

SERVING JESUS TODAY

8:30 am Service

Liturgist: Alyce Urban

Greeters: Toni & Don Buddemeyer and Amy & Jim Frey

Acolytes: Nicholas Popovich and Billy Hilderhoff

Musicians: Organist: Kim Lawther Pianist: Linda Lorenz

Sound Technician: AV Team

11:00 am Service

Liturgist: Carol Decker

Greeters: Susan & Jim Poulos and Madeline Rainey

Acolytes: Erin Donahue and Allison Staymates

Musicians: Organist: Kim Lawther Pianist: Linda Lorenz Choir Pianist: Rita Aber

Sound Technician: AV Team

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WELCOME TO COMMUNITY CHURCH
A UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION

*This is the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Let us be greatly thankful for all of God's blessings.
This is the house of the Lord, and we are joining in worship as his children. Let us worship God.*



CONGREGATIONAL WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSIC LEADING US TO WORSHIP

8:30am "Holy, Holy, Holy" By Penn-Trafford Community Flute Choir

11:00am "Prayer of Thanksgiving"

• **CALL TO WORSHIP** —Based on Psalm 100

ONE: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

ALL: *Worship the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing.*

ONE: Know that the Lord is God. God made us, and we are God's people.

ALL: *Enter God's house with thanksgiving and praise.*

ONE: Thank God and bless God's holy name.

ALL: *The Lord is good. God's love is steadfast and endures forever.*

ONE: God's faithfulness knows no boundary, no end.

ALL: *Praise the Lord! Let us worship with our whole hearts.*

• **HYMN UMH #73 "O Worship the King"**

• **GATHERING PRAYER**

Gracious and all-powerful God, we come before you acknowledging you as King, and in so doing, acknowledge ourselves as your people. Through the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, you showed yourself to be a Servant-King, a King for whom love and mercy, humility and grace, faith and faithfulness were a way of life, and you call us to the same.

Remind us that it is in self-sacrifice, not in self-promotion, that we will find joy; that it is in our weaknesses that we will receive your Spirit and be made strong; that it is in giving up our delusions of control and trusting in you that we will find the peace and security which we so desperately seek.

Our hope is in you, O Lord, in hearing the voice of our Good Shepherd and in following where you lead. Grant us the wisdom and the courage to listen and obey. AMEN!

• **SINGING OUR FAITH UMH #327 –verse 1 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"**

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.

Hark how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,

And hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "A Song of Thanksgiving" By Community Ringers

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Kids4Christ: Children are invited to the Fellowship Hall for this exciting children's ministry!

SHARING OF PRAYER AND PRAISE

PREPARING TO PRAY UMH #381 -verse 1 "Savior, Like a Shepherd"

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care;

In thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use thy folds prepare.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE ~ THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH #895

(You are invited to the altar rail to pray)

BRINGING OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS TO THE LORD

8:30am "La Rejouissance" By Penn-Trafford Community Flute Choir

11:00am "Count Your Blessings Medley"

• **SONG OF THANKSGIVING UMH #140 -chorus "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"**

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided; great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

8:30am "May The Lord Bless You and Keep You" By Penn-Trafford Community Flute Choir

11am "Angels Unaware" By Community Chancel Choir

THE MESSAGE

"Blessed or Cursed"

Matthew 25: 31-46 Pew Bible, New Testament, Page 29

Pastor John Ciampa

• **HYMN UMH #540 "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"** (You are invited to the altar rail to pray)

• **BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH**

• **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE UMH #419 -verse 2 "I Am Thine, O Lord"**

Consecrate me now to thy service, Lord, by the power of grace divine;

Let my soul look up, with a steadfast hope, and my will be lost in thine.

Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to the cross where thou hast died.

Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to thy precious bleeding side.

LECTIONARY READINGS –November 23, 2014

Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24, Psalm 100, Ephesians 1: 15-23, Matthew 25: 31-46

- Please stand if able

~ Connect Guides for today's Worship are available in the Narthex

~ Trouble Hearing the Service? Please ask an Usher for a Hearing Assist System device.



CALLING ALL DECORATORS!

If you enjoy decorating for Christmas and would like to help decorate the church, join us on Saturday, November 29th at 9am. Many hands make light work!




Holiday Helping Hands Cards Now Available

You can bless a local family in need this Christmas by buying a Christmas gift for a child. Cards with the childrens' need and wish requests are now available in the MMR and the Narthex. There are two cards in circulation for each child to insure that the child gets at least one need and one wish for Christmas. Requests come in all price ranges. If you can't find a card in your price range, please consider partnering with someone to buy the gift. We also accept monetary donations to buy gifts for children that do not get sponsors. Please make checks out to CUMC and note it's for Holiday Helping Hands. **UNWRAPPED gifts must be returned to the church by December 7th.** Wrapping paper donations are appreciated and will be provided to the family with the gifts. Please contact Amy Frey (amy_frey@comcast.net or 724-689-7933).



