



SUMC Weekly Prayer Page

JOYS

- * Thank you Dear God for bringing me safely back from my wonderful get-away to California to be with my grandkids. We all had a great time together but it's always nice to be back home.
- * May the days ahead be Fabulous - Filled with Fabulous thoughts, Friends and Moments for all..
- * Be thankful for today, because in one moment, your entire life could change.
- * Blessings to Our President, Vice-President and all Federal, State and Local Representatives.
- * Protection for Our Protectors/Providers -- Armed Service Men and Women, Police, Fire - Personal and Medical care..
- * Love to Our Church and Church Families all around the world.
- * Food Distribution -Tuesdays and Saturdays from 10am-12noon are available for anyone that has a need.
- * Big thanks to all those who donate the food and those who assist in preparing food for distribution.
- * Thank You for the Beautiful Sunshiny Days!!!
- * Backyard Bible Studies on the Parsonage Lawn on Thursdays at 7PM. Bring your Bible and a lawn chair.

CONCERNS

- * Prayers for The Stewartstown Summer Theatre Outdoor Showcase - Especially all those giving of their time and talents while also being fully committed to full time work and home obligations. Be with our talented area school participants. Be sure to mark Wednesday, July 29th - Sunday, August 9th on your calendars.
- * Prayers for the family and friends of Alex Lori who was killed by a hit & run driver
- * Deaths/Sickness of All ages, races, creeds, religion throughout the world.
- * Prayers for Peggy Jenkins. She had surgery on July 9th and is having a rough time.
- * Pray for Doris, Loretta's mom with Alzheimer's. Now in the hospital. Prayers for healing and comfort.
- * Prayers for cousins of Kayt H., Desires S. and her husband.
- * Prayers for Michael L. diagnosed with COVID-19, now on a ventilator. Please pray for Mike, that his body heals and pray for the guidance of the doctors and nurses.
- * Prayers of comfort for Marie S. whose husband died of the virus.
- * Pray for the least, the lost and the lonely. Continued prayers for those in Nursing homes and other caring facilities.
- * Prayers for Bob S. with health complications.
- * Pray for William B., Pastor Keith's father.
- * Pray for Sandy P.'s granddaughter, Charlotte Lilley that she had a successful surgery on the 14th.
- * Pray for all those suffering at this time. Give them strength and courage.
- * Pray for President Trump; and Vice-President Pence and all government leaders.

Any new prayer requests or updates, please call or text Ev Barrows at 717-818-2874, or Email: evbarrows@zoominternet.net.

Please inform the church office of those hospitalized or at home recuperating so that we are able to *connect* and *care* for them during their time of healing.

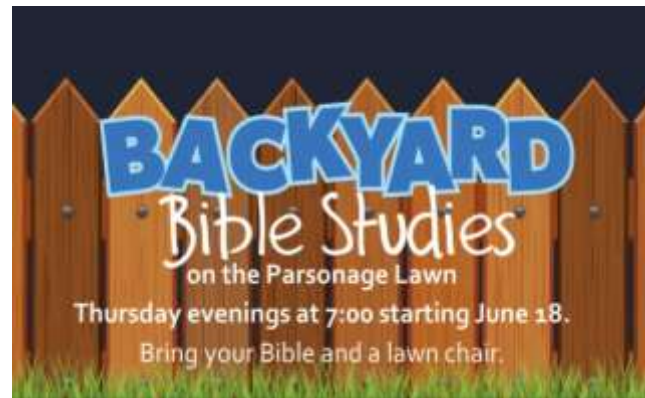


**41st Annual
Stewartstown Summer Theatre Production
July 29 - August 9, 2020**

Free tickets NOW available at www.sumctheatre.com or 717-746-6265

5 pm daytime option on Sunday, August 2

Summer Theatre is looking for volunteers for parking, refreshments, monitors and ushers. We are especially looking for parking volunteers; this is only a commitment of about 1 hour before the show begins. Training will be provided Tuesday 7/21 and Sunday 7/26 at 6:30 pm. Please consider signing up at <https://tsu.me/vol2020>.



Thursday evenings at 7:00 starting June 18.
Bring your Bible and a lawn chair.

Food distributions are scheduled for Tuesdays and Saturdays from 10 am – 12 pm and are available for anyone that has a need.

Thank you to all the volunteers who have kept the food ministry running smoothly, and for the generous donations of food as well. Please use the links below to sign up to [donate food](#) and [sign up to assist](#).

