

WELCOME TO ALDERSGATE

We're delighted to have you with us today! Our desire is that you sense the love of Jesus during your time here and that you discover how much God values you. If we can serve you in any way, please feel free to call on us.

New to Aldersgate...

If you are visiting today, please do not feel you must give an offering ... you are our welcomed guest!

Please fill out a CONNECTION Card and return it via the offering plate or at our Welcome Center. Stop at our Welcome Center for a gift and information on Aldersgate Church. Join us for a time of refreshment and fellowship in our Family Life Center following the 8 am and 9:30 am services.

We are glad you are with us today to worship!

Making a CONNECTION...

Please use the CONNECTION Card to provide or change your contact information and/or to request information about any aspect of church life at Aldersgate. Just drop it in the offering plate, leave it at the Welcome Center, or bring it to the church office.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

- Birth - 2.5 Year Olds: Nursery
- 2.5 - 4 Year Olds: Room 102
- 4 Year Old/Pre-K: Room 104
- MS/HS Youth: Youth Room
- Adults: Rooms 101 & 203
- Kindergarten: Room 207
- First Grade: Room 210
- Second Grade: Room 205
- Third Grade: Room 201
- 4th/5th Grade: Rooms 206/208



We are a NOW a Nut-Free Facility. Please refrain from bringing to any church events items with peanuts/tree nuts including: peanut butter; tree nuts such as walnuts, cashews, pistachios, almonds, macadamias, hazelnuts, pecans, pine nuts, nut spreads; butters and nut-based milk products, such as almond butter, Nutella, and items such as pesto sauce, and nut extracts (almond extract); and all foods and snacks that contain any of these items.



Life Talk Notes

February 16, 2020

1. What are your practical needs?
2. What are some of your deeper needs?
3. Who is a neighbor who can meet one of your needs this week?
4. What is keeping you from asking for help?

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ALDERSGATE

NEW - Stitch Kids

On Wednesdays from 4:30 - 5:30 pm, Eileen Beasom and other members of the Wool & Flax Ministry, will begin teaching children how to crochet and/or knit. The children will be learning to be a part of this amazing outreach ministry by making "prayer squares" to be given to those in need of prayer. Stitch Kids will meet in Room 203 and all materials will be provided and interested adults may also join. Please RSVP to Melanie at mfeldner@aldersgatechurch.net. Kids are then welcome to stay for What's Up Wednesday dinner at 5:30 pm and programming from 6:15 - 8:00 pm.

Dogs for God

This ministry consists of a group of caring individuals called to spread the joy, happiness and the name of Christ using the assistance of their bonded relationships with their dogs to reach the elderly, homebound, hospitalized, etc. For more information, contact Pam Caserta at pam.caserta@yahoo.com. The next dates for those serving in this ministry are: Tuesday, February 18, 6:30 pm at The Jewish Home; Monday, February 24, 7 pm at The Children's Home; and Tuesday, February 25, 6:30 pm at Sarah Todd Home.

New Women's Tuesday Mornings Bible Study begins Tuesday

What Matters Most, A Study of Philippians, By Karen Ehman
This women's bible study has seven sessions with a teaching DVD. For more information, contact Cindy Sollenberger at scsolly@verizon.net.

Hearing Loss Group support session on February 23

Perhaps you know that you or a loved one has a hearing disability, and you are not sure where to start or how to get information and assistance for them. How can you further understand the needs of the hearing impaired and better interact with them? What challenges are they facing and is this causing stress in your relationship with them?

We invite and encourage hearing impaired individuals, their families and friends to attend a Hearing Loss Group support session on **Sunday, February 23** at 6:30 pm here at Aldersgate Church. For additional information or questions, please contact Carol Amsden (717)732-2559.

There is a Solution Group (AA)

Aldersgate Church hosts Alcoholic Anonymous (AA) meetings Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm in room 206/208. AA is a fellowship of men and women who share with each other so they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. If you would like additional information, call Carl at 717-512-3529.

FREE Tax Preparation

AARP tax-aid is a free tax preparation program of the AARP Foundation, offered in conjunction with the IRS. Services are offered from February 1 through April 15 for taxpayers with low and middle income, and for all ages with special attention to seniors. A list of the West Shore locations and more information is provided on a flyer at the Welcome Center.

