

SUMC Weekly Prayer Page

JOYS



- All God's Children.
- Thank you for Pastor Keith.
- Sunshine and blessings.
- Gratitude for faithful, caring friends.
- Prayers for our daughters upcoming wedding.
- Thank you for your prayers for Tim, it helped - he doesn't have cancer, check-ups every 3 months.
- Co-worker Renee recently finished radiation for Breast Cancer and is currently cancer free.
- Marriage of grandson Luke and Elie on the 21st, safe travels on vacation to West Coast.
- My sister, Rose will be coming in from California - safe travels and good reunion.
- Continued prayers for the upcoming Jesus Christ Superstar performance.
- Joy to celebrate my son, EZ 16th birthday with family and friends.

CONCERNS

- My Mother, Barbara, awaiting results of Pet Scan and possible return of cancer.
- Prayers for Barb D. as she begins a clinical trial for Ovarian Cancer.
- Prayers for family relationships.
- Prayers for continued healing for Jerry R. in Rehab.
- Prayers for everybody who is hurting and struggling in the World. The homeless people and animals.
- Please be with all students as they navigate this school year.
- Prayers for the amazon rainforest and everyone the fire effects.
- Prayers for the addicted, mentally ill and homeless.
- Prayers for Matt C., Angie, Russell H. and Janet A.
- Prayers for our Pastors - Keith and Dave, Kathy and Gene F., John and Carol, president Trump and family.
- Salvation for all people, for our country.
- Prayers for fast knee healing after surgery.
- Prayers for all that struggle with mental illness and/or addictions.
- Continued healing for Ryan H.
- Hopeful job opportunity at an eye Dr. office.
- My nephew Josh has something wrong with his liver. We will know more after Friday.
- Prayers for a teen with abdominal pain is recovering after trip to ED on Monday.
- All God's Children.
- Tracey C undergoing cancer treatment with courage.
- Prayers for Michelle B, as she and her family grieve the loss of her brother, Lynn.
- Prayer for Kathy R.
- Prayers for Mark and Betty
- Prayers for Ryan T. following surgery

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

October 4-6 @ Gretna Glen

OFFLINE

STUNTS Fall Retreat

Cost: \$120 includes lodging, meals, and transportation. Please eat before arriving to church or bring money for fast food. We will depart the church on Friday evening @ 5 pm and return home to SUMC @ 4 pm on Sunday. Email Jason to signup!

October 20, 2019

ENDING HUNGER
ONE STEP
AT A TIME
CROP HUNGER WALK

[Register to Walk or donate here](https://www.crophungerwalk.org/stewartstownpa)

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Pastor Ed will begin a Wednesday morning Bible study on October 9th till November 13th. Class will meet in the church library from 10 – 11:30 am. "Amos and Friends, Prophetic Voices in Perilous Times." Register in the church office or come to the class.

Meets 2nd & 4th Wed from 6:30-8:00 pm

TO THE FULL
Have More Fun with childcare
Fear Less
Find Your People

MOPS – Mothers of Pre-schoolers

Due to the enhancements in the sanctuary, there are currently (2) 6 foot church pews that are available. In the near future there will also be (6) 14 foot pews available for a suggested donation over \$50. If you are interested in any of the pews, please contact the church office. The 6 foot pews are available now and we will take names for the other pews and contact you when they are available for pick-up.

New Members class with Pastor Keith will be held on Sunday, September 22nd from 11:30 am until 1:00 pm. If you are interested in church membership, please join us in Heritage Hall following worship. Lunch will be provided.



The Car Ministry is continually prepared to receive vehicle donations to assist those in need within our community. There is a current need to assist a homeless family with 3 small children with a vehicle. If you or someone you know has a car/van to donate, please contact Joe Dablock.



