

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Today, July 18th: 8:30 & 11:00 am, Worship
9:45am Sunday School Classes
5:00 pm, Bible Study

Monday, July 19th: 7:00 pm, Prayer Group, Sanctuary

Wednesday, July 21st: 12:00 pm, Lunch Bunch

Saturday, July 24th: 7:00 am, Mens Group

Next Sunday, July 25th: 8:30 & 11:00 am, Worship
9:45am Sunday School Classes
5:00 pm, Bible Study, Lounge

Lunch Bunch will meet Wednesday, July 21 at 12 noon at Hosses. Everyone is invited to come and join in the fellowship. Please make a reservation by calling 814-623-5745.

The second half of the “The Twelve Women of the Bible” series, led by Elyse Murphy, will begin on **July 25th**. The class meets during the Sunday School hour, beginning at 9:45. This women’s Bible study includes video presentations, discussion, and faith-building lessons designed to equip the participants to fulfill their God-given destiny. The latest focus will be on New Testament women and the lessons of faith that can be pulled from their life stories. Questions may be directed to Elyse at 847-2512. Sign-up in the narthex or by calling the church office.

The children’s Outreach Committee is once again asking for your participation in our annual **“Back-to-School”** program. We will be in Wesley Chapel beginning **July 25th**. Please stop by and select a tag. Each child in the program will be receiving a backpack filled with supplies and a new outfit and shoes. Gifts must be returned to Wesley Chapel by **August 8th**.

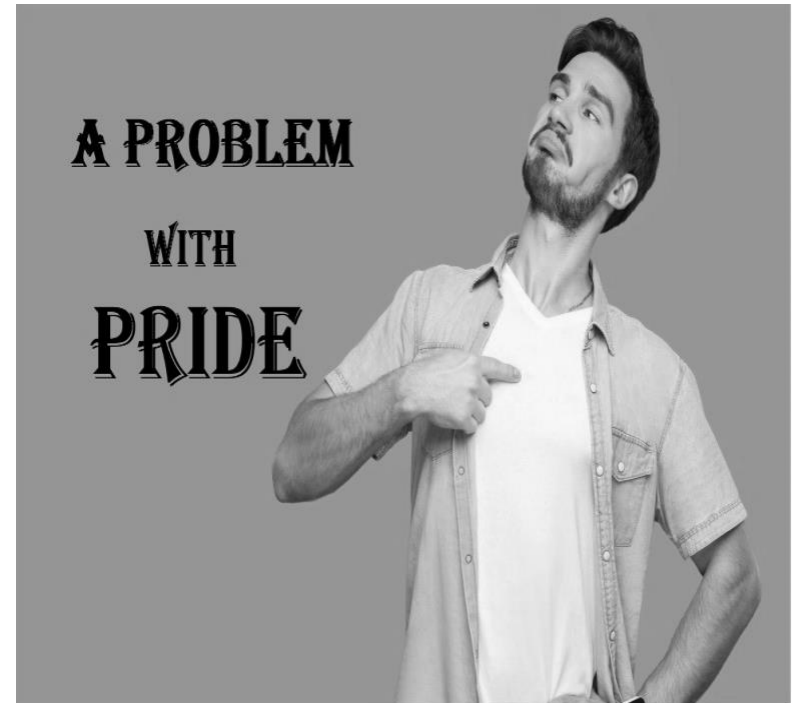
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Pastor Bob Marsh

July 18, 2021



8:30 Worship Service

(*) Congregation please stand if able

Prelude "Blessed Assurance" John Topper
Welcome/Announcements
Time of Centering
***Call to Worship**
Leader: We gather together just celebrate the joy in our lives.
People: God's love fills our hearts to overflowing with laughter.
Leader: We gather, in God's presence, to find comfort and hope for our pain.
People: God's grace wipes away our tears and knits us together as one people.
Leader: We gather together, in God's presence, to worship God in faith and truth.
People: Alleluia! Amen!
*Opening Hymn "There's Within My Heart a Melody" vs 1-4 pg. 380
Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer
Children's Message
Offertory "The Road Less Traveled" by John Topper
Doxology
Scripture Reading Proverbs 16:17-19 & Luke 15:11-32
Sermon "A Problem with Pride" Justin Keel
Prayer of Confession: (in unison)
Holy and merciful God, in your presence we must face our sin. You alone know how often we have failed by wandering from your path, by wasting your lavish gifts, and by underestimating your abundant love. Have mercy on us, for we have strayed. Humble us with your truth and raise us up to become the people You meant us to be, that we might witness to You in all the earth. Amen.
*Closing Hymn "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling" pg. 348
*Benediction
Postlude

The Altar Flowers are presented to the glory of God and in appreciation of all the volunteers and staff at BUMC given by Linda and Bill Suter and in birthday remembrance of Paul A. Koontz given by Ann Koontz and Sue Chase.

11:00 am Worship Service

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Greeting & Announcements
*Praise Songs
Time of Prayer
Scripture Reading
Sermon
*Praise Songs

The following persons have asked for your prayers or others have requested prayer on their behalf: Please pray for: Tom Slocum, Bill Davis, Butch Basic Family, Mike Simons Family, Michael Morgan, Eric Hess, Parker Cornelius, Karen Stair, Barry Hillegass, Ron Sholtz, Don Cooper, Christy Topper, Denny Foor

LAST SUNDAY'S STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Offering \$11,597.00 + Online \$3,050.00 = \$14,647.00
Attendance: 8:30 - 100; 11:00 - 82; Online - 74

BUMC is now looking to hire a **Christian Education Minister**. This new position would oversee children, youth and adult Christian educational opportunities. Please send resume or direct questions to Pastor Bob at bobmarsh5252@gmail.com or call: 717-713-1968.

Faith Night at Altoona Curve

Sunday, August 22nd 6:00 pm
Tickets: \$26 Adults /\$20 Kids 12 & under
Ticket for 3rd base line picnic pavilion includes:
2 hour picnic: BBQ ribs, chicken, burgers, hotdogs, potato salad, baked beans, chips, cookies, soda & water.
Pregame concert and fireworks after the game.
Sign-up sheet in Narthex. Deadline for sign-up is August 1st.