

Worship at 9:00 am

Prelude Beach Spring Transcendence		Gloria Winemiller The Sacred Harp, 1844
Welcome to Worship		Pastor Keith
Opening Hymn #145		Morning Has Broken
Passing the Peace of Christ Hymn #140		Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Prayers and Concerns		
Prayer Hymn #526	vss 1 & 3	What A Friend We Have in Jesus
Presentation of Tithes, Offerings and Lives Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us		arr. Eithun
Scripture		Matthew 18:15-22 Ephesians 4:4-16
Message	<i>Resolving Conflict</i>	Pastor Keith
Closing Hymn #178		Hope of the World
Choral Benediction		Go Now In Peace

Blessing

Postlude

Today's Servant Volunteers

Organist – Gloria Winemiller

Liturgist – Chris Miller

Ushers – Lee Ensor, Meg Taylor, Janice Allen and Julie Allen

Audio/Visual – Dave Hebel and Tyler Redding

Nursery, 8/26 – John Lawrence and Megan Herbert Nursery, 9/2 – Lois Mayer and Steve Freeman

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.



Combined summer worship 9:00-10:15 am
Adult Sunday school classes will be held at 10:30.

Sunday, September 9th
we return to our regular worship times
Praise Worship at 8:30 am
Traditional Worship at 11:00 am
Sunday school for all at 9:45 am



SUMC will begin a new MOPS, Mothers of Pre-schoolers, group.

The group will meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 6:30-8:00 pm from September through May. The first meeting will be held in the church library on September 12th. Childcare will be provided in the nursery. Register in the church office.

[Learn more about MOPS.](#)

Pastor Dave will be on medical leave until September as he will be undergoing hip replacement surgery. Please lift David in your prayers.



Mission Opportunity on Saturday, September 8th
Helping Hand for the Homeless of York Food Run

See the bulletin insert for complete details.



We are so thankful for all of those dedicated friends that continually volunteer to assist with the cleaning of the church. As the fall schedule is quickly approaching, there is always a need for more helpers.

A specific need for 2 or 3 people to work as a team to clean the sanctuary every 3rd week and some help is needed in the Children's Wing once a week in the evening. To learn more about ways that you can join this dedicated group of servants, please contact the office or send an email to connie@stewartstownumc.org.



September 5th
6:30-8:00 pm
Stunts Parent Open House

If you're new to our ministry (or you just want to hang out) we'd love to see you at our Open House so we can introduce you and your teenager to our youth ministry!

There will be refreshments and information on this upcoming year and you also will get a peek at our newly decorated youth room.

Announcements

New Additions to the Church Library

History of the Reformation of the Sixteenth Century
The Complete Works of Flavius Josephus
The Chronology of the Old Testament
Illustrated Dictionary & Concordance of the Bible



Runaway Library Books
Please HELP!

we need your **HELP** to find these books! Please check to see if they are hiding in your house.

Two From Galilee by Marjorie Holmes

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The Messiah by Marjorie Holmes

In Name Only by Irene Hannon

The Urgency of Preaching by Kyle Haselden

New Sermon Series to begin Sunday,
 September 9th at 8:30 and 11:00 am



Welcome



Equip



Serve

Liturgists enrich our worship services and SUMC is appreciative of all those who give of their talents in this area. A short meeting will be held Sept 9th immediately following the 11am service in the Sanctuary for those already serving in this area, as well as anyone interested in joining this ministry, for a brief orientation with Pastor Keith. We will hold an alternative meeting after the September 23rd 11:00 service. Is God calling you to learn more? If so, please come! You may RSVP to either Bob/Kim Hoyt or Connie in the church office.