Volunteer Opportunity

We are in need of a few volunteers that would be willing to donate about an hour a week to help clean the church. Some of our faithful volunteers have retired. You can pretty much set your own schedule as long as there are no scheduling conflicts. Areas we could use a little help include: Children's Classrooms, Sanctuary, Youth room, Kitchen. Contact our Sexton, Gary Schwinn

Announcements

Library News



Carpe Diem: Seize the Day

by Tony Campolo

Have you lost your childlike wonder and enthusiasm for living? In a world that values conformity and coolness, it's easy to lose sight of the joy, fulfillment, and sheer fun of throwing caution to the wind and yourself into a life of unabashed passion. But God calls us to embrace just such a life and discover the abundance hidden in even the most mundane moments. If you are living without passion and purpose, you're not really living at all. Let this book help you rekindle the fire in your heart for a vibrant relationship with God.

Free Books - Here are books that were removed from the library. They are on the 2nd shelf of the library book cart.

Hospice, Don't Take My Grief Away, Christ Followers in the Real World, Living More Simply, A Letter of Consolation

Happy Birthday

- 9/21: Gracy Pickel
- 9/22: Bridget Eckrote, Charlotte Henneman, Thomas Davidson
- 9/23: Eleanor Myers
- 9/24: Jesse Hairfield
- 9/25: Angela Rehmeyer, Anthony Paglia, Rachael Holle
- 9/26: Dustin Dablock
- 9/27: Karen Foster
- 9/28: Keith Kurtz, Pearl Madden
- 9/29: Caleb Bakalyar, Hilda Miller, Owen Martin



GIVING UPDATE AS OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

Total Needed \$317,528 Actual Giving \$296,793
Thank you for your generosity & financial commitment to Stewartstown United Methodist Church. The deficit reflects lower giving during the summer months and is normal for this time of year. Remember to give even if you are away. Give on Line Stewartstownumc.org/give.

Event schedule September 22 - 29, 2019

Sunday, 9/22	
9:00 am	Sunday School for all Ages
9:00-10:15 am	Kids Connection
10:00 am	Fellowship Time, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
10:30 am	Worship, <i>Sanctuary</i>
11:30-1:00 pm	New Members Class, <i>Heritage Hall</i>
12:00 pm	Prayer Ministry Meeting, <i>Library</i>
5:00 pm	Company of Praise, <i>Sanctuary</i>
5:00-5:45 pm	Cherub Choir Rehearsal, <i>Toddler Room</i>
5:00-6:15 pm	Spark Choir Rehearsal, <i>Music Room</i>
5:00-6:15 pm	Adult Bible Study, <i>Heritage Hall</i>
Monday, 9/23	
8:30-9:30 am	Senior Aerobics, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
6:15-8:15 pm	STUNTS Youth Group, <i>Youth Room</i>
Tuesday, 9/24	
8:30-9:30 am	Senior Aerobics, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
6:30-8:00 pm	Scout Leader Meeting, <i>Heritage Hall</i>
7:00 pm	Board of Trustees Mtg, <i>Library</i>
Wednesday, 9/25	
8:30-9:30 am	Senior Aerobics, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
6:30-8:00 pm	MOPS Group Mtg, <i>Heritage Hall</i>
7:00-8:30 pm	Disciple Bible Study, <i>Library</i>
7:00-9:00 pm	Ping Pong 4 All, <i>Stewartstown Community Bldg</i>
Thursday, 9/26	
8:30-9:30 am	Senior Aerobics, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
2:30 pm	Library Committee, <i>Library</i>
6:30-7:30 pm	Jubellieres Handbell Choir, <i>Sanctuary</i>
7:30-8:45 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, <i>Sanctuary</i>
Friday, 9/27	
8:30-9:30 am	Senior Aerobics, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
7:00-9:00 pm	Ping Pong 4 All, <i>Stewartstown Community Bldg</i>
Saturday, 9/28	
9:00 am	Helping Hands, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
Sunday, 9/29	
9:00 am	Sunday School for all Ages
9:00-10:15 am	Kids Connection
10:00 am	Fellowship Time, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
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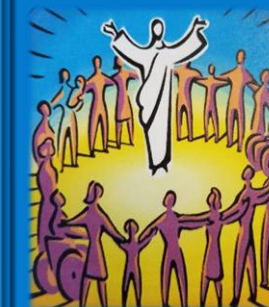


