

PLEASE NOTE: Names on the prayer list will be taken off after two weeks unless there has been a change or a family member asks to keep their name on the list. To add or remove a name, please Email: gumcprayerchain01@gmail.com or Phone: 717-653-4717 (leave a message on the answering machine with the information). **For updates to be printed, the office must receive them no later than 12 noon on Friday.**

LET US REMEMBER WITH PRAYERS AND CARDS: (Week of 10-8-23)

- **STAFF & ALL THEIR LOVED ONES** – for spiritual protection; if Satan can't reach the person, he will attack their family.
- **JOE DAVIS** – surgery scheduled for October 12.
- **HAZEL HACKLEY** – hip surgery on Monday, October 2 went well, surgeon said it was pretty bad. Hazel is recuperating at home, lot of soreness.
- **MARY REHEARD** – knee surgery scheduled for October 17.
- **CASEY SMITH** – the little blond boy who is in 1st grade and is the son of Mabz and James Smith is having another bone graph surgery, bone marrow taken out of his hip and placed in cleft spot. This is his 13th surgery; and the 6th one in the past 2 years. His hip pain after the procedure is really bad. Prayers for this family as they go through this process together.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY is extended to the family of Maxine Geiman who passed away on Sunday, October 1, 2023.

HOMEBOUND PERSON OF THE WEEK: June Hostetter is the homebound member of Glossbrenner featured this week. Take a moment to drop a note or card in the mail or make a call to let June know we are thinking about her.

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ONGOING

- UKRAINE
- Persecuted Church
- Karen Elslager, Karen Moore, Mindy Neideigh
- Our Homebound Members: Joyce Baker, Elmer & Irene Dennis, Karen Elslager, Frank Geib, June Hostetter, MaryAnn Miller, Gerald Ney, Betty Ober, Judy Orey, June Whalen, Vivian Yingst
- Elected officials

**Worship passionately.
Love extravagantly.
Witness boldly.**

I was hungry and you
gave me food,
I was thirsty and you
gave me something to drink.

Matthew 25:35, NRSV



October 8, 2023

GLOSSBRENNER CHURCH

713 Church Street, Mount Joy, Pennsylvania 17552

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**OCTOBER 8, 2023 – Happy Hour is 10:00 A.M.
19th SUNDAY IN KINGDOMTIDE**

On this beautiful October Sunday, let us cheerfully greet one another in the name of Christ our Lord. Welcome to each one of you!

“” in the bulletin indicates that you should rise if you are able.*

**GREETINGS, JOYS & CONCERNS
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*** INVOCATION**

- * “Give Thanks”
- * “Hosanna” (“Praise Is Rising”)
- * “Mighty to Save”

PASTORAL PRAYER

RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

“Turn, Turn, Turn”

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CHILDREN DISMISSED FOR THEIR CHURCH

All Children (Preschool age through 8th grade) will be dismissed.

MESSAGE

“Perseverance and Hope”

Micah 6: 1-16

Matthew 25: 31-46

- * “Indescribable”

*** BENEDICTION**

- * “I’m a Believer”

CHURCH WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

ACOLYTE: Dantée Whitcraft
CHILDREN & YOUTH DIRECTOR: Jessica Rockey
GREETERS: Dave & Sue Kopp
MONEY COUNTERS: Sue Kopp, Vaughn & Deb Nissley, Carol Rorabaugh
MUSIC DIRECTOR: Justine Madonna
NURSERY: Kathy Binkley, Linda Gockley
OUTSIDE GREETERS: Joe Davis, Molly Hart
PASTOR: Brian Albert
PRAISE BAND: Barbara Albert, Brian Albert, Tyler Beazley, Tom Breneisen, Dave Eichler, Cindy Forry, Melinda Myers, Jackie Roberts, Bruce Stone, Desireé Whitcraft
SOUND, LIGHT & MEDIA: Barbara Albert, Dave Eichler, Mark Myers, Andy Ober, Chad Ober, Ken Ober
HEAD USHER: Ron Blechinger
USHERS: Dave Cole, Bonnie Engle, Debbie Martin, Debbie Nissley

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK (10-8-23 to 10-15-23)