Happy Birthday Wishes to:

8/27: Keith Gallagher, Maddie Joyce

8/28: Philip Barlow

8/29: Betsy Vahey

8/30: Lucie Pentz

8/31: Bev Hildebrand

9/1: Fred Heffner, Gary Myers

9/2: Pat Blevins



A Special Birthday



August 26 – September 2, 2018

Sunday, 8/26

8:15 am Praise Singers Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*
 9:00-10:15 am Combined Worship, *Sanctuary*
 10:30 am Adult Sunday School
 12:00 pm Prayer Ministry Meeting, *Library*

Monday, 8/27

8:30-9:30 am Senior Aerobics, *Stewartstown Community Bldg*

Tuesday, 8/28

8:30-9:30 am Senior Aerobics, *Stewartstown Community Bldg*
 10 am-12 pm Disciple Bible Study, *Library*
 6:30-8:30 pm Disciple Bible Study, *Heritage Hall*

Wednesday, 8/29

8:30-9:30 am Senior Aerobics, *Stewartstown Community Bldg*
 7:00-9:00 pm Ping Pong 4 All, *Stewartstown Community Bldg*

Thursday, 8/30

8:30-9:30 am Senior Aerobics, *Stewartstown Community Bldg*
 9:45-11:15 am Library Committee, *Library*
 6:30-7:30 pm Seyco Back to School Night, *Fellowship Hall*

Friday, 8/31

8:30-9:30 am Senior Aerobics, *Stewartstown Community Bldg*
 7:00-9:00 pm Ping Pong 4 All, *Stewartstown Community Bldg*

Saturday, 9/1

7:00-10:00 am Band of Brothers, *Library*

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we will revert back to our regular worship schedule.
Worship at 8:30 and 11:00 with Sunday school at 9:45

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Making Disciples of Jesus Christ and Changing the World



Sunday, August 26, 2018

Combined Summer Worship at 9 am
 Adult Sunday School at 10:30 am

Visit our website at www.stewartstownumc.org to [Listen to Worship Sermons](#) and [Give On Line](#).

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Tuesday - Matthew 18:21-22

²¹ Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church^[d] sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" ²² Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven^[e] times.

Notes – Forgiveness is letting go of our revenge, especially when our revenge is delayed. Small children strike back naturally and then learn to wait until the parent or teacher's back is turned. This delayed revenge sits in us and stews into a toxic brew of resentment. Forgiveness means freedom. Forgiving someone does not mean that what they did is okay. It means giving up your right to revenge. It is saying that you will no longer allow it to have a hold on you.

Wednesday – Ephesians 4:14-16

¹⁴ We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵ But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶ from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Notes – Being tossed to and fro is the "I will get out" way of dealing with conflict. People will stay until they inevitably experience a conflict and then they run. You see this when people run from relationship to relationship, job to job, church to church. Mature loving relationships require grounding in the truth. You stay, and you confront because you love. You speak the truth in love because the person and relationship are important. It is unloving and uncaring to not speak up when someone's behavior is destructive.

Prayer – Grant me the serenity to accept what I cannot change, the courage to change what I can, and wisdom to know the difference. (The Serenity Prayer)

God GRANT ME THE *serenity*
TO ACCEPT THINGS I CAN NOT CHANGE,
THE *courage* TO CHANGE THE THINGS I CAN,
AND THE *wisdom* TO KNOW
THE DIFFERENCE.

Thursday – Leviticus 19:17-18

¹⁷ You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. ¹⁸ You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.

Notes - This is the "I will get you" way of dealing with conflict. This is not God's way. The world is torn up by grudges (a persistent feeling of ill will or resentment) and feuds (prolonged quarrel or conflict). Person against person, family against family, tribe against tribe. People not only hold onto grudges and feuds, but they often do so with pride. It becomes part of their identity.

Prayer - Lord, test me and show me where I hold a grudge or keep alive a feud and free me by your love to love ALL my neighbors.

Friday – Galatians 6:1

My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted.

Notes – This is the "I will give in" response to conflict. Instead of gently taking a stand we allow ourselves to be run over. This breaks relationship thus the words about "restoring". And in giving in we can give into temptation and be drawn in to the sin ourselves. The news is filled with stories of people who knew about horrible deeds and did not speak up. When we are silent we are accomplices.

Prayer – Lord, you love me with infinite strength and infinite gentleness. Teach me your ways so that I may truly love others.

Saturday – Luke 17:3-4

³ So watch yourselves. "If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him. ⁴ If he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times comes back to you and says, 'I repent,' forgive him."