<https://tsu.me/vrc5ec> food donations

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050E44AB A623ABF85-sumc> sign up to assist in preparing food for distribution



On Apple App Store
Google Play
and Amazon



**Text: StewartsUM
to 206-859-9405**

Birthdays

- July 16 Julia Leckrone
- July 17 Chase Trinks
- July 18 Savannah Nitche
- July 19 Logan Warner
- July 20 Emma Sobczak
- July 21 Charlie Zetterman
- July 22 Lindsey Lawrence, Mason Cooper
- July 24 Franicine Yonce, Natalie Bradley
- July 27 Ida Harmon

How Great Is Our God

The splendor of the King clothed in majesty, let all the earth rejoice, let all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide. It trembles at His voice, it trembles at his voice.
How great is our God! Sing with me. How great is our God! And all will see how great, how great is our God.

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto to me!
Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Great is thy faithfulness!

Draw Me Close

Verse Draw me close to You, never let me go. I'd lay it all down again to hear You say that I'm Your friend.
You are my desire, No one else will do.
'cause nothing else could take Your place, to feel the warmth of Your embrace.
Help me find the way, bring me back to You.
Chorus You're all I want, You're all I've ever needed. You're all I want, help me know You are near.
Verse
Chorus

He Who Began

He who began a good work in you, He who began a good work in you,
He'll be faithful to complete it, He'll be faithful to complete it,
He who started a work will be faithful to complete it in you.

Greater Are You

Verse 1: Greater are You who lives in me than any Goliath I must fight.
Greater than all my enemies using what they mean for harm for good in my life.
Chorus: And greater are You living in me than he who's in the world.
You move the mountains, You part the seas, to You belongs the rule,
and dominion forever, and dominion forever. Amen.
Verse 2: Greater are You who lives in me than any afflictions that arise.
Greater are You than all my trials, they are but tools in Your hand To make me like Christ.
Chorus: And greater are You living in me than he who's in the world.
You move the mountains, You part the seas, to You belongs the rule,
and dominion forever, and dominion forever. Amen.

Masks are required. Social distancing of at least 6 feet. Frequently use hand sanitizer and wash hands with soap
We will refrain from congregational singing or liturgy but you are encouraged to clap, stomp, and wave your hands.
If indoors, please keep your mask on at all times. If outdoors, once you are seated a proper distance you may remove
your mask if you desire.
Sit in the pews that have tags (every other pew) and at least 6 feet from the person or family group next to you.
Rooms being used have been sanitized before your arrival and will be sanitized after you leave.
The nursery is closed and Kids Connection will not be meeting until further notice.

GUIDELINES FOR SAFETY



Welcome to Stewartstown United Methodist Church Sunday, July 19, 2020 God Is in Control

*Making Disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the World*

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Pastor Keith

Opening Praise

How Great Is Our God

Offering Announcement

Praise Hymn #140

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

vs 1 & 2

Prayer Song

Draw Me Close

Prayer Time with The Lord's Prayer

Recognition of Graduates

He Who Began

Scripture Lessons

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Message

Pastor Keith

Good News for tough times – God Is In Control

Closing Song

Greater Are You

*Adult Sunday School will be led by Pastor Keith
on the church lawn directly following worship.*

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The church office remains closed. Please call and leave a message to schedule an
appointment with staff members or to gain access to the facility.

Financial Giving Update \$220,354 YTD (90.8% of Budget) as of July 15, 2020

Making a financial donation can be done in several ways:

Use the wooden offering box as you enter or while leaving worship

Mailing a check to SUMC, 26 S Main Street, Stewartstown, PA 17363

Set up online giving through our website link sumc.churchcenter.com/giving

Text the amount that you wish to give in a message to 84321

Thank you for your faithfulness in supporting Stewartstown United Methodist Church.



Saturday, July 25, 2020

Matthew 12:38-42

The Sign of Jonah

Then some of the scribes and Pharisees said to him, “Teacher, we wish to see a sign from you.” But he answered them, “An evil and adulterous generation asks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. For just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the sea monster, so for three days and three nights the Son of Man will be in the heart of the earth. The people of Nineveh will rise up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, because they repented at the proclamation of Jonah, and see, something greater than Jonah is here! The queen of the South will rise up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, because she came from the ends of the earth to listen to the wisdom of Solomon, and see, something greater than Solomon is here!

Notes

Have you ever wished God would send you a sign. You are struggling with a decision and you just wish God would clearly show you the way. Jesus is saying that the sign of his death and resurrection is sufficient for all our needs. When we ask for a sign are we avoiding making a decision? Avoiding responsibility for a decision? (after all if we do nothing no one can blame us because God did not make it clear) No matter how clear the sign is would we do it anyway? Do we know the answer but are holding out for something more palatable?