Do You Have the Gift of Hospitality?

Join the team that serves food/beverages between services on Sunday mornings. Help provide a welcoming space for people to mingle. You will be scheduled to serve once a month for 1-2 hours. Contact Carol Purdom, 717-462-0719 or carol.purdom@gmail.com.

Preschool registration for the 2020-21 school year is open

Registration forms and information can be found on the preschool website at <http://aldersgatepreschool.org>. Please contact Kathleen Blazey at 717-737-7923 ext.103 or preschooldirector@aldersgatechurch.net if you have any questions.

DivorceCare Group starting March 4

DivorceCare support groups are led by people who understand what you or someone you know are experiencing. These facilitators help participants learn how to heal from the deep hurt of divorce and discover hope for their future. Please consider joining our upcoming group led by Patti Gilbert on Wednesday evenings from 6:15-8:15 pm starting on March 4 until May 20. For more information or to register go to divorcecare.org. You may also contact Diane Konieczny through the church office at 717-737-7923.

To All Aldersgate Men!

We would like to invite you the AUMC Men's Friday Morning Discussion Group. It is an informal time where we focus on what the Bible has to say to us regarding living our lives daily. The open discussion and focus on following in the footsteps of Jesus are always enlightening and prepares us for the next week. Please join us on Fridays at 9 am in Room 203 for an enjoyable hour of fellowship, support, and some time in God's word. Give it a try! We believe you will find it a time of refreshment in a hectic world. For more information contact Dennis Knoetgen at 717-644-4849.

Remember the Gift Card Program for Debt Reduction Opportunity!

Please remember, AUMC receives 5% of **Giant** card total purchases and 10% of Ten Thousand Villages total purchases. This revenue is applied to our building loan. We're chipping away at it, and every bit helps. Cards typically are available on the first and third Sundays outside the Family Life Center.

"A New Song in Your Heart" Ladies Spring Brunch on April 4

Ladies, reserve your seats now for the Ladies Spring Brunch on Saturday, April 4th. Registration is at 8:30 am followed by Brunch from 9:00 - 11:30 am. Invite your neighbor or co-worker and plan on a wonderful morning. Join us in the Family Life Center for a FREE brunch and to learn more about the "Bridge of Hope" program. We promise it will be an uplifting morning - for women only. The seating will be limited, so sign up early. Contact Robin Fisher at robinlfisher12@gmail.com or call 717-728-9573. The reservation deadline is March 22!

Whole Church Lenten Study

March 4 — April 1, 2020

WHEN INTERRUPTED...LEAN IN AND LET GO

Are you feeling interrupted and stuck in your relationship with God and others? Instead of viewing interruptions as negative, interruptions can provide opportunities to lean into God's grace and let go of our own agendas and practices. We can live into the abundant life God calls us to enjoy and share with the world.

This 40-day experience looks at Jesus' response to interruptions in his own life and how he often interrupted the lives of others. Each short daily reading in *Lean In, Letting Go* devotional book will help us lean into the presence of God in our own lives. We will provide the daily devotional book *Leaning In, Letting Go* to you for your daily devotion time. Books are available; sign up at the Welcome Center.

For more information contact Diane Konieczny at dianek@aldersgatechurch.net or call 717-737-7923 ext. 115.

REVOLUTION YOUTH!

Revolution Youth Night Tonight - 2/16

Join us again or for the first time tonight from 6-8 pm for worship, devotion, games, and more! Revolution Youth is for grades 6-12. Friends always welcome.

Upcoming Events!

Battleball - Our next Battleball tournament is February 23 at Messiah College! Sign up now at <https://tsu.me/springball20>.

Bowling - Revolution is bowling on March 8 from 12 -4 pm. Sign-ups open at <https://tsu.me/bowl2020>.

Lock-in - Spring Lock-in is Friday, March 20. Snacks, desserts, and breakfast provided. Sign up at <https://tsu.me/springlock20>.

Service Projects - Stay after the lock-in or join us after breakfast to serve in the community from 8 am -12 pm on Saturday, March 21. Sign up at <https://tsu.me/marchservice>.

