### Worship at 9:00 am

#### Prelude

Glorify Thy Name

#### Welcome to Worship

#### **Opening Praise**

You're Worthy to Be Praised Though Art Worthy

#### **Passing the Peace of Christ**

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms Jesus Loves Me

#### Pastor's Time with the Children

Following this time, children are encouraged to attend Kids Connection as the adults continue to worship.

Special Music		Pastor Dave McDowell
More To This Life		Chapman
Prayer Song		
America the Beautiful		vss 1-2
Prayers and Concerns		
America the Beautiful		vs 3
Presentation of Tithes, Offerings and	Lives	
Beneath the Cross of Jesus		arr. Kinyon
Scripture Lesson		John 15:4-5,8-9,12-17
Message	No Greater Love	Pastor Keith
Closing Hymn #437		

This Is My Song

### **Today's Servant Volunteers**

Gloria Winemiller – Organist Praise Band – Dave McDowell, GJ Emge, Ryan Keeney, Nate Herbert and Thom Pentz Audio/Visual – Dave Hebel and Chuck Bosley Ushers – Charles & Mary Cadden and Jim & Karen Starr Nursery, 5/27 – Steve Helfrich and Jenn Lawrence Nursery, 6/3 – Steve Freeman and Tracy Carroll

Seeking special music for worship service from June 3 through September 2. Soloist, small groups, instrumentalists welcome. To sign up, call the music ministry office (993-2507 x11) or sign up on the music office door.





Gloria Winemiller

Adkins

Our church one combined summer worship will be held from 9-10:15 am

Children will be in worship till 9:15 and then children will go to Kids Connection. Following a short fellowship time, adult Sunday school classes will be held at 10:30. Care will be provided for kids whose parents are in a class. This time will be snacks and activities for the children, not another class. If you wish to assist with this children's fellowship time, please contact Sandy at sandy@stewartstownumc.org.



Summer Theatre is almost Here! This year's show is Joseph! We are in need of some more small group leaders to help lead for 7 Wednesday evenings in June-July! It is a great opportunity to invest in the lives of

our youth and have fun! Small group leaders also get a special ticket to the Managers show. If this sounds like something you would love being a part of please contact Janice Bosley <u>zeke11@zoominternet.com</u> or Lindsay Trinks Lindsay@stewartstownumc.org.

75 youth auditioned last weekend for Summer Theatre. They will be involved in rehearsal, worship, and small group study for the next 10 weeks. Please keep them and the theatre staff in your prayers.

There will also be auditions for younger children for the Dreamcoat Choir, ages 8-11 on June 2-3. For information, regarding the Dreamcoat Choir auditions, there are flyers on the music office door. To register your child, contact Sandy Pietrowicz at sandy@stewartstownumc.org.





VBS is coming to SUMC on June 25 – 29 from 9 am – noon

Kids & Volunteers Register Now!

# Announcements



**Runaway Library Books - HELP** We need your **HELP** finding these books! Please check to see if they may have taken refuge in your home.

The Gospel of Matthew by William Barclay, Jesus of Nazareth by William Barcley, The Letters to the Corinthians by William Barclay The Bible in Basic English Bible Games by Edith Beavers Allen

Free Books - Here are books that have been removed from the library. They are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> shelf of the library book cart. Just For Kids, Victories Without Violence, 301 Creative Crafts, The New Crusade Songs **Redemption Melodies, Glad Gospel Songs** 

Do you have a family member who has graduated from any post high school institution this year college, trade/tech school, etc? We will be recognizing high school and post high graduates in worship on Sunday, June 3 at the 9 am combined service. Please submit the graduate's name, school, and degree earned to Connie in the church office by Tuesday, May 29.

## Happy Birthday Wishes to:

- 5/19: Andrew deFontes
- 5/27: Brayden Thompson, Luke Manfredi,

A Special

- Jennifer Coarr
- 5/28: George Wolf
- 5/29: Danny Amberman
- 5/31: Jane Joyce, Jake Hebel, Jeff Beatty
- Birthday 6/1: Wendy Eaton, Kelly Thompson, Mackenzie Carroll
- 6/2: Janet Fischer-Byers
- 6/3: Gail Nesbitt, Justin Rohrback
- 6/5: Lindsay Trinks
- 6/6: Julieanne deFontes,

### Melinda Leckrone, Kelli Hamme

# This Week at SUMC

May 27 – June 3, 2018

## Sunday, 5/27

9:00-10:15 am Combined Worship, Sanctuary 9:15 am Kids Connection, Fellowship Hall 10:30 am Adult Sunday School 12:00 pm Prayer Ministry Meeting, Library

