

# SUMC Weekly Prayer Page



## JOYS

- \*Blessings to Mary Ellen, Omie, to her Great Grandchildren, on her 1st Great Grandson, Cayman Bartsch born on the 26th of August. Congratulations to Mom and Dad, Heather and Matthew. Many happy days/years of JOY and Happiness ahead.
- \*Blessings to everyone during these compromising past few months.
- \*God Bless the United States of America.
- \*REMINDER: To VOTE - Either by mail or In person.
- \*Enjoy the refreshing Beautiful Fall Season!!

## CONCERNS

- \*Glenn Spamer with stomach and esophageal cancers and possibly thyroid cancer. He underwent a 6-8 hour stomach removal surgery. Things went smoothly. His family is unable to be with him in the hospital. Please keep Glenn and his family in your prayers. Permission to use last name. Glenn is very weak, recovering from stomach removal surgery, as a result of cancer.
- \*Please continue to lift Kathy Yeater (Permission submitted to use last name) in prayer as she continues her battle with cancer. One of her tumors has doubled in size and her cancer numbers continue to climb.
- \*Also, please lift the Alpaugh and Manker families in prayer at the passing of Ginny Alpaugh (Permission to use last name) Monday night.
- \*Continue prayers for family of Pastor Bradley Brown.
- \*Continued prayers for the family and friends of Dr. Craig A. Manifold, Ray's brother.
- \*Prayers for the family and friends of Michael, Anne Z.'s brother.
- \*Continued prayers for the family and friends of George Emge, G.J.'s Dad.
- \* Pray for all those who recently lost loved ones.
- \* Jerry R.'s granddaughter, Cady who woke up two months ago with a condition called Bell's palsy. They haven't been able to figure out what has caused it and she has shown no improvement. The whole left side of her face is paralyzed. Prayers would be much appreciated.
- \* Pray for Kim's Mom, Barbara S., hospitalized.
- \* Pray for all those fighting cancer.
- \* Continue prayers for Mike and Betsy V., Gene and Kathy F., Sandy and Don W., Willy G., Vicki H., Jane H., Denise W., Michelle P/D, and Mai C.
- \* Prayers for those in Nursing Homes; the workers and doctors also.
- \* Pray for those close to the forest fires out West.
- \* Pray for our grandchildren and all the little children with all the dangers and changes they are going through.
- \* Pray for all those suffering from the COVID virus. Give them comfort and strength.
- \* Pray for our leaders throughout the U.S.A. and the WORLD.
- \* Prayers for Ray R and his family
- \* Pray for Vanessa Nickens and family whose son was tragically shot and died on Friday, September 24, 2020. Services will be held on Tuesday, October 6, 2020.

Any new prayer requests or updates, please call or text Ev Barrows at 717-818-2874, or Email: [ebarrows@zoominternet.net](mailto:ebarrows@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.



## Drive up Food pantry distributions are available for anyone that has a need

Tuesdays and Saturdays  
from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

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](https://ttsu.me/vrc5ec) (<https://ttsu.me/vrc5ec> and [sign up to assist](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050e44aba623abf85-sumc1) <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050e44aba623abf85-sumc1>.

## STUNTS Youth Group invites all 6th through 12 Graders to the Fall Fun Fest!

October 17th 10 am – 3 pm

at Stewartstown United Methodist Church (outside weather permitting)

### Fun - Food - Friends - Fellowship

Fun - *Scavenger Hunt, Pumpkin Carving, Crafts, Games, and more!*

Food- *Goodies and food from the grill!*

Friends- *Have a great time with your friends and make new ones!*

Fellowship - *Learn & Share about God's love and friendship*

Please register at [stewartstownumc.org/students](http://stewartstownumc.org/students)

Questions?

Please email: [stunts@stewartstownumc.org](mailto:stunts@stewartstownumc.org)

Remember to bring a lawn chair and wear your mask. Dress for play and fun!



## Birthdays

- Oct 3 Helen Lytle
- Oct 4 Joan Hovatter
- Oct 5 Kathleen Rager, Greg Freese
- Oct 8 Pat Shaw
- Oct 9 Colleen McGonigle
- Oct 10 Lesli Kunkle, Lillian Lay, Stacy Kuhns
- Oct 11 David McDowell

Money affects your heart. Whether you are in plenty or in want, money has a direct connection to your stress level, your anxiety, and the health of your relationships.



