Service - 10:30am

MINISTRIES FOR EVERYONE

Women's Fellowship - Tuesday - 1:00-2:30pm

The Way Youth Group - Tuesday - 6:15pm

Ask A Nurse - Every 2nd Wednesday - 10am - Noon

Wednesday Evening Bible Study - 6:30pm

Kids' Choir - Wednesday - 6-7pm

Young Adult Bible Study - Thursday - 7pm

The Lydia Stitchers (sewing group) - 1st & 3rd Fridays - 9am-3pm

Men of Faith Breakfast - Every 3rd Saturday - 8-10am

Christian Child Care - Monday through Friday - 6am-6pm

Attention Ladies:

Ladies Fellowship will resume on Tuesday, September 8th. All ladies are welcome to join us as we Learn, Love and Laugh together. We meet weekly in The Gathering Room on Tuesday from 1:00pm—2:30pm. We will be beginning a new study using Jennifer Rothschild's study on the book of Amos.

Save the Date:

We have a very busy Fall coming up at Mt Pleasant Church and we'd like everyone to be able to attend all our church events.

Please **"Save the Date"** for the following:

October 3rd & 4th 150th Celebration

October 18th Pastor Appreciation

October 25th Missions' Soup and Sweets Event &
Congregational Meeting

October 31st Trunk or Treat

YOUTH GROUP DINNER SIGN-UPS! Available in the narthex today is your opportunity to sign up to donate dinner to the youth group! Each week we feed the youth not only spiritually but physically as well! It is very helpful to our leaders when dinner is donated, and the youth love the variety and meeting new people! Sign up today for a date this year and Miss Holly will contact you with more details! Many thanks!!!



All are invited to join us for our annual church picnic following our second Worship service on September 13th!

You are welcome to bring a side dish to share!

We will be serving up ice cream for dessert!

Enjoy a petting zoo and other fun activities!

ATTENTION ALL NURSES: MEETING CHANGE

The meeting for all nurses that was originally scheduled for Tuesday, 9/8 has been changed to Thursday 9/10 at 6:30 in the music room.

Donations of medical equipment or supplies

Please do not put any equipment in the music room unless you have checked with Pat Lampe. You have been most generous in donating things but we are now in an overflowing situation and do not have room to accommodate anything additional at this time. Please let me know if you or your family or neighbors

HONDURAS MISSION TEAM PRESENTATION

The Honduras Mission team will be present an account of their trip on **September 20th at 6:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Tacos, fruit and drinks will be served. Some of the team will report on the work and experiences they all had.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES:

School supplies are still available from the School Supply Blessing Event. Please see Deacon Jill Rupik or Deacon Bruce Parrish if you could use additional school supplies for your child.

“Ask a Nurse” will resume on Wednesday, September 9, 2026. It will continue on the Second Tuesday every month from 10:00am - 12:00pm in the Music Room. Due to daycare security, you simply call 724 544-577 and I will come let you in. If you have any questions please contact Pat Lampe.



2026 Fall Sunday School

FALL IN! Sunday School at Mt Pleasant includes offerings for the whole family at 9:40 AM every Sunday morning.

All of our classes are Bible-based and reinforce memorizing the Westminster Shorter Catechism in Modern English.

Tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done. Psalm 78:4

At Mt Pleasant, our kids spend their Sunday school time learning the Westminster Shorter Catechism and memorizing God's Word through songs, games, and discussion. Fun tools connect them to each other, to great truth and to the God of the Bible! Meanwhile, adults learn how we can *all* interact with the kids to get them — and keep them! — excited about this learning.

We invite your **child** to one of our K-12 classes:

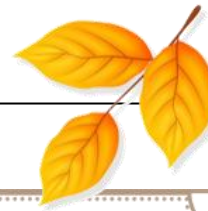
- ◇ Age 3-K—Teacher Micki Addison, Room 118
- ◇ 1st-2nd Grade—Teacher Carol Olson, Room 117
- ◇ 3rd-4th Grade—Teacher Jen DeLong, Room 115
- ◇ 5th-8th Grade—Teacher Holly Garland, Room 110
- ◇ 9th-12th Grade —Teacher Joel Matsco, Youth Garage



ADULT Sunday School Post High School and beyond

Adult classes vary, offering Scripture study and Christian living topics, as well as different learning styles. Adults can also expect each class to be Bible-based and to reinforce memorizing the Westminster Shorter Catechism in Modern English. Nursery is offered during the Sunday School hour to help our parents and to teach our youngest children!

September 6th—Fellowship Hall Fall Kickoff for all Sunday School Classes



Belonging: An Introduction to Mt Pleasant — Room 122

Led by Session Elders

Whether you are new to our fellowship, seeking membership at Mt Pleasant, or you have been here awhile and want to understand us better, you are welcome to join in a conversation with other believers and church leaders about belonging to God's family and getting connected within our congregation. This course is required preparation for

Jesus in Genesis — Room 121

Handouts & Discussion with Sharon Ashcroft

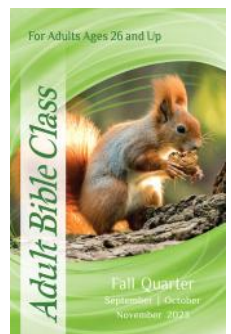
Is Genesis about Jesus? Yes, it is. Learn about where and how the Jesus of the New Testament is present in Genesis with clear, concrete and connected examples. Let's find Him together !



Union Gospel Adult Bible Class — Gathering Room

Workbook study with Bill Enders

Union Gospel Curriculum leads adults ages 26+ to a deeper knowledge of Bible truths through detailed lesson exposition. Each lesson also features sections dealing with practical points, research and discussion, questions, and a study of the week's golden text. Inspirational lessons encourage Scripture study and involvement with the material. The class meets year-round; members choose an annual service project.



FALL NIGHTS FROM NASHVILLE

A CHRISTIAN COUNTRY CONCERT

October 3, 2026 | 7PM

Doors Open at 6:30PM



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YOUTH GROUP KICKOFF

Youth Group officially kicks off Tuesday, September 8th with our traditional Amazing Race!! Youth in grades 5-12 are invited to join us at 6:15pm for an evening of challenges throughout our community! Send your tweens and teens and pray for all that God is doing in our ministry!

