

Welcome to  
Homestead Park  
United Methodist Church

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Announcements  
~ This Week ~

# *Tuesday in the Word*

Bible Study

04/16/2024 11 am

(4<sup>th</sup> Fl Annex Hall)

A Study in the Book of Esther

Ch 6 ~ The King Honors Mordecai

Any and All are Welcome!

*weekly  
schedule*

**All are welcome!**

**Sunday 11am**  
(Prayer Room)

**Prayer Meeting**

**Monday 9<sup>30</sup>am**  
(Fellowship Hall)

**Tai Chi**

**Monday 6<sup>30</sup>pm**  
(Fellowship Hall)

**Cub Scouts**

*weekly  
schedule*

**All are welcome!**

**Monday 7 pm**  
(4<sup>th</sup> Fl Annex Hall)

**Boy Scouts**

**Tuesday 10am**  
(Fellowship Hall)

**Line Dancers**

**Tuesday 7pm**  
(Fellowship Hall)

**Just Recovery**

*weekly  
schedule*

**All are welcome!**

**Friday 10am**  
(Fellowship Hall)

**Line Dancers**

**Saturdays  
and Sundays**  
(Fellowship Hall)

**Homeless Ministry**  
*Packing and delivery*

# Upcoming Events

**Sunday 04/21/24 11am**  
**SPRC Meeting**



**Sunday 04/21/24 3pm**

**Pittsburgh District**

**Conference**

**Dutilh Church, 1270 Dutilh Rd,**

**Cranberry Township, PA 16066**

**All welcome!**

**Sunday 04/28/24 11am**

**Light Lunch and**

**Presentation**

**Pastor Don and Julie**

***~ Journey into Guatemala***



# Other Announcements

# Opening Prayer

(unison)

*(Please stand as you are able)*

God, here and there, in  
springtime signs all  
around us, we see the  
wonder of the  
resurrection. Show us

again, the Easter hope.  
Open our hearts; we  
don't want to miss Easter.  
Amen.

# Call To Worship

(responsive)

*(Please stand as you are able)*

The background features a bright, glowing yellow sun in the upper right quadrant, with rays of light extending across the frame. The entire scene is filled with a dense field of golden, sparkling particles, creating a shimmering, ethereal atmosphere.

Pastor: New life is all  
around us.



All: We see it in the  
leaves, the flowers, and  
the new green grass of  
springtime.



Pastor: We see it in the  
eyes of a new believer.

**All: We see it in a  
relationship healed, a  
grief comforted, a hope  
renewed; we celebrate  
new life all around us!**

Hymn of Preparation

In the Garden

#314

I come to the garden  
alone  
while the dew is still  
on the roses

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and the voice I hear  
falling on my ear  
the Son of God  
discloses

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And he walks with me,  
and he talks with me,  
and he tells me  
I am his own

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and the joy we share  
as we tarry there,  
none other  
has ever known

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He speaks, and the  
sound of his voice,  
is so sweet the birds  
hush their singing

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and the melody  
that he gave to me  
within my heart  
is ringing

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I'd stay in the garden  
with him  
though the night around  
me be falling

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but he bids me go;  
thru the voice of woe  
his voice to  
me is calling

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and he talks with me,  
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*Sacrament of Baptism*

Mia James Zangus  
daughter of  
Jason and Kelli

The Baptism Covenant II (page 39 Hymnal)



# Children's Message

# Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings



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# Doxology

Praise God from Whom  
All Blessings Flow #95

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**Praise God from Whom all  
blessings flow. Praise Him all  
creatures here below. Praise  
Him above, ye, heavenly  
host. Praise Father, Son, and  
Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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# Prayer of Dedication

(Please stand as you are able)



# Our Time of Prayer



# The Lord's Prayer



**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed  
be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy  
will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread and  
forgive us our trespasses as we forgive  
those who trespass against us. Lead us  
not into temptation but deliver us from  
evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the  
power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Hymn

Glory be to the  
Father #70

Glory be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Holy  
Ghost; as it was in the  
beginning, is now, and ever  
shall be, world without end.  
Amen. Amen.

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Our Scripture

John 20: 19-31

NIV

**19 On the evening of  
that first day of the  
week, when the  
disciples were together,  
with the doors locked**

for fear of the Jewish  
leaders, Jesus came and  
stood among them and  
said, “Peace be with  
you!”<sup>20</sup> After he said

**this, he showed them  
his hands and side. The  
disciples were  
overjoyed when they  
saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Again**

Jesus said, “Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.”<sup>22</sup> And with that he breathed



on them and said,  
“Receive the Holy  
Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive  
anyone’s sins, their sins  
are forgiven; if you do

not forgive them, they  
are not forgiven.”

<sup>24</sup> Now Thomas (also  
known as Didymus), one  
of the Twelve, was not

with the disciples when  
Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the  
other disciples told him,  
“We have seen the  
Lord!” But he said to

them, “Unless I see the  
nail marks in his hands  
and put my finger  
where the nails were,  
and put my hand into

his side, I will not believe.”<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them.

Though the doors were  
locked, Jesus came and  
stood among them and  
said, “Peace be with  
you!”<sup>27</sup> Then he said to

Thomas, “Put your  
finger here; see my  
hands. Reach out your  
hand and put it into my  
side. Stop doubting and

believe.”<sup>28</sup> Thomas said  
to him, “My Lord and  
my God!”<sup>29</sup> Then Jesus  
told him, “Because you  
have seen me, you have



believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”<sup>30</sup> Jesus performed many other

signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written that you may

**believe that Jesus is the  
Messiah, the Son of  
God, and that by  
believing you may have  
life in his name.**

Message

# Our Faith Cycle!

Pastor Don Kephart

Hymn of Dedication

Because He Lives

#364

God sent His son,  
they called Him Jesus  
He came to love,  
heal, and forgive

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He lived and died  
to buy my pardon,  
An empty grave is there  
to prove my Savior lives

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Because He lives,  
I can face tomorrow.  
Because He lives,  
All fear is gone

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Because I know  
He holds the future,  
And life is worth  
the living  
just because He lives

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How sweet to hold  
a newborn baby,  
And feel the pride  
and joy he gives

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But greater still  
the calm assurance,  
This child can face  
uncertain days  
because He lives

Because He lives,  
I can face tomorrow.  
Because He lives,  
All fear is gone

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Because I know  
He holds the future,  
And life is worth  
the living  
just because He lives

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And then one day  
I'll cross the river,  
I'll fight life's  
final war with pain

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And then as death  
gives way to victory,  
I'll see the lights  
of glory and  
I'll know He reigns

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Because He lives,  
I can face tomorrow.  
Because He lives,  
All fear is gone

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# Benediction

Thank you for  
joining us  
in worship!

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