



FEBRUARY 22: CONFERENCE BENEVOLENT SHARES

Our benevolent shares help support the entire mission of the Susquehanna Conference UMC. Shares are used for administrative needs and the numerous ministries that the Conference oversees. Camp Penn, Green Hills, Mount Ashbury and Wesley Forest are the camp retreats that the Conference maintains. The Conference is also directly involved with numerous other ministries such as Mission Central, The Neighborhood Center, Walk to Emmaus, Mission U and The Center. You can learn more about the Susquehanna Conference UMC at <https://susumc.org>

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Sunday

February 22, 2026

9:30am

Livestream at 9:30am on
our Facebook page.

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

Jesus tells the people to unbind Lazarus so that life may happen; today, we need to remember to unbind people from what restricts them from having abundant life.

Giving:

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Greeting

Prelude

Centering Words

Psalm 104: 27-30

²⁷ These all look to you
to give them their food in due
season;

²⁸ **when you give to them,
they gather it up;**

**when you open your hand,
they are filled with good
things.**

²⁹ When you hide your face,
they are dismayed;
when you take away their
breath, they die

and return to their dust.

³⁰ **When you send forth your
spirit, they are created,
and you renew the face of
the ground.**

Opening Prayer

God of new life, as Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, renew and restore us to new life, leaving in the grave all that prevents us from loving you fully. Amen.

*Opening Praise

O For Thousand Tongues to Sing #57 vs. 1-3
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name #155 vs. 1-4

Scripture

John11: 1-44

Anthem

Bell Choir

Children's Message

Message

Unbind Him

*Gospel Praise

Lord I Lift Your Name On High
Living Hope

The Peace

*Offertory Response

Glory, Glory Everlasting

*Prayers of Thanksgiving

Prayer for Those Who Mourn

Gracious God, as your Son wept with Mary and Martha at the tomb of Lazarus, look with compassion on those who grieve. Grant them the assurance of your presence now and faith in your eternal goodness, that in them may be fulfilled the promise that those who mourn shall be comforted; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

*Closing Praise

*Sending

Jesus Is All the World to Me#469

Postlude

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

Prayer List

Pat Sankey, Kurt & Debra Behers, Barbara Gotwalt, Darla Franks, Deb Poulin, Carol Bair, JoJo Soccio, Bob Jones, Arica Monsell, Steve Ripka, Darlene Ripka, Terri Knepp, Gilbert Family, Poesi & Josh Blazosky, The Mercer Family, Mike Moyer

Announcements

Lenten Devotional

To help you connect this Lenten season, we have a devotional, The Sanctuary in Lent, available in the Lobby area. It contains daily readings and prayers for Lent, beginning with Ash Wednesday, to help guide and center you during this time.

Civil War Round Table

Help is needed March 3 for the Civil War Round Table Dinner Banquet. If you are interested in participating in this ministry, please see Wendy after Sunday Service.

Calendar	February 23-28	
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	11am-1pm	Pastor's Office
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	5-8:30pm	FLC
Trustees	6pm	Boardroom
Admin. Council	7pm	Boardroom
Wednesday		
Girl Scouts	6-7:30pm	
Thursday		
Karate	5:30-6:30pm	FLC
Saturday		
Soccer Shots	10-11am	FLC
Community Dinner	4-6pm	Drive Thru

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