



ALL IN THE FAMILY

A Resource for the Chestnut Grove UMC Congregation

AUGUST 2016

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Sunday Worship at 10:10 AM

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WE ARE:

A Real Church of Real People

Loved by the Real Savior, Jesus Christ
Who sends us into a real world
To share His real Love

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Every Sunday at 9:00-10:00AM, All Welcome!

Feel free to call the Leader for more info!

- ❖ **“WOW” – Adults** – Fellowship Hall. Current Bible Study: “Leviticus”; Leader: Sherry Spencer
- ❖ **Women’s class** - Library. “I Blame Eve”; Leader: Tammy Strayer

PRAYER CHAIN

EMAIL CHAIN: Contact Pastor Donna at the church office (717-432-8243) or by email at dhildebrand@susumc.org. She will see that the information is shared with the email prayer chain.

BIBLE STUDIES

Men’s Group - Every Tuesday, 7:00 AM at Brothers’ Restaurant. Studying “My Utmost for His Highest” by Oswald Chamber.

Women’s meetings - will resume in the fall. Enjoy your summer!

CHOIR & SPECIAL MUSIC

Contact Laurie Bush if you would like to share special music (vocal or instrumental) with the congregation. Choir practice will resume in the fall, and we will begin practicing for a Christmas cantata!



Opportunities for Children during worship

Nursery is available for children under the age of 3 following the “Lamb’s Talk” portion of the worship service.

Children’s Church is available for children ages 3 (potty-trained) and up! The children are learning age appropriate Bible lessons and songs and having a great time together!

**Where to find information
about church activities:**

Our Website can be found at: www.cgumdillsburg.org

To view the church calendar:

Go to the website (www.cgumdillsburg.org)

...then click the OUR CALENDAR tab.

- CLICK on a listed event to get more details (EXAMPLE: some Sunday Worship Services involve special events that you can't see till you click on them)

-NAVIGATE to the MONTH by clicking the small right & left arrows located near the upper left corner of the menu.

**HOW TO SHARE INFORMATION
WITH THE CONGREGATION**

TO ADD ITEMS TO THE CHURCH BULLETIN:

Email the church

TO SUBMIT NEWSLETTER ARTICLES: Email

the church AND Kathy Bennett

**TO HAVE INFORMATION DISPLAYED ON THE
CHURCH WEBSITE:** Email the church AND Ju-

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FACILITY USE REQUESTS

TO SCHEDULE EVENTS OR REQUEST FA-

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(cgumchurch@verizon.net - 432-8243)

Someone from the church office will contact you to let you know if the space you need is available and to ask you to complete a form so that the use can be approved by the appropriate group and placed on the church calendar to make sure there are no scheduling conflicts.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH
VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

Teacher Helper

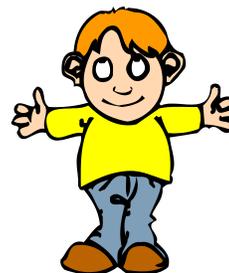
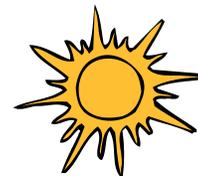
AUGUST

8/7 - Tammy Strayer Kyra Gerber
8/14 - Laurie Bush Candace Gerber
8/21 - Denise Newhard
8/28 - Connie Gettle Sherry Spencer

SEPTEMBER

9/4 - Dee Gerber Ken Orth
9/11 - Denise Newhard Kyra Gerber
9/18 - Kathy Bennett Allen Gettle
9/25 - Tammy Strayer Ken Orth

