

THE UNITED MESSENGER

FIFTEENTH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

DONATION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY, 9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M., TUESDAY - THURSDAY, 9:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M.

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July / August, 2025

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FROM THE PASTOR...

July and August Devotional

"Seasons of Renewal: Growing in the Ordinary"

"Let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up." -Galatians 6:9 NRSV

"He refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake." -Psalm 23:3 NIV

In the life of the Church, we have made it through lent, Easter/Eastertide, Ascension, Pentecost and Trinity Sunday. July and August fall within the season known as Ordinary Time—but there is nothing "ordinary" about it. Following the high celebrations of Easter and Pentecost, this long stretch of green on the liturgical calendar invites us to deepen our discipleship, to grow steadily in faith, and to embody the love of Christ in our daily lives.

The color green, which drapes our altars and vestments during this time, symbolizes growth, vitality, and life. Just as crops mature in the summer sun, so too are we called to mature in our walk with God. Ordinary Time reminds us that spiritual growth often happens not in the dramatic moments, but in the everyday acts of prayer, kindness, and service.

In the rhythm of creation, there is a sacredness to every season. July and August remind us that rest is not idleness—it is essential. Even Jesus took time away from the crowds to pray, to be quiet, and to restore His soul. As followers of Christ, we too are called to balance our doing with being.

During these summer months, we may find ourselves in different rhythms—family vacations, backyard barbecues, or quiet evenings on the porch. These ordinary experiences are sacred opportunities. We are reminded that God's Spirit is not limited to Sunday mornings but is active in every moment of our lives. Perhaps this summer is an opportunity to reconnect—with God, with nature, and with each other. Whether you're traveling, tending a garden, spending time with family, or simply sitting on a porch and watching the world go by, remember that God meets us in those still places.

Let this be a season to reflect on your spiritual journey. Are you tending the soil of your soul? Are you being nourished by God's Word and Christian community? Are you bearing fruit in your relationships, your work, your witness? In this "green" season, may we each find ways to live out the gospel with intention and grace, trusting that God is at work—even, and especially, in the ordinary.

This can also be a time of preparation—a chance to listen for where God may be calling us next. As we look ahead to the fall and all the ministry it will bring, may we be grounded in the peace and presence of Christ. Let us be attentive to the Spirit's gentle whisper, nudging us toward compassion, justice, and deeper faith.

Take time to worship, to be in fellowship, and to serve—even in small ways. Let this season of warmth also be one of spiritual growth and soul-deep joy.

Prayer:

Lord of all seasons, thank You for the gift of Ordinary Time. Help us to rest in Your presence and to grow in faith, to serve with joy, and to find You in the simple and quiet moments. Guide our hearts and minds as we prepare for what's ahead, and draw us ever closer to You. Amen.

Pastor Barb

**FIFTEENTH STREET / DONATION UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES
WORSHIP SCHEDULE JULY 2025**

- July 6, 2025 Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Communion
Scripture Lessons – II Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30 (UMH 762); Galatians 6:1-16;
Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
Sermon: "God's Mysterious Ways"
- July 13, 2025 Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
Scripture Lessons – Amos 7:7-17; Psalm 82 (UMH 804); Colossians 1:1-14;
Luke 10:25-37
Sermon: "Encounter Hope"
- July 20, 2025 Sixth Sunday After Pentecost
Scripture Lessons – Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52 / Psalm 82 (UMH 804);
Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42
Sermon: "God's Love And Presence"
- July 27, 2025 Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
Scripture Lessons – Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 85 (UMH 806); Colossians 2:6-19;
Luke 11:1-13
Sermon: "Encountered God"

**FIFTEENTH STREET / DONATION UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES
WORSHIP SCHEDULE AUGUST 2025**

- August 3, 2025 Eighth Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Communion
Scripture Lessons – Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9, 43; Colossians 3:1-11;
Luke 12:13-21
Sermon: "Worshipping In This Community"
- August 10, 2025 Ninth Sunday After Pentecost
Scripture Lessons – Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23;
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40
Sermon: "By Faith"
- August 17, 2025 Tenth Sunday After Pentecost
Summer Lunch Bunch Program – 15th Street UMC – will be leading worship.
Scripture Lessons – Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19;
Hebrews 11:29 – 12:2; Luke 12:49-56
Sermon: "Jesus' Joy"
- August 24, 2025 Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost
Scripture Lessons – Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:6;
Hebrews 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17
Sermon: "Home In The Rock"
- August 31, 2025 Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost
Scripture Lessons – Jeremiah 2:4-13; Psalm 81:1, 10-16;
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14
Sermon: "Mutual Love"