Welcome to Stewartstown United Methodist Church
Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the World

Sunday, September 22, 2019 10:30 am

Prelude	I Want Jesus to Walk with Me	African-American Spiritual
Welcome		Pastor Keith
*Opening Praise	I Will Celebrate	
	Psalm 40:1-3	
	Ancient of Days	
	Thou Art Worthy	
*Greeting One Another		
*Praise and Worship	Hymn #171 There's Something About That Name	
Time with the Children		
Prayer Song	Search Me O My God (Psalm 139)	
Time of Prayer and The Lord's Prayer		
Presentation of Tithes, Offerings and Lives	Mission Moment	
	Offering Presentation with Doxology No. 94	
Chancel Choir Anthem	How Great His Heart Must Be	arr. Mayfield
Scripture Lessons	Acts 4:23-31	
	Psalm 2	
Message	<i>I Need to Make a Call (Prayer)</i>	Pastor Keith
Closing Song		Into Your Courts
Choral Benediction		Go Now In Peace
Dismissal and Blessing		
Postlude		My Hope is Built
	Today's Servant Volunteers	
	Worship Band – GJ Emge, Nate Herbert, Susan Herbert, Ryan Keeney and Levi Tart	
	Organist – Gloria Winemiller	Liturgist – Pat Shaw
	Audio/Visual/Camera – Dave Hebel/Chuck Bosley/John Malachowski	
	Nursery – Patty Manifold and Karen Toomey	

New Sunday Worship Schedule



9:00 am
Sunday School
for all Ages
Kids Connection
ends at 10:15

10:00 am
Fellowship Time
in Fellowship Hall

10:30 am
Worship

Stewartstown United Methodist Church

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[Dr. Keith Braucher](#), Lead Pastor x10

[Rev. David McDowell](#), Pastor of Music Ministries x11

[Sandy Pietrowicz](#), Director of Children's Ministries x19

[Jason Weirich](#), Director of Youth Ministries x 18

[Connie Zetterman](#), Administrative Assistant x13

[Gary Schwinn](#), Sexton x14

[ChurchAdmin](#), Susan Herbert (Financial)/Janice Bosley (Safe Sanctuary) Church Administration x12



~ MISSION OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL ~

Saturday, Sept. 28

Helping Hand for the Homeless of York, Food Run

Please help by:

- 1. Cooking** the hot meal.*
- 2. Donating Clothing and Supplies:**
(Please leave clean clothing as well as supplies in the bins at the bottom of the Office side stairs beside Fellowship Hall)
We especially need Mens & Women Socks
Also needed: Toiletries, Devotional Books and Guides, Children's Christian Books, Coloring books, crayons
- 3. Help prepare the Bagged Lunches**
Sat. Sept. 28, 9am Fellowship Hall.
- 4. Servers in York for the Hot Meal**
leave SUMC 4pm, return 8:30- 9 pm SUMC *
- 5. Evening Clean Up Crew**- meet the returning hot meal servers & cleanup around 8:30 pm at SUMC kitchen *

*Please contact Jim Starr, 993-6598, jim@jimstarr.com

What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed,"but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? James 2:14-16



By the Power of the Holy Spirit

"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you: and you will be my witnesses."
Acts 1:8

Grow Pray Serve

I Need to Make a Call Prayer

September 22, 2019

Grow Pray Serve is for personal daily growth and small groups. Simply have your group pick the scriptures and questions that speak to you.

Monday – Acts 4:23-31 - The Believers Pray for Boldness

After they were released, they went to their friends and reported what the chief priests and the elders had said to them. When they heard it, they raised their voices together to God and said, 'Sovereign Lord, who made the heaven and the earth, the sea, and everything in them, it is you who said by the Holy Spirit through our ancestor David, your servant: "Why did the Gentiles rage, and the peoples imagine vain things? The kings of the earth took their stand, and the rulers have gathered together against the Lord and against his Messiah."