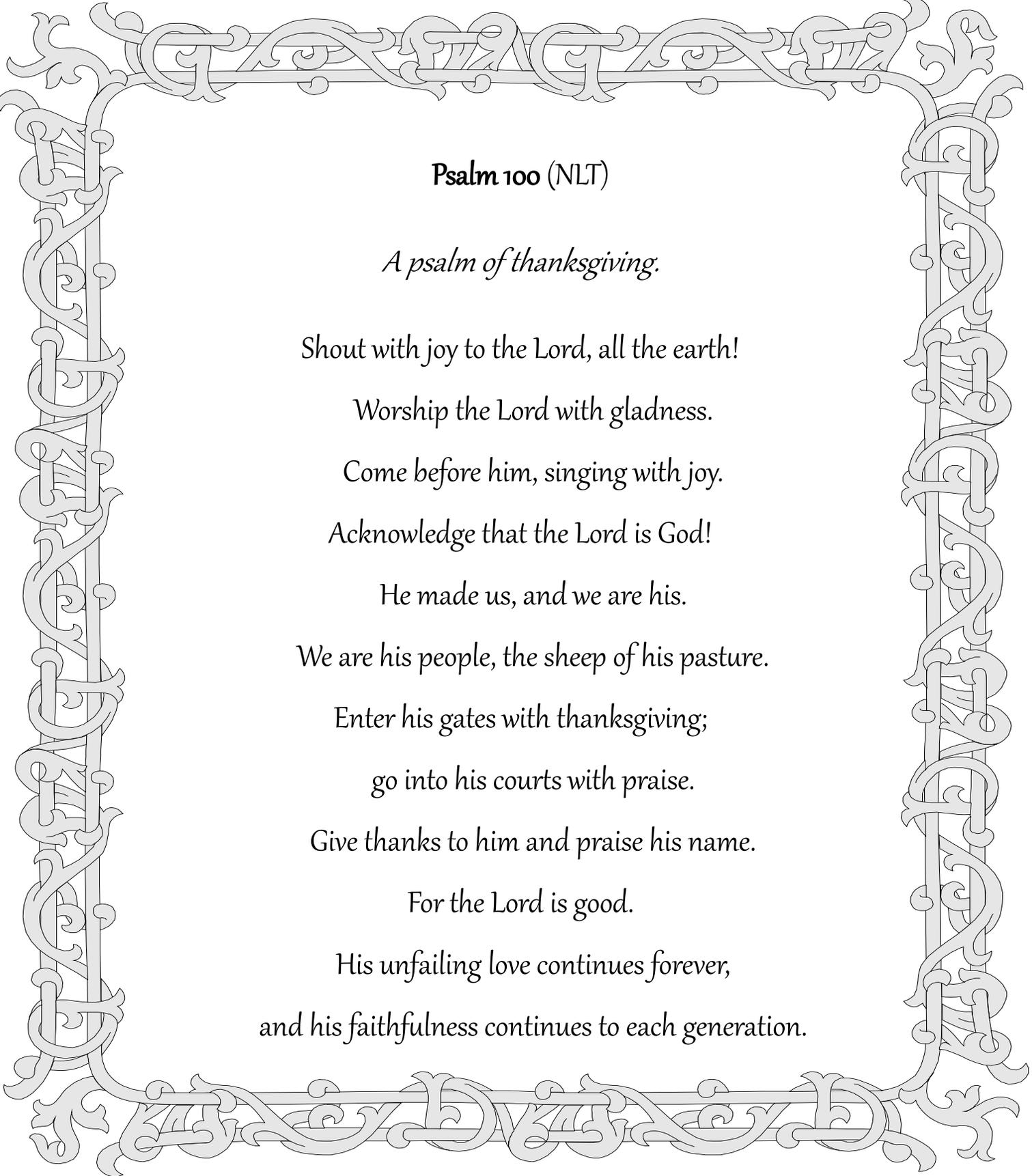
Thanks to all those who volunteer to serve in this position! If you find you will be away a week you are scheduled to serve, please arrange for a substitute or call the church office if you are unable to find a substitute.



