

# middle spring presbyterian church (usa) THE MIDDLE SPRING MESSENGER



#### Volume 61 number 5

# REMEMBERING OUR SERVICE

The annual Middle Spring Memorial Day service will held on **Wednesday, May 15** beginning at 6:30 PM at the Richwine Pavilion. The Shippensburg Town Band will begin the service with a mini concert followed by the Memorial Day Service at 7:00 PM. We will have a guest speaker from the Carlisle Army War College. The Color Guard and Minutemen from American Legion Post #223 will also participate.

The service will be held outdoors, weather permitting. Join us as we honor and remember those men and women who have given their lives to preserve our freedom.

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# Worship Ministry

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Secretary hours are Tuesday through Friday from 9 am to 3 pm

#### **May Worship Participants**

Sunday	Liturgist	Elder	Acolyte	Usher	Greeter
5/5	Brad Beidel	Susie Rohr	Evan Mosher	Brad & Sue Beidel	Larry & Vickie Ocker
5/12	Gilda Blank	Park Bierbower	Harper Krebs	Brad & Sue Beidel	Jeannette Chamberlin
5/19	Greg McMullen	Jan Ile	Cooper Krebs	Brad & Sue Beidel	Mavis Karper & Quay Stolte
5/26	Kemper Dyson	Kemper Dyson	Jaxson Mosher	Brad & Sue Beidel	Mavis Karper & Quay Stolte

#### Summer Worship Hours

Morning worship at 9:30 am begins on Sunday, June 2!





The Special Offering for May will go to the Presbyterian **Pentecost Offering**, which is used to develop and support the church's young people, and also to address the needs of at-risk children.



May 5 - Jim and Jill Corwin
May 12 - Peggy Groce
May 19 - Elizabeth and Dane Bricker
May 26 - Janet Sailhamer and the Dyson family

We are now in the process of signing up for the weekly flower chart for 2024. If you would like the same date(s) you had this past year, contact Pris Gould at 717-532-3392.

We are looking for greeters!

Please check the sign-up sheet in the narthex, and thank you for serving.



Greeters needed



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Just a few thoughts on our God:

There is never a teardrop that God doesn't see. He knows when a sparrow falls from a tree. There is never a moment when God doesn't care. Never a time when he won't hear our prayer.

Dear God, please forgive us our sins. We praise your name through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

- Jeanette Chamberlin



Deacon of the month for **May is** 

Priscilla Gould (717) 532-3392 gouldpm@comcast.net



The **first Sunday of each month** the deacons will be collecting items for the **Community Cares Family Shelter**. You may leave items in the boxes at the entrances at any time. Toiletries, cleaning

supplies, dry/canned goods, children's snacks, towels, cooking oil, bleach, and paper products are needed by the families. Follow their posts on Facebook!!

The Nominating Committee will soon be meeting and making contacts for the Class of 2027 for Ruling Elders and Deacons.

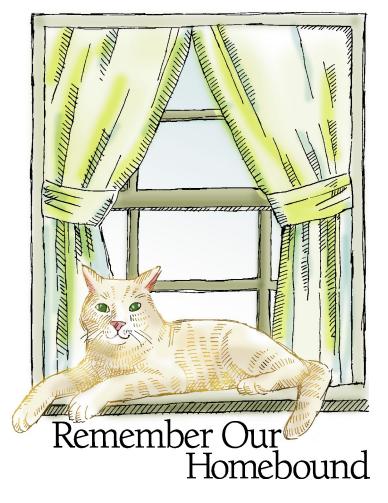
# Service Ministry

# **Shippensburg Area Community Meal**

The next community meal will be **May 23 at 5:00 pm**. This meal will be dine-in or carry-out. If you would like to volunteer, donate, or need more information, contact **Jared Krebs at 717-578-0887.** 



Please come out, have dinner with us, and meet the people we support with this ministry!



#### **Robert and Kim Barnie** 2915 Constellation Dr

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#### Jean Wenger

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# Session Notes

# Session Highlights for APRIL 2024

The April Session meeting was held on April 16 in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 PM. Quay Stolte led the Session in devotions and opened the meeting with prayer.