Today:	9:15 am	FROG Café – Fellowship Time
	9:45 am	Prayer in Chapel
	10:00 am	Worship Service-Live, Livestreamed & Recorded
	11:15 am	Sunday school
	3:00 pm	Mt. Gretna Hike (2:15 pm @ church to carpool)
Monday:	7:00 pm	Prayer Service @ Hempfield UMC (disaffiliation)
	9:30 am	Crafting Session @ Marcia Brooks’
Tuesday:	6:30 pm	Caring Hands & Hearts meeting
	9:00 am	Disaffiliation Hearing (7 am meet @ church)
Wednesday:	11:00 am	Prayer Group
	6:30 pm	Senior High Youth Group
	7:00 pm	Board of Trustees meeting
	9:00 am	Disaffiliation Hearing
		No Bible Study
Thursday:	7:30 pm	Bell Choir practice
	8:15 pm	Choir practice
	6:00 pm	Praise Band practice
Next Sunday:	7:00 pm	Administrative Board meeting
	9:15 am	FROG Café – Fellowship Time
	9:45 am	Prayer in Chapel
	10:00 am	Worship Service-Laity Sunday- Praise Band- Golden Recognition-Joyful Noise
	11:15 am	Luncheon – No Sunday school

Attendance for October 1, 2023

In-person Worship: 106

Livestream views: 19

YouTube views: 32

Sunday school: 68

ANNOUNCEMENTS –10/8/23

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

There are classes for all ages. The new Preschool class (2 years old – pre-kindergarten) meets in Room #3; Children in Kindergarten – 4th grade (“Praying Pigs”) meet in Room #2. “Praying Turtles” (5th – 8th grade) will start meeting in Room #4 (next to the FROG Café). The Young Adult “Ignite” class meets in the Youth Room. The All Stars meet in Room #1 (across from the Nursery); the Koinonia class meets in the Parlor and the Ambassadors for Christ class meets in the FROG Café.

KOINONIA CLASS

James Bible Study: Many believe that because Martin Luther called the book of James an “epistle of straw”, he wished to remove it from Scripture. Too many believe that salvation is by faith alone. Today this has come to mean a get-out-of-jail-free card. Join us in the parlor during the Sunday school hour.

YARD SALE COORDINATOR NEEDED

Every year in late spring, early summer, and every other year during the Country Fair & Market Caring Hands & Hearts has hosted a Yard Sale. We are looking for someone to coordinate the Yard Sale beginning next year. Contact EmmaJane Davis at 717-685-1476.

CONSECRATION OF FINANCIAL GIVING

If you didn't have a chance to hand in a Pledge Card, you may do so today.

FINANCE COMMITTEE-SAVE THE DATE!

The Finance Committee will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7 to work on the 2024 Budget.

Thank You!

Thanks to all who helped with our Fall Fest! It would not be possible to reach our community without all of you being willing to serve. May God bless you richly for your kindness. It is a joy to work with you all.

Jess Rockey

CONSECRATION OF TIME & TALENT

Copies of the Time & Talent surveys will be handed out today and will be collected on October 15th. All of us are “Called to grow as ministers in our Christian faith and glorify God by serving others.” As members we are all called to present as an offering: our PRAYERS, our GIFTS, our PRESENCE, and our SERVICE. Where is God calling you to serve Jesus Christ in 2024?

MOUNT JOY COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

FOOD BANK SUNDAY IS TODAY. Please place items in the bin in the Sunday school hallway.

MT. GRETNA HIKE – TODAY!

MEET IN THE BACK PARKING LOT AT THE CHURCH AT 2:15 p.m. TO CARPOOL OR FOLLOW; otherwise meet at **3:00 p.m.** at 3283 Pinch Road, Lebanon, PA (in Mt. Gretna) for the hike up to the Governor Dick Tower (climbing that is optional). This hike is easy enough for children to come with their parents and for people in their golden years. Dress appropriately for the weather!

PRAYER SERVICE

This evening at 7:00 p.m. at Hempfield UMC there will be a Prayer Service for the disaffiliation hearing. Rev. John Longmire, pastor at Hempfield, will most likely be involved as a witness at the hearing.

