

## Focus on Missions



### UMCOR Sunday

Gifts to the UMCOR Sunday offering (formerly One Great Hour of Sharing) cover UMCOR's costs of doing business. This helps UMCOR keep the promise that 100 percent of any gift to a specific UMCOR project will go toward that project, not administrative costs. The UMCOR Sunday offering is the primary funding stream for the administrative costs of UMCOR.

Because of UMCOR Sunday, when you hear about a disaster or humanitarian crisis and you give to UMCOR, you can be assured that one hundred percent of the money you designate goes toward people in need.

**This Week's Prayer:** Pray for peace in Ukraine.

### Leading Worship Today

**Christopher Kostyn Passante**, Lead Pastor  
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**Stephanie Ball**, Children and Youth Pastor  
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**Patty DeCapria**, Certified Lay Minister

**James Beatty**, Minister of Music

**Liturgists:** Cathy Rideout, Brenda Peters



March 27, 2022

8:30, 10 am

**f Livestream:**  
Mt Nittany Church  
(10 am)

Welcome to worship at  
Mount Nittany Church!

As we continue our Lenten worship series, Gathered Up in Jesus, we hear the familiar story of the prodigal son, which reminds us that we, too, often are wanting and searching for what seems lost but is always within reach if we know how to look. We discover that with God, all we ever need has been with us the whole time.

### Giving:

[www.MtNittanyUMC.org](http://www.MtNittanyUMC.org)

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State College, PA 16801  
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**GREETING**

**PRELUDE**

**CENTERING WORDS**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**OPENING PRAISE**

In the Cross of Christ I Glory #295 vs 1-2  
Rescue the Perishing #591

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** (10 am)

**SCRIPTURE** Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

**MESSAGE** Lost & Found

**GOSPEL PRAISE** Jesus, Lord to Me

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

**THE PEACE**

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE** We Will Glorify

**A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**CLOSING PRAISE** At the Cross (Love Ran Red)

**SENDING**

**POSTLUDE**

## Announcements:

### Parents' Night Out Begins April 1!

Parents: Drop off your children, ages 5-12 every first Friday of the month from 6-7:30 for Parent's Night Out. Each month, we will have different activities for the kids, while you are able to get some parent time! Children will partake in free activities such as holiday activities, cooking, music, outdoor games and more in our Family Life Center! On April 1, we will have Easter egg dying, an indoor egg hunt and more! Nursery available for under 5's. For more information, contact Pastor Steph at 814-598-9948 or sball@susumc.org.

### Volunteers Needed

If you would like to volunteer to help with the First Friday Parents' Night Out on April 1 (6-7:30 pm), contact Pastor Steph at 814-598-9948 or sball@susumc.org. If you would like to donate plastic Easter eggs and candy to stuff in them, there is a collection bin in the church lobby.

### Interested in Membership?

If you are interested in becoming a member at Mount Nittany Church, please contact Pastor Chris or Emily Lewis to fill out a New Member form. If you have questions about Mount Nittany Church, the UMC or the process, please contact Pastor Chris at 814-232-1717 or cpassante@susumc.org. We will welcome new members at the 10 am service on April 3.

### Coffee with the Pastor is Back!

Join Pastor Chris at Cafe Lemont on Wednesdays from 9-10 am for Coffee with the Pastor. No appointment needed — just show up for good conversation and good coffee.

### Family Fun Night Returns!

Back by popular demand, Family Fun Night returns Friday, April 8 at 6:30 pm in the Family Life Center. Bring your favorite board or card games along with snacks/drinks to share. For more information, contact Pastor Steph at sball@susumc.org or 814-598-9948.

## Prayer List:

Ron Strapel, Jon Hickey, Paul Kurtz, Aphrodite Kakouros, The Warner family, Ellen Copper, Pat Sankey, Pat Messner, JP Tambourine, Patricia Kidder, Marge Korman

## Birthdays:

Shirley Reichard, Jeremy Hill, Sara DeCapria-Kopp, Ron Brown, Georgie Hillard.

## Calendar:

### Sunday, March 27

Worship	8:30 & 10 am (Sanctuary)
Adult Sunday school	8:30 am (Boardroom)
Nursery (0-5)	8:30 & 10 (Nursery)
Kids Club AM (5-12)	10 am (Child Ed Bldg)

### Monday, March 28

Quilting Group	9:30 am (Spring Creek Room)
Lenten Book Study	7-8:30 pm (Counting Room)

### Tuesday, March 29

Pastor Chris's Office Hour	9-10 am (Pastor's Office)
Boy Scouts	7:30 pm (FLC)

### Wednesday, March 30

Knitting Group	9 am (Spring Creek Room)
Coffee with the Pastor	9-10 am (Cafe Lemont)
Choir Practice	6:30 pm (Sanctuary)
Cantata Practice	7 pm (Sanctuary)

### Thursday, March 31

Girl Scouts	6 pm (FLC)
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### Saturday, April 2

Lenten Book Study	9-10:30 am (Counting Room)
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### Sunday, April 3

Worship/Welcome New Members	8:30 & 10 am (Sanctuary)
Adult Sunday school	8:30 am (Boardroom)
Nursery (0-5)	8:30 & 10 (Nursery)
Kids Club AM (5-12)	10 am (Child Ed Bldg)

**Note: Church Business Office is open M-Th, 8 am-1pm**