

Prayer & Fasting

A black and white line drawing of a woman on the left and a man on the right, both shown in profile with their hands clasped in prayer. They are positioned between the words 'Prayer' and 'Fasting', with a large ampersand symbol between them.

Calvary United Methodist Church
Mohnton, PA

Sunday, November 18th, 2018

26th Sunday after Pentecost
UMH = United Methodist Hymnal
TFWS = The Faith We Sing Hymnal

November 18th, 2018
9:00AM
* = Please stand if able

Lay Worship Leader – Sean Steffey

~ **GATHERING** ~

PRELUDE: *Come, Ye Thankful People Come* -arr. Matthew Corl

ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT -Anthony Maniaci

SILENT MANNA QUOTE

*A fast is not a hunger strike.
Fasting submits to God's commands.
A hunger strike makes God submit to our demands.*
~Edwin Louis Cole

WELCOME

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever;

People: Our souls magnify the Lord;

Leader: With our mouths we proclaim God's faithfulness to all generations

People: Our spirits rejoice in God our saviour.

Leader We declare that your steadfast love is established forever;

People: His mercy is to those who fear him from generation to generation.

Leader: Your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

People: He has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty.

ALL: You are our God and the Rock of our salvation.

*OPENING HYMN: *Ye Servants of God*

-181 UMH

*UNISON OPENING PRAYER

**God of Healing and Transformation,
we hunger and thirst for your abundant life.**

**We bring you our sorrow and ask for the bread of joy;
we bring you our despair and ask for the bread of hope;
we bring you our weariness and ask for the bread of inspiration.**

Meet us here.

**We need the bread of heaven to sustain us
as we journey to find our way,
that we may be one with you.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

(Please be seated.)

KINGDOM KIDS: *Prayer of Thanks and Thank You God*

ANTHEM: *It Is Well*

-arr. Tim Paul

Catherine Williamson, soloist

~ PRAYERS & GIFTS ~

PRAYER HYMN: *More Love to Thee, O Christ*

458 UMH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY INVITATION

THE GIVING OF OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

Offertory: *Come Sunday*

-Duke Ellington

Catherine Williamson, Pastor Scott & Linda Ebersole

*The Doxology

-95 UMH

*OFFERING DEDICATION

(Please be seated.)

HYMN OF PREPARATION: *Take Time to Be Holy*

-395 UMH

SCRIPTURE: Exodus 34:28; Luke 4:1-4 & Matthew 6:16-18 (NI

MESSAGE: *Fasting*

~SENDING FORTH~

*CLOSING HYMN: *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

-664 UMH

*BENEDICTION:

POSTLUDE: *Give Thanks*

arr. Phillip Keveren



THE THANKSGIVING EVE ECUMENICAL SERVICE will be hosted by Zion ECC (N. Church & Summit Streets) this Wednesday, Nov. 21st, at 7PM. A joint choir will present the anthem. Anyone who would like to sing in the choir is asked to meet at Zion at 6PM for rehearsal.

TODAY AT CALVARY

- **LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS, AS WELL AS HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE.** Please feel free to request any of these items from an usher.
- **SAFE SANCTUARY:** Calvary UMC participates in a Safe Sanctuary environment to ensure a secure and nurturing place for all children and volunteers. Parents are asked to escort children/youth as they leave the sanctuary.
- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY** are presented by Angie Juckem in loving memory of Bob for what would have been our 39th wedding anniversary on November 16th.




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| 20 – Becky Giles | 22 – Vicki Wagner |
| 20 – Joshua Myers | 23 – Michael Wahl |
| 21 – Guy Lombardo | 24 – John Maniaci |
| 22 – Terry Stephenson | 24 – Owen Tomczak |

CHURCH NEWS

- **OUR NURSERY ATTENDANTS TODAY:** 9:00AM – Shannon McBride;
10:30AM – Janet Dearstyne & Laura Conlin.

