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SUNDAY, MARCH 4

7:15 AM WORSHIP TEAM REHEARSAL – SANCTUARY
8:45 AM NURSERY CARE – ROOM F115
9:00 AM CONTACT CONTEMPORARY SERVICE – SANCTUARY
9:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHURCH – FELLOWSHIP HALL
10:00 AM REFRESHMENTS - FELLOWSHIP HALL
10:15 AM CORNERSTONE CLASS - CITY VIEW ROOM
LAMPLIGHTERS CLASS - SHARING CENTER
WELCOME CLASS - MACDONALD ROOM
OPEN TO ALL SMALL GROUP - ROOM 101
MEN'S SMALL GROUP - ROOM 203
WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP - PARLOR
COUPLES SMALL GROUP - LIBRARY
MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL – THE WELL
CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL – VARIOUS ROOMS AS POSTED
11:15 AM HERITAGE TRADITIONAL SERVICE – SANCTUARY
11:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHURCH – FELLOWSHIP HALL
7:00 PM SUNDAYS@SEVEN PRAYER GATHERING – ROOM 203

MONDAY, MARCH 5

6:00 PM WORSHIP AND MUSIC TEAM MEETING - CHOIR ROOM
7:00 PM AA BEGINNERS MEETING – MACDONALD ROOM 3
7:15 PM ADULT MINISTRY TEAM MEETING - LIBRARY
8:30 PM AA SPEAKERS MEETING – MACDONALD ROOM 1

TUESDAY, MARCH 6

9:00 AM KINGDOM KIDS AND MOM'S MORNING OUT - VARIOUS ROOMS
7:00 PM CHILDREN'S MINISTRY TEAM MEETING - ROOM F101
7:00 PM YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM MEETING - THE WELL
7:30 PM NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS MEETING - MACDONALD ROOMS 1 & 2

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7

9:00 AM COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY - VARIOUS ROOMS
6:00 PM FAMILY FUSION DINNER - FELLOWSHIP HALL
6:30 PM STEPHEN MINISTRY TRAINING - ROOM 203
7:00 PM NEHEMIAH STUDY SMALL GROUPS - VARIOUS ROOMS
"EXPLORE" SMALL GROUP - PASTOR'S STUDY
"GOSPEL PRINCIPLES FOR PARENTS" STUDY - LIBRARY
"LOVE DOES" STUDY - PARLOR
YOUTH PROGRAM - THE WELL
CHILDREN'S PROGRAM - MACDONALD ROOM
NURSERY CARE - ROOM F115

THURSDAY, MARCH 8

8:30 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY AND WORK GROUP – MACDONALD ROOM
9:00 AM KINGDOM KIDS AND MOM'S MORNING OUT - VARIOUS ROOMS
6:15 PM WORSHIP TEAM REHEARSAL - SANCTUARY
7:00 PM CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL - CHOIR ROOM

FRIDAY, MARCH 9

9:00 AM KINGDOM KIDS AND MOM'S MORNING OUT - VARIOUS ROOMS
1:00 PM AA MEETING – MACDONALD ROOM
4:15 PM CONGREGATIONAL CARE TEAM MEETING - ROOM F101
6:30 PM YOUTH GROUP NIGHT - FELLOWSHIP HALL

SATURDAY, MARCH 10

SUNDAY, MARCH 11

7:15 AM WORSHIP TEAM REHEARSAL – SANCTUARY
8:45 AM NURSERY CARE – ROOM F115
9:00 AM CONTACT CONTEMPORARY SERVICE – SANCTUARY
9:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHURCH – FELLOWSHIP HALL
10:00 AM REFRESHMENTS - FELLOWSHIP HALL
10:15 AM ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AND SMALL GROUPS
MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL – THE WELL
CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL – VARIOUS ROOMS AS POSTED
11:15 AM HERITAGE TRADITIONAL SERVICE – SANCTUARY
11:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHURCH – FELLOWSHIP HALL
7:00 PM SUNDAYS@SEVEN PRAYER GATHERING – ROOM 203

Welcome and Announcements

Sunday, March 4, 2018

REACHING UPWARD ❖ REACHING OUTWARD ❖ REACHING INWARD ❖ TO THE GLORY OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Nehemiah 6:1-16

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SERMON

“Another Brick in the Wall”

Pastor Steve Aguzzi

Sermon Series: Nehemiah - Building Together

[To access sermons online, please visit HisWordPreached.blogspot.com.]

