

February 1: Youth/Children Offering

The Youth Service Fund was established by the United Methodist Church to support youth and youth ministries in their endeavors to live and grow as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. where funds stay in the Susquehanna Conference and to national and global projects. An interesting feature of the national and global administration of projects is that youth decide what projects receive the money and the projects that apply for grants are youth-designed, youth-led, and youth benefited. The variety of projects is huge, from a therapeutic fine arts program in Houston to supporting the discipleship of young Christians in Pakistan. Within the conference, the funds are distributed by the Young People's Ministry Council. Learn more about the Youth Service Fund at <https://www.umc.org/en/content/youth-service-fund-ministryarticle>.

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February 1, 2026

9:30am

Livestream at 9:30am on
our Facebook page.

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

Our modern world has moved us away from hospitality to isolation; the result is that we fail to realize the significance of offering someone a drink.

Giving:

[Mt. Nittany UMC.org](http://Mt.NittanyUMC.org)

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Greeting

Prelude

Centering Words

Psalm 42: 1-3

1 As a deer longs for flowing streams,

so my soul longs for you, O God.

2 My soul thirsts for God,
for the living God.

When shall I come and behold the face of God?

3 My tears have been my food
day and night,

while people say to me continually,

“Where is your God?”

Opening Prayer

God of life, shower us in our living water, bringing us to new life, fresh and clean. Walk with us as we share the knowledge of your living water with others, so that all might live. Amen.

*Opening Praise

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee #89

Scripture

Children's Message

John 4: 1-42

Message

"Give Me a Drink."

*Gospel Praise

Jesus, Draw Me Close
Here I Am To Worship

The Peace

*Offertory Response

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

*Prayers of Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Communion

*Closing Praise

God Will Take Care of You #130

*Sending

Go! Never stop going out from church,
out from peace and stillness,
out into noise and discomfort,
out to tears and laughter.

Carry with you the living bread that you were given here,
as a treasure between your hands and in your heart,
and share it again and again.

It will suffice forever, as long as you continue to break it.

Come! Never stop coming back to this place.

Never come with empty hands.

Bring with you the cry that is pressing behind your lips.

Let it sound here.

Bring with you the hunger that is never filled,
the fight that is not yet won.

Bring with you one who has always been at your side,
without you knowing it.

Here is the meeting place, in the light of the face of God.

Postlude

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

Announcements

Valentine Games

February 14 is Valentine's Day. What better day to share in food and fellowship and a few games? This event is geared toward our "mature" friends. Wendy will have yummy food to begin the afternoon at 12:00, noon, with lots of laughs and games to follow. A signup sheet is located on the bulletin board, so we have an idea of the number of people to prepare for. We ask that you bring a dessert to share that day, also. Join us for a fun afternoon. Contact Patty DeCapria with any questions.

Souper Bowl of Caring

The playoffs are done, and the Big Game is all set. The big game means folks will gather for parties and lots of food. Help us do our part to "Tackle Hunger" by donating food or money to the Souper Bowl of Caring. All donations benefit the State College Food Bank. We will continue to collect donations through Sunday, February 8, which is also Super Bowl Sunday. Please place donations in the offering plate or at our display in the lobby. Thank you for sharing your love and resources with our neighbors.

Youth Gathering

All youth in middle and high school are encouraged to gather today with other youth in the State College Area for lots of goofy games, yummy snacks, and laughs from 3-5 at Park Forest Village UMC. Youth are encouraged to bring a friend.

Calendar

February 1-7

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
Confirmation Class	6-8:00pm	Pastor's Office
Youth Gathering	3-5pm	Park Forest UMC

Monday

Pastor Office Hours	9-11am	Pastor's Office
Quilters	9:30am	Spring Creek Rm

Tuesday

Pastor Office Hours	9-11am	Pastor's Office
Scouts Leadership	7-9pm	Boardroom

Wednesday

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

Thursday

Karate	5:30-6:30pm	FLC
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Friday

Parent's Night Out	6-7:30pm	FLC
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Saturday

Soccer Shots	10-11am	FLC
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