THIS WEEK AT CALVARY

	TODAY	9:00AM	CE for Youth and Adults/Prayer Room
		9:00AM	Traditional Worship w/Nursery
		10:30AM	CE For all Ages
		10:30AM	Praise Service w/Nursery
		4-6:00PM	Community & Congregational Thanksgiving Dinner/Social Hall
TUES 11/20	6:00PM	GS Troop 1513/Rm 201/203	
	6:15PM	Bowling @ Berks Lanes	
	7:00PM	SPPRC	
WEDS 11/21	8:00AM	Prayer Group	
	6:00PM	Choir rehearsal @ Zion for 7PM service	
	7:00PM	Community Thanksgiving Eve Communion Service @ Zion ECC	
THURS 11/22	HAPPY THANKSGIVING! OFFICE CLOSED		
FRI 11/23	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED		

• **FINANCIAL UPDATE - Giving Through Week 45**

Current Year thru	11/11/2018	Last Year thru	11/05/2018
Received	\$270,014	Received	\$268,040
Annual Budget Need	\$340,292	Annual Budget Need	\$334,067
%Rec'd to Date	79.2%	%Rec'd to Date	80/2%



FINDING A WAY FORWARD UPDATE

Looking ahead at Dec. 9th, the date set for our Finding A Way Forward (FAWF), Session #3, our leadership planning team realized that it would be best to cancel that date and reconvene on January 13th, 2019. Session #3 would have been in direct conflict with the memorial service for June Horning, a long-time member who many wish to honor & pay their condolences to her family. Additionally, Pastor Scott has been asked to officiate at June's service and would, therefore, not have been available to participate in the session.

In the meantime, we ask that you please keep the FAWF Special Conference (Feb. 23-26), our staff and congregation, and the leadership planning team in your prayers.

Finally, please know that the planning team members are very open to listen to your thoughts, questions & concerns. Feel free to contact any of us.

Pastor Scott
Linda Ebersole
Richie Weitzel

Bob Wagner
Janet Dearstynne
Jenn Weitzel

Dave Svetz, Council Chp.
Carol Adams, Lay Leader
Audrey Kinsel, Annual
Conference Delegate



MIFFLIN COMMUNITY FOOD MINISTRY NEWS

With Thanksgiving, Christmas, and winter approaching, it's time to begin planning for all the extra activities and requests needed by the Mifflin Community Food Ministry (MCFM).

Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinner: The list of holiday dinner items, in addition to any other usual food needs, are listed in the Sunday bulletins and newsletter; samples are displayed on the counter in the narthex.

Special request for Christmas gifts: Jenn has indicated that the youth group will take care of this as a special outreach project and will be providing for seniors and adult men. There are other groups providing for the boys 8-18. However, if you care to participate in this, please see Jenn.

Hats, gloves, mittens, scarves & socks: Our church family will be collecting these items November, December & January. These will be placed on the Christmas tree or in the two baskets with red ribbons in the Gathering Area.

Please contact Angie Juckem with any questions @ 610-927-8233 or angeandbob@verizon.net.

Thank you for your continued support of the MCFM!



Donate Gloves & Scarves

PRAYER LIST

(Revised 11/16/2018)

SHIRLEY AYRTON
MARTY BEDINGFIELD
FRAN BIDDISH
MILADY BOGGS
FAM. OF DANIEL BOONE
JUDY BOWERS
DAVID BRILL
RUTH BURKHART
BRANDON BUTERBAUGH
TREVOR COMEAU
MICHELLE DANIELS
AMBER DAVIS
SEAN DIBIASI
SAM DOCK JR.
GLENN ENSINGER
NANCY FICHTHORN
AMELIA FORTUNATO
MARY FREY
HENRY FUNK
WHITNEY GEHMAN
REV GLENN
ANITA GRAY
VERNON GRIFFIN

PEGGY HARSHAW
JAMES HEBRANK
DON & GLADYS HERBST
BYRL HIMELBERGER
JESSEY HOMAN
FAM. OF JUNE HORNING
HURRICANE VICTIMS
DANNY HUTZELL
PAT JONES
NICHOLAS JORDAN
SCOTT K
TREVOR KEIFER
SHARON KING
GEORGE KISSINGER
DIANE KLINGER
DAVID LIEDEL
SUZY MANIACI
FRED MANUEL
JOHN MAURER
NOAH MCKNIGHT
JENNIFER MILLER
CHARLES MORGART
KERI MORTON
JEN NEWMAN'S FATHER

