

THE UNITED MESSENGER

FIFTEENTH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

DONATION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY, 9:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M., TUESDAY, 9:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M., THURSDAY, 9:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M.

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 March, 2020

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NEW APPOINTMENT FOR 15TH STREET AND DONATION UM CHURCHES

Effective July 1, 2020, Reverend Barbara A. Servello will become the pastor for the 15th Street / Donation United Methodist Church Charge. Pastor Barb is currently serving a three-point charge at the Leesburg United Methodist Church in Shippensburg. Prior to her current appointment, she served a three-point charge in East Freedom. Pastor Barb was born in Altoona, and graduated from Hollidaysburg High School. She holds a Business Administration degree from Mt. Aloysius College, a Master of Divinity from Wesley Seminary, and a Master of Pastoral Counseling from Liberty College. She is married to Jack R. Servello, Jr. Jack is a singer/song writer/worship leader/musician. They have a one son, Richard, and a daughter-in-law, Brittny. A more detailed biography is available from Miriam in the church office, on the radiator at the rear of the 15th Street UM Church sanctuary, on the church web site and Facebook page. Copies are, also, available for the Donation UM Church family by seeing or contacting Debbie Lear.

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HOLY COMMUNION – FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
Donation and 15th Street UM Churches
Sunday, March 1st - 9:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

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Lenten Soup / Study Series

St. John's Episcopal, 15th Street United Methodist and Presbyterian Churches are going together to provide a mid-Lenten Soup / Study Series. We will be gathering on Thursdays: March 5th, 12th, and 19th, 6:00 p.m. for a light supper of soup and bread, study and brief closing worship. Folk from host church will provide supper. The schedule is as follows:



DATE	LOCATION	TOPIC
March 5	15th Street UMC	"Forgiveness" – Rev. Fred E. Hickok
March 12	St. John's Episcopal	Theme Selected By Host Pastor
March 19	Presbyterian Church	Theme Selected By Host Pastor

St. John's Episcopal Church-212 Penn Street; Presbyterian Church-508 Mifflin Street; 15th Street UMC-1500 Moore Street. All are invited to any or all of the Lenten Soup/Study Series.

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**The Donation UM Church is having another
HAM 'N CHEESE SANDWICH SALE**



to benefit PRIDE / HUNTINGDON SOUP KITCHEN on Thursday, March 5th. The sandwiches are \$3.00 each and can be picked up at the Donation UM Church on Loop Road that afternoon between the hours of 4:00-5:30. If interested in ordering or for additional information, please contact Debbie Lear, 542-9408.

**FIFTEENTH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
WORSHIP SCHEDULE MARCH, 2020**

- March 1, 2020** **First Sunday In Lent**
Holy Communion
Scripture Lesson – Matthew 4:1-11
Sermon – “Famished”
- March 8, 2020** **Second Sunday In Lent**
Scripture Lessons – Ecclesiastes 7:1-20
Luke 21:1-4
Sermon – “Enough Is Enough”
Howard Reitenbaugh, Certified Lay Speaker
- March 15, 2020** **Third Sunday In Lent**
Scripture Lesson – John 4:5-42
Sermon – “Will You Share Your Water?”
Mike Sellers, speaker
- March 22, 2020** **Fourth Sunday In Lent**
Scripture Lesson – John 9:1-41
Sermon – “Here’s Mud In Your Eyes” - A Portrayal
- March 29, 2020** **Fifth Sunday In Lent**
Scripture Lesson – John 11:1-45
Sermon – “Boldly Going Where No One Has Gone Before”

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OUR HELPERS FOR MARCH

-ACOLYTE-	-USHER CAPTAIN-
Marcus Stratton	Chuck Streightiff

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THE HUNTINGDON SALVATION ARMY – 100 YEARS IN HUNTINGDON COUNTY.
The local unit of the Salvation Army will be celebrating 100 years in Huntingdon County with a Street Fair on Saturday, May 16th. They are looking for churches, groups, or organizations to set up booths on Washington Street. The time is 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
The plan is to put people in spots the way they do for Mayfest. There is no registration form. All you have to do is call and let them know if you are coming and what you would like to do. There is no particular criteria for participation. They are just asking all those who participate to have an activity that is free for the community. You can have games/activities for the kids, tell Bible stories to the public, give out God's word, hand out food and prizes, etc. Whatever is easy and fun for the organization to do that is free is welcomed. They are, also, asking that when the organization is done for the day, you clean up your area of all debris and take anything that they may have been left over with them. If you or any organization has any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Salvation Army at (814)-643-1430.