The *Clerk's report* indicated that Sunday worship continued to be in person but was also offered live at 10:30 AM through Facebook and available on the church's YouTube channel and website. Attendance was as follows:

	Sanctuary	Online
March 3	84	19
March 10	92	21
March 17	73	19
March 24	78	17
March 28 (Seder Meal)	36	
March 31 (Sunrise)	54	
March 31 (Worship)	95	21

The following Consent Agenda Items were Approved:

- The minutes of the Session meeting on March 5, 2024.
- The March Treasurer's Report was approved. Year-to-date Income \$73,173.55; Year-to-date Expenses \$96,645.92; Checkbook Balance \$92,726.90; Available Cash \$38,820.38; E-giving to date \$6,605.34.
- The minutes of the Deacon meeting of March 12, 2024, and April 9, 2024.
- The minutes of the Congregational Meeting on March 17, 2024.
- The disbandment of the AdHoc PNC.
- Approve Jan Ile and Kemper Dyson to officiate communion at Middle Spring, as needed. They went through the Ruling Elder Communion Training on April 13, 2024, and are now certified.
- The Baptism of Richard Lee Arnold

New antennas will be purchased and installed to help with clarity for the live stream.

There were 74 drive-thru meals served and a large container was given to the Family Shelter at the March 28, 2024, Community Meal.

The Designated Offerings for March went to the Youth for use for the additional traveling expenses that will be incurred for the mission trip to Dexter, MA. \$724 was collected for this cause.

The Presbyterian Ministry Engagement and Support reported that we contributed **\$1248.00** to the Christmas Joy Offering.

Eight (8) new member candidates were examined by the members of the Session - Deb Arnold, Richard Arnold, Stewart Cook, Judy Glenn, Doris Holtry, Jerry Holtry, Caryn McManus, and Jan Mooney. They were approved and will become members during the worship service on April 21, 2024.

Session members voted to remove 39 members from the active membership list and move them to the Inactive Roll.

Fellowship will be held on May 5 following worship.

Bibles will be given to our Graduating Seniors at the end of May or early June.

Kemper Dyson and Don Cover will serve as the Commissioned Elders for the May 1 Presbytery meeting.

# Presbyterian Women's Association

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The Change for Change jars have been emptied, the change counted and \$125.00 deposited in the PW Association's account. The total collected since we implemented the program is \$946.30. We appreciate the willingness of our congregation to donate their pocket change each week. All monies collected are given to local missions at the end of each year. Every little bit adds up so please continue to

help us in this ministry. Keep filling those jars. Thank You.

The Presbyterian Women's Bible Study will meet on **May 14, 2024** at **1:00** in the church library. We are using the study book **Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts**. We will be continuing with Lesson #6, "A Person With A Physical Disability Encounters Jesus." Kathy Palmer has devotions.

# Growth Ministry



Friends in Fellowship will meet on Wednesday, May 15 at 11:30 am at KMJ Diner. Bring a friend and join us around the table in fellowship and good food. Contact Jan Ile by May 12 if you will be attending at 717-423-6226 or email at janile@pa.net.

Fellowship will be on May 5th following worship, hosted by the Children's Sunday School class. Come along and share a time of fellowship!



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

# Study Opportunities



The Adult Sunday School Class meets every Sunday morning at 9:15 am downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. All are encouraged and welcomed to join us. We are continuing our study entitled Christian Disciplines.

Depth, strength, wisdom and maturity - we all long to be people with such qualities. We want to strengthen our character and deepen our relationship with Christ. But spiritual depth requires spiritual discipline. This Bible study guide is designed to help us learn how God wants us to live. Our study will focus on missions, looking to see the gospel penetrate every culture and nation; being challenged in our giving by looking at our habits and motives; discipline to understand and apply the Biblical mandate; looking at our time and gifts and how we are we managing effectively in light of Christ's Lordship and imminent return.



The Tuesday Zoom Bible study will end the Eyewitness Bible study series In Acts on May 7th. It is still not too late to join us if you're interested.

Notify Jan Mooney if you would like to be sent the link. We meet at 10 am every Tuesday morning.

# Caps for Krislund

The **Caps for Krislund** project was a huge success! Krislund is no longer accepting caps (for now) while they sort through the caps collected during the past few months. Jeanette Chamberlin, Eileen Moore, and Jill Corwin visited the camp recently and viewed the results of the project.

> Caps for Krislund processing room. The garbage bags contain SOME of the caps awaiting sorting.

The volunteers scoop a pailful of caps from the box and take them to a table where they are sorted. The sorting method involves dropping the caps in a container of water. If they sink, they are good. Floaters are separated and recycled.

