#### 10:00 am Worship

Pastor David McDowell, organist Prelude

**Welcome and Prayer** 

\*Opening Praise

You're Worthy of My Praise Thou Art Worthy My Hope is Built

\*Greeting One Another

**Worship Song** 

Leaning On the Everlasting Arms

**Prayer Song** 

America the Beautiful

**Time of Prayer** 

**Presentation of Tithes, Offerings and Lives** 

You Are Lord

Acts 3:1-10 **Scripture Lesson** 

Message Pastor Keith

Get Up! (Personal and Social Restoration)

Closing Hymn #473

This Is My Song Go Now In Peace

**Blessing** 

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

Worship Band – David McDowell, GJ Emge, Nate Herbert, Ryan Keeney and Levi Tart

Audio/Visual - Dave Hebel and Chuck Bosley

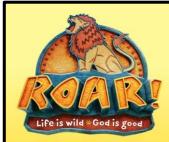


Summer **Combined Adult** Sunday School 11:00 am Heritage Hall

**Knowing God Loving God** Serving God



Seeking special music for worship service during the summer months. Soloist, small groups, instrumentalists welcome. To sign up, call the music ministry office (993-2507 x11) or sign up on the music office door.



## VBS 2019! June 17-21

God is Good All the Time!

https://vbspro.events/p/events/9b5129



Stewartstown Summer Theatre July 31st - August 10th Over 70 youth auditioned for Summer Theatre. Keep this ministry in your prayers as it reaches out to the youth and families of our region.

Performances July 31-August 10 www. sumctheatre.org





Performance Date: Sunday, July 14, 10:00 am Place: Stewartstown U.M. Church, 26 S. Main St. Ages: 8-12 (must be 8 by September 30, 2019) Camp Dates & Times: July 7, 6:30-8:00 pm & Mon.-Friday, July 8-12, 9:00 am -3:00 pm

The camp is FREE. A registration fee of \$25 is requested and covers the cost of the student's music book, music CD, and camp tee shirt. Register on line at vbspro.events/p/bbe720. Adults and teens interested in helping with the camp are also encouraged to go to the website to apply. All volunteers 18 & older must have state clearances and comply with our church safe sanctuary requirements. For more information, contact Sandy Pietrowicz at

sandy@stewartstownumc.org.

Bible Study at the Parsonage led by Pastor Keith Join us 7:00 - 8:30 on Thursday nights starting June 6th in the parsonage backyard. Bring your Bible and maybe a lawn chair. In case of rain, we will meet inside.

# ${\mathcal A}$ nnouncements

#### **Library News**

#### **Book Review** When God Doesn't Make Sense by Dr. James Dobson

When we are young and healthy it is easy to believe life will always be like this. But if you live long enough you will eventually experience difficulties that are not easy to understand. At these times it may seem that God doesn't make sense and we may ask, "Why did God let this happen to me?" Dr. Dobson combines personal experiences and the Scripture to help strengthen the faith of those who are feeling confused and disillusioned by life's difficulties.

New Additions to the Library -

Renaissance: The Power of the Gospel **However Dark the Times** by Guinness

**Christian Believer: Knowing God with Heart** 

and Mind

Everybody Always by Bob Goff

Do Hard Things by Alex & Brett Harris

#### **Happy Birthday**

5/26: Brina Jones, Wendy Hester, Patsy Brown

5/27: Brayden Thompson, Luke Manfredi

Jennifer Coarr 5/28: George Wolf

5/29: Danny Amberman

5/31: Jane Joyce, Jake Hebel, Jeff Beatty

6/1: Wendy Eaton, Kelly Thompson, Mackenzie Carroll

6/2: Janet Fischer-Byers

6/3: Gail Nesbitt



#### GIVING UPDATE AS OF May 19, 2019 Total Needed \$ 171,637 Actual Giving \$ 168,689

Give on Line Stewartstownumc.org/give. Thank you for your generosity & financial commitment to Stewartstown United Methodist Church



### May 26 – June 2, 2019

Sunday, 5/26

10:00-11:00 am Combined Summer Worship, Sanctuary 11:00-12:00 am Combined Adult Sunday School,

Heritaae Hall

12:00 pm Prayer Ministry Meeting, Library

#### Monday, 5/27 Church Offices Closed

Senior Aerobics, Fellowship Hall 8:30-9:30 am PATMOS Rehearsal, Sanctuary 5:00-8:00 pm

#### Tuesday, 5/28

8:30-9:30 am Senior Aerobics, Fellowship Hall 6:00-8:00 pm FPU Meeting, Heritage Hall 6:30-9:00 pm Theatre Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall 7:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting, Library

