

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

<b>TODAY</b>	9:00 am	Morning Worship/Christian Education
	10:30 am	Morning Worship
	1:00 pm	Koch Funeral Home Remembrance Service
	6:00 pm	KidZ Klub
	6:30 pm	Youth Group
<b>Monday</b>	9:00 am	Peanut Butter Eggs Crew
	9:30 am	Quilters
	3:30 pm	Piano
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:00 pm	Peanut Butter Eggs Crew
	3:30 pm	SCF Basketball
	6:00 pm	Trustees Meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts Troop #367
	3:30 pm	Piano
	6:00 pm	KidZ Art Night
<b>Thursday</b>	6:00 pm	Bell Choir
	7:00 pm	Cantata/Choir Practice
	9:00 am	Peanut Butter Eggs Crew
<b>Friday</b>	6:00 pm	Peanut Butter Eggs Crew
	3:30 pm	Piano
<b>Saturday</b>	5:00 pm	Soccer Shots
	4:00 pm	Community Dinner

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

<b>AV Team</b>	9:00 AM.....	Shawn Kopp/Karen Bryan/Emily Gregory
	10:30 AM .....	Jim Beebe & Nick
<b>Greeters</b>	9:00 AM .....	Tom Eckenroth
	10:30 AM.....	Bill & Joann Voigt
<b>Liturgists</b>	9:00 AM.....	Andrea Grazzini
	10:30 AM.....	Lynn DuBois
<b>Music Minister/Organist</b> .....		James Beatty
<b>Ushers</b>	9:00 AM .....	Vernon & Barb Crawford; Bob Jones; Mike Williams
	10:30 AM .....	Barb Gotwalt, David Panko; Lori Williams; Scott Williams
<b>Worship Slides</b> .....		Emily Gregory; Wendy Franklin



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**WELCOME TO WORSHIP !  
February 18, 2018**

*In the beginning there was...chaos. Out of that chaos God created the heavens and the earth, including our very selves. Through-out scripture God defeats chaos. This is a great definition of serenity; the absence of chaos in our lives. A hush, a pause in our lives that enables us to better hear the voice of God, to feel God's embrace. Today we consider the concept of Serenity as we begin our journey through this wonderful prayer. Ask yourself; when was the last time I felt that absence of chaos in my own spirit? When did I last hush, pause, and listen?*

*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.*

*Children's activity bags are located by the greeter stand in the lobby.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/JOYS & CONCERNS**

**PRELUDE**

**\*OPENING PRAISE** *Are Ye Able Said the Master* #530

**\*UNISON PRAYER** "The Serenity Prayer" Projected

**EPISTLE LESSON** *Philippians 4:6-8* p.1029

**SPECIAL GREETING** "God's Preferred Future" Rev Ed Zeiders

**ANTHEM** "O Praise The Name" Sanctuary Choir with Congregation Participation

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## WE GIVE TO GOD

The Offertory		
*Response	<i>My Tribute</i>	#99
*Prayer of Dedication and the Lord's Prayer		
*GOSPEL LESSON	Mark 4:35-41	p.885
*GOSPEL PRAISE	<i>Jesus Calls Us</i>	#398
MESSAGE	A Hush, A Pause	Pastor Ed
*CLOSING PRAISE	<i>Lord, Who Throughout These 40 Days</i>	#269
*BENEDICTION		
RESPONSE	<i>Near The Cross (chorus only)</i>	#301
*POSTLUDE		

Three digit numbers refer to the *blue UM Hymnal*.  
The four digit numbers refer to the *black The Faith We Sing* books.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** - Specifically 12 men, (as disciples) and possibly a few women to participate in Holy Thursday Evening service. Please talk with James Beatty, and/or Pastor Ed ASAP if you would be willing to help with the program



## MISSIONS FOCUS: Caring for People in Need

It can be hard to know where to turn when unexpected needs arise. One place that we hope that people feel like they can turn to is the church—our church. Requests range from prayer to support to time, but in many cases, a cost is associated with providing assistance when someone within the church lets us know about an urgent situation. Funds donated to the Caring for People in Need Fund are used throughout the year to address unexpected situations where the church can step in by providing money or purchasing materials. As a church, we value the faith that you place in us and in each other when you provide these funds in advance of anyone knowing what needs may arise. Having funds available means that the church can respond more quickly to the unexpected than if a separate appeal had to be made every time. We thank you for sharing what God has given.



**EASTER CANTATA PRACTICES** - If you're part of our music ministry in the church or you simply enjoy singing, we welcome you to participate in the upcoming Easter cantata entitled, "The Journey". You don't have to be a member of the choir, just come and share in the fellowship and blessings of being part of this musical experience. Practice weekly on Wednesdays @ 7 pm. The cantata will be presented Palm Sunday Mar 25th @ 10:30 AM. Talk with *James Beatty* if you have any questions.

**YOUTH MINISTRY** kicks off this evening @ 6:30 pm in the FLC. All youth 6th through 12th grade are welcome! We want to know what you're looking to get out of youth group meetings, so please come join us...and feel free to bring your friends. Talk with *Rachael Klinger* for more details. 404-7609



**EASTER FLOWERS** - Please complete the form included in your bulletin for your order of Easter flowers on or before Sunday, Mar 11th. Please mark your check "Easter flowers" in the memo section, & include it with your order. (Easter is 1st Sun. of April)

**KIDZ KLUB**—Join us this evening @ 6pm for our session of KidZ klub. We will be cooking something delicious. AND don't forget **KidZ Art Night**... 6-7pm Wednesday -Febr 21

**COMMUNITY DINNER**—Saturday Febr 24... Volunteers are needed to help in the kitchen, dining room, and clean-up. We also need cupcakes to serve as dessert following the meal. Please sign-up at the round table in the narthex, or talk with Wendy.

**PET FOOD DONATIONS**—Thanks to everyone who helped supply our furry friends with some added love and attention in your giving of food and supplies that was delivered to two area shelters. (approx. 250 lbs of food). Your generosity is warmly appreciated.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** Please join us as we pray for these friends and family. At the doors of the sanctuary you will find a list of names w/ address to send a card. **BOLD PRINT** names are new to the list.



*Jerry Bergman; Donna Jane Benner; Tim Benner; Lee Copper; Richard Jones; Mary Corl; Peggy Ekdahl; Nathan Hartwig; George Gilans; Donald Kay; Bill Bispo and family; Becky (Andy) Mudd*