

MAY 18: MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS SUNDAY

Organizations in the United States began promoting Mental Health Awareness week in 1949. The event eventually came to encompass Mental Health Month, observed annually in May. The Susquehanna Conference of the United Methodist Church marks the occasion with Mental Health Awareness Sunday, when we recognize the need to support ministries that attend to the mental health of God's children. In our conference, this special offering supports the Mental Health Ministry of the conference.

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Sunday, May 18, 2025

9:30 am

Livestream at 9:30am on
our Facebook page.

Welcome to worship at
[Mt Nittany Church](#)

The early church faced one of its first challenges because the evidence of the Holy Spirit was being found in persons who were not Jewish, Jewish proselytes, or from among those considered worthy; this tension exists still as the Holy Spirit moves among those we are uncomfortable with.



Greeting

Prelude

Centering Words

Luke 2:29-32

29 “Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,

according to your word,

30 for my eyes have seen your salvation,

31 which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

32 a light for revelation to the gentiles

and for glory to your people Israel.”

Opening Prayer

Lord of all, in Jesus, you have made us all sisters and brothers in Christ. There is no distinction between Gentile and Jew. There is no separation that can remove any from fellowship in Christ's community. Blind us to our differences so that in harmony we may proclaim your truth to all, for the sake of Jesus Christ in whom there is harmony and peace. Amen.

~Kace Leetch (adapted)

***Opening Praise**

My Faith Looks Up To Thee # 452

Scripture

Acts 15: 1-18

Children's Message

Message

Tensions Rise as the Spirit Moves

Gospel Praise

Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone

Peace

***Offertory Response**

Majesty, Worship His Majesty #176

Prayers of Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

***Closing Praise**

Grace Greater than All Our Sins#365

Sending

Postlude

*You are invited to stand as you are able or willing.

Prayer List

Jon Hickey, Pat Sankey, Kurt & Debra Behers, Barbara Gotwalt, Barrie Kintner, Bob Snyder, Lem Warner, Christy Horner, Dana Hess

Announcements

Collecting Items For Mission Central Activity Kits

This year, during Annual Conference we are collecting items for Activity Kits for Mission Central. Mount Nittany and all of the Mountain Valley District are to collect blue and black pens and erasers. We will continue to collect up through Sunday, May 25, and will be delivered to Annual Conference later that week. The goal is to bring enough supplies to make 1000 kits. To store all the different items collected, cloth bags need to be sewn. If you are able to sew some of these bags, please check out the pattern located in the display for dimensions and directions. These will also be taken to Annual Conference. Help us be a blessing to children in our communities!!!!

Retirement Celebration for District Superintendent

Retirement Celebration for District Superintendent Brenda Leigey will be held Sunday, June 8, here at Mount Nittany with worship 3-4 and fellowship time from 4-6. Come and thank Brenda for her leadership these 6 years and wish her well in her retirement.

Please see Patty DeCapria for more information.

Graduation Recognition

If you would like to honor a Graduate, please fill out a Graduate Recognition form located on the credenza in the lobby and place it in the offering plate or give it to Patty DeCapria or Jodie. We will honor our graduates on Sunday, June 8, during our worship service. We will accept forms through June 1. If you have questions, please contact Patty.

Office Closed

The Office will be closed on May 20. I will be taking a Personal Day to celebrate my 30th Wedding Anniversary.

Iron Man Race

Remember to mark you calendars for June 15th. This is the day of the Ironman race. We will have space here for persons who would like to come a cheer on the racers and interact with other spectators from our community and beyond. Our typical Sunday morning worship will be moved to 7 pm in the evening and instead of coffee and donuts, we will have an ice cream social. We hope to see you all there.

Calendar **May 18-24**

Sunday

Friendship Class	8:30am	Boardroom
Worship	9:30am	Sanctuary
Children's Sunday School	9:30am	S/C Ed. Rm
Donuts + fellowship	10:30am	FLC

Monday

Pastor Office Hours	9-11am	Pastor's Office
Quilters	9:30am	FLC

Tuesday

Pastor Office Hours	9-11am	Pastor's Office
Office Closed		

Wednesday

Knitters	9am	Spring Creek Rm
Girl Scouts	6-7:30pm	FLC

Thursday

Karate	5:30-6:30pm	FLC
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Saturday

B-Day Party	2-5pm	FLC
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