

**This Week at Mt. Nittany UMC . . .**

**ALL WEEK**

TODAY	9:00 am	Morning Worship & Christian Education
	10:30 am	Morning Worship
	1:00 pm	KBB Family Event
MONDAY	6:30 pm	Trustees
WEDNESDAY	10:00 am	District Event
	7:00 am	Preschool Starts
FRIDAY	All Day	Church office Closed—Karin OUT
SATURDAY	4:00 pm	Football Supper

**Assisting Today in Worship Ministries . . .**

<b>AV Team</b>	9:00 AM.....	Rick & Dawn Edmiston
	10:30 AM.....	Dave & Bonnie Spotts; Leonard Tressler
<b>Greeters</b>	9:00 AM .....	Diana Moore
	10:30 AM.....	Georgie Hillard & Jenny
<b>Liturgists</b>	9:00 AM .....	Barbara Derzak
	10:30 AM.....	Brenda Peters
<b>Guest Organist</b> .....		Bev Molnar
<b>Money Counters</b> .....		John & Louisa Shawver; Tom Kline
<b>Ushers</b>	9:00 AM.....	Shane Burris; John Shawver; Richard & Mary Dunkle
	10:30 AM.....	Thelma Andrews; Barb Gotwalt; Roger & BJ Wurst
<b>Worship Slides</b> .....		Dawn Edmiston; Wendy Franklin

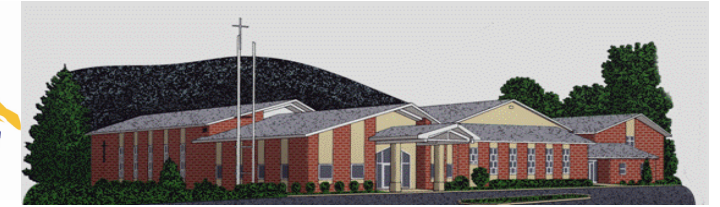


**PRAYER REQUESTS** Please join us as we pray for these friends and family. In the back of the sanctuary (at the doors) you will find a list of names w/address to send a card. Please call the office with updates. **BOLD PRINT** names are new to the list.

**Penny Brunner Bispo & Family; Bill Moore;**

Judi Johnson, Sharon Brown, Marjorie Rohrbeck, Rick Edmiston,  
Bob Neff, Joe Toms, Julie James, Delores McChesney

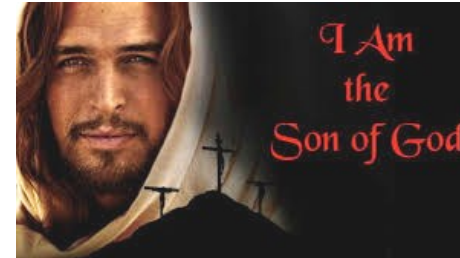
*(Names remain on the list four (4) consecutive weeks unless the office is notified otherwise.  
Please call the office with updates)*



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**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**  
**Aug 27, 2017**

*Who do YOU say that I am? This question, asked by Jesus in today's Gospel lesson, rings down to us through time. Our honest answer to this question forms the basis of the effectiveness of the church in sharing the Gospel. A skeptical world looks at the church and asks "What do they believe? Do they believe anything?" Our standing alongside Peter as he declares Jesus to be "the Messiah, the son of the living God" is critical to the witness we seek to offer the world.*

*If you are new to Mt. Nittany, please fill out a visitor card from the pew rack and place it in the offering plate so that we may have a record of your visit. If you are a regular worshiper and would like to join Mt. Nittany Church, see Pastor Ed. We hope today's service is a blessing to your life and offers strength for your journey.*

*Activity bags for children are found at the greeter stand by the rear sanctuary doors.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/JOYS & CONCERNS**

**PRELUDE**

**\*OPENING HYMN** *Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know* #163

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *Affirmation from 1 Corinthians* #888

