



## MAY 10: CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND MINISTRY

"Mt Nittany UMC provides a number of ministries (Giving Garden, Prayer Garden, Playground and large open spaces) located throughout our outside campus. These ministries are available to our members, rental clients and the public to use. Annual funding is needed towards the maintenance of our playground to ensure the children have a safe and pleasurable experience during outside play."

### Leading Worship:

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**Liturgist:** Chris McCann



Sunday

May 10, 2026

9:30am

Livestream at 9:30am on our Facebook page.

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

While it may not always be easy, our proclamation of the love of Jesus MUST be at the center of our work, mission, giving, suffering, rejoicing, our very lives, SO THAT the love of Jesus will be known even when personal vendettas, feelings, and wants get interjected wrongfully and inappropriately.



**Greeting**

**Prelude**

**Centering Words**

**Luke 9: 46-48**

46 An argument arose among them concerning which one of them was the greatest. 47 But Jesus, aware of their inner thoughts, took a little child and put it by his side 48 and said to them,

**“Whoever welcomes this child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me, for the least among all of you is the greatest.”**

**Giving:**

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## Opening Prayer

Holy Lord, may our love overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help us determine what is best, so that we may be pure and blameless in the sight of Jesus Christ. Amen.

## \*Opening Praise

Come, We That Love the Lord #732  
Sing with All the Saints in Glory #702

## Scripture

Philippians 1: 1-18a

## Children's Message

## Message

For the Love of Jesus!

## \*Gospel Praise

I Stand Amazed in the Presence #371 vs. 1,2 & 4  
Above All

## The Peace

## \*Offertory Response

Majesty, Worship His Majesty #176

## \*Prayers of Thanksgiving

## Prayers of the People

## The Lord's Prayer

## \*Closing Praise

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling #384

## \*Sending

## Postlude

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

## Prayer List

Pat Sankey, Barbara Gotwalt, Darla Franks, Deb Poulin, Carol Bair, Arica Monsell, Mike Moyer, John Shawver, Pam Swimley, Joan Lassman, Steffenson Family, Kathy Tambourine

## Announcements

### Honor or Remember a Loved One with Geraniums

Help us beautify the outside of our church this season by purchasing a geranium in honor or in memory of someone special. These vibrant flowers will adorn our church grounds, serving as a meaningful tribute while enhancing our shared space.

If you would like to participate, please indicate the name of the person you wish to honor or remember when placing your order. The price this year will be **\$7.00** and we will need to have your **order by Friday May 15th**. Please write the name neatly and write Geraniums on the memo line of your check. Place your order in the offering plate. Thank you for helping make our church grounds a more welcoming and beautiful place for all. A list of dedications will be included in an upcoming bulletin.

### Youth

Our youth group, Elevate, is taking a break today, May 10, to honor our Mothers. We will meet next May 17 for more wackiness and great fellowship at Park Forest Village UMC from 3-5 pm.

## **Graduate Recognition**

It will soon be time for some students to graduate from high school and college.

If you would like to honor a special graduate, please fill out the form located in the lobby and place it in the offering plate or share it with Patty DeCapria. We will celebrate our graduates at our worship service on May 31.

Please return this form by May 25.

## **Giving Garden**

The Giving Garden will be sowing seeds and putting in plants May 22 (6-7pm) May 23 (9-10am) and May 24 (3-4pm). Everyone of every age is encouraged to join in one of the sessions. Bring gloves, but we have everything else!

## **A Reunion Concert for All Bell Ringers**

We invite all bell ringers for a Sunday morning concert on May 31. All those who have participated in bells are welcome to play several pieces during worship. Practice will be held on Wednesdays, from 6:30 - 7:30 pm. We hope you will join us for this special time in sharing our talents in worship.

## **5th Sunday**

May has 5 Sundays this year. This Sunday will be more informal. Wear summer bright clothes, summer hats, etc. We will celebrate God's creation of warmer weather.

## **Rise Up !**

Each year, the districts in our Annual Conference collect items for the various kits Mission Central provides to those in need after a disaster or to people lacking funds to purchase basic items.

This year, our district, Mountain Valley, will be collecting two items for two different kits (school and personal care). We will be collecting **erasers** for school kits and **hand towels** for personal care kits.

Please see our collection location in the lobby area. We will continue to collect through Sunday, May 24. We will then transport to Williamsport for our Annual Conference gathering. Thank you always for your generosity!

## **Pentecost Sunday**

Come celebrate the birthday of the church! Red is the color associated with this Sunday. So, on May 24<sup>th</sup> wear a splash of red in celebration of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church.

<b>Calendar</b>	<b>May 10-16</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>		
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	Park Forest UMC

<b>Monday</b>		
Quilters	9:30am	Spring Creek Rm

<b>Tuesday</b>		
Pastor Hours	9-11am	Pastor's office
Scouts	5-8:30pm	FLC
Finance	7pm	Boardroom

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