



CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

March 13, 2016

“A place where visitors become friends.”

Christ United Methodist Church! We especially greet those who are worshiping with us for the first time and rejoice that you have chosen to spend this special time with God and us. Feel free to secure a maroon colored information packet about Christ Church found near each door. As God leads, we welcome you to become an active participant with us!! If you desire to speak with our pastor, please contact the church office.

Order Easter Flowers: Please submit order in the envelope marked “Easter Flower” and place in the offering plate. Order forms are located at the back of the sanctuary. ***Money is due with the order and orders are due no later than March 14. Please order today!***

Yarnspinnners will meet on Wednesday, March 16, at 10:00 a.m. in the church library.

Lenten Breakfasts: Members and friends of Christ United Methodist Church will be meeting at the -- Greenvillage Restaurant on Wednesdays at 7.30 a.m. during Lent for breakfast and a time of devotion. All are encouraged to come and to invite neighbors and friends.

--The churches of the Shippensburg Cluster of the UMC will host a series of Saturday Lenten breakfasts. This week’s breakfast is hosted by Messiah UMC on March 19. The format consists of a light breakfast starting at 8 AM and a time of meditation and sharing. Although the UM Cluster does sponsor the breakfasts, they are open to all members of the community. A freewill offering will be used for local outreach needs and beyond.

Flower chart: please sign up to provide altar flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one or special event on the bulletin board. When the date that you have chosen is close, please call the church office and let the secretary know what you would like to have placed in the announcements.

Please thank the Christ Church congregation for having me on the prayer list. I am halfway through the treatments with no side effects. Surgery will follow. Everything is at Geisinger Hospital. Love Byron & Yvonne

3D-Developing Deeper Disciples: please see the flyer posted on the bulletin board or go to <http://j.mp/gecregistration> for more info; event is April 17, 1-7pm at CrossPoint, Harrisburg.

Dry cereal is needed for families of our community immediately and continually. Place boxes in the bin marked King’s Kettle – Thank you!

Music of the “Invitation to God” song “*Come, All Who Look to Christ Today*” are available at the back of the sanctuary. Please take one for future reference.

Transportation needs: If you know of anyone in need of transportation to or from Worship service please contact Steve VanDixon – 830-9510 or Bill Morgan – 532-7519. We will make every attempt to see that this is not an obstacle for anyone wishing to worship!

Offering counters for the first Sunday of each month are needed. Please contact Georgia Connelly, 532-7561, if you can spare an hour or less after church. Thanks!

Prayer Requests.

- Becky Gehres – surgery
- Ronald Freedman – kidney failure
- Byron Krapf – cancer treatment, upcoming surgery
- Carroll Glover – depression, in prison, addict
- Tom Swain – melanoma in shoulder
- Don Seibert - hospitalization

Susquehanna Conference churches:

Rockville, Claysburg, Bethany Felton, Gethsemane Allport, Mt. Joy Clearfield, First Shickshinny, New Hope, Black Oak, Bethel Hill, Tipton

In an attempt to keep our prayer list up to date, persons and situations will be listed for three consecutive Sundays. If you wish to continue the listing after this, simply call the church office and request the prayer listing continue. Thank you.

Prayer request, if you have one, call the prayer-chain, starting with Linda Miller, 532-8000.

Our church greatly appreciates the generosity of M & T Bank and Orrstown Bank for allowing us the use of their parking lots during worship services. There are four designated *parking spots* in the M&T parking lot on Sunday mornings; two are for handicap parking and two for visitor parking. Overflow parking is available in the Orrstown Bank parking lot.

This Week with Christ!

(Please note that all meetings will be held at Christ United Methodist Church unless otherwise indicated)

<u>Sunday, March 13</u>	8:30 AM	Worship Service
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
		Newsletter items due for the April “Good News”
<u>Monday, March 14</u>	4:00 PM	Ministry & Nurture Committee
	6:30 PM	Outreach Committee
	6:30 PM	Trustee Committee
<u>Tuesday, March 15</u>	10:00 AM	Prayer Group
<u>Wednesday, March 16</u>	7:30 AM	Lent Breakfast at Greenvillage Restaurant
	10:00 AM	Yarnspinners
<u>Saturday, March 19</u>	8:00 AM	Lent Breakfast at Messiah UM Church
	9:00 AM	Clothing Bank with breakfast and Kids Corner
<u>Sunday, March 20</u>	<i>Palm Sunday</i>	
	8:30 AM	Worship Service
	9:30 AM	Sunday School – Egg Hunt
	10:30 AM	Worship Service

Christ United Methodist Church
Open Hearts...Open Minds...Open Doors
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March 13, 2016
5th Sunday of Lent
10:30 AM Service

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP & CELEBRATION

Greeting & Welcome

Prelude:

The prelude is when we turn with others to experience God with us. It is a time of prayer, when we pray for ourselves, each other, and those leading our service.

Lighting of the Altar Candles:

The lighting of the candles on the altar serves as a visual symbol of the presence of the Holy Spirit here with us as we worship God together.



Prelude "A Lenten Song" Demorest

*Call to Worship

L: The Lord is doing a new thing!
P: The Spirit is blowing. God is breathing new life in us.
L: The Lord is doing a new thing!
P: The old ways served their purposes, but a different chapter is beginning.
L: The Lord is doing a new thing!
P: We were not meant to remain the same. God intends for us to grow and change.
L: The Lord is doing a new thing!
P: We want to be part of it!
All: Praise God! The Lord is doing a new thing!

Invitation to God "Come, All Who Look to Christ Today"

Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn "Be Thou My Vision" UMH #451

Prayer of Confession

Lord, we have all been guilty of dreaming of the "good old days," of resisting change because we are comfortable with the way we have always done things in the past. Forgive our shortsightedness, we pray, and open our minds and hearts to try new things to help us accomplish your will. Amen.

Time of Silent Reflection & Confession and Words of Assurance

