

8:30 am Praise Worship

Welcome and Prayer

*Opening Praise

King of Kings
My Heart Sings Praises

*Greeting One Another

Company of Praise Anthem

Grace

Time of Prayer

Presentation of Tithes, Offerings and Lives

Company of Praise Anthem

Morning Star

Scripture Lessons

Acts 1:1-11
John 14:15-17, 25-26

Message

Pastor Keith

It'll Happen (The Promise of the Holy Spirit)

Company of Praise Mission Moment

Testimony from Spring Mission trip to OH
Wonder Why
Lord Be Magnified
You Lift Me Up
In Christ Alone

Blessing

Today's Servant Volunteers

Worship Band – COP Rhythm Section
Ushers – Joe Shanabrough and Jenni Sipe
Audio/Visual – Dave Hebel and Tyler Redding
Nursery – Jim Starr and Cindy Myers
Nursery, 5/5 – Dave Hebel and Emily Hickox



The Company of Praise Youth Choir will be singing during the 8:30 am service today. A slideshow of their spring mission trip to Athens, OH will be shown during the service.

11:00 am Traditional Worship

Prelude

Tell the Story arr. Dennis

Welcome to Worship

Opening Hymn #310

He Lives

*Greeting One Another

Prayer Hymn #301

Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross

A Time for Prayers and Concerns

Presentation of Tithes, Offerings and Lives

Spirit of God, Descend Upon my Heart arr. Mallory

Scripture Lessons

Acts 1:1-11
John 14:15-17, 25-26

Chancel Choir Anthem

To God Alone Be Glory arr. Callaway

Message

Pastor Keith

It'll Happen (The Promise of the Holy Spirit)

*Closing Hymn #318

Christ Is Alive

Blessing

Postlude

Today's Servant Volunteers

Organist – Gloria Winemiller
Liturgist – Janice Bosley
Head Usher – Al Wagner, Joe & Pat Dablock and Paul Nesbitt
Audio/Visual – Doug Matthews and Chuck Bosley
Nursery – Laura Manifold and Carl Rader
Nursery, 5/5 – John Lawrence and Andrea Sharar




VBS 2019!
June 17-21

**God is Good
All the Time!**

Click here for more info and to register
<https://vbspro.events/p/events/9b5129>



**NATIVE AMERICAN
MINISTRIES SUNDAY**
May 5th


A special offering will be collected next Sunday to empower and support Native American seminarians.




Stewartstown Summer Theatre
July 31- Aug 10
www.sumctheatre.org
Register for auditions

I wish to thank all the members who came to my aid after my fall. Especially Pat Shaw, Ray & Jean Manifold, Jill Hamme, George Waltemire and the senior center. All of the cards and prayers were very much appreciated.


Mary Ellen Deavers



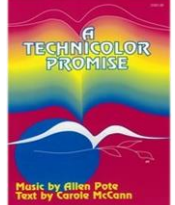
Special needs camp is searching for a nurse for camp on June 16-20 at Wesley Forest. If you are an LPN or RN and would be interested in serving at the camp, please contact Don Webb at 717-993-2626 or 717-659-6484.



Keith & Emily Hickox are leading a Financial Peace University group through a step-by-step plan to take control of your money. Join them on Tuesdays at 6 pm. Register for the group here:
<https://fpu.com/1087515>
Questions? Call (631) 742-4506



Our annual Children's Musical Theatre Camp is open for registration. The camp will run from Sunday evening, July 7, and then Monday-Friday, July 8-12, from 9:00-3:00. The final performance of **A Technicolor Promise**, will be presented in worship on Sunday, July 14. The camp is for ages 8-12 (children age 7 by invitation) and is FREE. A registration fee is of \$25 is requested and covers the cost of the student's music book, music CD, and camp tee shirt. [Register](https://vbspro.events/p/bbe720) 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.



TROUT SCHOLARSHIP: An annual \$1,200 scholarship was established by two faithful members of our congregation, the late Ross K. & Geneva E. Trout. Applicants must be a member of SUMC, be entering the third or fourth year of college OR the second or third year of seminary studies, and complete an application. Application forms are available in the church office or in the wall organizer in the office hallway. Due date for applications is May 1, 2019. Scholarship will be awarded in mid-June.

SUMC is looking for help for lawn care. Pick one or more weeks during the mowing season. Contact Bud Rager at 717-746-4246 for details. Sign-up list will be near South door to Sanctuary on Sundays and in the church office during the week.