LITURGIST SCHEDULE:

Aug. 7 Shirley Jones
Aug. 14 Kathi Chambers
Aug. 21 Ginny Thran
Aug. 28 Allen Gettle

Sept. 4 Connie Gettle
Sept. 11 Jack McCoy
Sept. 18 Keith Albert
Sept. 25 Blain Bargo



Psalm 100 (NLT)

A psalm of thanksgiving.

Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth!

Worship the Lord with gladness.

Come before him, singing with joy.

Acknowledge that the Lord is God!

He made us, and we are his.

We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;

go into his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the Lord is good.

His unfailing love continues forever,
and his faithfulness continues to each generation.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Homebound, Special Needs, & Our Honored Elders Contact List - Copies are available in the plastic rack in the Vestibule for those who wish to keep in contact with them. Forward updates, additions, or deletions to Pastor Donna via email (dhildebrand@susumc.org), phone (432-8243), or note in her mail box (top left outside of Church Office).

Cards of Caring – A few seconds of your time can bring cheer to someone. Remember to look on the table outside of the Sanctuary for cards to sign.

Nursing Home & In-home visits - If you would enjoy going along with Pastor Donna as she makes visits to nursing homes or to some of the homebound members of our congregation, please let Pastor Donna or Carol Mowery know!

Lamb's Talk - Would you like to share a lesson or a story with the children sometime? Why not volunteer to give the "Lamb's Talk" some Sunday? If you need ideas, Pastor Donna has resources to help you. The children would love to hear from you! Talk to Pastor Donna to volunteer!

Volunteer with Hospice: If you might be interested, Pastor Donna has information about this opportunity in her office.

THANK YOU FROM MIKE AND BARB – Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Having had the opportunity to get to know you and serve Christ with you these last 7 years has been a GREAT blessing! Now you have deeply touched us with your outpouring of well-wishes – and absolutely astonished us with the depth, breadth, and range of your generosity! We have received everything from fervent prayers, to equally-touching well-wishes, to precious personal gifts; we've also received Gift Cards, Dining Cards/meal invitations, and checks; and last but not least, we received your amazingly generous congregational farewell gift! SIDE NOTE: Your provision of a home to live has been deeply appreciated by us – and our oldest grandson who came here quite often with his brother. Before returning home after June 5th's service, he said "Wait a minute!", ran up to the house, and kissed the bricks next to the doorbell!

From the bottom of our hearts – THANK YOU for these things – but most of all for sharing in the ministry and mission of Christ with us!

UPDATE: Barb went right back to work the day after we set-up here (Tuesday the 7th) "What was I thinking?" was her lament after seeing what all yet need to be done. SO in our 'spare' time much work has been tackled – sorting through, storing, and even disposing of the last of the unneeded items removed from the parsonage. We are down to just 5 plastic containers to care for (2 large, 2 medium, and 1 small) – and a likely ongoing process of rearranging till all is right. Seems the last items addressed are the hardest to figure out – but the end is near – and we are settling in. The campground, it's amenities, and our site are even nicer than we had expected which is a bonus.

Many Thanks and Blessings
Mike and Barb

From the Pastor's Pen

Greetings to the body of Christ,

Well, it has been an interesting journey so far. I have been in the parsonage for 38 days and in the church 26 days and without electricity 3 times. The most interesting was this past Sunday evening to late Monday morning when Robert and I had to call 911 after a tree on the church property fell across the road, took out a pole and a transformer and dropped lines across our vehicles. The police, Met-Ed and the township worked through the night to put in a new pole and transformer, lift the lines, and remove the debris. The road was blocked at both ends and there was no power so there was no daycare Monday. The blessing is – no one was hurt. Yay God!

The debris was placed across the street from the parsonage. I offered the wood, which is oak, to the teachers at Heavenly Hands, if any of them would need it. I asked Jen to let me know if there is interest; if not, we will offer it to the congregation in exchange for cutting it up and removing it.

I have been visiting with parishioners and those in nursing homes and I was at Hersey to see Ralph Barshinger. I am enjoying getting to know people and doing ministry with them. If you would like to ride along some week to do nursing home visits, please let me know. It is a blessing to them and to us – this week Leota and I will take them communion.