Revolution Youth Communications

To receive Remind text alerts: from your phone, text @youthald to 81010
Follow us on Facebook by searching for: Youth @ Aldersgate Mechanicsburg
Follow us on Instagram by searching for: @youth.director
Email Jamie Barkley & Wendy Strite at youth@aldersgatechurch.net

Aldersgate is a "Safe Sanctuary Church"
 "Safe Sanctuary" means that all ministry staff and volunteers working with children or youth under age 18 (and vulnerable adults) have obtained the appropriate Pennsylvania and FBI criminal and child-welfare clearances, and have received direction for compliance with Safe Sanctuary Policy of The United Methodist Church. Your children - God's children - are important to us! Any questions regarding Safe Sanctuary and how to obtain the clearances, etc. can be directed to Melanie Feldner, Director of Children's Ministries, who oversees Safe Sanctuary here at Aldersgate.

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Help our Mission Neighbors When You Shop
 Please drop off all items in the Mission Bin area across from the nursery.

New Hope Ministries:
 Canned meat (fish, meat, poultry) Canned veggies
 Canned fruit or Dried fruit Pasta and Pasta sauce
 Boxed complete meals Soup
 Diapers and Baby wipes Toilet paper

Bethesda Mobile Missions:
 Men's and women's underwear Men's socks
 Reading glasses (all strengths) Deodorant

Our Presence for Week of February 9, 2020

	8:00	9:30	11:00
Sunday Worship	106	165	62
Sunday School/ Life Groups*	579		

*Life groups are groups that come together to connect, study and serve Jesus with our lives.

Serving Today February 16, 2020

Acolytes: 8:00 Jackson Hobday **Welcome** 8:00 Cindy Sollenberger
 9:30 Owen Rutt **Center:** 9:30 Robin Fisher
 11:00 Wyatt Stumbaugh 11:00 Nancy Runk

Nursery: Maureen Nacci, Sharon Seibert

Ushers: 8:00 Jacks Brock, Judy Vandercoy, Darlene Zack
 9:30 Diane Curwen, Deb Shumaker, Jill Ahrens, Rod Shenck
 11:00 Norm Runk, Wayne Ocker, Bill Royer

Worship Leader: Kim Legore
Praise Team: Gary Hayworth, Dan DeArment, Angie Kubovsky

Sound Technician: Stephen Rutt **Video:** Ethan Strite
Computer Support: Scott Humes

Activities for the Week of February 16, 2020

You may view the full calendar on www.aldersgatechurch.net

Sunday 02/16
 8:00 am Worship Service
 9:30 am Worship Service
 9:30 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Sunday Worship Service
 2:00 pm Adventure Club Summit Seekers- FLC
 4:00 pm Adventure Club & Summit Seekers Meal of Love- FLC
 6:00 pm Revolution Youth Night- FLC

Monday 02/17
 4:00 pm Men's Group- Room 203
 6:30 pm Cantata Choir Rehearsal- Chapel
 7:00 pm Parents Support Group- Room 101
 7:00 pm Women's Study- Resource Room

Tuesday 02/18
 9:15 am Girlfriends in God- Room 207
 6:30 pm There is a Solution Group (AA)- Rooms 206/208

Wednesday 02/19
 1:00 pm Wool & Flax Ministry- Room 203
 4:30 pm Stitch Kids- Room 203
 5:30 pm What's Up Wednesday
 6:30 pm Men's Group- Room 203
 6:45 pm Leadership Academy- Room 202

WUW meal for February 19
 Pulled Pork Sandwiches
 Cole Slaw, Chips
 Dessert
 Vegetarian is Stuffed Shells

Thursday 02/20
 12:30 pm Staff Meeting- Resource Room
 6:00 pm BTI Parent Training- Room 201
 6:30 pm AA Meeting- Room 206/208
 6:30 pm Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous- Chapel
 7:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal- Sanctuary

Friday 02/21
 7:30 am Women's Bible Study- Room 201
 9:00 am M & M Volunteer Ministry- Resource Room
 9:00 am Men's Group- Room 203
 12:00 pm Mature Methodist Volunteers at Mission Central
 1:00 pm Mom's in Prayer- Room 203

Saturday 02/22
 7:30 am Men's Group- Youth Room
 9:00 am Card Making Ministry- Room 202
 5:00 pm Private Event - FLC

Sunday 02/23
Celebration Sunday
 8:00 am Worship Service
 9:30 am Worship Service
 9:30 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Sunday Worship Service
 12:00 pm Revolution Battleball Tournament- Messiah College
 2:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 11414- Room 210
 6:30 pm Hearing Loss Support Group- Room 203

If at any time you know of someone who is in need of pastoral care and/or prayer, please contact Pastor Jan, Pastor Tom or the office.

