

# *Mary & Martha*



*"Master, don't you care that my sister has abandoned the kitchen to me? Tell her to lend me a hand." The Master said, "Martha, dear Martha, you're fussing far too much and getting yourself worked up over nothing. One thing only is essential, and Mary has chosen it—it's the main course, and won't be taken from her."*

**Luke 10:40-42**

*July 20, 2025*

**GATHERING/WELCOME**

**PROCLAMATION OF FAITH**      *Colossians 1:15-20*

**OPENING PRAISE**      *"Love the Lord"*

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Children of God, in Jesus, Love became flesh and moved into the neighborhood.

**We gather to worship Christ, the image of the invisible.**

In Jesus, we meet the fullness of God with no barriers to our access.

**We gather to worship Christ, the image of the invisible.**

In Jesus, our separation from God, neighbor, self, and creation has been removed. We are free for divine and loving connection once again.

**We gather to worship Christ, the image of the invisible.**

Children of God, come! Come, let us worship God, whose power makes Love visible to us so that we might reflect Love to the world.

**Come, let us worship Christ, Love who came to dwell among us and within us!**

*Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, January 2025.*

**SONGS OF PRAISE**      *"Be Thou My Vision"*

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*"Goodness of God"*

**SIGNS OF PEACE**

**TIME WITH THE YOUNG AT HEART**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER**

**SONG OF PRAISE**      *"I See You"*

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**      *Luke 10:38-42*

Elizabeth Peters

**SERMON**      *"A Tale of Two Sisters"*

Pastor Deb

**MAKING MINISTRY HAPPEN**

**GIVING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS**      *"More Precious Than Silver"*

**PRAISE SONG**      *"Every Move I Make"*

**BENEDICTION**      *"A Closing Prayer"*

**POSTLUDE**

To our faithful and humble servants.  
It takes many hands to prepare and lead worship  
services each week, and we are so very grateful  
for each one of you!



|                            | JULY             |                                  | AUGUST                        |
|----------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| ROLE                       | 20               | 27                               | 3                             |
| <b>Preaching</b>           | Pr Deb           | Pr Deb                           | Pr Deb                        |
| <b>Acolyte</b>             | Ella Lawton      | Zac Peters                       | Holden Clouse-Beddia          |
| <b>organist/pianist</b>    | Linda Kimmel     | Linda Kimmel                     | Linda Kimmel                  |
| <b>Praise Band:</b>        |                  |                                  |                               |
|                            | Dave Billman     | Dave Billman                     | Dave Billman                  |
|                            | Seth Lawton      | Seth Lawton                      | Seth Lawton                   |
|                            | Elizabeth Peters | Elizabeth Peters                 | Elizabeth Peters              |
|                            | Travis Clouse    | Travis Clouse                    | Travis Clouse                 |
| <b>Greeters:</b>           |                  |                                  |                               |
| <b>Hospitality Greeter</b> | Carolyn Bloom    | Mary Otey                        | Mary Groshans                 |
| <b>Bulletin</b>            | Darlene Smith    | Marian Smyser & Gwynn Sorrentino | Fred & Ruth Hair              |
| <b>Lector</b>              | Josh Peters      | Laurie Barrick                   | 0                             |
| <b>Communion:</b>          |                  |                                  |                               |
| <b>bread maker</b>         |                  |                                  | Barb Simpson                  |
| <b>serving</b>             |                  |                                  | Marian Smyser/<br>Becky Smith |
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### Ministry Leaders and Support Staff

|                                   |                |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Acting Facilities Director        | George Bellish |
| Assisting Pastor                  | John Zimmerman |
| Custodian                         | Jenn Lopiano   |
| Director of Children's Ministries | Carol Lawton   |
| Director of Connections           | Linda Kimmel   |
| Finance Administrator             | Amy Hershey    |
| Office Administrator              | Shari Bellish  |
| Pastor                            | Deb Dailey     |
| Preschool Director                | Aimee Peele    |
| Preschool Teacher's Aide          | Amanda Otto    |
| Social Media Coordinator          | Amber Earhart  |
| Worship Leader                    | Dave Billman   |



Prayer requests cards are now in each pew. Prayer requests can be placed in the offering plate or in the black offering box in the back of the sanctuary.

**PRAYER CONCERNS:**

**Sheila Garman**, Darlene Smith, Grace Wetzel (Linda Kimmel's sister), Dave Leeka (Aimee Peele's father), Ryan Stitt (Donna Hockensmith's grandson), Wanda McDermond

**LONG TERM ILLNESS:**

Chris Fine, Dick & Esther Ocker, Michael Alexander (Bellish' son), Todd Eckenrode, Harry Schulz, John McAllen (Asonia Wolf's son), Alesha Holsinger (Linda Kimmel's friend), Barb Elting, Gaylea Kelly, John Edwards (Andy & Mary Groshans), Asonia Wolf, Vera Egolf, Jackie Weary, Ed Hair, Stewart Lamma, Anne Stanford, Charles Sherman, Josiah Claire (Becky Smith), The Matrese Family, Steven Hair, Freddy Rodriguez (Deb Kraft).

