



SEPTEMBER 13: TRUNK OR TREAT

Our fall community gathering will be held on Sunday, October 25, from 4-6 pm. We will have decorated trunks and treats, food, and games held in the FLC. We are in need of folks to decorate trunks and help with food and shepherding children around the FLC, as well as a sensory area. This event is one where we can gather and share God's love with our community, and allows us to be the church in our neighborhood. If there are any questions or concerns, please contact Patty DeCapria.

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Sunday

September 13, 2026

9:30am

Livestream at 9:30am on
our Facebook page.

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

Humans have a tendency to gravitate toward violence, this grieves God and moved God to destroy the earth, yet at the end God gives a sign of hope that such a means of worldwide destruction would not happen again.

Giving:

Mt. Nittany UMC.org

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Greeting

Prelude

Centering Words

Matthew 8: 23-27

23 And when he got into the boat, his disciples followed him.

24 A windstorm suddenly arose on the sea, so great that the boat was being swamped by the waves, but he was asleep.

25 And they went and woke him up, saying, "Lord, save us! We are perishing!" 26 And he said to them, **"Why are you afraid, you of little faith?"**

Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a dead calm. **27 They were amazed, saying, "What sort of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him?"**

Opening Prayer

God of promise, you set a bow in the sky to remind us that you will never again forsake your creation. Make us ever mindful of your promise, so that we might honor our covenant with you. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

*Opening Praise

Jesus Calls Us #398 vs. 1,3 &5

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore #344

Scripture

Genesis 6: 5-22, 9: 8-17

Children's Message

Message

Violence, Destruction, and a Sign of Hope

*Gospel Praise

Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King

The Peace

*Offertory Response

Glorify Thy Name

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

*Closing Praise

Forth in Thy Name, O Lord #438

Sending

Choral Benediction

The Blessing

Postlude

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

Tithing

The offering plate is on the table at the back of the Sanctuary.

Prayer List

Pat Sankey, Barbara Gotwalt, Darla Franks, Deb Poulin, Carol Bair, Arica Monsell, Brenda Peters, Kramer & Kidder Families, Pam Knepp, Erin Kelly, Dan Grau, Flood Victims of Nepal

Announcements



NEPAL FLOOD RELIEF: URGENT NEED
Support UMCOR International Disaster Response

The Crisis: "Catastrophic flooding has devastated communities across Nepal, leaving families in urgent need of food, clean water, and shelter."
Our Response: UMCOR is on the ground working with local partners to provide immediate emergency aid to the most vulnerable."

How You Can Help:
DONATE ONLINE: [UMCMission.org/giving](https://umcmission.org/giving) and search for Advance #982450
GIVE BY MAIL: Send checks to UMCOR, PO Box 9068, New York, NY 10087
Advance #982450 - Nepal Emergency
TEXT TO GIVE: Text "UMCOR" to 41444 and follow the prompts to donate to International Disaster Response.

UMCOR
United Methodist Committee on Relief - Global Ministries
100% of your donation goes to the cause.

Nursery Help Wanted

SPRC will be hiring a nursery leader to begin working in the nursery at the end of Sept. If you are interested please see Emily Gregory or Patty DeCapria for details.

Greeters and Ushers

Greeters and Ushers serve important roles in Worship on Sunday mornings and take no extra training... just a willingness to serve. Monthly schedules are created based on availability. If you would like to serve as an usher or greeter, please see Patty DeCapria before or after service or email (pattydecapria@gmail.com) or call (814 777-3376) anytime.

Giving Garden

We are down to our last few weeks of gardening as the days get shorter and the nights colder. We will no longer work on Wednesday evenings, and I expect only a few more Saturdays until we are done with season 13.

Recognize and Resist Scams

Greater Buffalo Run Valley UMC will offer a free presentation on Wednesday, September 23, from 6:30-8:00 pm to help protect yourself and others from the common scams in today's technology-driven world. Mark Repka, Senior Security Consultant at MegaplanIT, will share ways to recognize warning signs of these schemes. This event is free and open to everyone.

Calendar

September 13-19

Sunday

Friendship Class	8:30am	Boardroom
Worship	9:30am	Sanctuary
Children's Sunday School	9:30am	S/C Ed. Rm
Donuts and Fellowship	10:30am	FLC
Ballroom Dancing	2-5pm	FLC

Monday

Pastor Hours	9-11am	Pastor's Office
PSU Ushers	2pm	Workroom

Tuesday

Pastor Hours	9-11am	Pastor's Office
Scouts	5-8pm	FLC
Quilting	9:30am	Spring Creek Rm.

Wednesday

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

Thursday

Karate	5:30-6:30pm	FLC
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Saturday

Giving Garden	10am	
Football Dinner	4-6pm	Drive Thru