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-thank you note-

15th Street / Donation UM Church

Dear Friends – Thanks so much for your generous gift to the Mt. Union Food Pantry.
It was greatly appreciated. Thanks for caring and sharing. Mt. Union Food Pantry

JANUARY, 2020 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

					<u>INCOME VS EXPENSE</u>	
	<u>ACTUAL INCOME</u>		<u>ACTUAL EXPENSES</u>		<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>	
		<u>YEAR</u>		<u>YEAR</u>		
	<u>JANUARY</u>	<u>TO DATE</u>	<u>JANUARY</u>	<u>TO DATE</u>	<u>PLUS</u>	<u>MINUS</u>
<u>CURRENT INCOME</u>	\$19,667.55	\$19,667.55				
<u>CURRENT EXPENSES</u>			\$16,715.68	\$16,715.68		
					\$2,951.87	
<u>BENEVOLENCE INCOME</u>	\$541.48	\$541.48				
<u>BENEVOLENCE EXPENSES</u>			\$541.48	\$541.48		
					\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>TRUSTEE INCOME</u>	\$1,048.50	\$1,048.50				
<u>TRUSTEE EXPENSES</u>			\$1,048.50	\$1,048.50		
					\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>COMBINED INCOME</u>	\$21,257.53	\$21,257.53				
<u>COMBINED EXPENSES</u>			\$18,305.66	\$18,305.66		

The actual CURRENT income figure of \$19,667.55 for January reflects a withdrawal amount of \$10,000.00 from the BERNICE CREMER ESTATE to compensate for the declining income to assist with everyday operating expenses for the church.

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SPECIAL OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

- March 1, 2020 Forum Fuel Assistance
- March 8, 2020 Camp Sunday
(This offering is a resource for those who wish to take part in the Conference camping program.)
- March 22, 2020 UMCOR (One Great Hour Of Sharing)
(This is a multi-denominational offering received once a year. You can join other United Methodists worldwide by giving to support humanitarian aid from UMCOR.)



SPECIAL OFFERINGS FOR JANUARY

- Annie Maize \$ 5.48
- Christmas Offering- \$ 1.00
- Benevolent Homes
- Forum Fuel \$ 1.00
- Human Relations \$ 11.00
- World Hunger \$ 43.00

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JANUARY ATTENDANCE FIGURES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>
January 5	57	16
January 12	56	20
January 19	43	12
January 26	59	19



Community Event – Lenten Fish Dinners



Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Washington & Mifflin Streets, Huntingdon, will host their annual Lenten Fish Dinners every Friday until April 3rd.

Take-out: 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.; New Cafeteria Style Dining: 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Baked or Fried Fish Meal - \$10.00; Fried Fish Kids Meal - \$6.00 (10 years old and under)
Cheese Pizza Slice - \$4.00 (includes cole slaw or applesauce and homemade dessert)
All fish meals include cole slaw or applesauce, mac-n-cheese, roll, stewed tomatoes or green beans, and homemade dessert. Drink included with all meals when dining in.

- Events To Remember -

Rev. Fred and Darlene will be on vacation from Friday, March 6th until Thursday, March 19th.

HOLY COMMUNION – DONATION / 15TH STREET UM CHURCHES
First Sunday In Lent
 Sunday, March 1st – 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m.

FORUM OF CHURCHES – PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 Monday, March 2nd – 12:00 p.m.

CLUSTER CONFIRMATION CLASS – MILL CREEK UM CHURCH
 Monday, March 2nd – 4:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m.

HAM 'N CHEESE SANDWICH SALE – DONATION UM CHURCH
 Thursday, March 5th – Call Debbie Lear for more info – 542-9408

LENTEN SOUP / STUDY SERIES – 15TH STREET UM CHURCH
 Thursday, March 5th – 6:00 p.m.

STAFF APPRECIATION SUNDAY
 Sunday, March 8th – 10:45 a.m.

FELLOWSHIP TIME – 15TH STREET UM CHURCH
 Sunday, March 8th – 12:00 p.m. – Under The Balcony

CLUSTER CONFIRMATION CLASS – MILL CREEK UM CHURCH
 Monday, March 9th – 4:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m.

LENTEN SOUP / STUDY SERIES – ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
 Thursday, March 12th – 6:00 p.m.

CLUSTER CONFIRMATION CLASS – MILL CREEK UM CHURCH
 Monday, March 16th – 4:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m.

HOMELESS SHELTER TASK FORCE – 15TH STREET UM CHURCH
 Wednesday, March 18th – 9:15 a.m.

LENTEN SOUP / STUDY SERIES – PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 Thursday, March 19th – 6:00 p.m.

CLUSTER CONFIRMATION CLASS – MILL CREEK UM CHURCH
 Monday, March 23rd – 4:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING – DONATION UM CHURCH
 Monday, March 23rd – 6:00 p.m.

PRAYER TIME – 15TH STREET UM CHURCH SANCTUARY
 Tuesday, March 24th – 7:00 a.m.

