October 12: Hope Made Real

Hope Made Real is dedicated to improving the lives of orphaned and abandoned children, and the poor and vulnerable people of Rwanda, Africa. Hundreds of thousands of children who managed to live through the 1994 genocide and its aftermath in Rwanda are struggling for survival in desperately impoverished situations. Due to AIDS, disease, and poverty many younger children have become orphans or throw away children. The number of vulnerable children in Rwanda is not decreasing. They are without help. Most of them live in loneliness, neither loved nor cared for. Many children have been traumatized and the psychological consequences of invisibility and powerlessness is devastating. These circumstances overwhelm them. Most, feeling hopeless about their future, end up wandering and begging in the streets where they are routinely exploited, girls in particular. Hope Made Real believes that all children are precious and are a sign of hope for Rwanda's future. They need the love they deserve before they become blind and deaf by abuse and hardships. Your donation today supports Hope Made Real's mission to care for and educate these vulnerable children of God.

Leading Worship:

Michael Swimley, Pastor
Patty DeCapria, CLM, Children and Youth Minister
James Beatty, Minister of Music

Liturgist: Bob Mai



Livestream at 9:30am on our Facebook page. Welcome to worship at Mt Nittany Church

This morning, we recognize the work of the Laity within and out of the walls of the church who are called to serve God and our neighbors.

Giving:

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Greeting Prelude Centering Words

We are all called to recognize and join God's mission of love.

We gather to become more like Jesus.

We learn how grace has met other lives.

We wait for God's empowering presence to open our eyes.

We engage our neighbors, online and in person.

And God's love, power, and justice help repair the world. Discipleship Ministries

Opening Prayer

"Heavenly Father, we thank You for the privilege of prayer, and we ask that You increase our faith to persevere in prayer, never losing heart. Remind us that You are a loving and just God who hears our cries and will bring about righteousness in Your time. Help us to bring our petitions before You with persistent trust, knowing that You are always in control and work for our good. In Jesus' name, Amen".

*Opening Praise

Standing on the Promises #374 vs. 1-3 What a Friend We Have in Jesus #526

Scripture

Luke 18:18

Children's Message

Message

Persistent Faith

Gospel Praise

Be Thou My Vision #451 Jesus Live Through Me

The Peace

*Offertory Response

God, Our Father, We Adore You

Prayers of Thanksgiving

Persistent and just God, you do not turn away when your people cry out. Receive these gifts as acts of our faith—faith that keeps moving, faith that keeps hoping, faith that keeps working for justice, even when the world says it's too late or too little. Make us a people who do not lose heart. Shape our prayers into action and our generosity into grace, until your kindom comes—on earth, as it is in heaven. In the name of Christ, who still stands and knocks. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

*Closing Praise

Take My Life and Let It Be

Sending

Postlude

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

Prayer List

Pat Sankey, Kurt & Debra Behers, Barbara Gotwalt, Brenda Peters, The Janet Hoover Family, The John Hickey Family, The Boller Family

Announcements

Blood Drive

The State College Free Masons, in cooperation with the Red Cross, is hosting a Blood Drive here at MNUMC on October 13 beginning at 12pm and ending at 5:30pm

Trunk or Treat

We are excited to share that on Sunday, October 26, from 4-6 pm, our fall community event, Trunk or Treat, will take place. We have spaces for 17 cars to decorate their trunks (prizes for best trunk). Lots of other opportunities to watch over games in the FLC, direct cars in the parking lot, meet and greet folks, and be the friendly faces of Mount Nittany to our neighbors. More information to follow. Please see our display in the lobby for ways you can share Christ's love with our friends in our community. Please see Patty DeCapria for more details.

Harner Farm Corn Maze for Youth

Today, the youth will gather at Harner Farms from 3-5 pm, 2191 W. Whitehall Road, across from the Sheetz and UniMart. Bring \$5.00 for the Corn Maze and snacks. Join other youth as we explore and have fun getting lost in the maze!! All youth are welcome.

Banquet Help Needed.

We have scheduled banquets on October 16 (lunch) and October 27 (lunch) and help is needed. If you can help at one of these banquets, please talk with Wendy

Senior Adult Luncheon

Colors of Fall Potluck will be October 15 at 12pm. Celebrate the season with food, friends and fall colors. Signup sheet is on the bulletin board. Lets have a delicious and cozy lunch together!

Calendar C	october 12-18	
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
Youth Gathering	3-5pm	Harner Farms
Monday		
Pastor Office Hours	9-11am	Pastor's Office
Quilters	9:30am	Spring Creek Rm.
Blood Drive	12-5:30	FLC
Boller Viewing	2-4pm &	6-8pm
Tuesday		
Boller Funeral	Viewing 9:30 8	🕏 funeral at 11am
Scout Leader	7-10pm	Boardroom
Wednesday		
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Thursday

MRRA Luncheon	10am-12pm	FLC
Karate	5:30-6:30pm	FLC

Saturday

Janet Hoover Funeral	11am	Sanctuary
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