### Monday, 5/28

Office will be closed for Memorial Day

### Wednesday, 5/30

7:00-9:00 pm Ping Pong 4 All, Stew Community Bldg

#### Thursday, 5/31 9:45-11:15 am Library Committee, Library

Friday, 6/1 7:00-9:00 pm Ping Pong 4 All, Stew Community Bldg

### Saturday, 6/2

7:00 am Band of Brothers, Library 9 - 10:00 am Theatre Stage Set-Up, Fellowship Hall 10 am-12 pm Dreamcoat Choir Auditions

### Sunday, 6/3

9:00-10:15 am Combined Worship, Sanctuary 9:15 am Kids Connection, Fellowship Hall 10 am - 12:30 pm Mission Trip Brunch, Fellowship Hall 10:30 am Adult Sunday School 12:00 pm Prayer Ministry Meeting, Library 3:00-5:00 pm Dreamcoat Choir Auditions

# **STUNTS Fundraiser Yard Sale**

All proceeds go towards Summer mission trip to Keyser, WV

## June 9<sup>th</sup> – 8 am till 2 pm **SUMC Front Lawn**

We need your unwanted STUFF. Please label items "yard sale" and place in the youth room. Contact Lindsay with questions. Please come out and support the STUNTS youth group.



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### Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8 am - 12, 1 - 3 pm Friday 8 am – 1 pm

Dr. Keith Braucher Lead Pastor

Rev. David McDowell Pastor of Music Ministries

Sandy Pietrowicz Director of Children's Ministries

**Lindsay Trinks Director of Youth Ministries** 

**Connie Zetterman** Church Administrative Secretary

> **Gary Schwinn** Sexton



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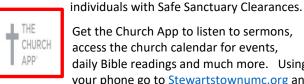


Sunday, May 27, 2018 Combined Summer Worship at 9 am Kids Connection 9:15 am Adult Sunday School at 10:30 am

Visit our website at www.stewartstownumc.org to Listen to Worship Sermons and Give On Line.

If you would like to receive our newsletter electronically, please send an email to connie@stewartstownumc.org.

Children's activity bags can be found in the rear of the sanctuary and in the nursery hallway for use during services. Our church nursery is staffed each Sunday during worship by



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### Tuesday - 2018-05-29 - John 15:12-17

12 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup>I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Notes – If loving well is the core to healthy and mature spirituality the key to that love is self-sacrifice. Love means putting God at the center, setting aside our agenda, our control, our plans, in order to do what God does – God gives everything for us so that we are able to give everything for others.

Prayer – Lord, as I remember and give thanks for your great sacrificial love for me, turn my heart always to you and toward loving others fully and completely in your name.

### Wednesday - 2018-05-30 - Matthew 22:34-40

<sup>34</sup>When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, <sup>35</sup>and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. <sup>36</sup>'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?'<sup>37</sup>He said to him, ' "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." <sup>38</sup>This is the greatest and first commandment. <sup>39</sup>And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." <sup>40</sup>On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.'

Notes – The law and the prophets where the central study and expertise of the Jewish leaders but not the heart. The central truth of our faith is loving God, loving others and loving ourselves. It is about loving relationships that are inseparable. It is why there cannot be spiritual maturity without emotional maturity. Christians can be incredibly knowledgeable, educated, religious, faithful in life and practice, and yet can be no more loving than non-Christians.

Prayer – Lord lead me on the path of true spiritual maturity by working in me to increase my love for you, for others, and for myself.

### Thursday - 2018-05-31 - Galatians 5:6

<sup>6</sup>For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything; the only thing that counts is faith working through love.

Notes – There was dispute in the early church with those who held to the lineage and tradition of Abraham and Moses. They clung to their status with Abraham as an ancestor and faithfulness to the laws of Moses. Paul lays out that in the end what "counts" to God is faith working through love. Love in action. Love is action. Whenever we extend ourselves for the love and growth of someone else in a way that also loves us and helps us grow is love. A definition of love I have found helpful from M Scott Peck, The Road Less Travelled. "The will to extend one's self for the purpose of nurturing one's own or another's spiritual growth" (**Peck**, 1978/1992, p85).

Prayer – Lord, whenever I encounter someone this day may my words and actions be loving in response to your every word to me and action which is love.

### Friday - 2018-06-01 - 1 Corinthians 13:2-3

<sup>2</sup>If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and <u>if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing</u>. <sup>3</sup>If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Notes – Faith without love is nothing. How often we pray, how much time we spend in the scriptures, how often we are at church, how much we know, what we believe, how much we trust God, nothing matters without love. If we are not becoming more loving as individuals, as a church, and as a community then we are not growing in Christ.