It is no wonder, then, that Jesus talked about the relationship between our treasure and our hearts. For a four-week period this fall, we will look at the many ways that our treasure (not just money but time and energy as well) affects our spiritual and emotional lives. Starting on Sunday, October 25, we will begin a new sermon series called *Treasure*. We will explore Matthew 6 and Jesus' teachings on money, giving, worry, and more. At the end of the four weeks, we will have an opportunity to make personal commitments of our offerings to God through our church in the coming year. We will receive commitment cards in the mail, and cards will be available at Sunday services. We will consecrate these commitment cards at worship on Sunday, November 15. Cards may also be returned through the mail drop slot in the ramp door or mailed to the church. Plan to join us in the coming weeks as we look at Jesus' teaching on how we can free ourselves from some of the common pitfalls related to money, and how we can give our lives and our treasure to God.

## Financial Giving Update \$ 294,710 YTD (87.2% of Budget) as of September 27, 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](http://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.

## Learning Support Center

at Stewartstown United Methodist Church



### Helping families juggle work with supervising kids schoolwork

- Supervised learning program for small groups of school-aged children to complete assigned schoolwork
- Also includes times for snacks, lunch, and recreation
- Creative opportunities, enrichment activities, and skills development, plus formation of new friendships

Grades K-8  
Open 8:30 am - 3:30 pm, Mon. - Fri.  
(Can enroll for up to 5 days/week)

Details, tuition rate, and enrollment information at [www.stewartstownumc.org/learning-support](http://www.stewartstownumc.org/learning-support)

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Stewartstown, PA 17363



The Board of Trustees have scheduled a **Fall Church Pride** day for **Saturday, Nov 7<sup>th</sup>** with Nov 14<sup>th</sup> being held if weather doesn't permit outside care on Nov 7<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendar. There is something for everyone to do to help with in caring for the church facility and property.



“The Scripture, The Prayers, and the Music for the Holy Days” is a teaching of preparation for Advent and Christmas. In person Bible study with Pastor Ed Zeiders on Tuesday mornings from 10:00-11:30 am. October 20 – November 17. Please register for this study by email to [connie@stewartstownumc.org](mailto:connie@stewartstownumc.org).

### New Fall Worship Schedule beginning Sunday, October 4, 2020

Worship will be moving inside with social distancing guidelines.



**9:00 am Worship** at The Well  
an informal, guitar led, interactive worship  
**9:15 – 10:45 am Kids Connection**  
**9:45 – 10:45 am Adult Sunday School**  
**11:00 am Worship**  
a blended service with organ and piano

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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.



Welcome to Stewartstown United Methodist Church

Sunday, October 4, 2020

## Surrender and Receive Your Life Quit Denying Anger, Sadness, and Fear

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

9:00 am Worship at The Well

Welcome

Opening Praise

Great Are You Lord

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

Purpose of The Well in Community

Reading and Message Set up

Psalm 22:1-2, 7-14

Time of Sharing- Prayers of Petition & Celebration

Message Follow Through

Meditation Moment

Closing Prayer & Song

Tremble

9:45 – 10:45 am Sunday School

Christian Sunshine (HH)

Wesleyan/1784 (Sanctuary)

Men's Group (Sexton office)

Parent's Group (HH)

11:00 am Worship

Prelude

This is the Day/He Has Made me Glad

arr. Spranger

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn #568 vss 1-2

Christ for the World We Sing

Prayer Song

Into Your Courts We Come

Prayer Time with The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Lessons

Psalm 22:1-2, 7-14

Message

Pastor Keith Braucher

*Surrender and Receive Your Life: Quit Denying Anger, Sadness, and Fear*

Chancel Choir Anthem soloists: Jan & Julie Allen

Psalm 143 (In the Morning)

Time of Silence to surrender our anger, sadness, fear

Holy Communion

Hymn #620 vs 1

One Bread, One Body

**Friday, October 9, 2020**

**James 4:4-10**

*4 Adulterers! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God. 5 Or do you suppose that it is for nothing that the scripture says, "God yearns jealously for the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? 6 But he gives all the more grace; therefore it says, "God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble." 7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9 Lament and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned into mourning and your joy into dejection. 10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.*

#### **Notes**

Every day you have a choice to be a friend with the world which makes you actively opposed and hostile to God, or to be a friend of God. The problem is that we have created Christian lifestyles that go along with the world to the point we no longer see the difference. The world (we), crucified Jesus because he didn't just go along with everyone else.