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Last two days to return your boxes! Filled boxes can be dropped off on Sunday, November 23rd from 12pm to 6pm or Monday, November 24th from 8am to 1pm.



Annual Church Conference

Thursday Night, December 4th at 7:00pm Community United Methodist Church will meet for our annual Church Conference. District Superintendent Patricia Nelson will be present to preside at this organizational meeting. We will elect officers, set the pastors salaries, review the past year and plan for the coming year. Every elected officer and leader of the church should be present but every member of the congregation is welcome to attend and participate in this meeting.

Breakfast with Santa



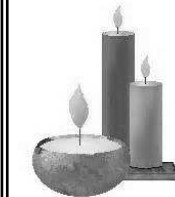
Santa Claus will be coming to town on Saturday, December 13th from 9 – 11 am in the MMR. Enjoy a complimentary breakfast with friends and family as you wait for St. Nick's arrival. In celebrating the spirit of the holiday and the birth of our Savior, donations of non-perishable food items will be collected to restore our food pantry and help needy families in the community. Please contact Kristen O'Donnell at klodonnell29@yahoo.com or 724 552 – 6667 with questions.

Library Help Needed



Do you like to read and encourage other to do so? CUMC would like to start a small lending library onsite. If you would be interested in helping to facilitate this effort, please plan to attend a planning meeting on December 10th at 7:00pm in Elizabeth Somes' Office. For any questions please contact Pam French at psfrench3@gmail.com or 724-744-5011 or Elizabeth Somes at esomes@communityumchurch.com or 724-744-3413 ext. 204.

Prayer Service



Do you need a break from the busyness of Christmas preparations? Do you want to take time to continue to experience God? Join us this Advent season, Wednesdays 7:00-8:00pm, for the Prayer Service. The Prayer Service is a meaningful combination of music, scripture, prayer, and anointing. Take just one hour out of your week to focus on your relationship with God at the Prayer Service. Services will be offered December 3, 10, and 17 in the Sanctuary.



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Hospitals:

Home: Ruth McGowan, Paul Wersing, Cory DiMartino, Rob DeFilippo

Nursing Homes / Rehab Centers:

Latrobe Care Center: Anna Mae Watt, Bill Iverson
Nature Park Commons: Kelly DiRemigio, Don Pitzer
St. Annes: Jessie Komara
Wm Penn Care: Marlyn & Joan Bowery
Westminster of Presbyterian Home: Rev. Richard L & Leanna Wright


Week #1- *God's will to be done in our world, our church, our government, the armed forces, on our jobs, within our homes, for our families, and for:*

Amy & Family, Jen B., Louis & Vinnie Bacco, Carolyn Bezak, Cathy Bluey, Brunetta Family, Dayna, Isaac & Matt, Elijah, Rob DeFilippo, Erin, Baby Gianna, Lisa Herbst, Quincy Jackson, Jason, Jeffrey, Joanne, Sean Kerrigan, Jill Kramer, Rita Kukic, Lynne & Family, Shawn, Aimee & Erin McGillis, Ruth McGowan, McGuire Family, Sue Platek, Faith Sampart, Steve Schmitt, Sally Sheerer, Christine Soonick, Caleb Spillers, Rose Thompson

Week #2 - Karen Beirer, J. Brown, Alex Ciampa, Lora Cumberland, Julie Fedor, Rich Grande Family, Robbie Hewitt, Dolores Kistler, Mary, Susan McCollum, Bill & Donna Noble, Ruby, Terri, Jerry V.

Week #3 - John Clark, Wilma Cobb, Chris & Amanda DePretto, Marlene & John DePretto, Emily Fennel, Jenny, Josh Jessee & Family, Anita Hopkins, Ed & Shirley McGough, Judy Painter, Charles & Yvonne Rady, Slivinsky Family, Rick Smith, Don & Jean Spillers, Anna Struzzi, Jeff Wright

Week #4 - Kelly Brown, Dom Coconcelli, Debbie Crocker, Jamie Grace, Marla Hoffner & Family, Jim, Kyle K & Family, Baby Jared Knox, Brenda Lee, Michael, Paul Nickle, Carol Paul, Lois Robinson, Steve Spillers & Family, Jeff Wheeler



**Pray for our brothers and sisters at
First Assembly of God - Irwin
Pray for God's blessings on their ministry.**

Prayers for other Churches

“THE TEAR OFF” NOVEMBER 22 & 23, 2014 WELCOME!