The tower of boxes contain caps ready for shipping to the state of Indiana where they will be made into either picnic tables or benches. One of the tables in place at Krislund is pictured.

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# Special Presentations

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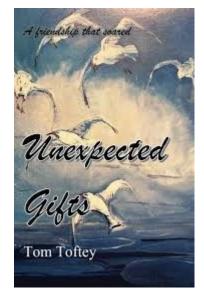
#### Joan Schroeder's brother to speak at Menno Haven about his new book

Tom Toftey from Winfield, IL, will be speaking twice at Menno Haven in Chambersburg in early May about his new book, "Unexpected Gifts." Presentations will be 10 am, **Saturday, May 4**, at Village Square where Joan lives, and at 2 pm, **Monday, May 6** at the Life Center.

"Unexpected Gifts" is a 230-page feel-good nonfiction about Tom's former colleague who called him out of the blue in August 2021. Tom hadn't kept in touch with Tim. Tom thought the call might be a nuisance call, but he answered when he realized that 773 was an area code in Chicago. Answering that call changed Tom's life.

# *"Hi Tom. This is Tim. I have bad news. I have stage four brain cancer – and it's the worst kind."*

The story is not a medical saga. It is a story of Tom's conversations with Tim at his home in Chicago during the final year of Tim's life, a story about family and faith, hopes and regrets, comfort and love. It's an uplifting story of Tim's grace in dealing



with his terminal illness and a story of the surprising gift that he left for his loving wife and 10-year-old son.

In November 2023, Tom brought his sister, Joan Schroeder, to worship at Middle Spring where she was surrounded by friends after the service. One of those who greeted Joan was Kathy Bierbower. She was the first to agree to become a "Random Reader" of his book – and later her husband, Park Bierbower, volunteered to write a blurb for publication.



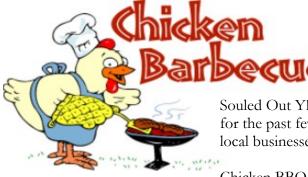
#### **Special Concert June 1**

Need something to do on a Saturday night?

Well, we have an exciting experience for you. Our own Rose Leitner will present an Evening of Broadway on June 1 at 7:00 PM.

Come, bring a friend and enjoy an evening of song. Refreshments will be served after the performance. A free-will offering will be taken that will go to Rose's favorite charity, St. Jude's Research.

# **Picnics and Entertainment**



Souled Out YF has been actively preparing for our chicken BBQ & silent action for the past few months. We have been able to get donations from many great local businesses!

Chicken BBQ tickets are now on sale! For \$15 on **May 18**<sup>th</sup>, you will get <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> chicken, baked beans, applesauce, roll, drink, and an amazing dessert of your choice! We are also collecting silent auction items at this time, if you have any-thing you'd like to donate.

On a separate note we had a very successful dinner on April 7 after a great Worship service! We thank you all for your continued and lasting support of our amazing youth!



#### Father's Day Picnic and Magic Show

To honor our Dads in the congregation, there will be a picnic lunch following worship in Fellowship Hall on **June 16**. After lunch, we will be entertained by "The Magic of David Wayne". Come, bring a friend, and enjoy an afternoon of fellowship and magic.

Dave has been delighting audiences for the past 27 years. He has performed at the World Bank in Washington, DC for their Children's Day Festival, Shriners Auditorium in Harrisburg for their Kids Kare Expo, the Totem Pole Theater for their Family FunFest Day, as well as for many private parties and corporate events. He was invited to perform in the "All Starts of Magic" in Parker, CO, and "Give Kids the World Village" in Orlando, FL.

He is a member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians, Kidabra International, The Magic Circle in London, England, and the Academy of Magical Arts in Hollywood, CA. In 2015-2026, he had the honor of being elected The National President of The Society of American Magicians (He was their 99th president, Harry Houdini was their 11th).

He resides in Chambersburg with his wife, Judy, and his puppy, Houdini.



