

Welcome to  
Homestead Park  
United Methodist Church

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# Announcements ~ This Week ~



**Today 11am  
SPRC Meeting**

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

**Pittsburgh District**

**Conference**

**Dutilh Church, 1270 Dutilh Rd,**

**Cranberry Township, PA 16066**

**All welcome!**

# *Tuesday in the Word*

## Bible Study

04/23/2024 11 am

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

A Study in the Book of Esther

~ Ch 7 ~ Haman is Hanged

~ Ch 8 ~ Esther Saves her People

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**

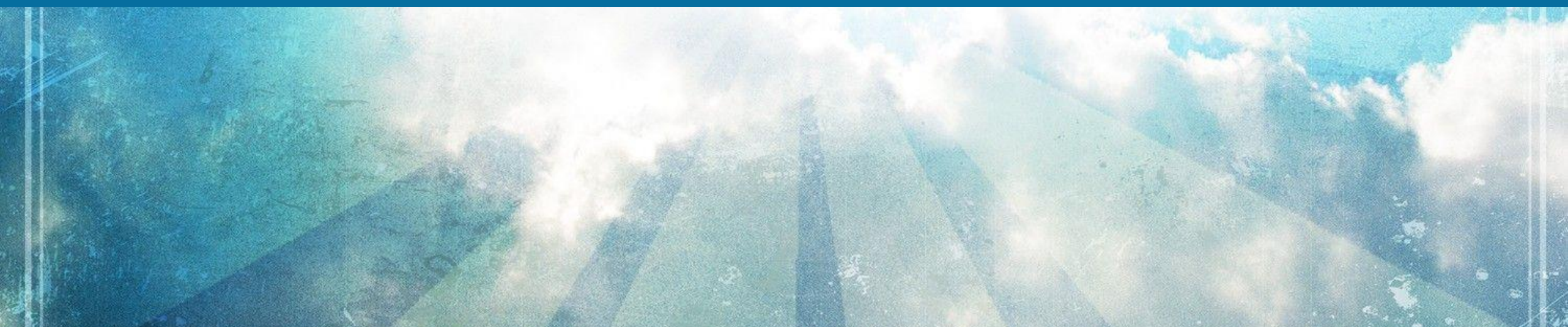
**Saturdays  
and Sundays**  
(Fellowship Hall)

**Homeless Ministry**  
*Packing and delivery*





# Upcoming Events



Sunday 04/28/24 11am

Light Lunch and  
Presentation

Pastor Don and Julie

*~ Journey into Guatemala*



# Other Announcements



# Opening Prayer

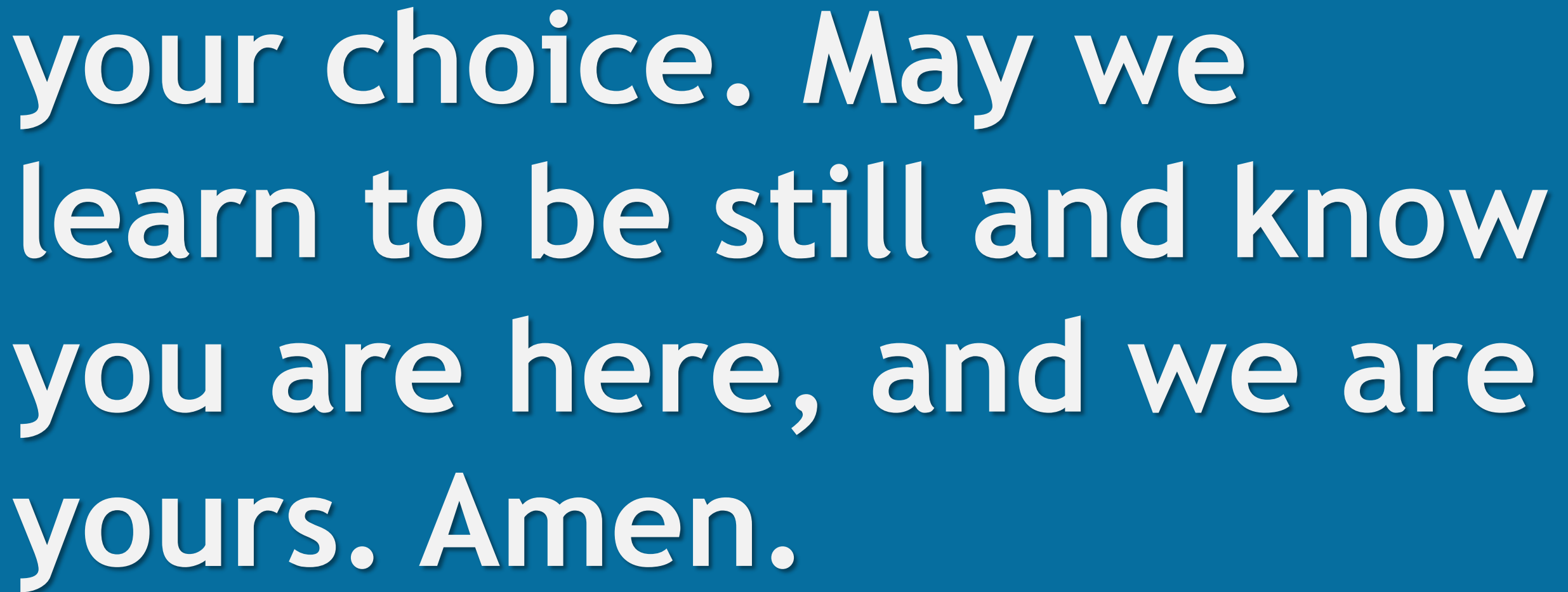
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*(Please stand as you are able)*