ALTAR FLOWERS

October 29, all Sundays in November, and December 10 are open to place flowers in the church. Also, **October 15** is available if you are interested in placing the **second** vase of **real flowers**. Fill out a “Reservations for Altar Flowers” form and place it in the “completed forms” envelope or call the church office at 717-653-5683.

THE UPPER ROOM for **SEPTEMBER and OCTOBER 2023** is available in the lobby/narthex. Free!

CRAFTING FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

We have just a few weeks left to work on crafts to sell at the Country Fair & Market. We will get together at the home of Marcia Brooks on the following dates for the final crafting sessions: **Monday, October 9th, and Wednesday, October 25th, at 9:30 a.m.** Everyone is welcome and the crafts are easy to make. Thank you to those crafting at our sessions and for those creating items at home. All your efforts make a difference and are greatly appreciated. A **display table** with some of the items that will be available for sale at the Country Fair & Market will be in the narthex starting Sunday, October 15th. If you have any items that you crafted at home, we would love to include them on the display table. Please drop them off at the church (narthex) or give them to Marcia Brooks by Sunday, October 8th. But, don't stop crafting; items will be accepted Monday through Thursday evenings from 5 to 8 p.m. the week of the event.

DISAFFILIATION

A hearing for the disaffiliation from the UMC has been scheduled at the Montgomery County Courthouse at 9 AM on October 10 and 11. This hearing will concern the injunction and the validity of the litigation. The judge will determine whether or not the injunction moves forward AND whether or not the litigation concerns more than merely ecclesiastical matters. **IT WILL BE IMPORTANT TO PRAY AND ATTEND IF POSSIBLE. *Imagine a judge hearing an argument in an empty courtroom!*** It would convey the idea that the plaintiffs were not fully invested in the outcome. A group from Glossbrenner plans to attend the hearing on Tuesday, October 10. We will meet at Glossbrenner at 7:00 AM at the upper parking lot and carpool to the courthouse. For those who cannot attend, we would like a group meeting in the chapel to hold a prayer session for everyone involved in the hearing. I would like for someone to lead that session. For those who cannot attend please take some time that day to pray for this important event. We have one person going to the hearing on Wednesday, October 11; if you can attend on the 11th, please contact Mark Rorabaugh at mrorabaugh832@comcast.net.

ATTENTION PARENTS!

The children of Glossbrenner will be singing "Amazing Grace" by Phil Wickham during Laity Sunday, October 15th. They have an opportunity to practice with the Praise Band on Thursday, October 12th at 6:00 p.m. for about 15 minutes. If you could bring your child, it would be appreciated!!

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

The Administrative Board will meet Thursday, October 12, at 7:00 p.m. in Room #1 (across from the nursery). Board members are encouraged to attend. Non-board members are welcome. You may voice an opinion, concern, or suggestion; however, only board members may vote.

LAITY SUNDAY & GOLDEN RECOGNITION

Next Sunday, October 15, we will have a special service for Laity Sunday. We will also take time during the service to recognize the men and women who have been members of Glossbrenner for 50 or more years. A Chicken Cordon Bleu dinner is being hosted for the ENTIRE congregation which will take place DURING the Sunday school hour. This is a great time for fellowship, fun, and food with church family! Please fill out the insert and place it in the offering plate or Pam Miceli's mailbox. Please plan to attend – and invite a friend, neighbor, or relative to come along with you!

JOYFUL NOISE

The children will gather coins next Sunday for their "Joyful Noise" service project. ALIGN LIFE MINISTRIES is the recipient of our Joyful Noise offering this year. Thank you for supporting the children as they learn to be God's servants by their participation in the church service with their collection of coins for "Joyful Noise".

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

If you notice something in **OCTOBER** that the trustees should take care of, contact Mark Myers at 717-587-4686.

COUNTRY FAIR AND MARKET

The 2023 Country Fair and Market will be held on **Friday, November 3, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 4, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** We are pleased to offer an eat-in or take-out potpie dinner on Friday; chicken corn soup, hamburger BBQ and hot dogs on Saturday; homemade bake goods; crafts, a yard sale and we can't forget the apple dumplings.