#### Middle Spring Presbyterian USA - Shippensburg PA Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2024

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			5,120.72	9,213.18	(4,092.46)	44
1.90.002 Chu	ch Endowment Investment Acct.		1,007,744.84	863,417.85	144,326.99	17
	ch Un-Restricted Investment Acct		526,654.34	381,990.28	144,664.06	38
	ch Youth Endowment Acct		12,914.93	10,596.58	2,318.35	22
	ch Building Investment Fund		57,927.05	47,443.25	10,483.80	22
1.90.010 Elec	tronic Giving Clearing Acct		0.00	0.00	0.00	-
		Total Assets	\$1,707,002.28	\$1,418,672.95	\$288,329.33	20
Liabilities						
1	oyee Withholdings					
	TT Withholdings		0.00	0.00	0.00	-
	TCA Withholdings		0.00	0.00	0.00	-
	Aedicare Withholdings		0.00	0.00	0.00	-
	State Tax Withholdings		0.00	0.00	0.00	-
	local Tax Withholdings		0.00	0.00	0.00	-
	ST Tax Withholdings		0.00	0.00	0.00	-
	SA Health Care		1,312.97	176.86	1,136.11	642
2.01.015	03(b) Withholdings		0.00	0.00	0.00	-
		Total Exployee Withholdings	\$1,312.97	176.86	1,136.11	642
2.02.000 Rese	rved/Specified Givings **					
2.03.001 I	library Use		55.55	55.55	0.00	0
2.03.002	outh Scholarships (Camp)		5.00	5.00	0.00	0
2.03.005 H	Peacemaking Offering-Local Portion		0.00	0.00	0.00	-
2.03.006 H	Pentecost Offering-Local Portion		0.00	0.00	0.00	-
2.03.009 H	Bell Maintenance Resv		2,850.00	2,250.00	600.00	27
2.03.010 H	Bell Choir Use **		1,284.26	2,034.68	(750.42)	37
2.03.011	Chancel Choir Use **		438.61	438.61	0.00	0
2.03.012	Church Music Program **		349.38	349.38	0.00	0
2.03.015 H	astor's Emergency Fund **		389.80	730.10	(340.30)	47
2.03.016 H	Pastor's Continuing Education **		3,016.04	2,016.04	1,000.00	50
2.03.020	Fround Care Equipment		6,397.77	5,397.77	1,000.00	19
2.03.021 H	Parking Lot Seal/Re-line		7,502.00	3,302.00	4,200.00	127
2.03.022	Office Equipment		4,773.18	4,273.18	500.00	12
	Seal Brick-Church/Manse		5,010.00	2,810.00	2,200.00	78



# Stewardship Ministry

#### Middle Spring Presbyterian USA - Shippensburg PA Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2024

Thursday, Apri	il 4, 2024			Pa	age 2 of 2
Account #	Account Name	YTD Balance	Previous Year Balance	Amount Diff YTD	% Diff YTD
2.03.024	Family Fund **	650.78	2,040.78	(1,390.00)	68
2.03.027	Memorial Fund	7,064.95	5,612.82	1,452.13	26
2.03.029	Mission-Specified **	0.00	1,642.00	(1,642.00)	100
2.03.031	Puppet Fund	906.93	944.03	(37.10)	4
2.03.032	June Weber International Scholarship **	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	0
2.03.035	Rental Maintainence	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	0
2.03.036	Educational Scholarship (8/23)	482.00	0.00	482.00	-
2.03.050	Repurposed Resv Acct	5,417.30	5,062.98	354.32	7
	Total Reserved/Specified Givings **	\$52,593.55	44,964.92	7,628.63	17
2.10.001	Accounts Payable/Vendors	0.00	0.00	0.00	-
		\$53,906.52	\$45,141.78	\$8,764.74	19
Fund Balances					
3.10.000	General Fund Balance	38,820.38	57,930.27	(19,109.89)	33
3.70.000	Capital Fund Balance	3,913.50	2,939.76	973.74	33
3.80.000	Youth Fund Balance	5,120.72	9,213.18	(4,092.46)	44
3.90.001	Church Endowment Fund Balance	1,007,744.84	863,417.85	144,326.99	17
3.90.002	Church Un-restricted Investment Acct Balance	526,654.34	381,990.28	144,664.06	38
3.90.003	Church Youth Fund Endowment Acct Balance	12,914.93	10,596.58	2,318.35	22
3.90.004	Church Building Investment Fund Balance	57,927.05	47,443.25	10,483.80	22
	Total Fund Balances	\$1,653,095.76	\$1,373,531.17	\$279,564.59	20
	Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$1,707,002.28</u>	<u>\$1,418,672.95</u>	<u>\$288,329.33</u>	<u>20</u>

If the accounts in the subtotals have changed or if ledger (marked with "\*") and subsidiary account attributes have changed, Previous YTD totals may not represent a valid comparison.