PRAYER CONCERNS

We are Privileged to Hold One Another in Prayer:
 Joshua; Sandy; Gil Baer; Lulamae Lotz; Max Knickerbocker; Pam S; Diane M.; Eley; John Carden; Arlene; Emily; Pat Heer; George Long; Gary Walters; Sally N; Julie Geib; Ed M.; Sid Witmer; Megan C.; Emma Grace; Roger Tedeshi; Glenn Smith; Bob Thomson; Joe Dolbin; Kya Wanner; Collin Martin and family; Gene and Kathy Carnes and family; Janice Radocha; Lester Weigle; Bree; The Family of Nick and Belle Knisely upon the death of her sister Georgia Long; Emma Kenyon; Larry Sheldon; Dottie Stepp; Jen Stumbaugh; Kelly Shaffer and family upon the death of her mother; Elizabeth Butler as she enters her military basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas

Active Military Personnel Serving Overseas: Tim Baer, Michael Negrete, Jason Port, Christopher Shapiro

If you know an active duty soldier you would like lifted in prayer, please contact the church office and share his/her name. We will list their name in the bulletin and continue to hold them in prayer until you notify us they have returned safely home.

Office hours: Monday through Thursday 8:30 am - 3:00 pm; Fridays 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

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Aldersgate Church

A United Methodist Congregation

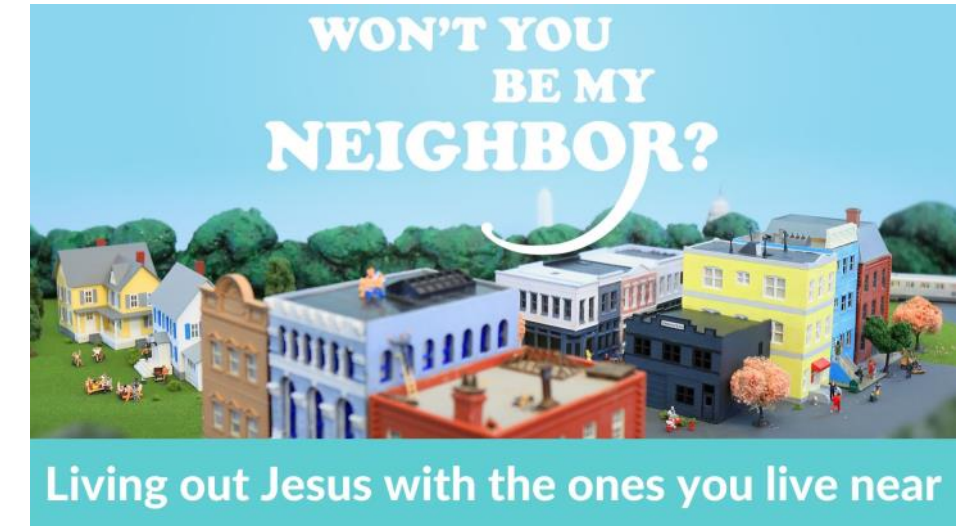
Our Vision: "Reaching with the Heart of Christ for the Lives of Our Community"

Our Mission: "To reach and grow disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!"

Won't You Be My Neighbor

February 16, 2020

Try your best to make goodness attractive. That's one of the toughest assignments you'll ever be given. - Mr. Rogers



Gathering and Greeting in Jesus' Name

Worship Through Song

Giving God's Tithes & Our Offerings

Bringing our Neighbors to the Mercy Seat of Grace
 (The blue prayer cards in the pews are for your use to bring to the altar.)

The Scriptures are Opened:
 1 Kings 17:1-16

Life Talk: "Receiving From Our Neighbors"
 Pastor Hannah Sledge

Living Out the Word of God