Preparing for our biggest event of the year is always a busy time and many hands are needed to make it a success. If you are able to volunteer in any way, please complete the tear sheet below, sign up in the narthex before or after worship services, or contact EmmaJane Davis at 717-685-1476.

Monetary donations or grocery store gift cards will be greatly appreciated to help with the cost of preparing the meals. Your donations can be given to Pam Miceli.

Don't forget to save those gently used items you no longer need or want for the yard sale. They can be dropped off at the church the first week of November. We are unable to accept any items prior to that time.

Caring Hands and Hearts thanks you for your support and appreciates all your help!

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_____ I can help organize items for the yard sale from 5 to 8 p.m. on one or more of the following days (circle days that apply) Monday – Tuesday - Wednesday – Thursday

_____ I will bake something for the baked goods table

_____ I can help at one of the areas (**baked goods, crafts, kitchen, and yard sale**) on Friday (**circle one**)

_____ I can help at one of the areas (**baked goods, crafts, kitchen, and yard sale**) on Saturday (**circle one**)

_____ I can help clean up on Saturday at 12:00 p.m.

NAME _____

RECURRING ANNOUNCEMENTS

REGISTRATION: All who are present please take a moment to sign the attendance registration pad and pass it to the person next to you.

FROG (Fully Rely On God) CAFÉ: From 9:15 a.m. to just before church starts, come and fellowship. Enjoy a cup of coffee, tea or hot chocolate.

PRAYER IN THE CHAPEL: Join us at 9:45 a.m. to pray for the worship service.

PRAYER REQUESTS: If you have any prayer requests, please fill out the "Prayer Request" sheets placed in the registration pad folders and place it in the "Prayer Request" box on the table in the lobby. Extra sheets are available beside the box.

GREETING CARD MINISTRY: If you know of someone who is in the hospital, recently lost a loved one, or would appreciate receiving a card from us, please call Betty Robinson at 717-366-4549.

GROCERY GIFT CARDS for Giant and Weis are available to purchase in the FROG Café Sunday mornings before and after the worship service.

HERSHEY PARK VOLUNTEER SHIFTS for Hershey Park Attractions and Food & Beverage are available. The hourly rate of \$8.00 goes to the church; volunteers receive tickets. Contact Betty Robinson for information: 717-366-4549 or blrmrj@comcast.net

Pastor Brian Albert

Cell Phone: 717-673-7657 - Email: bgalbert2@gmail.com

Jessica Rockey, Children & Youth Director

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TO ACTIVATE GLOSSBRENNER'S PRAYER CHAIN

Email: gumcprayerchain01@gmail.com or Phone: 717-653-4717 (Leave a message on the answering machine with the information.)

Greeting Card Ministry: Betty Robinson – 717-366-4549

APPLE DUMPLINGS

Caring Hands and Hearts is happy to be offering regular and sugar-free apple dumplings from the Amish-owned Forest View bakery. Orders can be picked up in the fellowship hall during the hours of the Country Fair and Market (**Friday, November 3, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 4, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**).

The cost is \$4.00 per dumpling. To place your order you can complete the tear sheet below and place it in Sue Kopp's mailbox (or the offering plate) or contact Sue Kopp at 717-471-6022 **before Wednesday, October 25.**



I would like to order the following apple dumplings for pick up during the hours of the Country Fair and Market.

_____ # of **REGULAR** dumplings
(\$4.00 per dumpling)

_____ # of **SUGAR-FREE** dumplings
(\$4.00 per dumpling)

Name: _____

Phone number: _____

LUNCHEON

OCTOBER 15, 2023

(TODAY IS THE DEADLINE TO SIGN UP!)

Name _____

attending _____

Phone # _____

YES, I will need transportation



OCTOBER 15, 2023

GOLDEN RECOGNITION LUNCHEON

We will celebrate Golden Recognition on Sunday, October 15, 2023. A luncheon is being hosted on the 15th for the ENTIRE congregation which will take place DURING the Sunday school hour. **The menu is chicken cordon bleu, mashed potatoes, and green beans.**

This is a great time for fellowship, fun, and food with church family! Please fill out the tear sheet above and place it in the offering plate or Pam Miceli's mailbox. (For those needing transportation to the church on the 15th, please check the box above.)