#### Middle Spring Presbyterian USA - Shippensburg PA Consolidated Fund Activity Report as of 03/31/2024

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Account #	Account Name	Beg Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	Transfers/JE's	End Balance
3.10.000	General Fund Balance	62,292.75	73,173.55	96,645.92	0.00	38,820.38
3.70.000	Capital Fund Balance	3,716.14	197.36	0.00	0.00	3,913.50
3.80.000	Youth Fund Balance	6,333.42	524.00	1,736.70	0.00	5,120.72
3.90.001	Church Endowment Fund Balance	946,583.28	72,993.85	11,832.29	0.00	1,007,744.84
3.90.002	Church Un-restricted Investment Acct Balance	506,691.05	26,296.93	6,333.64	0.00	526,654.34
3.90.003	Church Youth Fund Endowment Acct Balance	12,051.17	863.76	0.00	0.00	12,914.93
3.90.004	Church Building Investment Fund Balance	53,962.20	3,964.85	0.00	0.00	57,927.05
Total		<u>\$1,591,630.01</u>	<u>\$178,014.30</u>	<u>\$116,548.55</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$1,653,095.76</u>

# Ways to Help Out

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## Ink Cartridge Return Program

Please remember to donate to our **Staples Ink Cartridge Return Program**. We aim to collect 20 used cartridges to receive our maximum \$40 per month in savings



for office supplies and equipment. We have saved thousands of dollars through this program over the years! Thank you for your continued support! Jim Corwin (717) 532-8747

## **Cell Phone Collection**

The Service Ministry at Middle Spring Church is collecting used or broken cell phones for the military. The **Military Mama Network** collects them and turns them into Calling Cards for deployed military members and their



families. If you have a phone to contribute please contact Brad Beidel for pickup. There is also a box located in the Church lobby for collection.



#### Project Complete (for now)!

**KRISLUND** Thank you to all who contributed to the Caps for Krislund project. It was a resounding success - see the <u>article</u> in this newsletter! The camp is in the process of sorting and delivering all the caps they received; these will be sent away to the manufacturer in Indiana to create picnic tables for the camp.

Once the sorting and delivery is complete, the project may be re-started - keep your eyes open!



#### What's Happening?

The What's Happening page in this newsletter is intended to showcase images of events and important occasions from the previous month. That means I need pictures!

If you have some photos you'd like to share from a churchsponsored event, please send them to the office. Thank you!



There is a nursery sign-up sheet for 2024 available! If you are interested in helping in the nursery, please check your calendars and stop by the nursery to sign up.

Brenda is there early if you would like to come in before church.

#### No Longer Collecting Egg Cartons

Shippensburg Produce and Outreach thanks you for your past donations of egg cartons. We no longer need to collect them because our regular order of 600 dozen eggs is now shipped in cartons.

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Jan Ile 5/1Joyce Russell 5/2Austin Kelso 5/4Todd Melisauskas 5/5Ray Staver 5/7Kathy Bierbower 5/8Michelle Mosher 5/14Jeanette McCans 5/15Bonnie Reed 5/21Nicholas Drachbar 5/21Michele Clouser 5/22Nelson Heberlig 5/23



Warren and Kyla Jones	5/1
Dennis and Julie Drachbar	5/11
Danny and Jeannie Chamberlin	5/12
Howard and Doe Davis	5/20
Dane and Elizabeth Bricker	5/21
Ken and Judy Weller	5/22
Paul and Gretchen Leitner	5/29



Items have been accumulating in the church's Lost and Found area for quite a while!

At the moment, we have a green jacket on the coat rack underneath the bin. We also have a thermal cup, an umbrella, a pair of gloves, a cloth face mask, a red fleece headband, a couple of pairs of reading glasses, a pair of sunglasses, a pair of yellow glare-minimizing glasses, as well as a watch, a couple of hairpins, a few earrings, a couple of clothing buttons, and a pin.

If you're missing something of that sort and think you may have lost it at church, please have a look in the Lost and Found bin in the lobby!

# Thank You

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I want to thank all of you for the prayers for my daughter-in-law, Liz Glenn, recently. She is now home and doing well. Our prayers were answered in so many ways. The surgery went well and she will soon start treatment for her cancer. Please keep praying that she remain calm and thinks positivity during this next step to secure her wellbeing.