CHRIS NIELSEN
BLAINE PEARSON
SANDY & TRAVIS REESE
JAVIER ROMERO
NYMPHA SALES
JILL SEGRO
ALICE SHEPHERD
DARRYL SIMMONS
BONNIE SLONAKER
JASON STALNECKER
DEAN & JANET TAIT
WALLACE FAMILY
WARWICK COMMUNITY
FAM. OF SHANE WEBER
MAUREEN WELSH
BOB WERNER
PASTOR SCOTT &
LINDA WIDMER
SCOTT & TINA WIDMER
PHYLLIS WINTZ
RAKO ZECH

First Week

Sandy Graffius – Recovering from successful hip replacement surgery

Steve Rentschler – Good friend of the Wagners; diagnosed w/ Stage 3

multiple myeloma; undergoing treatment w/ good prognosis

Second Week

Michelle Daniels – Travel mercies from Nov. 13th - Dec 2

Lester Ross – 94 yr. old uncle of Gloria Hutzell; lung cancer & on oxygen

Victims of shooting & wild fires in California

Richard "Skip" Werner Family – Name given by the Hutzells; peace & comfort



CALVARY YOUTH FUNDRAISER

Shorten your Holiday Shopping List & support our Youth in one easy step!

What to do:

1. Fill out the Gift Card Order Form (available in Gathering Area) **Don't see your favorite store on the form? Ask to see the Master Gift Card List.*
2. Write out a check made payable to: Calvary UMC (Memo: Youth Gift Card Fundraiser)
3. Give your completed Order Form & signed check to Jenn Weitzel (or designated youth in the Gathering Area on Sunday mornings)
4. Pick up your gift cards the following Sunday morning in the Gathering Area.

Orders being placed for the Holidays from

Now – Dec 16th.

(Orders will be accepted throughout the year.

Keep the orders coming!)

Each gift card has a designated % that will be donated into the Youth Fund for Summer Camps & Retreats.

Have Questions? Ask Jenn Weitzel or call her @ 717-376-4635



The holidays are fast approaching! As you begin to make your plans for cookie making, shopping, meals and visits, we encourage you to add the following meaningful opportunities to your schedule:



TODAY! FREE THANKSGIVING CONGREGATIONAL & COMMUNITY DINNER @ CALVARY ~

Set aside some time to partake in a delicious meal today from 4-6PM TODAY in our Social Hall. We hope that Calvary members/friends will come and enjoy a wonderful meal and spend time mingling in fellowship with our neighbors. Looking forward to see everyone there!



AN ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING EVE COMMUNION SERVICE will be held on Wednesday,

Nov. 21st at 7PM at Zion E.C. Church (N. Church & Summit Sts.). A joint choir will rehearse there beginning at 6:15PM. Please see Linda Ebersole if you are interested in singing the anthem with choir members from our sister churches.



HANGING OF THE GREENS ~ Come help decorate our church and grounds for the Advent season. Many hands will make light work, and it's always fun.☺ We will meet in the Chapel Library on Saturday, Dec. 1st at 9:30AM, and

together we will transform God's house into a place that says "Jesus is the Reason for the Season"!



CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION CANDLELIGHT SERVICES will be held in our sanctuary on Dec. 24th at

7:00PM (traditional) and 9:30PM (contemporary). More details about the theme for these service TBA.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH

6:00PM

MOHNTON TREE LIGHTING



START YOUR HOLIDAY SEASON WITH A LITTLE
MOHNTON HISTORY, CHRISTMAS CAROLS, AND A
VISIT WITH SANTA!

MOHNTON PLAYGROUND

SKATING POND PARKING AREA

FOLLOW THE LIGHTS OVER THE BRIDGE!

Blessed to Be a Blessing



Our Stewardship Outreach Campaign will end
this Wednesday, Nov. 21st.

Our goal is to raise \$7,000
to be given to 3 local community
outreach ministries.

As of 11/15, only 30% of our congregation
have participated; however,
we are at 79% of our goal.

If you already gave, thank you.

If you haven't given yet, please prayerfully
consider participating in
this Calvary family campaign
and help us reach our goal
so others may be blessed!



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Jim Hartman, Financial Secretary

Laura Conlin, Church Treasurer

The Congregation, the arms & legs of the Risen Christ