Lord Jesus, healer of  
blind eyes, there are so  
many ways we live our  
lives in darkness, so  
many ways we miss the

mark, so many ways we  
fall short of your glory.  
We simply do not have it  
in us to reach across the  
chasm separating us from

you. But you come to us  
in the silence. You lift us  
away from all our fear.  
You allow us to hear your  
voice. You claim us as



your choice. May we  
learn to be still and know  
you are here, and we are  
yours. Amen.



# Call To Worship

# Litany of Hope

(responsive)

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**Pastor: In the midst of  
my anguish, God hears  
my cry**

**All: My soul gives glory  
to God.**

Pastor: Even in the darkest valleys, God is with me.

All: My soul gives glory to God.

Pastor: When my hope is spent, God's faithfulness remains.

All: My soul gives glory to God.



Hymn of Preparation

O How I Love  
Jesus #170

There is a name I love  
to hear,  
I love to sing its worth

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it sounds like music in  
my ear, the sweetest  
name on earth.

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O how I love Jesus,  
O how I love Jesus,  
O how I love Jesus,  
because he first loved  
me!



It tells me of a Savior's  
love,  
who died to set me free

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it tells me of his  
precious blood,  
the sinner's perfect  
plea

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O how I love Jesus,  
O how I love Jesus,  
O how I love Jesus,  
because he first loved  
me!

It tells of one whose  
loving heart can feel my  
deepest woe

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who in each sorrow  
bears a part that none  
can bear below.

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O how I love Jesus,  
O how I love Jesus,  
O how I love Jesus,  
because he first loved  
me!



# 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

2 Corinthians

6: 1-13 NIV

As God's co-workers we  
urge you not to receive  
God's grace in vain.

<sup>2</sup> For he says, "In the  
time of my favor I heard

you, and in the day of  
salvation I helped you.”  
I tell you, now is the  
time of God’s favor, now  
is the day of salvation.

<sup>3</sup> We put no stumbling block in anyone's path, so that our ministry will not be discredited.

<sup>4</sup> Rather, as servants of

God we commend  
ourselves in every way:  
in great endurance; in  
troubles, hardships and  
distresses; <sup>5</sup> in beatings,

imprisonments and  
riots; in hard work,  
sleepless nights and  
hunger; <sup>6</sup> in purity,  
understanding, patience

and kindness; in the  
Holy Spirit and in  
sincere love; <sup>7</sup> in  
truthful speech and in  
the power of God; with

weapons of  
righteousness in the  
right hand and in the  
left; <sup>8</sup> through glory and  
dishonor, bad report



and good report;  
genuine, yet regarded  
as impostors; <sup>9</sup> known,  
yet regarded as  
unknown; dying, and

yet we live on; beaten,  
and yet not killed;  
<sup>10</sup> sorrowful, yet always  
rejoicing; poor, yet  
making many rich;

having nothing, and yet  
possessing everything.

<sup>11</sup> We have spoken

freely to you,

Corinthians, and opened

wide our hearts to  
you. <sup>12</sup> We are not  
withholding our  
affection from you, but  
you are withholding

yours from us. <sup>13</sup> As a  
fair exchange—I speak  
as to my children—open  
wide your hearts also.

Message

Open Wide  
Your Hearts!

Pastor Don Kephart

Hymn of Dedication

Trust and Obey

#467

When we walk with the  
Lord  
in the light of his word,  
what a glory he sheds  
on our way!



While we do his good  
will,  
he abides with us still,  
and with all who will  
trust and obey

Trust and obey, for  
there's no other way  
to be happy in Jesus,  
but to trust and obey

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Not a burden we bear,  
not a sorrow we share,  
but our toil he doth  
richly repay

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not a grief or a loss,  
not a frown or a cross,  
but is blest if we trust  
and obey

Trust and obey, for  
there's no other way  
to be happy in Jesus,  
but to trust and obey

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But we never can prove  
the delights of his love  
until all on the altar we  
lay

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for the favor he shows,  
for the joy he bestows,  
are for them who will  
trust and obey

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there's no other way  
to be happy in Jesus,  
but to trust and obey

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Then in fellowship  
sweet

we will sit at his feet,  
or we'll walk by his side  
in the way

what he says we will do,  
where he sends we will  
go  
never fear, only trust  
and obey

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# Benediction

Thank you for  
joining us  
in worship!

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