Announcements

Library News

Book Review (*book is located on the library desk*)
Answers to 200 of Life's Most Probing Questions by Pat Robertson
Suppose you could ask God just one question. What would it be? Would you ask, "Why is there suffering?" Or maybe, "Why is there evil in the world?" or "What do angels do?" A Gallop Poll interviewed people of all ages, backgrounds, and occupations to find out the answer. This book includes the 10 most frequently asked questions from the poll and 190 others that people frequently asked Pat Robertson. For the answers, he searched the Scriptures for truths that provide insights on these questions. This book might just answer the question you would like to ask God.
Free Books - Here are books that have been removed from the library. They are on the 2nd shelf of the library book cart **The Humor of Christ, My Favorite Christmas Story, Gifts Believers Seek Make Your Faith Work, in the Presence of Mine Enemies / Life More Abundant**

Happy Birthday

4/27: Cliff Everett
4/28: Maddie Rader
Kylie Redding
4/29: Ernest Cottrell
5/2: Sarah Blevins
Tony Miller
George Waltemire
5/5: Irma Henz
Ryan Cooper
Pauline Biggley



GIVING UPDATE AS OF April 21, 2019

Total Needed \$ 137,309

Actual Giving \$ 139,780

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Stewartstown United Methodist Church

EVENTS

April 28 – May 5, 2019

Sunday, 4/28

8:30 am Contemporary Worship, *Sanctuary*
9:30–10:45 am Kids Connection, *Children's Wing*
9:45-10:45 am Adult Sunday Schools
11 am-12 pm Traditional Worship, *Sanctuary*
12:00 pm Prayer Ministry Meeting, *Library*
12:00 pm Mission/Outreach Meeting, *Heritage Hall*
5:00-5:45 pm Cherub Choir Rehearsal, *Toddler Room*
5:00-6:15 pm Spark Choir Rehearsal, *Music Room*
5:00-8:45 pm COP Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*

Monday, 4/29

8:30-9:30 am Senior Aerobics, *Fellowship Hall*
6:15-8:15 pm STUNTS Youth Group, *Youth Room*

Tuesday, 4/30

8:30-9:30 am Senior Aerobics, *Fellowship Hall*

Wednesday, 5/1

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

Thursday, 5/2

8:30-9:30 am Senior Aerobics, *Fellowship Hall*
9:30-11:30 am Library Committee, *Library*
6:30-7:30 pm Jubellieres Handbell Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*
7:30-8:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*

Friday, 5/3

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

Saturday, 5/4

8 am-1 pm Band of Brothers, *Library*
8 am-3 pm Leadership Retreat

Sunday, 5/5

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*Making Disciples of
Jesus Christ and
Changing the World*

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

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Kids Connection at 9:30-10:45 am
Adult Sunday School at 9:45-10:45 am
Traditional Worship at 11:00 am

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electronically, please send an email to
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Tuesday – continued

Notes - Notice that opening minds to understand scripture is a gift as is the gift of the Holy Spirit. Do we live our daily lives trying to be better people? This is never what God intended. Or do we live lives “clothed with power from on high” as God makes possible through the Holy Spirit what we could never accomplish.

Prayer - Clothe me Lord, in your presence, in your power, that I may live fully for you and show you to the world.

Wednesday - Acts 1:1-11

1 In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning 2until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. 3After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. 4While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. ‘This’, he said, ‘is what you have heard from me; 5for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.’ The Ascension of Jesus 6 So when they had come together, they asked him, ‘Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?’ 7He replied, ‘It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. 8But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.’ 9When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. 10While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. 11They 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 - Luke is credited with writing both the Gospel and the book of Acts. In the end of the Gospel of Luke he tells of Jesus’ ascension and promise of the Holy Spirit. The book of Acts begins to tell of what happens next in the lives of the Apostles. Acts 1:8 is the key verse for the entire book. “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” So the book of Acts tells the story of the spread of the gospel starting in Jerusalem and ends with Paul’s missionary journeys to the ends of the known earth. All of this is accomplished by the power of the Holy Spirit and not by human effort.

Prayer - Holy Spirit, open my mind and heart to the scriptures, empower me that I may live powerfully for my Lord.

Thursday - John 14:15-17, 25-26 The Promise of the Holy Spirit

15 ‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. 17This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. 25 ‘I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.

Notes - There are a number of places recorded in the scriptures where Jesus talks about the Holy Spirit. The presence and outpouring of the Holy Spirit was part of the promise of the Messianic mission. As Messiah, Jesus fulfills that promise. It is for this purpose Jesus ascended so that there be no limitation to God’s spirit who could now be with everyone everywhere forever to accomplish everything.

Prayer - Dear Father, I need You. I acknowledge that I have sinned against You by directing my own life. I thank You that You have forgiven my sins through Christ’s death on the cross for me. I now invite Christ to again take His place on the throne of my life. Fill me with the Holy Spirit as You commanded me to be filled, and as You promised in Your Word that You would do if I asked in faith. I pray this in the name of Jesus. As an expression of my faith, I now thank You for directing my life and for filling me with the Holy Spirit. (Prayer from Cru ministries)

Friday - Matthew 28:16-20 The Commissioning of the Disciples

16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

Notes - Today’s missions are carried out without the domineering zeal of early ages. We live in a multicultural and multi-religious world with many religious dialogues. So although we do so authentically, truthfully, honestly, and humbly the mandate must be fulfilled. Go!

Prayer - Lord this day I step out into your mission field. Use me as you will to bring your light and your good news to all I encounter.

