



South Harborcreek United Methodist Church

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In-Person & Online Service @10AM | Children's Sunday School @10:30AM | Nursery Available For Parents & Children

Thursday, March 12, 2026

Pastor - J. Tim Hoover
Youth Director - Sue Tiegs
Music/Media Director - Linda Morey
Administrative Assistant - Katie Sadler
Building Facilitator - Mary Montgomery

Council Chair - Jim Loeffler
Secretary - Stephanie Kraft
Finance - Chuck Myers
Trustees - Joel Stewart
Staff Parish - Diane Senger

Council on Ministries - LeAnne Morton
Youth - Lia Hackenberg
Treasurer - Linda Stewart
Young Adults -
Lay Leader -

The Kingdom of Heaven Net: Good Fish & Bad Fish | Sunday Service 03/15/26



You are in the vegetable section of your favorite grocery store. You desire to purchase some tomatoes. Do you just grab a half a dozen tomatoes and move on, or do you pick up each tomato individually, slightly squeeze it, turn it over and over looking for imperfections before placing it into a clear plastic bag and then inspecting the next tomato?

Most of us follow the later procedure looking for the best tomatoes we can find. The Kingdom of Heaven will only be full of the best possible. I know this scares us because how can any of us measure up to God's standards. But God provides the answer to this very question.

This week we will look at the difference between evil and righteous. God clearly tells us that evil will not be tolerated in the Kingdom.

You Are Always Welcome Here! Check Out Our Resources!



We welcome everyone and that includes both the Hard-of-Hearing and Deaf. Sign language interpretation during our Sunday service is available upon request. Please let the office know by the Thursday prior to your attendance and we will have arrangements made.



In our push toward total inclusion, we have Sunday bulletins available in Spanish now. We ask that you only take one if needed so those who are in need can have plenty available. Gracias!



We have small groups for you to join here at South Harborcreek. There's a group here that meets your needs! Check out our calendar or ask around to find out where you fit. You belong here!

SERVANTKEEPER®

We are excited to announce that South Harborcreek UMC is upgrading our giving platform to better serve our congregation and community. If you'd like to know more about this transition, check out the letter at the end of the Blast. The letter contains reasons for the change, instructions on how to update your giving, and a QR code for you to scan & start giving today!



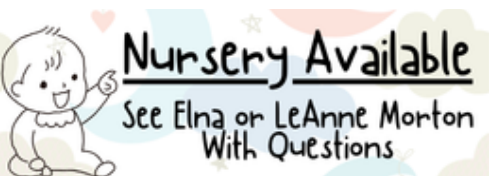
This Sunday's Pre-k through 4th grade lesson is titled "You've Got The Power", and will teach us that God's resurrection power is with us today and will focus on John 20:1-18.



Please join us on Sunday, May 10 as we celebrate our students and upcoming graduates. If you have a graduate, please contact Sue Tiegs or the church office so we can include them in the service.



We are looking for volunteer who would be willing to be a Teacher or an Aid for our Nursery and Pre-K. Please see either Elna or LeAnne Morton if you are interested.



Our Nursery is open! If you have a child that is 0-3 years old, you may take them to the Nursery in the back of the Fellowship Hall. Parents must be present to sign them in and out.



The 2026 Erie-Meadville District Conference is on Saturday, April 25 at 2pm at Saegertown UMC.



We would like to ask for continued prayer for the Gotham family this week as we mourn the loss of our dear friend Phil Gotham. Services for Phil will be this Saturday, March 14, here at the church. The viewing will be at 10am, with the funeral following at 11am, followed by a funeral dinner. Please come and celebrate the life well lived, the race well run.



This year we are hosting a Seder Meal on Maundy Thursday. The Seder meal requires specific elements so we are asking for reservations for this event. If you have questions, please see Sue Tiegs.



There is an upcoming Administrative Board meeting on Monday, March 16. If you are unable to attend, please reach out to the church office.



Thank you Mary & Ken Kobylinski and Bill & Joyce McAchren for supplying us with donuts last week for Donut Sunday! You're too sweet!



Join Bethany Brady and Julia Stranahan in their new Bible study group that meets on Mondays at 6:45pm at the church. This group will meet weekly as they read "The Body Tithes" devotional book.



Elna's Bible Study is currently reading through "Imagine The God Of Heaven" by John Burke. They meet at 9:30am in the multi-purpose room on Tuesdays. All are welcome!



Christa Craven is hosting a Bible study on Tuesdays at 6pm where they will read "Why Did Jesus Have To Die?" by Adam Hamilton. This group is open to all.



2026 Winter Youth Activities

DATE	EVENT	STUDENT	SCHOOL	TIME
3/15/26	Jr. Philharmonic	Jonny Shaffstall	Strong Vincent	3PM
5/3/25	Jr. Philharmonic	Jonny Shaffstall	Strong Vincent	3PM



If you have any updated schedules for upcoming sports and activities, please send them to the office so we as a church can support our children and youth.

A Glance At The Next Two Months..

MARCH 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1  Communion 11-11:30AM Easter Anthem Practice	2 6:45-8PM Julia Stranahan and Bethany Brady Bible Study	3 9:30AM Elna's Sm Grp 5:30PM Pastor Tim's Wesleyan Sm Grp 6PM Christa Craven Bible Study 6:30PM Band of Brothers	4 6:30AM Men's Study	5 6PM Praise Rehearsal 6:30PM Sweet & Salty Bible Study	6	7 1-3PM Shawl Ministry 6:30PM W.o.W. Cabin Fever Buster
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South Harborcreek UMC Parishioners

Subject: Transition to Servant Keeper Online Giving Platform

We hope this message finds you well. We are excited to announce that South Harborcreek United Methodist Church is upgrading our giving platform to better serve our congregation and community. As part of this upgrade, we are transitioning from our current online giving platform Push Pay to the new Servant Keeper Online Giving Platform.

The main reason for this change is that we currently use two separate programs. We use Servant Keeper for our record keeping and we use Push Pay for our Online Giving. Servant Keeper has recently introduced an Online Giving Feature that will allow us to use one program for both purposes and save the church over \$2,100 dollars a year in the process.

Servant Keepers Fees per are 1% plus \$0.45 per ACH transaction and 2.9% plus \$0.45 per credit card transaction. While this is slightly higher per transaction than Push Pay. Push Pay charges an annual fee of \$3,600.

Our transition dates will launch on March 9, 2026 with the goal of having everyone switched from Push Pay to Servant Keeper by March 31, 2026. After that date Push Pay will no longer be available.

We will have handouts available with instructions for cancelling your Push Pay account and opening your servant keeper account. We will schedule meetings at the church to help with this transition, and we will also have people available to help you with this transition if needed.

**Try Our
Online Giving Today!**