We would like to know you were here!
If you are a guest or your contact information has changed, please complete this Response Card and place it in the offering plate or take it to the Welcome Center.
Welcome Visitors We're Glad You're Here!

_____ Saturday 6:00pm Service
_____ Sunday 8:30am Service
_____ Sunday 10:45am Service
_____ Sunday 11:00am Service

Mr. / Mrs. / Miss / Mr. & Mrs.

Name

Address

City

State _____ **Zip** _____

Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

_____ I am a member of CUMC
_____ I regularly attend
_____ I wish to join

Child(ren's) Name(s) and Age(s):

I am visiting today, this is my:
___ 1st Visit ___ 2nd Visit ___ 3rd Visit

What brought you to today's service?
___ I am new to the area
___ I am considering a new church home
___ I am here for a special event
___ I am a guest of _____
___ Other _____

ITEMS NEEDING A NEW HOME

The church would like to find a good home for several items that are no longer being used. A list of items is on the Exchange board upstairs by Pastor Rich's office. Please contact Deb MacAllister at dmacallister@communityumchurch.com if you are interested in any of these items. All unwanted items will be offered to other churches in the Western Pennsylvania UM Conference. Donations for the items welcome.

WAYS WE CAN HELP

Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers are available for anyone hurting from a painful life changing circumstance such as divorce, death of a loved one or financial stress. Or a transition such as moving, having a new baby or newly wed. Stephen Ministers are trained to meet confidentially one-to-one with those who need someone to confide in. Please contact Elizabeth Somes for more information at 724-744-3413 ext. 204.

GriefShare

This program features Christ-centered teachings that focus on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. Whether your loss is recent or in the past, you will find encouragement, comfort and help in your grief. Any questions or to register, call the Church Office.

DIVORCE CARE

Do you know someone who is hurting from the pain of separation or divorce? Divorce Care is a 13 week biblically based support group seminar. Each session will include a DVD video followed by small group discussions. Please contact Carole Soule at 724-519-7084 for more information.

Prayer Service

Have you been hurting? Do you have an illness? Have you been feeling disconnected from others or even God? Or maybe you know someone who fits into one of these categories. This service is a contemplative service of readings, prayers and chants. Anointing with oil will be offered.

Second Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary. **Next Service December 3, 2014**

SPECIAL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES AT CUMC

United Methodist Women Meeting

The UMW supports missions and ministries within the church, the local community and the world. Join us for fellowship with other women and special events from September to May.

Super Seniors

Meets on the first Tuesday of each month (except January & February) at 12:00pm in the Multi-Ministry Room. Come enjoy lunch, a group meeting, occasional guest speakers and entertainment.

Busy Hands Sewing Group

We meet Thursday mornings from 9am to 12pm in Room 207. We make items for area hospitals, hospices, nursing homes, homeless & women's shelters, veteran hospitals and anyone in need. Our items are made from donated materials and are given away FREE to those in need. Please contact Madeline Rainey at ferrets6@aol.com or 412-373-2241. Busy Hands has been serving our community for 20 years!



Welcome
New Members!



The following people recently became New Members of Community Church.
Please join us in welcoming them.

Ken & Rita Aber
Jay & Emilee Atkins
Valerie Cosco
Janice Gibson

Korey & Amanda Grimm
Michael Miles
Nevin & Renee Shaw
Ken Simmons

Rob & Katelyn Vargo
Amy Weimer
Paul & Veronica Wersing

Congratulations to the following new members on their baptisms
last week while joining Community Church.

Korey, Amanda & Kaydianne Grimm and Amy Weimer



Family Christmas Craft Night

Sunday November 30th in the MMR from 6-7:30 PM. This annual event is a fun way for families to create and share Christmas items and to remember that Christ is the "reason for the season." The church provides the supplies needed for the crafts, as well as many tasty treats. It is helpful to bring a shallow box or tray to transport crafts. Anyone interested in planning or volunteering, please contact Polly Geiger @ 724 863-4531 or Sherry Mains @ 724-331-4806. You can also fill out the tear-off sheet in the bulletin.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL



ADVENT
BIBLE
STUDY

Please join us for a new Advent study each Sunday during Advent, November 30- December 21. Todd Miller will be leading the class studying "The Advent Conspiracy." Consumerism has stolen the soul of Christmas. In "Advent Conspiracy," you are invited to make Christmas a joyous celebration of Jesus' birth that enriches our hearts and the world around us, not a retail circus that depletes our pocketbooks and defeats our spirits. Worship Fully-because Christmas begins and ends with Jesus! Spend Less-and free up resources for things that truly matter. Give More-presence: helping hands, healing words, humble hearts. Love All-the poor, the forgotten, the marginalized, the sick, in ways that make a difference.