MAY, 2025 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

					INCOME VS EXPENSE	
	ACTUAL INCOME		ACTUAL EXPENSES		YEAR TO DATE	
		YEAR		YEAR		
	MAY	TO DATE	MAY	TO DATE	PLUS	MINUS
<u>CURRENT INCOME</u>	\$10,074.58	\$100,549.31				
<u>CURRENT EXPENSES</u>			\$15,469.89	\$88,535.60		
					\$12,013.71	
<u>BENEVOLENCE INCOME</u>	\$1,526.00	\$3,219.82				
<u>BENEVOLENCE EXPENSES</u>			\$561.00	\$1,599.82		
					\$1,620.00	
<u>TRUSTEE INCOME</u>	\$1,578.00	\$4,405.00				
<u>TRUSTEE EXPENSES</u>			\$1,578.00	\$4,405.00		
					\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>COMBINED INCOME</u>	\$13,178.58	\$108,174.13				
<u>COMBINED EXPENSES</u>			\$17,608.89	\$94,540.42		

Special Offerings for May

Peace With Justice \$ 10.00
Sandwich Sale-Donation Church \$ 326.00
SUSUMC-Conference Offerings \$ 225.00

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FUNDRAISING UPDATE:

The final soup sale for the season was held May 31st.
To date, with ALL fundraising endeavors since
February 1, 2025, there has been \$6,934.77
raised to offset ongoing expenses.

July 6, 2025

July 20, 2025

August 10, 2025

August 24, 2025

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

FOR THE MONTHS OF JULY / AUGUST

World Hunger
(Offerings received help resource food pantries/banks
throughout the world, United States, and locally.)
Organ Fund
(Pays for minor repairs / tuning of the organ / piano.)
Cash Day (Heating)
(Assists with the cost of heating / cooling the church.)
Forum Fuel Assistance

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Time of Prayer every Sunday morning in the 15th Street UM Church sanctuary between 10:00-10:30.

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Donation United Methodist Church

BIRTHDAYS

JULY

July 4 Madison McCool
July 11 Beau Schleicher

July 17 Bob Dysard
July 25 Howard Hilling

AUGUST

August 14 Pat Larson
August 16 Rick Johns

August 19 Hutch Moore

August 21 Frank Frew
August 23 Anna Spangler

ANNIVERSARIES

August 6 Walter & Ruth Edwards August 11 Paul & Susan McCool

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APRIL, 2025 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>APRIL</u>	<u>TO DATE</u>	<u>APRIL</u>	<u>TO DATE</u>	<u>PLUS</u>	<u>MINUS</u>
<u>CURRENT INCOME</u>	\$12,847.64	\$90,474.73				
<u>CURRENT EXPENSES</u>			\$16,621.67	\$73,065.71		
					\$17,409.02	
<u>BENEVOLENCE INCOME</u>	\$260.36	\$1,693.82				
<u>BENEVOLENCE EXPENSES</u>			\$340.36	\$1,038.82		
					\$655.00	
<u>TRUSTEE INCOME</u>	\$1,139.00	\$2,827.00				
<u>TRUSTEE EXPENSES</u>			\$1,139.00	\$2,827.00		
					\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>COMBINED INCOME</u>	\$14,247.00	\$94,995.55				
<u>COMBINED EXPENSES</u>			\$18,101.03	\$76,931.53		

Special Offerings for April

Annie Maize \$ 5.36
 Native Awareness \$ 10.00
 Peace With Justice \$ 25.00
 World Hunger \$ 50.00
 Huntingdon Volunteer Fire Company \$ 250.00



HOLY COMMUNION For July / August
 Donation and 15th Street UM Churches
 Sunday, July 6th - 9:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
 Sunday, August 3rd - 9:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

15th Street United Methodist Church

BIRTHDAYS

JULY

July 3 Pete Sellers	July 8 Susie Black	July 10 Laurie Way
July 4 Mary Gladfelter	July 10 Scarlett Speck	July 12 Emeri Isett
July 7 Frank Campopiano		July 13 Karen Campopiano
July 7 Alix Isett		July 16 Keith Black

AUGUST

August 2 Sue Reed	August 16 Kimberly Stratton	August 28 Dorothy Anderson
August 9 Mark Minor	August 21 Elizabeth Walters	August 30 Bill Hendricks

ANNIVERSARIES

JULY

July 13 Mike & Regina Sellers	July 21 Bob and Paula Mohler	July 26 Keith & Susie Black
July 21 John & Kris Cunningham	July 22 Ron & Carol Yoder	July 30 Chuck and Polly Streightiff

AUGUST

August 8 Jack and Pastor Barb Servello	August 14 Neil & Dianne Barben
August 9 Allan & Sue Stratton	August 28 Bill and Sharon Hendricks

happy birthday

happy anniversary

- EVENTS TO REMEMBER -

JULY EVENTS

BLUEBERRIES WILL BE DELIVERED

Tuesday, July 1st – 15th Street UM Church Parking Lot

SUMMER FUN LUNCH BUNCH

15TH STREET UM CHURCH

Wednesday, July 2nd – 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

HOLY COMMUNION – DONATION / 15TH STREET UM CHURCHES

Sunday, July 6th – 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m.

SUMMER FUN LUNCH BUNCH

15TH STREET UM CHURCH

Wednesday, July 9th – 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

SUMMER FUN LUNCH BUNCH

15TH STREET UM CHURCH

Wednesday, July 16th – 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

CHURCH COUNCIL – 15TH STREET UM CHURCH

Tuesday, July 22nd – 6:30 p.m.