#### **Prayer**

I submit myself to you God and to you alone. I will not just go along with what I know is opposed to You.

**Saturday, October 10, 2020**

**Mark 2:21-22**

*21 "No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old cloak; otherwise, the patch pulls away from it, the new from the old, and a worse tear is made. 22 And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and the wine is lost, and so are the skins; but one puts new wine into fresh wineskins."*

#### **Notes**

I remember this scripture always being mentioned when people would speak against anything new in worship. In short the gospel always brings something new and fresh. It requires that we are always changing. How much do you like change?

#### **Prayer**

Lord, today you made a new day, for me, to be yours, and to make new. Help me embrace your gift and to grow in a new way today.



## **Daily Devotional Readings for the week of October 4 – October 9**

### **Surrender and Receive Your Life** *Quit Denying Anger, Sadness, and Fear*

*Throughout the Psalms David pours out his raw emotions.  
He does not suppress, deny, or minimize his anger, sadness, and fear.*

**Monday, October 5, 2020**

**1 Peter 2:4.9-10**

*4 Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and 5 like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. 9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.*

#### **Notes**

Ever feel insignificant and powerless? God disagrees. Making nobodies into somebodies, God's own people - a priesthood, chosen, royal, and holy. This is who you are. How can we share what God has done for us and is willing to do for everyone?

#### **Prayer**

Lord, once I was nobody, now I am somebody. Instead of leaving me alone in darkness you have brought me out with you in the light, lifted me up, and gave me work to do. Thank-you. Aid me today as I do what I do for You.

**Tuesday, October 6, 2020**

**2 Corinthians 5:17-21**

*17 So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! 18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; 19 that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. 20 So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. 21 For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.*

#### Notes

If you are in Christ - you are brand new and the old passed away. Are you in Christ? What old has passed away that you might be holding on to? What is it like for you to be brand new, not just today, but every day?

#### Prayer

Lord my old habits, regrets, shames, guilt, You have taken them away but some of them I hold on to. (give God your list) As you reconcile me and draw me close to you, help me to also be your ambassador to bring others to you.

**Wednesday, October 7, 2020**

**Psalm 119:49-56**

*49 Remember your word to your servant, in which you have made me hope.  
50 This is my comfort in my distress, that your promise gives me life.  
51 The arrogant utterly deride me, but I do not turn away from your law.  
52 When I think of your ordinances from of old, I take comfort, O Lord.  
53 Hot indignation seizes me because of the wicked, those who forsake your law.  
54 Your statutes have been my songs wherever I make my home.  
55 I remember your name in the night, O Lord, and keep your law.  
56 This blessing has fallen to me, for I have kept your precepts.*

#### Notes

How might God's word bring hope, comfort, give life? Have these words done those very things?

#### Prayer

Pray the words of the Psalm adapting as needed for your life and situation.

**Thursday, October 8, 2020**

**Psalm 106 - A Confession**

*1 Praise the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever. 2 Who can utter the mighty doings of the Lord, or declare all his praise? 3 Happy are those who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times. 4 Remember me, O Lord, when you show favor to your people; help me when you deliver them; that I may see the prosperity of your chosen ones, that I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation, that I may glory in your heritage. 6 Both we and our ancestors have sinned; we have committed iniquity, have done wickedly.*

#### Notes

God's steadfast love means firm, resolute, unwavering, love for us. Earthquakes can shake the rock on which we stand. God's love is more firm than bedrock. Yet such awareness of God's love shines a light on how far we fall short thus the need for confession.

#### Prayer

Lord, keep me aware of Your presence and Your love today and always. Make me aware of how and when I am unloving so that I may allow You to make me ever more like You.



If you would like to electronically receive the daily devotionals each morning, please send a request to [connie@stewartstownmc.org](mailto:connie@stewartstownmc.org).