# MARS UP CHURCH



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

October 2020

I'm writing this the day after our church picnic at Adams Twp. Park. Our time together in worship and song, followed by a yummy lunch & robust time of connecting with old friends & meeting new friends couldn't have been better. And the weather—whew! Almost perfect.

As I reflect on our time of fellowship, I'm more & more convinced that people yearn for the "connecting experience" maybe even more that ever these days. Looking ahead to October, MUP is planning two special days for us to connect & to invite our friends to share in the fellowship at MUP: Sunday, October 18 is Heritage Sunday & we'll enjoy the gift of song provided by violinist Chris Wu; and then on Sunday, the 25th in the early evening a Bon Fire/Weiner roast is planned at Quality Gardens.

Several of the small groups (Sunday School classes, monthly study groups & other opportunities for fellowship & service) are planning to meet (some via zoom/hybrid & some in person) while safely observing covid protocols.

Finally, the worship committee is to "LIVE STREAM" Sunday in-person worship this month so that folks at home can worship at 10:00AM with us. (or they & others can watch it later in the day or week & worship then).

REMEMBER: 4 Attitudes to Face the Future

- 1. God is Not Done with us yet
- 2. We are not waiting for things to return to normal.
- 3. Let's be more outwardly-focused than ever.
- 4. Major change is inevitable; Let's embrace it

In His Service

Rev. Paul Aiello

# **Session Highlights from August 2020 Meeting**

- 1 Approved Rev. Paul Aiello to be our Interim Pastor beginning August 17, 2020 as Rev. Steiner is on 2 weeks vacation and then retiring...
- 2 Karl Kennedy will offer Communion and preach on the 1st Sunday of each month...
- 3 Church Picnic is scheduled for Sept. 27, 2020 preceded by Sunday Worship at Adams Park...
- 4 The Roof Project has been completed...
- 5 The Church Van has been sold...
- 6 Session approved the purchase of a new Digital Carillon to replace our current mechanical/tape driven 1974 Carillon...
- 7 Approved request from Mars Area Public Library to use MUP parking lot and Social Hall entrance for a Spay/neuter clinic for cats in September...

# Session Highlights from September 2020 Meeting

- 1 Worship times will be Sunday @10:00 am with an in-person Service and also Live Stream Service via Facebook Live.
- 2. Live Stream Service will be uploaded to Facebook page and also to YouTube page for viewing at your convenience.
- 3. ZOOM Service will be discontinued as will the 8:30 am Service
- 4. Membership/Worship Committee discussing the continuation of Heritage Sunday and the Bonfire in light of current events
- 5. Church Picnic and Sunday Worship is this Sunday at Adams Park in the Township Pavilion. Service will be Live Streamed via FaceBook Live.
- 6. Bell Tower remodel has been completed. Painting the room underway.
- 7. –Approved to place the "RB McCrumb Pastor Emeritus" sign in the Tarry N Talk area. Sign will be placed with other honorable items which involve the history of the church.

# Join us for our "Fall Fest & Bonfire"

# October 25th @ 5pm

Enjoy this year's "Fall Fest & Bonfire" on Oct 25th at 5pm at Quality Gardens. Come out for homemade chili, hotdogs, roasting marshmallows—and many fall oriented fun activities! But, most of all, come out to enjoy the fellowship of our church!

All ages are welcome! Please invite friends and family! Also, dress warm, bring a flash -light, forks for cooking hot dogs and a chair for sitting around the fire!

Quality Gardens is located on the left off of 228 E, just past the Mars Middle School .



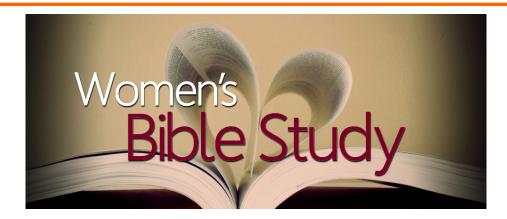
# GriefShare Sessions for Fall 2020

Griefshare has begun at Mars UP Church. There are 13 sessions, held every Monday until December 14th. Everyone is invited and if you have any questions, please contact Denise at the email provided below.



Held at: Mars United Presbyterian Church, 232 Crowe Avenue, Mars, PA 16046

Sponsored by McDonald-Aeberli Funeral Home, 238 Crowe Avenue, Mars, PA 16046. John Hanovick, *Supervisor*. Please call 724-625-2900 to register or email the facilitator, Denise, at <a href="mailto:ddemarco5@yahoo.com">ddemarco5@yahoo.com</a>. There is no childcare available.