#### Wednesday, 5/29

8:30-9:30 am Senior Aerobics, Fellowship Hall 6:30-8:30 pm Scout Leaders Meeting, Heritage Hall 6:30-9:00 pm Theatre Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall 7:00-9:00 pm Ping Pong 4 All, Stewartstown Community Bldg

#### Thursday, 5/30

8:30-9:30 am Senior Aerobics, Fellowship Hall 2:30-4:00 pm Library Committee, Library 6:30-9:00 pm Theatre Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall

#### Friday, 5/31

8:30-9:30 am Senior Aerobics, Fellowship Hall 5:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal, Sanctuary 7:00-9:00 pm Ping Pong 4 All, Stewartstown Community Bldg

#### Saturday, 6/1

7:00-11:00 am Band of Brothers, Library 2:30 pm Wedding, Sanctuary 6:00 pm Piano Recital, Sanctuary

**Sunday**, 6/2 10:00-11:00 am Combined Summer Worship, Sanctuary 11:00 am Cherub Party, Toddler Room 11:00-12:00 am Combined Adult Sunday School, Heritage Hall 12:00 pm Prayer Ministry Meeting, Library 1:30 pm Production Staff Meeting, Music Room 2:30-6:00 pm Theatre Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall

# Stewartstown Onited Methodist Church A local church with a Heart for the World

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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

#### **Connie Zetterman**

**Church Administrative Secretary** 

#### **Gary Schwinn** Sexton



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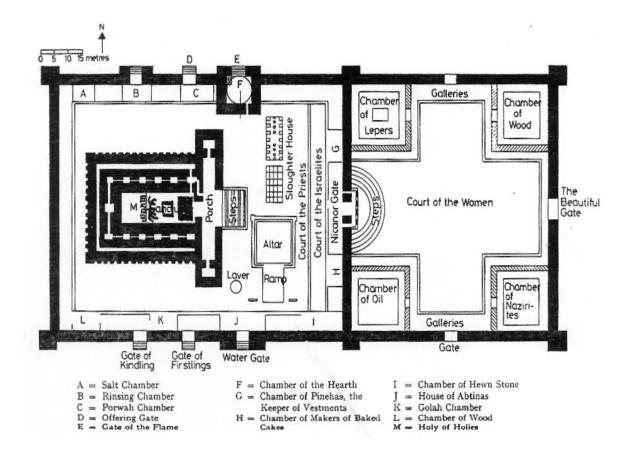
Sunday, May 26, 2019

Summer Worship May 26-Sept 1, 2019 10:00 am Combined worship 11:00 am Combined Adult Sunday School **No Kids Connection** 

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

Get the Church App to listen to sermons, access the church calendar for events, daily Bible readings and much more. Using your phone click on the link at the

bottom of home page on Stewartstownumc.org. Or text "StewartsUM" without quotation marks to 206-859-9405. Once the Church App is installed it should open to our app but if not simply search for Stewartstown.



#### Tuesday –

Acts 3:1-10 – Who are the 21st century marginalized?

**Notes** – Beggars were considered the lowest of the have-nots in Israelite society. It was clear that this man had been lame from birth and therefore a beggar his entire life. They were excluded from the temple and all it symbolized in Israel: Divine presence, sacrifice, atonement for sin — to name just a few. (see the map) 2 Samuel 5:8b - "Therefore it is said, 'The blind and the lame shall not come into the house.'" There was long standing discrimination against the physically impaired while Gentiles and Jewish women were given limited access. The "beautiful gate" allowed entrance for "members" while excluding others. Where does the church do the same? Do the activities of the church benefit the members inside or does it encourage members to extend God's love to people outside?

**Prayer** – Lord I stand at the gate of my life and of my heart. Open my life to those society excludes that I may love as you love without discrimination.

Wednesday – Acts 3:1-10 - God's concern for the least and the lost.

**Notes** – The temple was the second temple and was built by Herod. Josephus the Jewish historian describes the blinding whiteness of its stone and golden gilding. The act of healing the lowest of the low, who have been excluded and kept outside the extravagant and costly temple, is a powerful sign of the new kingdom and shows God's concern for the least and the lost.

**Prayer** – Lord, you love the least and the lost. You have lifted me up and desire to lift up everyone downtrodden. Make me an instrument of your peace and justice, a partner with you until all people know of your love and are restored in justice.

#### Thursday – Acts 3:1-10 - Peter Heals a Crippled Beggar

Notes – 3:3-5 The Hebrew meaning of alms (zedakah) is charity in the spirit of uprightness or justice. Wealth was considered a loan from God, and the poor had a certain claim on the possessions of the rich. The rich were instructed to share God's bounty with the poor. The lame man begged with this expectation in mind. Undoubtedly, Peter's response provided more charity and justice than the lame man expected. Peter took the man by his right hand and raised him up. Immediately strength entered the man's limbs. He walked and jumped (physical healing) and entered the temple with them (social restoration). [Acts 3:6-8] Who are today's poor and marginalized? Who are the broken that we tend to exclude? Who are those in need of healing and social restoration?