**GRIEF:** The Family of Teresa Bellish (George Bellish's step mother), The family of Donald Jayne (Mary Jayne's husband)

**OUR WORLD MISSIONS:**

Mountains of Hope, Furcy, Haiti; Gideons.

**THOSE DEPLOYED IN MILITARY SERVICE:**

Samantha Orner (Air Force), Jady Barrett (Navy), Alex Myers (Army), Gerard Calaman (Air Force), Dylan Kupp (Navy), Justyn Padua, Brandon Padua, Dustin Jeardoe (Marine), Erin Driver (Army), John Durnin II (Marine).

**NURSING HOMES:**

**Let's remember our shut-in MUMC family this year by sending them notes, letters or visiting them. Addresses are provided below.**

Church Of God Home: 801 N Hanover St, Carlisle, PA 17013

**Jane Sunday**

Allen's Cove: 25 Cove Rd., Dunacannon, PA 17020

**Liz Rusnik**

**Susquehanna Conference of the UMC**

**July 20-26, 2025**

Hopewell UMC, Hopewell

Park UMC, Coudersport

Big Spring UMC, Newville

Trinity UMC, Bellefonte

Pine Mill UMC, Equinunk

Sky Lake Camp & Retreat Center, Windsor, NY

*In response to the truth that it is important for all of God's people to pray for Christ's church in this world. The Leadership Council would like you to pray for MUMC each day. **The Leadership Council**, wrote a prayer and want to share it with the whole congregation in hopes that everyone will use this prayer as part of their daily prayer life.*



Nurturing and Loving Creator, We thank you for the blessing of being your church in this world. Help us to live and love fully and deeply in Your Light that we might be a beacon of hope and faith for this broken world. Guide us to be a haven of hope, love and acceptance that we will share your grace that is compelling, contagious and compassionate.

Inspire us with fresh ideas and renewed energy that we might be bold in our witness and steadfast in our mission. Empower us to meet people where they are as you grant us courage to step beyond our comfort zones. Open our eyes and our hearts that we might see you in others and see others through your eyes.

Let our worship be vibrant, our teaching be sound, our fellowship be genuine and kind. Equip us as Your church in this world to grow both spiritually and numerically. We ask all of these things that we might bring honor and glory to you as you help us strive and thrive in 2025.

In Jesus name we pray,

Amen

# *JULY*

## *BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES*

2 \*Phil & Kim Coler

3 \*Tim & Susan Walsh

7 John Henson

8 Marvin Wingert

9 Christine Cohick

9 Barbara Preston

9 Gwynn Sorrentino

11 Linda Kimmel

13 LJ Henson

16 Isaac Clouse

17 Mike Peele

19 Cheryl Brady

22 Gabrielle Coler

24 Mary Otey

26 Laurie Barrick

28 Abigail Cable

30 Liz Rusnak

31 Luke Earhart





## ***Supporting and Encouraging Our College Students***



### **Calling All College Students and Their Families!**

We are excited to share an ongoing ministry dedicated to supporting our college students as they continue their educational journeys away from home. Our College Student Care Package Ministry sends thoughtful care packages and uplifting notes throughout the school year to remind our students that their church family is thinking of them and cheering them on.

### **How You Can Participate**

To include your college student in this ministry, Please provide the following information by **9/1/25** to the church office or to the ministry coordinator Christine Cohick:

**Student's full name**

**College or university they are attending**

**Current mailing address**

**Year in school (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, or Senior)**

Want to help? We also welcome volunteers who would like to write encouraging notes or help assemble care packages!

### **Let's Show Our Students We Care!**

Let's come together as a congregation to lift up our college students, keeping them connected to their faith community and reminding them of God's love and our support. If you have any questions or would like to get involved, please contact the church office for more details.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**CHURCH PICNIC**  
**SUNDAY AUGUST 31, 2025**  
**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP PARK**  
**50 BEAGLE CLUB ROAD**



**CHURCH SERVICE IS AT 10:00 AM AT THE PARK.**

PICNIC WILL FOLLOW AFTER THE SERVICE.

GAMES AND WHITE ELEPHANT BINGO WILL FOLLOW.

- \* BRING A WRAPPED WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT.
- \* BRING A HOT OR COLD DISH TO SHARE.
- \* BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS FOR CHURCH SERVICE

CHURCH WILL BE PROVIDING THE PAPER GOODS, PLASTICWARE & THE DRINKS. THERE WILL BE A SIGNUP PAPER IN THE GATHERING SPACE FOR WHAT YOU ARE BRINGING. **SIGN UP BY AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup>. YOU CAN ALSO SIGN UP ON THE CONNECTION CARD.** THE SPLASH PAD WILL OPEN AT NOON.

**COME JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP, FOOD AND FUN GAMES**



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**Our Mission:**

*To honor God by making more disciples of  
Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.*

**Our Vision:**

*Alive in Christ in the Community  
so that the Community is Alive in Christ.*

**Our Discipleship Pathway/Action Statement:**

*We show our LOVE of God by how we LIVE and SHARE  
with our community.*

## MUMC Capital Campaign



GOAL \$7,000

***DONATED \$3,100***

REMAINING \$4,900