Notes – This is the "I will meet you half-way" approach. Because you love the person you will not let destructive behavior go unaddressed. In this passage as in Matthew 18:21-22 (see Tuesday's notes) the numbers 7, 77, or 7 times 70 are all ways of saying unlimited times.

Prayer – Lord, I confess to you my sin. I thank you that no matter how much or how often I sin you always forgive me. As you have forgiven me help me forgive others so that I might be free of these burdens of sin.



Weekly Prayer Page



Pray
Until
Something
Happens

JOYS

- Joy for Barb D. She is now home from surgeries but needs continued prayers for full recovery.
- Joy for the continued healing of Mike and continued progress of regaining his strength .
- Thank you church for your support to Kenya. You are our eyes and ears of Ministry there.
- Praise for the marriage of our grandson, Justin and Courtney.
- The Glory of All God's Children.
- Joy - Baby Lowell is eating and gaining weight.
Thanks be to God for His Love, Grace, Mercy and Many Blessings.
- Praise and Joy for Kyles' Army Graduation this week in AL.
- Reminder: TUESDAY -Rev. Dr. Ed Zeiders Disciple Bible Study: Tuesday 10 am or 6:30 pm

CONCERNS

- Prayers for the Haddad family for strength and comfort after death of Bill Haddad.
- Watch over our Granddaughter going off to college.
- Prayers for John Michael's job concern and John Sr. for Monday's sinus surgery.
- Pray for All God's Children.
- Prayers for my great niece for she is a heroin addict. Prayers for our loved ones.
- Thank you Lord for letting me wake up.
- Prayers for first cousin having Stage four lung cancer and is a heroin addict.
- Pray for Yvonne's surgery this week and improved health for Jack W.
- Prayers for speedy recovery for Pastor Dave after his hip replacement surgery this week.
- Prayers for my son Grant who was in an accident at work. Prayers for his healing.
- Pray for those impacted by flooding in NY and northeastern PA and elsewhere.
- Prayers for the migrant children still separated from their families.
Prayers for families being torn apart in this country by unjust policies.
- Please protect our children as they start back to school.
- Prayers for our youth heading off to college and adjusting to a new phase of life.
- Pray for Jim's sister, Julie - starting anew after divorce.
- Pray for George W. - prayers for health and well being.
- Pray for the family and friends of Janet Bond who passed away August 13.
- Prayers for all families and individuals that struggle with mental illness and/or addiction.
- Prayers for the friends of Jacque Widmer
- Jeremiah L and Pamala G who were involved in a hit/run auto accident

Continued Prayers for:

Pastor Keith and his family
 Sunday School Teachers and those in Church leadership
 All our Recruits and Servicemen and Women
 Our President and leaders all around the world



GPS - Grow, Pray, Study

Conflict

August 26 – September 1, 2018



Conflict does not trouble us nearly as much once we accept that it is natural, normal and inevitable. A newlywed couple came to see me because she said that her husband was causing conflict. His parents wanted the couple at their home on Christmas morning and her parents wanted the same. He pointed out that the they could not be at two places at one time.

Each of us has a typical way of dealing with conflict – I will get you (I win, you lose), I will get out (I will avoid conflict at all costs), I will give in (I avoid conflict by giving in), I will meet you half way (We can work out a compromise). Each way might be appropriate in its time and place, but we must be wise in our choices to accomplish God's purpose.

Monday – Matthew 18:15-17

¹⁵ "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶ But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷ If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. "

Notes – Jesus gives us the basic pattern. Start by going directly to the person. If the two of you are unable to resolve the conflict, then involve a helper. If you are still unable to resolve the conflict, then share your efforts with your common group. If after all your effort you are unable to resolve the conflict between you then let the issue and the relationship go. When you let go you resolve in your heart that you have done what you can and constantly holding on to it serves no purpose.

"Be patient toward all that is unsolved in your heart and try to love the questions themselves, like locked rooms and like books that are now written in a very foreign tongue. Do not now seek the answers, which cannot be given you because you would not be able to live them. And the point is, to live everything. Live the questions now. Perhaps you will then gradually, without noticing it, live along some distant day into the answer." – Rainer Maria Rilke

Prayer – Lord give me the courage to confront those I must confront to work for peace.