After Sunday's request for a freezer, we have been offered a donation from Tom which needs to be picked up. Once it is in place we will start connecting a ministry to help with food for the daycare.

We will be going to the Rescue Mission on August 27th to have a service and feed people in need. We will meet at the church parking lot to carpool and travel together. We will park on West Market St. across the street from the York Rescue Mission in the Farmers Market parking lot. This is a late service and meal but is done this way to accommodate the need of the people. The service is at 8:00 and the meal is served at 9:00. The chapel and cafeteria are in the same building. We need volunteers who want to do ministry and those who prefer to serve meals. This is a chance to do ministry with those who are truly in need locally.

I am excited about Youth Impact Project July 30th and Community Day September 10th! Volunteers are still needed for Community Day and your gift of time will impact others for Christ.

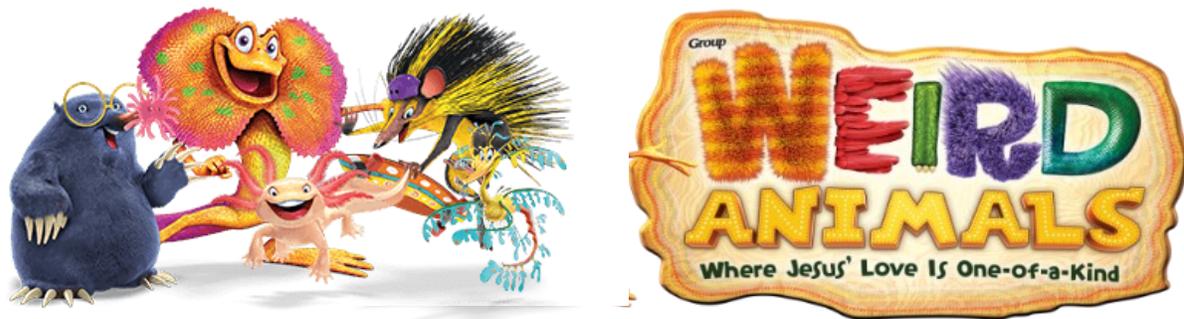
Did you hear Laurie Bush sing Broken Vessels on Sunday morning? What a beautiful gift of worship to our Lord! She is inviting everyone who is willing to join the choir and there will be a Christmas Cantata this year with a combined choir including Calvary UMC.

We are blessed! I have had many visitors over these few weeks and all are excited about doing ministry together! I hear the enthusiasm and see the many volunteers – you are making a difference!

On August 7th Ed and Arlina Yates will come to talk about thewordway.com and their Bible reading ministry. Ed is the former CFO of Dentsply International and Arlina was head of Accounting and Sales. Both have taught accounting at York College as well. After Ed retired, he became a hunter and has won some of the world's most prestigious awards. He often takes Bibles translated into native languages into some of the most remote parts of the world. They have created a Bible reading program that is used by many churches and individuals and has reached several continents. Their forward thinking has not only included a technology friendly platform but a program that can easily be adapted to a weekly class with support materials provided. Following the service that Sunday, we will be having a turkey dinner. Bring friends!

Thursday morning prayer breakfast has been a wonderful time for all who are able to participate. I am praying for each of you and asking God to bless our time and ministry, as we work together to advance His Kingdom.

Blessings, *Pastor Donna*



2016 VBS is now a part of the past; whew, we made it through the week!! All kidding aside, this year's Vacation Bible School was, once again with the help of so many willing volunteers, a huge success. Although the number of children who attended was smaller than past years they more than made up for it with their enthusiasm. They truly were a wonderful group of kiddos and it was a heart-warming experience to share with them during this week in their growth of their love and understanding of Jesus' love for them.