### Saturday 2018-06-02 – Be Still

Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him. Psalm 37:7 Be still and know that I am God. Psalm 46:10 In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and

there he prayed. Mark 1:35

Notes - We need to make time every day for silence and stillness in God's presence. To sit wrapped in God's love. To be reconnected to God, the source of life and love. There are numerous scriptures reporting Jesus's practice of going off alone to pray. Before major life events and decisions such as when he chose the 12 disciples, the scripture reports he spent all night in prayer.

Prayer – Lord, you call me to stay with you, to live in you. Help me ever to make time with you not only my practice but my heart's desire.







JOYS

- My family with Christ.
- The Goodness of God.
- Thank God for a Beautiful Day.
- Joy of Worshipping
- Thank you James Rodkey for the beautiful anthem, "Breathe On Me, Breath of God" composed by your hands.
- The marriage of Lauren and Tyler.
- The marriage of Jean and Craig's daughter this weekend.
- The Beautiful Wedding of Harry and Meghan, the Duke and Duchess of Sussex.
- Time with Family on Mother's Day.
- For the gift of the Holy Spirit to provide comfort and guidance.
- So blessed that I am getting confirmed. To help me in the next chapter of my Spiritual journey with what's next to come.
- Praise, Honor and Glory to God for His Holy Spirit!
- Joy for the love and life of Gracyn P. Lift her family in prayer.
- Thanks be to God for His Love, Grace and Mercy.
- Two healthy grandchildren born to Pat A. in Florida by her two daughters this week. Now she has a granddaughter and a grandson to love and spoil.
- Blessings to all those confirmed into SUMC on Sunday Morning Abbey Bakalyar, Hailey Hammer, Annie Hebel, Emily Manifold, Gabe Rader, Kylie Redding, Tyler Redding and Ben Schwartz. WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY.

## CONCERNS

- Please pray for my unborn baby that everything goes well during the remainder of pregnancy and during delivery.
- Pray for Cathy M.'s son, Edward who will be undergoing a 3 by-pass surgery on Monday morning.
  Pray for Janet with Health Concerns.
- My dad, Don C., who is not feeling well and is having some testing done.
- Prayers and Commitments to the Sunday Brunch for Kenya Mission Trip on Sunday, June 3rd.
  Pray for Nancy, my wife.
- Pray for my mother, Barbara, in the hospital with pneumonia and my brother, Jeff' cancer is gone; healing and good health for both.
- Prayers for a work colleague having cancer growth removed this week.
- Prayers and thanksgiving for transformation in my children.
- Continued healing for all who have addictions and have experienced loss.
- All God's Children.
- Comfort for the family of Dale M.
- Gracyn and Kristen.
- Pray for the family of Dale.
- Pray for the families of the Texas Shooting victims.
- Pray for Mike's recovery from surgery.
- Prav for Lance Corp Jared Armes in final half of cvper training. stationed at Correv Station. Pensacola. FL.



# GPS - Grow, Pray, Study

# **No Greater Love**

May 27-June 2, 2018 John 15:4-5,8-9,12-17

# **True Spiritual Maturity**

# Monday - 2018-05-28 - John 15:4-5,8-9,12-17

<sup>4</sup>Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me.<sup>5</sup>I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>8</sup>My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. <sup>9</sup>As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love.

Notes – The key to abiding in God is silence and stillness. Since we need to be continually connected to God we must take time to stop everything we are doing and redirect all of our attention to God. We will become distracted, but our goal is to always be aware of God's sacred presence, loving, guiding, providing, forgiving. Only then can we truly be the presence of God for others as we bear the fruits of love, kindness, mercy and joy-filled service.

Prayer – Set specific times today to stop everything you are doing and simply attend to God's presence in silence. At least 2 minutes at a time but as much time as you are able. Settle into a comfortable place, take a few quiet breaths. You might start with a single word or short prayer – Jesus, Father, Abba (Jesus's word for Daddy in heaven), Here I am Lord. When thoughts distract just turn them over to God and use your prayer to return your thoughts to God. It is okay that it may be difficult at first. It is no easy thing to let go of your control and your agenda and surrender them to God.

# New Sermon Series and Sunday Study

Starting today Pastor Keith will continue teaching from this sermon series on Healthy Relationships. Grab a cup of coffee and meet him in the sanctuary after worship.

To get the most out of the study pick up a copy of

Emotionally Healthy Relationships Day by Day:

A 40-Day Journey to Deeply Change Your Relationships by Peter Scazzero, Zondervan.