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** *Isaiah 51: 1-6* p.649

**CLUB K.I.D.**

**INTRODUCTION OF ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE (9:00 a.m.)**

**WE GIVE TO GOD**

**The Offertory**

*Response	<i>Majesty</i>	#176
*Prayer of Dedication and Lord's Prayer		
*GOSPEL LESSON	Matthew 16: 13-20	p.867
*HYMN	<i>Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken</i>	#731
MESSAGE	Built on Faith	Pastor Ed
*CLOSING HYMN	<i>Marching to Zion</i>	#733
*BENEDICTION		
*RESPONSE	<i>His Name is Wonderful</i>	#174
*POSTLUDE		

Three digit numbers refer to the [blue UM Hymnal](#).  
The four digit numbers refer to the **black The Faith We Sing** books.



The altar flowers and the mums in the sanctuary are given for the glory of God and in honor of the District 7360 Rotary Youth Exchange In-Bound Students and Committee, by Pastor Carl Hill.

## MISSIONS FOCUS : MT. NITTANY UMC—

### **Caring For People In Need**

The mission of the Mount Nittany Mission Team is to assist our congregation in serving the needs of others, both locally and globally and to function as a source of information of those needs. The Team's Vision is to help those in need, to work to address those needs and to raise awareness of our Church Family's ability to serve those in need. The Mission Team has been given the opportunity to serve God helping others through the generous donations of the Mount Nittany Family on numerous occasions. There are many times when a cost is involved to offer assistance and we know that it is important to make responsible decisions and yet we also know that by the time a need is brought to our attention it is often an urgent situation. Any time that you see or hear that we have spent money to help a neighbor or church family member in need please know that the decision was made through much prayer and discussion with members of the Mission Team.

Funds donated this week marked Missions will be used in these situations to help our brothers and sisters in Christ. We thank you for sharing what God has given you and we will communicate when these funds are used to assist when God calls upon us to do His work.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS . . .

**LADIES BIBLE STUDY** - starts Tuesday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> with a study by Bob Sjogren, a former Penn State Graduate. This will be a **4 week study** entitled *The Story of the Bible*, consisting of 2 DVD presentations each week with brief discussions and NO homework! We welcome men and women (we have already had several men join us for our Spring studies). We meet in the **Board Room** from **10:00 to 11:30 AM**. For information please call Marcie Auhl @ 237-0138. We pray that you will consider joining us.

**NEXUS PEN PAL PROGRAM** - This proven and successful program began 15 yrs ago with a single classroom. Five letters are exchanged once a month from October thru April culminating in a face-to-face meeting at the school in May. The goal is to provide a mentor opportunity for elementary students while engaging reading, writing and social skills. There is a flyer about this program, posted on the door in the narthex. You can also talk with Bob Kidder or BJ Wurst.

**WELCOMING FELLOWSHIP** There will be a fellowship time between services Sunday, Sept 3rd to welcome Jim Beatty, our new Minister of Music.. Please stop by on your way in or out of worship to get acquainted with Jim, and to introduce yourself.

**FOOTBALL SUPPERS** Your help is needed for the upcoming football season dinners each home game. There is a sign-up sheet at the table in the narthex or you can talk with Wendy. But many volunteers are needed to help make this event successful. Please consider being a part of this ministry of church outreach.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAISE SERVICES** continue in the sanctuary weekly at 6:30 pm. We invite you to join us for a time of music ministry and encouragement from God's Word.

**MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS** We serve God as the "people of God" by participating in worship services as greeters, liturgists, ushers, audio-visual team members, and acolytes. We need your participation in all these ministries. Please check your schedules and prayerfully consider when you might be available to participate in these ministries. We currently are in need of an **usher coordinator** for first service, but would love to have your help in any of these ministries. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Patty DeCapria at 238-6794 or E-mail: [pattydecapria@yahoo.com](mailto:pattydecapria@yahoo.com)

**CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES** are in a box on the table outside the church office in alphabetical order. Your name can be found on the directory in the upper right hand corner.

**ANNUAL CHURCH CORN BOIL and HOT DOG ROAST**—You're Invited ! ... Just 2 weeks away - *Sunday, Sept 10th beginning at 5pm*. Details are in the Sept. newsletter.