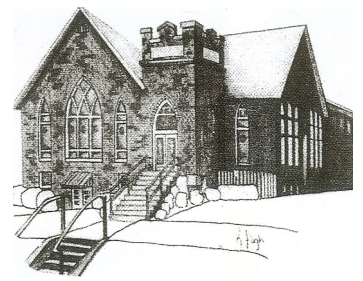


MARS UP CHURCH



We are your hometown church: Faithful to Tradition, Loving in Fellowship & Reaching for Tomorrow!

June 2017

This past weekend was one of the most special weekends of my life. Saturday afternoon, Marian's sister, her brother and his wife came to Mars for the Memorial Day weekend. Saturday morning, I met with a couple who want to have their son baptized in a few weeks. Sunday morning the choir sang a glorious anthem, Jamie played an amazing offertory, and we had a large crowd at both services.

Then Sunday afternoon, we gathered at church so that the presbytery could install me as the pastor of the church. We had elders and ministers representing churches from Beaver County and Butler County participate in the service. Dr. Tom Harmon, the pastor of Westminster United in Evans City, preached an inspirational sermon from Acts 16. Then our own elder, Tom McMeekin, the moderator of Beaver Butler Presbytery, led the installation portion of the service. I was moved by the musical preludes by Katie Olsen and Will Boyce, the stirring offertory by Jamie, the prayer of installation, the charge to the pastor and the congregation. Maybe the most amazing part was the moment where Tom McMeekin invited those in attendance to greet me. People lined up to shake my hands and congratulate me. Very quickly handshakes turned into hugs and for the next five minutes I joyously experienced the tangible love of the members and friends of the congregation.

In a recent article by Rev. Dr. Thom S. Rainer, the president and CEO of LifeWay Christian Resources, he had an article listing the "10 Things Church Members Want from Their Pastors". The number one thing every church member wants from their pastor according to a recent survey that the article is based upon, is to know that their pastor loves them and cares about them. If I were to write a list of ten things that pastors want from their parishioners, I believe that the number one thing that pastors want is to know that they are loved by folks. This weekend I experienced the love of this congregation, and I hope you have experienced the love that I feel for the members and friends of the Mars United Presbyterian Church. I wrote in February that I had begun to develop a love for the congregation, and I can report that the sense of love that I feel has increased. Even though I might not always say the words to folks, please know that I am honored and humbled to be your pastor and I love each and every member and friend of the church.

With Christ's Love for All,

Pastor Ed



**MARS UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AND
ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**DEEP SEA DISCOVERY VBS JULY 10—14
6PM—8:30PM
Pre-school thru 5th grade**

**Free registration on line at www.mars-up.org
Or**

**Print Form (on following page) and Mail before
July 7th**

MUSIC, GAMES, CRAFTS AND WORSHIP

We are looking for helpers of any and all ages! Students, Parents, Grandparents, and anyone who would like to help us create a whole new experience for the Children that will be coming into our doors the week of July 10th.

YOU'RE INVITED!

Deep Sea Discovery

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Welcome to Deep Sea Discovery—where kids will know that God is always with them!

Get ready to dive into a life-changing adventure that leads kids deeper into God's love! At Deep Sea Discovery kids will participate in the large-group excitement of Celebration Reef, experience God's Word at S.S. Discovery, learn ways to serve others at E.C.H.O. Sea Sub, explore the mysteries of the sea through crafts and science at Curiosity Cavern, and enjoy snacks and games at Pelican Pier. There's even a place for little puddle jumpers at Tide Pool Playland!

Along the way, kids will explore the depths of the Bible using five dive markers to guide them. Through Deep Sea Discovery, they will resurface knowing that God is with them wherever they go!

Your kids won't want to miss this adventure! Secure their place on the dive team!

Date: July 10 - 14, 2017

Place: Mars United Presbyterian Church
232 Crowe Avenue
Mars, PA 16046

Time: 6:00 - 8:30 PM

Contact: MARS UP 724-625-1365 OR
ST. JOHNS LUTHERAN CHURCH
724-625-1830



Standard **Deep Sea Discovery**

DEEP SEA DISCOVERY REGISTRATION FORM

Child's Name _____

Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Grade Completed _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Emergency Contact Name & Number _____

Special Needs or Requests: _____

Crew Assignment (completed by church): _____



June 4th from 4PM to 6PM

Our end of the year youth group party will be held Sunday, June Fourth from 4 pm to 6 pm at Get Air Trampoline Park Pittsburgh Located at:

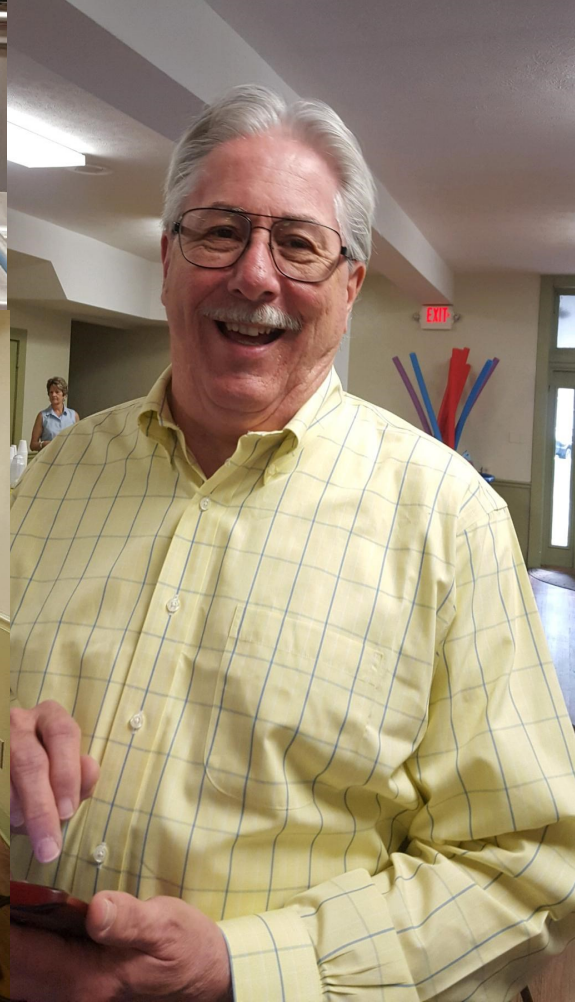
108 Tomlinson Drive
 In Zelienople
 The cost will be \$15 a person.

If you are a current Middle School and High School Youth Group member or will be old enough to be in the Middle School Youth group in the fall, you are invited to go. Please let Pastor Ed know directly that you are planning to attend by next Tuesday. He needs to let the venue know how many to expect Wednesday morning.

We will leave the church by 3:30 pm and arrive back at the church around 6:30 pm. You will need to go to the GetAir Website to fill out their online Waiver Form before we arrive. <https://pittsburgh.getairmanagement.com/Waiver2.html>

We hope to see you there

Membership Breakfast



Volunteers for 2017

June Nursery

June 4-Karen Goul

June 11-Pat Jackson

June 18-Sue Cook

June 25- Karen Stack

June Greeters

Elder-Bill Wentling and Deacon-Dona Gartrell

June Tarry N Talk Hosts

Mission and Outreach- John Ivory, Tom McMeekin, Lisa Barbour,
Dona Gartrell, Mary Snow, Diane Wentling

June Muffin Crew

June 4- Pam Kennedy & Linda Lees

June 11-Church Picnic

June 18-

June 25-Pam Kennedy & Linda Lees

June Flowers for Worship

Available Sundays are June 18th and June 25th

*He didn't tell me how to live;
he lived,
and let me watch him do it.*

Father's Day

*"The Father of Heaven who sustains the universe,
is your Father, who's always by your side."*



June Monthly Reminders

Worship Hours: 8:30am and 10:00am starting June 11th

Last Sunday School until Fall June 4th

Deacon Kindness Offering: Every Second Sunday (June 11, 2017) of the month.

Food Bank Collection: Every First Sunday—June 4, 2017

Youth Group Events as Scheduled (watch for Emails)

WEAR RED FOR
Pentecost

Pentacost Sunday is June 4th

CHURCH WIDE PICNIC June 11th @ 12 Noon

Join us for a wonderful time
of fellowship at

ADAMS TOWNSHIP PARK!

Location: Adams Township Park
Pavilion (near
Playground)



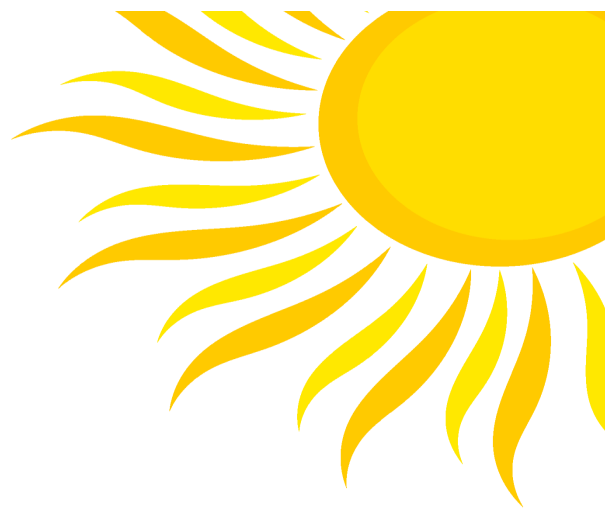
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Dogs, Beverages
Provided, Everyone
bring a covered
dish.

THANK YOU CHOIR!

When you see a choir member on Sunday be sure to thank them for their time and commitment to our church! The choir will return in early fall and is always looking for more members!

Have you ever wanted to help in worship, but didn't know how? Have you ever wanted to learn more about music and singing?

Take some time, pray about becoming part of this powerful ministry and joining the choir!



A NOTE FROM STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE...