Prayer

Lord, every day all that I need. Teach me to trust you and in your grace and mercy as you lead me on the way.



Good News

For troubled times

God Is In Control

July 19, 2020

Though brokenness remains, we can trust in God's mission of restoration.

Monday, July 20, 2020

Psalm 139:13-18

13 For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. 14 I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well. 15 My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. 16 Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed. 17 How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! 18 I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end[a]—I am still with you.

Notes

A wonderful passage to memorize. Live in delight in the design of God for you and wonder that the One who Created the universe knows you and loves down to the molecular level.

Prayer

Pray the psalm. Try filling in the blank with your name “for _____ is fearfully and wonderfully made.” Maybe ask for forgiveness for every time you have complained about the body God gave you.

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

Psalm 75

Thanksgiving for God's Wondrous Deeds

1 We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks; your name is near. People tell of your wondrous deeds. 2 At the set time that I appoint I will judge with equity.

3 When the earth totters, with all its inhabitants, it is I who keep its pillars steady.

4 I say to the boastful, "Do not boast," and to the wicked, "Do not lift up your horn;

5 do not lift up your horn on high, or speak with insolent neck."

Notes

Society has largely become self-centered, "what is in it for me", complaining about not getting what we feel we deserve. The alternative is gratitude for all that God has done and is doing. Society has also succumbed to approving boastfulness and ignoring wickedness if it does not affect us personally or is politically expedient. How is it with your soul compared to the state of society?

Prayer

Lord, I am grateful for (list at least 24 things)

Wednesday, July 22, 2020

Matthew 12:14-21

14 But the Pharisees went out and conspired against him, how to destroy him.

God's Chosen Servant

15 When Jesus became aware of this, he departed. Many crowds[a] followed him, and he cured all of them, 16 and he ordered them not to make him known. 17 This was to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah:

18 "Here is my servant, whom I have chosen, my beloved, with whom my soul is well pleased.

I will put my Spirit upon him, and he will proclaim justice to the Gentiles.

19 He will not wrangle or cry aloud, nor will anyone hear his voice in the streets.

20 He will not break a bruised reed or quench a smoldering wick until he brings justice to victory.

21 And in his name the Gentiles will hope."

Notes

Too often Christians and churches seek to become big, loud and public to the degree that notoriety may become their mission. Of course to be popular also means pleasing others. Jesus did not seek notice. He was obedient to God and to fulfilling his mission because in this way hope would come. What can you do today to be quietly faithful to the mission God has given you?

Prayer

Lord, I am your servant. Use me as you will to accomplish your good purposes in and through me. I surrender this day to you.

Thursday, July 23, 2020

1 Corinthians 4:14-20

Fatherly Admonition

14 I am not writing this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. 15 For though you might have ten thousand guardians in Christ, you do not have many fathers. Indeed, in Christ Jesus I became your father through the gospel. 16 I appeal to you, then, be imitators of me. 17 For this reason I sent[a] you Timothy, who is my beloved and faithful child in the Lord, to remind you of my ways in Christ Jesus, as I teach them everywhere in every church. 18 But some of you, thinking that I am not coming to you, have become arrogant. 19 But I will come to you soon, if the Lord wills, and I will find out not the talk of these arrogant people but their power. 20 For the kingdom of God depends not on talk but on power.

Notes

You probably can think of someone who was a parent to you in the faith. Someone that you looked up to or even imitated as a Christ-like person. Even if they are long gone you can probably still hear what they might say to you in a given circumstance. And if you and they were wise you have a sense that you still have a lot to learn. That sense is almost the opposite of arrogance. So what would their parently voice be telling you now? How are you such a voice or figure for another person? How seriously do you take that responsibility?

Prayer

Lord, thank-you for those you have sent me to teach me your ways. Help me be faithful to you in all I say and do.

Friday, July 24, 2020

Acts 7:44-53

"Our ancestors had the tent of testimony in the wilderness, as God directed when he spoke to Moses, ordering him to make it according to the pattern he had seen. Our ancestors in turn brought it in with Joshua when they dispossessed the nations that God drove out before our ancestors. And it was there until the time of David, who found favor with God and asked that he might find a dwelling place for the house of Jacob. But it was Solomon who built a house for him. Yet the Most High does not dwell in houses made with human hands; as the prophet says, 'Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool. What kind of house will you build for me, says the Lord, or what is the place of my rest? Did not my hand make all these things?'