Saturday - Mark 16:7-20 - Baptism

7 But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” 8 So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid. 9 Now after he rose early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven demons. 10 She went out and told those who had been with him, while they were mourning and weeping. 11 But when they heard that he was alive and had been seen by her, they would not believe it. 12 After this he appeared in another form to two of them, as they were walking into the country. 13 And they went back and told the rest, but they did not believe them. Jesus Commissions the Disciples 14 Later he appeared to the eleven themselves as they were sitting at the table; and he upbraided them for their lack of faith and stubbornness, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen. 15 And he said to them, “Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation. 16 The one who believes and is baptized will be saved; but the one who does not believe will be condemned. 17 And these signs will accompany those who believe: by using my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; 18 they will pick up snakes in their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover.” 19 So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God. 20 And they went out and proclaimed the good news everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that accompanied it.

Notes - Some of the earliest and most accurate copies of the gospel end at verse 8 and some believe that Mark intentionally left it open ended. Imagine yourself confronted with the resurrection reality - Now what are you going to believe? What are you going to do? Since Christ is alive and well - where and how is he present in your life? Other copies, starting around the 350 years after Christ add the later verses. The key verses are vs. 15 and 16. Again the commandment is made by Christ to all disciples. Go, proclaim good news and be baptized. Proclaiming does not mean go out and try to convince others. That is the work of the Holy Spirit. Proclaim means being a witness to what God is doing in and through you by how you live, what you say, and how you explain who you are and why you do what you do.

Prayer - Today and every day Lord, I am your ambassador. People are looking at me to learn about you. Help me be an effective witness by proclaiming your good news and when necessary help me use words.

SUMC Weekly Prayer Page



JOYS

- HAPPY EASTER TO EVERYONE.
- The JOY that Jesus rose from the dead and saved us from our sins!
- "The Lord has Risen Indeed."
- Our Pastor Keith is such a good pastor. May God Bless him and his family.
- FAMILY LOVE!!
- Special time with loved ones.
- JOY for our Grandchildren!!!
- Joy of my great grandson - Silas Everett.
- Blessings for All God's children.
- Thank you for the beautiful flowers.
- And Bless those who supplied those flowers for our worship today.
- Enjoying Life - God is Good - All the time, God is good!
- Joy for our travels to Italy with my two sisters and brother last week.
- Witnessing a random act of kindness.
- Prayers for the on-going work for the upcoming Jesus Christ Superstar performance.
- Prayer for a thoughtful prayerful Easter for everyone.

CONCERNS

- Pray for All God's Children.
- Continued prayer for a donor for my brother.
- Blessings for all the widows and widowers.
- Pray that Jon's new business venture has success.
- Prayers for my life-long friend who lost her husband of 40 years. What a good man he was.
- Continued prayers for Nancy H., my wife.
- Continued prayer for my brother-in-law, John - diagnosed with a mass on his pancreas and lesion on his liver - awaiting biopsy results.
- Prayer for a friend who is in desperate need of employment. Please fill him with your Holy Spirit, help him to trust You God and bless him as he continues to stabilize his life.
- Concern and prayer - Jose Flores passed away yesterday (our daughter-in-law Alyssa's grandfather).
- Pray for Jose R's recovery from back surgery on April 18th and for Deb W's having chemotherapy for breast cancer.
- Pray for the United States under God. Prayers for the Cadden Family and Neighbors and our Church Family and Friends.
- Concern over possible complications of an unborn child.
- Pray for a few health issues going on. Prayer for Tom A. - needs triple bypass on Wednesday.
- Continue praying for my grandson and son.
- The young woman Rachael who we had been praying for lost her battle with breast cancer this week.
- Young man Loren - suicide attempt this week - now on life support.
- Prayers for all families and individuals that struggle with mental illness and/or addictions.
- Prayers for the upcoming VBS this summer.
- Prayers for the Stewartstown Summer Theatre production.
- Prayers for our upcoming Musical-Camp.
- Prayers for our Church Wide - Church Pride Day.
- Prayers for Financial Peace University Group.

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

Pray
Until
Something
Happens



**GPS –
Grow, Pray, Study**

April 28 – May 5, 2019

Monday - Luke 24:36-43 Jesus Appears to His Disciples

36 While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' 37 They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. 38 He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? 39 Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' 40 And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. 41 While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' 42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish, 43 and he took it and ate in their presence.

Notes – Many assume that if we had been present when Jesus was on earth we would have responded differently than the disciples and the crowd. We think we would not have tried to stone him like his hometown did, nor denied him three times like Peter. We protest that we would not have shouted "hallelujah" on what we observe as Palm Sunday and then shouted "crucify him" days later. And when he appeared after rising from the dead surely we would have recognized him immediately and believed unlike some of his own disciples who lived with him for three years. But that is simply pride. The real question is, do we believe without seeing and do we believe enough to trust God's resurrection power for every aspect of our lives.

Prayer – Lord, draw close to me and deepen my relationship with you. Let me assume nothing and simply open myself in trust to you and let you fill me.

Tuesday - Luke 24:44-53

44 Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' 45 Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, 46 and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, 47 and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.' The Ascension of Jesus 50 Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. 51 While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. 52 And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; 53 and they were continually in the temple blessing God. **continued**