The Stewardship Committee would like to say THANK YOU to everyone who has paid their per capita. The response has been wonderful! If you haven't taken the opportunity to pay yours, there is still time. As a reminder, the per capita amount per confirmed member is \$43.34



Back by popular demand, Summer Blood Drive for the Central Blood Bank!

INCENTIVE:

ALL PARTICIPATING DONORS WILL RECEIVE A COUPON FOR A

FREE 6 INCH SUBWAY SANDWICH!

PREPARE FOR YOUR DONATION • EAT WELL • STAY HYDRATED • BRING ID

Mars United Presbyterian Church Summer Blood Drive

Sunday, June 4, 2017

8:00 am to 1:00 pm

Fellowship Hall



Please contact Lisa Foster At (412) 606-5815 or lisa.foster@rrd.com or sign up in that Tarry and Talk area at church.

Graduates

Graduation Sunday is June 11th

High School Graduates Jacob Augustine, Allison Bruce, Cord Bocheff, Emalia Guenther, Katie Olsen, Addison Sanders all from Mars Area High School

College Graduates Luke Barbour, University of Pennsylvania, Cole Bocheff from Grove City College, and Nathan Golden, Penn State

Masters Degree Elena Matthews from Slippery Rock University

2017
Graduate

MARS UP STUDENT MINISTRY PAGE

What you need to Know About!

Let's Check out what's going on this month for Mars UP Student Ministry!

June

6/4 Blood Drive

6/4 "Get Air" @ 4pm to 6 pm

6/8 - MARS HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION!

6/8 DINING TO DONATE @ APPLEBEES

6/11 TIME CHANGE FOR WORSHIP 8:30 & 10:00

6/11 CHURCH PICNIC @ ADAMS PARK

6/28-7/2 CREATION MUSIC FEST!!



WE STILL HAVE A FEW TICKETS LEFT FOR CREATION!! IF YOU OR YOUR FRIENDS WOULD LIKE TO GO, NOTIFY THE OFFICE @ 724-625-1365 ASAP.



MUP YOUTH are having a ****Dining to Donate**** day at Applebee's on **Thursday, June 8th from 11am to 9pm**. It will be at the Rt. 228 location and Applebee's will donate 15% of your check to the Mars UP Youth Group. These funds will help with

the expenses for the Creation Trip on June 28th. Come out and Support the MUP Youth group and "Enjoy A Meal That's Filling and Fulfilling"

Flyers are needed to participate and they will be available in the Tarry N Talk area and in your bulletins.

Any Questions, Please see Call the Office

The Lord's Table

This coming Sunday we will receive the Lord's Supper during worship. Presbyterian theology and polity (church law) allow Presbyterian Churches to celebrate the Lord's Supper in a number of different ways. In fact, we are to make sure that, "The elements are distributed in the manner most suitable to the particular occasion." At different times during the year, the session has chosen to celebrate the Lord's Supper in various ways.

When we gather to celebrate the Lord's Supper we can, "gather about the Table to receive the bread and the cup; they may come to those serving to receive the elements; or those serving may distribute the elements to them where they are." We also have several ways that the Bread can be distributed. According to Presbyterian theology, "the bread may be broken from that on the Table and placed in the people's hands; people may break off a portion from the broken loaf or other bread offered for distribution; or they may receive pieces of bread prepared for distribution."

We even have several ways in which the cup may be shared. Every session has the option to allow the common cup to "be offered to all who wish to partake of it; several cups may be offered and shared; or individual cups may be prepared for distribution. Rather than drink from a common cup, communicants may dip the broken bread into the cup."

When people are invited to come forward to receive the Lord's Supper by taking a piece of bread and dipping it into the cup of grape juice, that practice is known as "Intinction". Intinction is the communion practice of partly dipping the consecrated bread, into the consecrated wine before consumption by those receiving communion.

For many people, receiving communion by Intinction gives them a special time to pray and reflect, either before receiving the bread and cup or after receiving the bread and the cup. In fact, many people after they return to their seats continue their time of prayer and reflection. It might be a kind and thoughtful thing to avoid speaking to those who have already received the bread and the cup and are seated just in case they are still in prayer.

Whether we stay seated and have the bread and the cup passed to us or whether we come forward to receive the bread and the cup and then return to our seats, we are following Presbyterian theology and tradition that provides a wonderful amount of freedom to celebrate the Lord's Supper in ways appropriate to a particular congregation and occasion.

May we all be a part of worship this Sunday as we remember the final meal of Jesus and his disciples.



June 2017

Tarry N Talk Hosts: Mission and Outreach Committee: John Ivory, Tom McMeekin, Lisa Barbour, Dona Gartrell, Mary Snow, Diane Wentling

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SAVE THE DATE!

- ◆ June 4—Communion Both Services & BLOOD DRIVE
- ◆ June 11th—Worship Changes—8:30 and 10:00
- ◆ June 11-GRADUATE SUNDAY
- ◆ June 11- CHURCH PICNIC @ 12:00 pm
- ◆ June 18-Fathers Day
- ◆ June 28—July 2- CREATION



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Join us for Worship
Sunday's at 8:30 & 10

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