The First Bible study will begin on October 5th in the Board Room at 1:30pm. The Bible Study meets on the 1st Monday every month. All ages are WELCOME!

If you have any further questions, please see Ann Carter or contact the office.

Last Farm Market in Mars will be this Saturday, October 3rd @ 9am

Come down this Saturday to the Woodland Valley Church parking lot. Local artisans will be displaying their crafts along with the local farmers bringing their produce. A fun morning for everyone!!

Since Applefest is cancelled this year, we are planning on making the last market on Oct 3 a grander occasion. Please come out and support this event!





## **2020 Trick or Treat Times**

Local Communities are still having times available for the children to Trick & Treat. Times and communities are listed below

Adams Township- 10/31 from 6-8 pm

Cranberry Township- 10/31 from 6-8 pm

Mars- 10/31 from 6-8 pm

Middlesex Township- 10/31 from 6-8 pm

Seven Fields – 10/31 from 6-8 pm

Valencia- 10/31 from 6-7:30 pm

# MUP CHURCH PICNIC



World Wide Communion Sunday, October 4th

10:00 Worship

Karl Kennedy will be our guest minister.



October 4th — Glade Run Food Bank Collection

Items can be left in Tarry N
Talk. All non-perishable
items are welcomed.



#### MONTHLY DEACON KINDNESS COLLECTION

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11TH

These funds are used to help those in our community who may need some assistance. Please consider contributing to this worthwhile program.



#### HERITAGE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH

Heritage Sunday is wonderful day that celebrates both the rich heritage of Mars UP Church and faith tradition.

During the 10:00 am Service, we will he recognizing the 25yr and 50 year anniversaries of church members.

Included in the 10:00 am service will be some special music.

Christopher Wu will be our guest violinist to celebrate Heritage Sunday!



### Adults

**Exodus Class** – meets downstairs next to Fellowship Hall -Robyn Beckwith – The Book of Nehemiah and then The Study of the Gospel of John

NNN -meets upstairs - Rotating Teachers - Delving in the weekly sermons"

Adult Bible Studies

**Women's Bible Study** - (1st Monday of the month, starting 1:30 on the 5th): David Cook study of the New Covenant in Christ.



NEW Women's Group at Mars UP

They call themselves "The 529'ers!! What does that represent??? Come and join in and found out the answer. They meet every Friday at 9:30am at the

Adams Township Park.

Bring your own coffee!!!

# A HUGE THANK YOU TO THE MARS ROVERS QUARTET

We were all serenaded by the Mars Rovers at the MUP picnic. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all and we were honored to have them there.

Check them out on our facebook page to hear their beautiful singing!



UPCOMING SERMON TITLES FOR OCTOBER			
October 4	John 6:41-63	Be Prepared R	ev. Karl Kennedy
October 11	Ezra 1:1-8	Hearts Stirred R	ev. Paul Aiello
		By God	
October 18	Phil. 4:6-7	Don't Be Rev. Paul Aiello Anxious about Anything	
October 25	Matt. 22:35-39 John 3:16-17	Good, Better Best Rev. Paul Aiello	
UPCOMING SERMON TITLES FOR NOVEMBER			
November 1	I Corinthians 11:23-29	Discern the Body	Rev. Karl Kennedy
November 8	Mark 10:17-39	One Thing You Lack	Rev. Paul Aiello
November 15	Mark 4:26-34	The Miracle Seed	Rev. Paul Aiello
November 22	Luke 17:11-19	The Attitude of Gratitude	Rev. Paul Aiello
November 29 1st Sunday of		More than Just a Story	Rev. Paul Aiello

# **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1**



## **SAVE THE DATE!**

- ◆ OCTOBER 4th— WORLD COMMUNION— Karl Kennedy
- ♦ OCTOBER 5th-WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
- ♦ OCTOBER 10th—PRIVATE WEDDING
- ♦ OCTOBER 18th—HERITAGE SUNDAY-Chris Wu
- ♦ OCTOBER 25TH—BONFIRE @ QUALITY GARDENS



## **Contact Us**

Stop by the office, email or give us a call for more information.

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Visit us on the web at www.mars-up.org

We're also on Facebook!!

Join us for Worship Sunday's at 10.00 AM

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