"You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you are forever opposing the Holy Spirit, just as your ancestors used to do. Which of the prophets did your ancestors not persecute? They killed those who foretold the coming of the Righteous One, and now you have become his betrayers and murderers. You are the ones that received the law as ordained by angels, and yet you have not kept it."

Notes

Stephen is addressing the High Priest and council in Jerusalem. He has harsh words for the people who have full access to God (who is not restricted to houses we build) through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. Have we as the church and Christians in the world today done any better? Where could we do better? These are the leaders who crucified Christ. Would we be any more willing to accept Jesus today than they were? Are we willing to speak up like Stephen, knowing that they stoned him to death in the end?

Prayer

Lord, in your grace you give us what we do not deserve, in your mercy you do not give us what we deserve. Show us your ways and give us the boldness of Stephen to speak of your love in a world that rejects you.

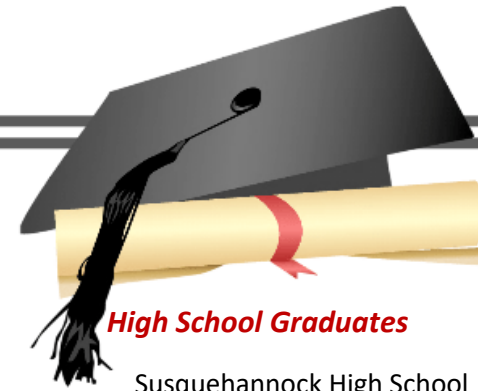
As chairman of the Board of Trustees, I would like to make you aware of the work that has been completed at SUMC during the COVID-19 pandemic. Please remember to thank these volunteers for their labors of love.

1. Fellowship Hall –
 - a. The old ceiling was demolished and much old wiring was removed. New wiring and new ceiling tiles were installed by Randy Babcock, Chuck Bosley, Joe Dablock, GJ Emge, Tom Jones and Ed Torbert. Kings Mark (Wayne Swartz) donated his labor to paint the stage.
2. Painting –
 - a. Sanctuary and Main Street Narthex – Ginger and Randy Babcock
 - b. Hallways, doors and outside railings – Gary Schwinn
3. Sanctuary –
 - a. New lighting and sound system upgrade – (1/2 of the cost was covered by a generous donation.) – Chuck Bosley, G. J. Emge, Dave Hebel, Jake Hebel, Tom Jones and Derek White
4. Main Street Narthex –
 - a. The old ceiling was demolished and replaced with new ceiling tiles and lighting. (The cost of this project was covered by a generous donation.) – Randy Babcock, Chuck Bosley, Joe Dablock and Ed Torbert
5. Security System –
 - a. A system was approved and is in the process of being implemented soon. (A \$2500 donation has been received toward the approximate cost of \$13,000.) – Randy Babcock, Jeff Beatty and Chuck Bosley
6. Grounds Maintenance –
 - a. Parsonage Beds – Under the direction of Bob Hoyt, old shrubs were removed and new landscaping was completed. Manifold Excavating (Aaron, Julia and Emily) removed shrubbery. Pastor Keith, Emily Manifold, Joe Shanabrough, Andrew Stiffler and myself did the mulching.
 - b. Lawn Care - Bud Rager heads the team of volunteers to keep our lawns mowed as well as performing maintenance on the lawn mower. Randy Babcock, Chuck Bosley, Joe Dablock and Tony Miller.

We are so very blessed to have so many willing workers!!

Lastly, I want to thank Pastor Keith for doing his best to keep our congregation fed via his weekly video sermons, zoom messages, zoom meetings and his prayers.

May you experience the love of Jesus daily, *Ray Manifold*



High School Graduates

Michael Daiuto	Susquehannock High School
Ethan Dorsey	Kennard Dale High School
Curtis Druck	Kennard Dale High School
Annie Hebel	Susquehannock High School
Ethan Hendrix	Danbury, CT High School (grandson of Pat Hendrix)
Brian Kalizak	York Tech
Noel Laven	Susquehannock High School
Julia Manifold	Kennard Dale High School
Savannah Nitchie	York Tech
Kayla Pijanowski	Kennard Dale High School
Maddie Rader	Kennard Dale High School
Grace Anne Shaw	Kennard Dale High School
Alaina Uricheck	York Catholic
Grace Watters	PA Cyber School
Sophia Wetzel	Susquehannock High School

Post High Graduation

Derek Cooper earned his Doctorate of Musical Arts in Composition from Manhattan School of Music in New York City on May 15th. He was also awarded the Saul Braverman Award for his Outstanding Achievement in the study of Music Theory.

Jake Hebel graduated from Pennsylvania College of Technology with an Associate degree in Survey Technology.