For in this city, in fact, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place. And now, Lord, look at their threats, and grant to your servants to speak your word with all boldness, while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus.' When they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God with boldness.

Notes – There is a pattern of opposition to the gospel followed by withdrawal and then empowerment to do more. Why would anyone oppose the gospel? The message of new life in Christ accomplished by Jesus' death and resurrection threatened the religious authorities and government control. Why would anyone oppose the gospel today? I experience opposition to the good news message of unconditional love, forgiveness, hope when we are called to love or forgive someone we don't want to love or forgive. And who would oppose hope? Those who want to manipulate us with fear. Where and when do you experience opposition? How do you handle it? If you do not experience opposition to the gospel are you being bold enough?

Prayer – When I am knocked down, renew my spirit and empower me to not only return to a full life but to do so with more boldness than before.

Tuesday - Psalm 2 - God's Promise to His Anointed

Why do the nations conspire, and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord and his anointed, saying, 'Let us burst their bonds asunder, and cast their cords from us.'

He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord has them in derision. Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying, 'I have set my king on Zion, my holy hill.'

I will tell of the decree of the Lord: He said to me, 'You are my son; today I have begotten you. Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,

Notes – Hubris – noun, excessive pride or self-confidence. Synonyms – arrogance, conceit, haughtiness, pride, vanity, self-importance, pomposity, feeling of superiority – The violence of the world caused by the hubris of the nations will always be with us. But God promises not only to put them in their place but to protect the people while doing so. This psalm was quoted by the apostles as recorded in Acts 4. How might God's promise effect your decision to be bold? The church's decision to be bold?

Prayer – God, my God, I affirm you as ruler over all creation. I affirm your power over my enemies, my world, my life, my past, my present and my future. Remind me again that nothing can stand against you or your reign so that I may rest once again in your peace.

Wednesday – 1 John 1:1 - 2:5

1We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— 2this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— 3we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. 4We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

Notes – As a child I often wished I was like Gandalf or other wizards who had magic life-giving words of power in the face of powerlessness. As a pastor I have often wished to have the exact right life-giving words to create peace, to heal, to comfort. The truth of the matter is we do have life giving words. We are called to be witnesses who boldly declare what we have heard, seen, touched, concerning the word of life which John identifies as Jesus Christ. Where have you experienced the word of life? Are you willing to be a bold witness?

Prayer – Lord, you are the word of life. May my words and actions this day loudly proclaim you so that all may be caught up in the divine fellowship.

Thursday - Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: "Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Notes – There is no promise that life will be easier for God's people. While God is always saving and healing and ultimate salvation is always imminent, we are still heartsick.

Prayer – Read this phrase then reread the scripture. In the first 8 months of this year there have been 297 mass shootings in our country.

Friday - Luke 16:13

No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.'^{*}

Notes – "too many mind" is a phrase used in a scene from the 2003 movie The Last Samurai. In the sword fight the teacher teaches that the divided mind is weak but when we let go we find clarity, strength and focus. Christ teaches us that we can only have one focus at a time, God or something else. Surrendering to God brings one clear focus.

Prayer – Be my focus today, God of my life. Only one priority – what you want. Only one opinion of me matters – yours. Only one possible future – the one you hold.



DISCIPLE
FAST TRACK

**Becoming Disciples
Through Bible Study**

Led by Pastor Keith
Wednesday evenings 7:00 - 8:30
starting September 11 and running 12 weeks
until Thanksgiving.



Adult Classes Sunday evenings from 5:00 - 6:15 pm
Spiritual Development for Life
Adults, Couples, Parenting, Empty Nesters,
Second Journey

Pastor Keith will present a topic each week with opportunity for discussion and sharing based on his 30+ years of experience as a pastoral counselor.