Thank you all for praying and asking about her. I am amazed at your love and concern.

Many thanks Judy Glenn and family



Dear Friends at Middle Spring -

So grateful there are amazing people in this world... people like *all of you*.

For the second time in 3 months I am writing to thank you for hosting a Presbytery meeting! Your time, energy, gracious hospitality, delicious baked goods, tech know-how, and welcoming spirit are very much appreciated Grace and blessings-

To Pastor Ed and 2014 members of middle spring Presbyterian Church for your cards and prayers. and to Pastor Ed for your wisit and for bringing me communion last Saturday. Fondly, Dorothy Nye

# What's Happening



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# Upcoming Events

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

# **Sight and Sound Theater**



A trip to the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster is planned for Friday, October 4 to see a production of Daniel.

The cost is \$156 for adults and \$105 for children, which includes

- Transportation
- Tickets
- Buffet meal and meal gratuity

Reserve your place by contacting Sue Beidel at 717-423-6705. **Registration closes on August 15, so act now!** 

Yard Sale time is coming!

Drop-offs accepted July 7-16 Sale dates Thursday, July 18-Saturday July 20.





Our second annual **Family Fun Fest** is planned for **September 14**.

There will be more information to follow on each of these events. Please look for updates in your bulletins and the monthly newsletter.

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Phone numbers and email addresses are available in the church directory

#### Session

Jan Ile Clerk				
Rev. Edward Blank				
Moderator				
Park Bierbower Fellowship &				
Outreach, Service Ministry				
Danny Chamberlin Co-Chair,				
Bldg. & Grounds				
Don Cover Chair, Nominating				
Kemper Dyson Co-Chair,				
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Ministry				
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Ministry				
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#### Deacons

for anything, I will do it." John 14:14 **Kathy Bierbower Regina Chamberlin Jill Corwin Howard Davis** Jan Ile **Arlene Keer** Pat Mahan **Eileen Moore Stevie Nordai Ethel Palmer Dorothy Reese Dorina Saul** All members of the Middle Spring Presbyterian community are invited to be

part of our prayer chain.

**Prayer Chain** "If in my name you ask me

#### **Mission and Vision**

Middle Spring Presbyterian Church called together by God to worship, grow, and serve

To worship, we gather

- to praise and glorify God
- to be transformed by the Spirit
- to forgive and to be forgiven
- to witness to our faith in our triune God
- to pray for guidance in our lives
  - as we meet life's challenges
    - and care for God's world and God's children

In worship, we experience God's presence inviting us to grow. [Colossians 1:10]

To grow, we seek

- to read the Bible for understanding and reflection
- to learn about our Christian faith and Reformed tradition
- to be open to new ways the truth is revealed in the world today
- to share our faith journey with one another
- to become more committed to Christ's mission
- In growing, we hear God's invitation to respond and serve. [John 17:18]

#### To serve, we reach out

to proclaim the good news of the saving grace of God

- to share our blessings
- to offer hope and comfort
- to experience fellowship with others
- to improve the lives of those in need around the world,

heeding Christ's call to "Tend my sheep." [John 21:16]

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship in person and online	29	30 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm 10:00 am ZOOM Bible Study	01 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm 7:30 pm Handbell Choir	02 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm	03 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm	04
05 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship in person and online Fellowship after worship Music Appreciation Sunday	06	07 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm 10:00 am ZOOM Bible Study 6:00 pm Session Meeting	08 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm	09 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm	10 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm	11
12 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship in person and online Mother's Day	13	14 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm 1:00 pm PW Bible Study 6:00 pm Deacon Meeting	15 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm 11:30 am Friends in Fellowship lunch at KMJ Diner 6:30 pm Memorial Day Service in the Pavilion	16 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm	17 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm	18 Souled Out Chicken BBQ and Silent Auction
19 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship in person and online Holy Communion Home Communion Offered	20	21 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm	22 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm	23 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm 5-6 pm Community Meal (grab and go or dine-in)	24 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm	25
26 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship in person and online	27 Memorial * Day *	28 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm	29 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm	30 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm	31 Secretary hours 9 am-noon, 1-3 pm Lunch noon-1 pm	01 7:00 pm Rose Leitner concert