SUMMER FUN LUNCH BUNCH

15TH STREET UM CHURCH

Wednesday, July 23rd – 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

SUMMER FUN LUNCH BUNCH

15TH STREET UM CHURCH

Wednesday, July 30th – 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

DONATION CHURCH PREPARING / SERVING SOUP KITCHEN

Thursday, July 31st – 4:00 p.m.

AUGUST EVENTS

HOLY COMMUNION – DONATION / 15TH STREET UM CHURCHES

Sunday, August 3rd – 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m.

TRUSTEE MEETING

Monday, August 4th – 3:30 p.m.

(PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE TIME CHANGE)

SUMMER FUN LUNCH BUNCH

15TH STREET UM CHURCH

Wednesday, August 6th – 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

SUMMER FUN LUNCH BUNCH

15TH STREET UM CHURCH

Wednesday, August 13th – 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

SUMMER LUNCH BUNCH

WILL BE HAVING THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, August 17th – 10:45 a.m.

MONDAYS

6:45 p.m. – Music! Music! Music! Community Choir

Chancel Choir

First Rehearsal For Fall On Wednesday, August 27th, 6:30 p.m.

Pastor Barb and Jack will be on vacation from Friday, August 22nd until Friday, August 31st. She will be back in the office on Tuesday, September 2nd. Debbie Lear, Certified Lay Speaker, from Donation UMC will be preaching both Sundays, August 24th and 31st, in her absence.



Sympathy Is Extended To The Family Of

BEATRICE "BEA" ROSS,

a member of 15th Street UM Church for over 68 years.

"Bea" entered life triumphant on Wednesday, June 4th, surrounded by her loving family. Our prayers are with you.



Announcement of Change for Pastor

Our Staff Parish Relations Committee is blessed to share news of a new chapter in ministry. As part of the upcoming appointment year starting July 1st, Pastor Barb will not only continue to serve 15th Street/Donation Charge, but will also be appointed to serve the Manor Hill Charge. Each charge will share Pastor Barb half time.

This change reflects our shared mission as United Methodist congregations to strengthen our ministries and extend Christ's love in new and meaningful ways. While there will be some adjustments as we begin this journey together, we trust that God is at work, guiding us with wisdom, grace, and hope.

Please be in prayer for Pastor Barb, for both charges, and for all who will work together in this new endeavor. May the Spirit lead us as we grow in faith and service.


Details, about worship schedules, is that Pastor Barb will be preaching the 1st and 3rd Sundays at Wesley Chapel, Ennisville, and Faith UM Churches. The 2nd and 4th Sundays she will be at 15th Street and Donation. There will be services every week at all 5 churches. Pastor Barb will have a video message the weeks she is not present.

This is a new endeavor for all involved and we ask your patience as we navigate through this change. Let us move forward with joy and unity as we answer God's call.




JULY 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>15th Street UM Church 9:30 a.m.-Sunday School / 10:45 a.m.-Worship</p> <p>Donation UM Church 9:15 a.m.-Worship / 10:45 a.m.-Sunday School</p>		<p>Blueberries Will Be Delivered In The Church Parking Lot.</p>	<p>11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.</p> <p>Summer Lunch Bunch!</p>		 <p>Happy 4th Of July</p>	
<p>Holy Communion 9:15 a.m. Donation UMC 10:45 a.m. 15th Street UMC</p>	<p>6:45 p.m. Community Choir</p>		<p>11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.</p> <p>Summer Lunch Bunch!</p>			
	<p>6:45 p.m. Community Choir</p>		<p>11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.</p> <p>Summer Lunch Bunch!</p>			
	<p>6:45 p.m. Community Choir</p>	<p>6:30 p.m. Church Council</p>	<p>11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.</p> <p>Summer Lunch Bunch!</p>			
	<p>6:45 p.m. Community Choir</p>		<p>11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.</p> <p>Summer Lunch Bunch!</p>	<p>4:00 p.m. Donation UMC preparing/ serving Soup Kitchen</p>		<p>Food Bank Item Canned Fruit</p>



Sat

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 Vegetable Soup						1	2
3 Holy Communion 9:15 a.m. Donation UMC 10:45 a.m. 15th Street UMC	4 3:30 p.m. Trustee Meeting 6:45 p.m. Community Choir	5	6 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Summer Lunch Bunch!	7	8	9	
10	11 6:45 p.m. Community Choir	12	13 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Summer Lunch Bunch!	14	15	16	
17 10:45 a.m. Summer Lunch Bunch Morning Worship Service 15th Street UMC	18 6:45 p.m. Community Choir	19	20	21	22	23	
				Pastor Barb And Jack On Vacation			
24	25 6:45 p.m. Community Choir	26	27 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir BEGINS	28	29	30	
Pastor Barb And Jack On Vacation							
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<div>Pastor Barb/Jack On Vacation</div> 							

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