**Prayer** – Lord, I acknowledge that I am broken and in need of healing. As I accept my brokenness and allow you to make me whole use me to embrace the broken and marginalized and use my brokenness to bring healing.

#### Friday - Matthew 23:27 - 28

27 'Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which on the outside look beautiful, but inside they are full of the bones of the dead and of all kinds of filth. <sup>28</sup>So you also on the outside look righteous to others, but inside you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.

**Prayer** – Lord, it is the beauty of the humble heart and a life lived for others that pleases you. Forgive me for appearances and righteousness that is only for show.

#### Saturday – Acts 1:11

<sup>11</sup>They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

**Notes** – Do we sometimes allow our worship, prayers, devotions, church life become substitutes for our mission as Christians.

**Prayer** – God you ask, "Why are you just standing there.....

# SUMC Weekly Prayer Page

# Need for Prayer

#### JOYS

- GRADUATIONS!!!
- Prayers for our graduating young sons and daughters of our Church.
- Prayers for our youth minister, Lindsay and family.
- Mike's surgery went well.
- Thank God for our health.
- Our daughter settles on 1st home on Friday.
- We have such a fine young man as our acolyte. Praise God!
- Praise for the Children's Musical Theatre Camp July 8-12.
- Upcoming VBS 2019 ROAR! June 17-21
- SINGING IN THE RAIN Stewartstown SUMMER THEATRE JULY 31-AUGUST 10.
- GOODBYE to Lindsay Trinks and Family.
- Prayers for the on-going work for the upcoming Jesus Christ Superstar performance.
- Marriage of Mr. Justin Everett to Mrs. Amanda (Franklin) Everett on May 10, 2019

#### **CONCERNS**

- Children with mental and emotional illness.
- For Samantha, our granddaughter, who is traveling this summer with Drum Corp International.
- Prayers for a bone marrow donor for our brother.
- Continued prayers for my granddaughter from serious fall earlier this year.
- Prayers for all those high school seniors about to embark on new paths to make good choices.
- Prayers for my dear friend Franc, that he would be filled with the Holy Spirit and transformed into new life that an opportunity for gainful employment would be placed in front of him and that all aspects of his life would begin to be restored.
- Prayers for all that struggle with mental illness and/or addictions.
- Continued prayers for my wife Nancy.
- Prayers for Janet's health both Praise and Prayer on recovery.
- My family at the death of my Uncle Sam.
- Continue to pray for Jose R. from back surgery.
- That my leaking roof is repaired and my electrical problem.
- Pray for All God's Children.
- Prayers for family and friends of Ron B, who suddenly passed away after being in rehab at Spirit Trust for one week.
- Prayers for Ron and Sue and Sue's healing.
- Ed W., Larry M. and Linda O. cancer.
- Continued prayer for Kathy and Gene.

#### **Continued Prayers for:**

All our Recruits and Servicemen and Women
Our President and leaders all around the world
Our Sunday School Teachers and all Leaders of Our Church





GPS –
Grow, Pray, Study
May 26 – June 1, 2019

#### Monday -

Acts 3:1-10 - Peter Heals a Crippled Beggar (We will be looking at this scripture Monday-Thursday) 10ne day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, at three o'clock in the afternoon. 2 And a man lame from birth was being carried in. People would lay him daily at the gate of the temple called the Beautiful Gate so that he could ask for alms from those entering the temple. 3 When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked them for alms. 4 Peter looked intently at him, as did John, and said, 'Look at us.' 5 And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. 6 But Peter said, 'I have no silver or gold, but what I have I give you; in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, stand up and walk.' 7 And he took him by the right hand and raised him up; and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. 8 Jumping up, he stood and began to walk, and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. 9All the people saw him walking and praising God, 10 and they recognized him as the one who used to sit and ask for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

#### Notes -

The beggar thinks he knows the extent of what he can ask for, but Peter gives him something much better. Do you limit God's giving by specifying what you want rather than receiving what God wants to give you? Imagine yourself as the beggar, crying out to Peter and John. What do you ask for? What do you really want? Healing of body or soul? Forgiveness? Hear Peter, as an instrument of Christ's Spirit, speak to you: "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth ..." What is the gift he offers?

#### Prayer -

God, you want to give me all that I need even as you have provided everything for my entire life. Thank-you for your provision. Help me trust you more and allow your gifts to flow through me that my heart may become as generous as yours.