Camp Allegheny 2015 Youth Retreat for 3rd through 12th graders

The youth retreat for 3rd through 12th graders will take place January 23 - 25, 2015 at Camp Allegheny. This weekend is filled with spiritual worship, fun, food and fellowship. Campers are \$65 for campers. Registration go to: www.planetreg.com/campers2015. Volunteers are \$45 for volunteers. Registration go to: www.planetreg.com/volunteers2015

Items in the Stairwells

Often, items are placed in the stairwell or dropped off in the office as a staging area on their way to a new home. Please label all items with the name of recipient so the staff can ensure that the items reach their intended destination in a timely manner. We need to keep the stairwells clear to comply with fire regulations. Thank you for your assistance.



CHURCH COMMITTEE MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Monday, November 24th - Church Council Meeting at 7:00pm

TODDLER CHILDCARE



The comfort/cry room adjacent to the sanctuary are available for parents use during Sunday Morning services in the Sanctuary.

Staffed Toddler Care (8 – 36 months) is located in Room 120 on the 1st floor during all weekend services.



SUNDAY SCHOOL
FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS
9:45 AM SUNDAY

catch the Excitement!

Before Service Begins

Please Register Your Child(ren) in Fellowship Hall

Kids Ages 3½ (potty trained) to 3rd Grade

Pick Up for All Services will be in Fellowship Hall

You will need your registration name badge to pick up your child.

(Volunteers Always Welcome!)



Children's Worship



The following kids groups meet Wednesday Evenings from 6:45pm to 8:15pm

1st and 2nd Graders ~ Faith Weaver Friends ~ in Fellowship Hall

3rd and 4th Graders ~ UM Kids ~ in Fellowship Hall

5th & 6th Graders ~ CLUB 56 ~ in Youth Room

Student Ministries @ CUMC

Join Us For Youth Worship
Grades 7th - 12th
Each Thursday at 7:00pm
in the Multi-Ministry Room

WARRIORS FOR CHRIST BIBLE CLUB
MONDAYS 2:30PM-3:30PM
IN ROOM 118
AT PENN-TRAFFORD HIGH SCHOOL

THE G.Y.M. (God's Youth in Motion)

Meets at Pitzer's in Jeannette at 7:00pm 1st Thursday Some Months

Stay Informed!

If you are not currently getting Frank Audia's weekly email, please email him at faudia@communityumchurch.com



The flowers on the Sanctuary Altar are placed to say
"Happy 21st Wedding Anniversary to Krista Kochasic" Love Philip Kochasic

The flowers on the Sanctuary Altar are placed to the Glory of God and wishing a "Happy 18th Birthday to Nick!" Love you so much!
Daddy, Mama, Natasha, Nana and Pappy. (Popovich)

The flowers in the Sanctuary Narthex are placed to the Glory of God and in memory of what would have been our 50th Wedding Anniversary on November 27th.

By Karen Sagath



We extend our Christian Love and Sympathy to Pamela Ramsey and family on the death of her step-mother, Eleanor Ward.

COMMUNITY CHURCH CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES



Christmas Eve-Eve ~ December 23rd

*7:00pm-Traditional Christmas Worship & Candlelight in the Sanctuary

*Staffed Toddler Care Available in Room 120

Blue Christmas Service ~ December 23rd

9:00pm-Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

Christmas Eve ~ December 24th

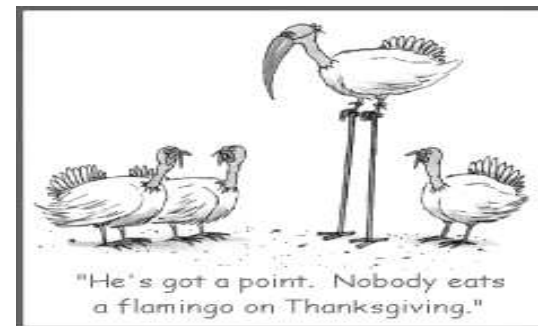
4:00pm Children & Family Christmas Worship & Candlelight ~ Multi-Ministry Room

*6:00pm Current Christmas Worship & Candlelight ~ Multi-Ministry Room

*8:00pm Traditional Christmas Worship & Candlelight ~ Multi-Ministry Room

11:00pm Traditional Christmas Worship, Candlelight & Communion ~ Sanctuary

*Staffed Toddler Care Available in Room 120 at 6pm & 8pm Services Only
Comfort/Cry Rooms Available At All Services



"He's got a point. Nobody eats a flamingo on Thanksgiving."

2014 Altar Flower Dates Available



Altar Flower date available:
December 28th.

Narthex dates available:
December 14th, 21st & 28th.