CHURCH COUNCIL – 15TH STREET UM CHURCH
 Tuesday, March 24th – 6:30 p.m.

DONATION CHURCH PREPARING/SERVING SOUP KITCHEN
 Thursday, March 26th – 4:00 p.m.

CLUSTER CONFIRMATION CLASS – MILL CREEK UM CHURCH
 Monday, March 30th – 4:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m.

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Chancel Choir	<i>every</i>	Bell Choir
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	<i>wednesday</i>	8:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.



15th Street United Methodist Church

BIRTHDAYS

March 2 Colleen Trimer	March 11 Lena Whitesel
March 2 Carol Yoder	March 14 Beth Query
March 3 Deb Shope	March 17 David Fryer
March 3 Chuck Streightiff	March 18 Mary Swartz
March 8 Trudy McElwain	March 22 Bonnie Brindle
March 9 Jean Hetrick	March 22 Donna Isenberg
March 9 Tina Laird	March 28 Judy Aurandt
March 10 Bob Mohler	March 30 Matthew Sellers

happy birthday

happy anniversary

Donation United Methodist Church

BIRTHDAYS

March 10 Fred Grove	March 19 John Moyer
March 13 Betty Leamer	March 20 James Bickle
March 18 Brex Border	March 28 Penny Frew



POLAR PLUNGE APPRECIATION

May God bless you All,

The Polar Plunge was a success for Cathy and Alan Atchison. Many gave cash gifts and not all names were recorded. Saturday, February 8th, our monetary gifts were delivered to the Atchison family from the Polar Plunge Ministry. God surprised us and blessed them with an amount of well over \$4,000. The Polar Plunge was a gathering of Sisters and Brothers in Christ giving of their time, money and prayers. This was a time greater than a literal plunge into a "very" cold body of water. It was a time designed and orchestrated by God. A time that no church, man, nor woman could boast about. Together let's give God the glory for this beautiful time that we spent together plunging out of love for friends by praying Psalm 115:1 "Not to us, Lord, not to us, but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness."



HUB YEAR END 2019

Praise and thanksgiving to God our Father. The Altoona District Mission Central HUB an extension of Mission Central in Mechanicsburg has another year of working here and around the world.

We are in our 12th year of helping support anyone that has been affected by disasters or poverty. Some of our kits that are prepared and shipped from our HUB go through Mission Central in Mechanicsburg and then onto UMCOR or distributed directly from Mission Central.

The HUB has had 909 volunteers with a total of 1667.5 hours this past year. We are also very fortunate to have committed hostesses.

Our kits that were assembled this year are as follows: 41 cleaning buckets, 293 baby care kits, 1295 school kits, 1353 hygiene kits, these have an accumulated estimated value of \$42,346. The estimated total of supplies sent to MC ARE \$5,500. Local distributions of different items have an estimated value of \$9,965. The grand total for 2019 is \$61,181; this added to our previous total of \$725,033; makes our contributions \$786,214. These totals are only possible through our trust and guidance by God and by the generosity of our volunteers, donations and churches. We now have given a total of 737 jean quilts with an estimated value of \$36,850. The need for continuing to add to our jean quilts is having people volunteer to sew them. Thank you to all that have stepped up to help with that ministry.

If anyone or group would like to complete any of the above kits info can be found at missioncentral.org and drop them off at the HUB.

Kits sent to UMCOR: School kits, hygiene kits, and cleaning buckets -

Nonstandard kits are also important to our mission work. We have distributed to 300 local outreach areas to 90 different ministries. Some of the places that benefited are shelters, nursing homes, churches, the food kitchen and church programs. Our help supporting the different homeless ministries has increased.

Our annual fundraiser of blueberries netted 1,331 boxes; up from last year. We were able to tithe \$1,500.00 to MC. The profit from this yearly fundraiser usually keeps us going until the next July but this year we are really short on funds. The HUB has purchased more supplies this past year and that has really cut into our funds. We are in great need of funds and ask that you prayerfully consider donating supplies or money to buy supplies. Donations are greatly needed so please help us out. Consider a fundraiser or special collection if possible.

We have an advance number from the Conference (#4060) and people that send money directly to MC should enter that number and then those funds will be sent to the Altoona HUB. It takes longer for those funds to be released and so we encourage that any donations be sent directly to the HUB so that they will be received for immediate use.

We encourage groups to set up a time to volunteer if our regular hours don't work for them. We have had new faces this year. Along with volunteers making kits come the need for more supplies. We are blessed to and encourage monetary donations and supply donations to help us. Gail Montgomery is anxiously waiting to schedule your volunteering visit.

