

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

<b>TODAY</b>	9:00 am	Morning Worship /Christian Education
	10:30 am	Morning Worship
	6:00 pm	KidZ Klub (Science Night)
<b>Monday</b>	9:30 am	Quilters
	5:00 pm	Soccer Shots
<b>Tuesday</b>	4:00 pm	Pinewood Derby (Scouts) - FLC
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:00 am	Knit/Crochet group
	3:30 pm	Piano (BR)
	5:00 pm	Soccer Shots (FLC)
	6:00 pm	Bell Choir
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
<b>Thursday</b>	3:30 pm	Ehrlich Pest Control
<b>Friday</b>	3:00 pm	Piano (BR)
	6:00 pm	Family Fun Night
<b>Saturday</b>	12:00 pm	Private Family Event (FLC)



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

<b>AV Team</b>	9:00 AM.....	Lisa Narehood & David
	10:30 AM .....	Leonard Tressler/Karen Bryan
<b>Greeters</b>	9:00 AM .....	Bonnie & Dave Spotts
	10:30 AM.....	Ed & Joan Hoch
<b>Liturgists</b>	9:00 AM.....	Barb Derzak
	10:30 AM.....	Chris McCann
<b>Music Minister/Organist</b> .....		James Beatty
<b>Money Counters</b> .....		Chris McCann; John & Cathy Rideout; Pat Weaver
<b>Ushers</b>	9:00 AM .....	Mary Dunkle; Shane Burris; Stacey & Denise Mullins
	10:30 AM .....	Jim & Pat Weaver; Roger Wurst; Cody Steele
<b>Worship Slides</b> .....		Wendy Franklin



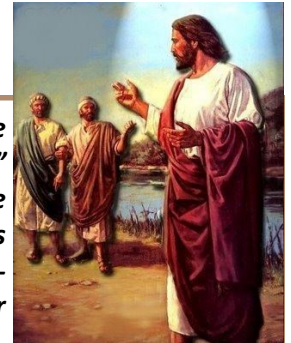
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**WELCOME TO WORSHIP !  
January 14, 2018**



*Today's scriptures offer insight into God's knowledge of us. The Psalmist declares that "O Lord, you have searched me and known me." Jesus shows his knowledge of Nathaniel, causing Nathaniel to declare Jesus "Son of God, King of Israel." God knows us, and God is always there for us. We cannot fool God or escape God's presence. God's intrusiveness is an act of Grace, helping us to find and follow God's will for our lives.*

*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 in the rear of the sanctuary.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/JOYS & CONCERNS**

**PRELUDE**

**\*HYMN** *Praise To The Lord, The Almighty* **#139**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *A Modern Affirmation* **p.885**

**THE PSALTER (Responsively)** *Psalm 139* **p.854**

**CLUB K.I.D**

**WE GIVE TO GOD**

**The Offertory**

**\*Response** *Glorify Thy Name (2nd vs. only)* **#2016**

**\*Prayer of Dedication and the Lord's Prayer**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

*GOSPEL LESSON	John 1: 43-51	p.934
*HYMN	<i>Have Thine Own Way, Lord</i>	#382
MESSAGE	The Intruding God	Pastor Ed
*CLOSING HYMN	<i>Here I Am, Lord</i>	#593
*BENEDICTION		
RESPONSE	<i>More Precious Than Silver</i>	# 2065
*POSTLUDE		

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

## MISSIONS FOCUS TODAY: HUMAN RELATIONS SUNDAY

**(Special Envelope)** Human Relations Sunday was established by the 1972 General Conference of the United Methodist Church. The United Methodist Book of Discipline describes the purpose of Human Relations Day as a call to "the Church to recognize the right of all God's children in realizing their potential as human beings in relationship with each other." Fifty-seven percent of the offering goes toward the Community Developers program, related to the General Board of Global Ministries. These persons work in racial-and ethnic-minority communities in the United States and Puerto Rico. Thirty-three percent of the offering supports the United Methodist Voluntary Services Program. Essential to this program are grassroots organizations that work through youth and young adult volunteers to challenge oppression and injustice. Ten percent of the offering goes to the Youth Offender Rehabilitation program.

In Pennsylvania, two organizations that have received donations from Human Relations Day include Casa Del Pueblo Latino Ministries and the Grace Community's Resource and Empowerment Center.

You can learn more about these ministries on their websites:  
[http://lehmanumc.org/page/casa\\_del\\_pueblo](http://lehmanumc.org/page/casa_del_pueblo), <http://gcrecinc.com/about/>

**EASTER CANTATA PRACTICES** will begin shortly! You do not have to be part of the choir to participate in the Easter musical. See James if you are interested in singing! All are welcome.



**FAMILY FUN NIGHT**—This coming Friday, Jan 19th; 6-10 pm in the FLC. Come join us for a great evening of fun, board games, snacks, fellowship. Everyone is welcome!

**2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES** - Please stop by the table next to the church office, and taken your box of offering envelopes home with you today. Names are listed in alphabetical order. If you have any questions, please call the office. **Secure E-Giving** is also available; just go to [mtnittanyumc.org](http://mtnittanyumc.org) and click the "online giving" button.



**ANGEL TREE—PET FOOD ITEMS** ... The Missions Team is requesting your help with donations for the local (Pet) Food banks. Various items such as cat litter (clay and scoopable), canned and/or dry cat and dog food, pet toys, etc. are appreciated. There are pet listings on the angel tree. Please take one or two and help out our furry friends this winter season. Questions can be directed to Cody Steele, or Kelly Clemons.

**W.A.R.M.T.H.**—Items for a local Homeless Drive are being collected in a box in the narthex. Donations of warm socks, scarves, chapstick, hand warmers, snacks, small individual microwavable soups, and pasta, hot chocolate packets, and gift certificates are being accepted. Items are needed by next Sunday, 1/21 (Details can be found on the listing on the box.)

**CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** regarding your 2017 donations to the church were mailed this past week. If you have any questions, or you didn't get one, please talk with Karin in the church office.



**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 if you want to send a card.

**BOLD PRINT** names are new to the list.

**Barb Moyer & Family; Becky (Andy) Mudd; Nathan Hartwig; Gladys Shuey; George Gilans**

(Names are kept on the list for 4 weeks unless the office is notified otherwise)  
Please call the office with updates