I've been asked to share a few of their God sightings with you. These are specific 'sightings' of God working in their lives. Since the theme of this year's VBS was 'Weird Animals', we had many, many animal sightings- deer, turkey, my dog, bees, and chickens. We also had children see God in the rainbow we observed one night, in mom and dad, in one of our kiddos named Robert who is battling cancer and another child observing that he is getting better. Others saw God in our helping the poor with our nightly collections, seeing God in my friends, trying to cheer up a sad friend, good times and just being alive...WOW! Considering the ages of these children were under 10, I think some pretty amazing stuff was happening during the week.

Once again thank you to all who helped during this very special week. And as they say 'Onward and upward' as 2017 will soon be here and our theme will be 'Everest'.

National Night Out Support our local Carroll Township police force and meet your neighbors from the areas surrounding Dillsburg at the Dillsburg celebration of National Night Out. The event will be held from 5-9 p.m. on August 2 at Logan Park. There will be an old-fashioned family style cookout along with displays from local fire-fighters and law enforcement and even prizes! The event is free, but please consider bringing a non-perishable food item to be donated to the New Hope Ministries food bank.

Ten Thousand Villages is holding their annual "Tent Sale" from August 2-6. The selection of first quality overstock items found in the tent will be offered at 50%-75% off, and the regular merchandise inside the store is discounted 15%. Clearance items are marked down even further! This is a great sale where you can start your Christmas shopping while supporting fair trade for artisans around the world (including the US!). Ten Thousand Villages is located at 701 Gettysburg Pike, Mechanicsburg (Next to Brothers' Restaurant). See Kathy Bennett with any questions.



LIKE US ON FACEBOOK! Chestnut Grove UMC has a Facebook page! Help us grow. Please "Like" our page, and watch for news about what's going on, plus photos and updates. Post a comment, if you like!



Grow Team Happenings

The GROW Team is excited to announce our first outreach opportunity. On the evening of Saturday, August 27th Chestnut Grove United Methodist Church will be hosting a worship service and dinner at the York County Rescue Mission. We anticipate anywhere from 60 to 100 people will attend. 10 to 15 of them are expected to be children.

These people are hungry, many are homeless. Some had to choose between paying the electric bill and grocery shopping. Many have nothing but the clothes they are wearing. Imagine..... And **WE** have the opportunity to share God's love with them for just one evening. We are going all out.

We are planning a full meal for them. Meatloaf, scalloped potatoes, peas, baked beans, fruit cocktail, butter bread and desserts. Perhaps even a few items for them to take with them. Prior to the meal, we will conduct a full worship service with music, scripture and a message.

An undertaking of this magnitude requires many volunteers. Do you have a musical talent? When you read this, is there a passage of scripture that comes to mind? Can you help us cook or serve food? Can you donate a cake or plate of cookies? Do you have the gift of hospitality and you are willing to sit and listen to them. There are many opportunities for us to use our wide variety of spiritual gifts.

There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the sanctuary for specific and generic opportunities. There is a box in the back of the sanctuary where we are collecting small take-away items. Some ideas are: Travel size personal hygiene items, Bags or backpacks (which are precious to people who must carry all their personal possessions around), Tablets and pencils for them to write down contact info of assistance agencies, A coloring book and crayons, A puzzle, a small children's book.

Please join the Grow Team on this special mission. Only God knows how many lives we will touch.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask Denise or Sherry.

363-373 West Market St
York, PA 17405
Service is at 8:00pm
Dinner is served immediately after
Carpooling will be available

LADIES' NIGHT OUT! 22 Ladies enjoyed a wonderful meal and time of fellowship at Momma Spriggs in Carlise on July 17. Mark your calendar and plan to join the ladies when they have their next night out on Sept 21 at the Pizza Grille in Camp Hill. Watch for details closer to the date.

CGUMC'S WEBSITE If you haven't been there recently, be sure to check out the church's website at www.cgumdillsburg.org. If you have news or photos you would like to appear on the Chestnut Grove UMC web-site, send it to Judy Routson. Please be sure you have permission to use any photos you submit.