A sincere thank you to the HUB team and all the volunteers. Our hostesses and volunteers would like to make a special thank you to Barbara Glass, Site coordinator and Gail Montgomery, volunteer coordinator for all the dedicated and extras work they do to keep this ministry open. We continue to be truly blessed in this ministry and God continues to open doors for us.

Respectfully,

Marti Shiffler, Secretary

The Endowment Fund is a permanent investment account under the supervision of the Endowment Fund Committee. The Endowment Fund was established to provide members and friends the opportunity to make charitable gifts to the Church that will become a permanent endowment of financial support and living memorial. The Endowment Fund is intended in most cases for purposes which are NOT part of the church's established programs supported through the annual operation budget. The principal of the fund will be kept intact, except as directed by persons making the gifts and bequests to the Endowment Fund. This assures donors that each gift will make a lasting contribution to the life of the Fifteenth Street United Methodist Church.

**RESTRICTIONS AND EXPLANATIONS OF ENDOWMENTS AND INVESTMENTS
AT THE UM STEWARDSHIP FOUNDATION, CAMP HILL, PA
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2019**


FHGD1	E. M. FOSTER TRUST – Trustees – Interest Only To Be Used – Est. 2010	\$ 56,287.01
FHGD2	RALPH AND ANNA HOOVER FUND – To Be Used For Energy Costs Of The Church – For The Next 3 Years, 50% of Earnings And After 3 Years 90% of Earnings Used For Energy Costs – Est. 2010	\$ 74,379.84
FHGD3	15TH STREET UMC MUSIC MEMORIAL FUND – For Use By The Memorial Committee For Church Music – Est. 2011	\$ 20,255.96
FHGD4	ORGAN FUND – For Organ Repairs – Est. 2011	\$ 9,867.24
FHGD5	CHAIR LIFT FUND – Closed Out.	\$ 0.00
FHGD6	HEADINGS ESTATE – For Trustees Use Only – Est. 2011	\$ 68,526.17
FHGD7	BERNICE CREMER ESTATE – General (Current) Account – Interest Only To Be Used – Est. 2012	\$ 320,100.09
FHGD8	VILA MENTZGER ESTATE – Closed Out.	\$ 0.00
FHGD9	MEMORIAL COMMITTEE SAVINGS – Investment – For Memorial Committee Only – Est. 2015	\$ 1,601.70
FHGD10	JOHN POWELL MEMORIAL – Investment – For General (current) Account Use Only – Est. 2017	\$ 6,326.17
MITE1	IVAN MILLER CD's – Interest Only To Be Used – 75% for General Account, 25% for Trustees – Est. 2010	\$ 203,228.80
TOTAL AMOUNT		\$ 760,572.98

**DESIGNATED AND RESTRICTED ENDOWMENTS AND INVESTMENTS –
NOT AVAILABLE FOR DAILY OPERATIONAL EXPENSES**

MARCH



2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Holy Communion 9:15 a.m. Donation UMC 10:45 a.m. 15th Street UMC	2 12:00 p.m. Forum of Churches Presbyterian Church 4:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m. Cluster Confirmation Class Mill Creek UMC	3	4 6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:00 p.m. Bell Choir	5 Ham 'n Cheese Sandwich Sale Donation UMC 6:00 p.m. Lenten Soup / Study Series "Forgiveness" 15th Street UMC	6	7  TONIGHT before going to bed.
8 Howard Reitenbaugh, speaker 10:45 a.m. Staff Appreciation 12:00 p.m. Fellowship Time Under The Balcony Daylight Savings Time Begins	9 4:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m. Cluster Confirmation Class Mill Creek UMC	10	11 6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:00 p.m. Bell Choir	12 6:00 p.m. Lenten Soup / Study Series "Theme Selected By Host Pastor" St. John's Episcopal	13	14
..... Rev. Fred and Darlene On Vacation						
15 Mike Sellers, speaker	16 4:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m. Cluster Confirmation Class Mill Creek UMC	17 	18 9:15 a.m. Homeless Shelter Task Force Meeting 6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:00 p.m. Bell Choir	19 6:00 p.m. Lenten Soup / Study Series "Theme Selected By Host Pastor" Presbyterian Church <i>First Day of Spring</i>	20	21
22	23 4:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m. Cluster Confirmation Class Mill Creek UMC 6:00 p.m. Administrative Council Donation UMC	24 7:00 a.m. Prayer Time 6:30 p.m. Church Council 15th Street UMC	25 6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:00 p.m. Bell Choir	26 4:00 p.m. Donation UMC Preparing / Serving Soup Kitchen	27	28
29	30 4:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m. Cluster Confirmation Class Mill Creek UMC	31	15th Street UM Church 9:30 a.m.-Sunday School / 10:45 a.m.-Worship Donation UM Church 9:15 a.m.-Worship / 10:45 a.m.-Sunday School Food Bank Item – Canned Beets			

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