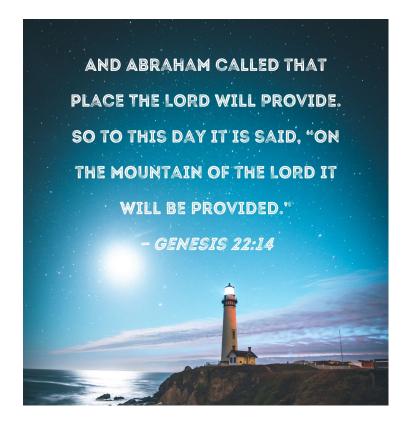
GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Pastor Sandy Kraft
June 15, 2025
127 S. Pennsylvania Avenue
Centre Hall, PA 16828



SERVICE OF WORSHIP June 15, 2025

Trinity Sunday Father's Day



ANNOUNCEMENTS

GLORIFIED

PRELUDE—Unashamed

CENTERING WORDS—Proverbs 8

Wisdom calls across the ages. Our ancestors in faith heard and responded. By hearing and responding to the Wisdom of the Ages, we meet God as Father, Son and Spirit in worship this day.

NOTE: If you are able, please stand where this symbol appears +

+CALL TO WORSHIP—

L: Our God is a mighty God!

P: Let us honor and bow down before him.

L: Our God is a holy God!

P: Let us stand in awe before him.

L: Our God is a living God!

P: Let us rejoice and take courage.

OPENING PRAYER—

Lord, we acknowledge that you are the creator and sustainer of all things; that in you we live and move and have our being; and that you are our hope for this world and the next. We come before you, then, praising you for your glory, thanking you for your goodness, and anticipating your blessing. Amen.

+HYMN—Praise the Father, Praise the Son

FIRST SCRIPTURE—John 16:12-15

PRAYER

+HYMN—What a Beautiful Name

SECOND SCRIPTURE— Genesis 22:1-14

THE MESSAGE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—

Women: We believe in God -who brings forth life from death, joy from sorrow, blessing out of disaster; who meets us behind our closed hearts and speaks a word of peace; who is known in the simple act of breaking bread, gathering around a table; who never forgets our name, who feels our pain, who renews our lives from the inside out.

Men: We believe in the risen Christ -who bears wounds so that we might not hide from our own; who is present to us in our loneliness, our fear, our doubt; who embraced the hard questions, faced death's door and walked ahead into every experience so we might know we have a Companion on the way.

All: We believe in the Holy Spirit -- who is as close to us as the air we breathe; who inspires the church to be a beacon of light, an oasis of peace and a fountain of joy; who blows free as the wind, touching souls, chasing away the blues, setting loose an alleluia. We shall live as a people of God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION—

Father, we come as guests unworthy of your invitation. We have disobeyed your will. We have neglected our duties. We have faltered in our faith. We have quarreled with each other. We have neglected the means of grace. Nevertheless, we have received your invitation, so we have responded in faith and ask that you will receive us in mercy. Amen.

Time of Silent Reflection and Confession followed by Words of Assurance

OFFERING—Love of God

OFFERTORY PRAYER

+CLOSING HYMN —Who You Say I Am

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE—Awesome God





Please keep all members, family, and friends in your thoughts and prayers, especially those listed below:

05/25/25—Mindy Fultz and Kristen Cowher-requested by Dan Gensimore

06/01/25 —continued prayers for Jeff Jeffries, Shawnie's brother

06/08/25—Evelyn Yost-requested by Jane Taylor; Wally Heiserhealth concerns-requested by Theresa Heiser

To request a name, please refer to the prayer request cards located in the back of the pews and place it in the offering plate. Thank you.



Please keep our homebound friends in your thoughts and prayers:

Bertha Cassidy Lou Cole Liz Fink Evelyn Yost

Note: addresses available at the church office

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Worship Leader: Pastor Sandy Kraft

Pianist: Aimee Gahagen

Glorified members: Abby Tice, Alice Peters, Page Gaddis, Van Jodon, Brad Gensimore, Randy Montgomery, Jeremy Peters and

Jack Oakes

Liturgist: Kelly Wian

Acolyte: Julia Schubert

Greeters: Anne and Page Gaddis

Media: Jeremy Peters and Jack Oakes

NEXT WEEK'S SERVICE—June 22

Liturgist: Matt Powell

Acolyte: Willow Ash

Greeters: Bess and Jim Irwin

Church Checkers: Matt Powell—June 16 to June 29

Bell Ringers: Page Gaddis and Carl Cassidy

CHURCH AND PASTOR CONTACT INFORMATION:

Pastor Sandy's cell phone: (570) 575-8225 Email: skraft@susumc.org Church office phone number: 814-364-1701

Mission u

Practicing Hope Together: Hope as Resurrection People

Registration Deadline is JUNE 16—

Sessions are July 17 in Lewisburg at Best Western, Country Cupboard for one day session, July 18 and 19 for two day session or online: Tuesdays, July 1,8,15, and 29 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Registration can be completed online and a check can be sent or you can pay online. Flyers are in the hallway and attached to the emailed bulletin.

Please contact Jane Taylor with questions or If you are interested in viewing the on-line presentation in a small group (814-777-1099).

NOTE: Copies of the **Annual Susquehanna Conference Report** called the <u>Daily Link</u> are available at each entrance of the sanctuary. Or, contact the church office and we can mail you a copy.

See what happened during Conference Session—LIVE streaming Archive and photo gallery. Go to the Annual Conference webpage: susumc.org/annual-conference

—Wednesday Morning Prayer Session—

Meets every Wednesday morning

new time—9:15 A.M.

All welcome to attend!



June 15—TODAY! Arboretum/Creamery at Penn State, 1:00 PM

June 29—Outdoor church service and picnic, worship at 10:00, A.M., picnic at 11:00 A.M., Centre Hall Lion's Club

July 13—Worship will be at the People's Choice Festival, Grange Park, South Side Stage, 9:30 A.M.

July 19—Group Event—Port Royal Speedway, spend the evening at the races! More information to follow from Carl.

September 10—"Noah", Sight and Sound Theatre-Lancaster, PA For additional information, please contact Carl Cassidy at 814/574 -2866. Payment due by July 27th.



Centre Hall Town Wide Yard Sales June 27 & 28

Grace is once again having a yard sale to benefit

Operation Christmas Child

If you would like to donate items for the sale, please drop off them at the church office or place in the youth room in the educational wing.



Grace is in need for additional volunteer liturgists for our Sundays services!

The liturgist receives an advance copy of all the prepared scripture readings, highlighting everything to be said during the worship service. The liturgist assists leading the worship service. Everything is fully scripted for the liturgist

THANK YOU to all those who have already volunteered! We are hoping to expand the pools of regular liturgists so that we can share this responsibility together. If you are interested in serving as a liturgist, or if you have questions, please reach out to Richard Hedden.

Tour the Arboretum at Penn State with us!

TODAY June 15th!

And then, enjoy ice cream at the Penn State Berkey Creamery ice cream!

Meet in the church parking lot at 1:00 PM and we'll carpool from there.

We should return back to the church by 5:00 PM

Please contact Carl Cassidy at 814/574-2866

if questions



Sunday, June 29th

Worship: 10:00 A.M.

Picnic: 11:00 A.M.

CENTRE HALL — LION'S CLUB

PLEASE SIGN UP ON CLIP BOARD TO BE PASSED AROUND DURING THE SERVICE





June Mission Mercy Ships

A global charity that operates a fleet of ships in developing nations since 1978. Following the example of Jesus, Mercy Ships bring hope and healing to the poor, mobilizing people and resources worldwide. Mercy Ships volunteer doctors perform life-changing surgeries on the floating hospitals and operate village clinics near the ports. Other volunteers provide clean water by drilling wells, building hospitals and basic housing and developing agricultural projects to help communities become self-sufficient in food productions

CENTRE HALL-PENNS VALLEY FOOD PANTRY



June —paper towels

July—liquid hand soap

Thank you!

REMINDER: The Food Pantry will meets the third Tuesday

of each month



June requests:

Pencils, sharpeners, erasers, pens, blunt scissors, small rulers, pencil pouch, etc.

July requests:

Notebooks, composition books, **SOLAR** calculators

ALL YEAR—Monetary donations (must notate Operation Christmas Child-**OCC** on the memo line of the check), empty shoeboxes, old clean T-shirts to be made into jump ropes (stained is fine, but no tears)

NOTE: All donations accepted regardless of the monthly category.

Donation Box is located inside the back entrance door (bottom of steps).

Reminder – NO used items, liquids or soap, food/seeds, weapons or scary/war related items.

Questions? Please contact Sherri Gilliland 814-777-0053, or the church office. Thank you!