WELCOME ❖ A warm welcome is extended to our visitors. We hope you will find our service uplifting to the Lord, and our church a place of comfort and peace. Our pastors, ushers, greeters and members will be happy to answer any questions you might have.



FRIENDSHIP REGISTERS ❖ Please let us know of your attendance by signing the friendship register at the end of the pew. After signing, pass the book along the row and back so you might get to know those around you in worship this morning. If you are visiting, please provide the additional information that would help us get to know and serve you better.



CELL PHONES ❖ Please remember to silence your cell phone during the service.



FOR CHILDREN ❖ During the time of greeting, children age 4 through third grade will be invited forward to attend Children's Church in the MacDonald Room and Children's Library. Fourth and fifth graders are encouraged to take a children's bulletin at the front and back doors of the sanctuary.



FOR MOTHERS ❖ The Parlor is available during the services for mothers who want to continue to hear the service as they feed their little ones or otherwise attend to young children.



LET US PRAY ❖ If you desire prayer for yourself or for someone you love, elders will be available, at the front of the Sanctuary, after the service to pray for your concerns.



SANCTUARY FLOWERS ❖ The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God by Jean Hellmann in honor of her mother Marie Williams' 102nd birthday.



PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

- Please pray for those with new health concerns ...
- Please pray for those with ongoing health concerns ...
- Please pray for those grieving the loss of their loved ones.

❖ Also, please feel free to submit prayer requests at any time to Prayer4MLEPC@verizon.net and we will pass them on to members who would be honored to pray on your behalf.

IN MEMORIAM

BILL NICHOLSON

September 14, 1931 – February 24, 2018

MLEPC member since 1975



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ~ 10:15 a.m.

Children – Various Rooms as Posted

Classes – The Well

Cornerstone Class – City View Room

“Building Together” Nehemiah Study

Lamplighters Class – Sharing Center

“Jesus Is Asking; We Must Answer” taught by Bob Kordella

Welcome Class – MacDonald Room

“Prince Joseph, King David, and the Lord Jesus” taught by Bruce Tenenbaum

NEHEMIAH “BUILDING TOGETHER” SMALL GROUP STUDIES

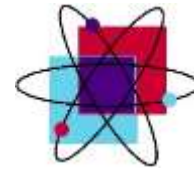
Open To All Group – Room 101 **Men’s Group** – Room 203

Women’s Group – Parlor **Couples’ Group** – Library



COMMUNION THIS MORNING

An Invitation to the Lord’s Supper is extended to all who come in faith, repentance, and love, whether a member of this congregation or another Christian Church. Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may come to the Table in order to be assured of God’s love and grace in Christ Jesus. Baptized children may receive communion with the instruction and approval of their parents. Some gluten-free bread has been set aside on the communion plate for those with dietary restrictions.



FAMILY FUSION

Wednesdays, March 7, 14 & 21 and Dinner Maundy Thursday, March 29

6:00 P.M. ~ Family Dinner
\$5 Adults and Teens ... \$3 Kids (ages 3-12)

7:00 P.M. ~ Spiritual Growth opportunities

“**Building Together**” ~ Small group studies of the Book of Nehemiah

“**Explore**” ~ Four-week groups for those considering membership

“**Gospel Principles for Parents**” ~ Guidance and encouragement in God’s Word

“**Love Does**” ~ An engaging DVD study focusing on faith in action

Youth Group (Middle/High School) ~ The Well

Children (Preschool -5th Grade) ~ MacDonald Room

Nursery Care ~ Room F115

KENYA MISSION DINNER



You’re invited to a special Family Fusion Fundraising Dinner on Wednesday, March 14 to benefit MLEPC’s 2018 Mission in Kenya. The dinner that night will feature some special Kenyan dishes in addition to popular American menu items. The cost will be the same as usual, with proceeds going to the Kenya Mission Fund. A free-will offering will also be taken, and members of the Mission Team will be present during the meal to share their testimony and vision.

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS



Please consider making a donation to the Easter Flower Fund in memory of a loved one this Easter. The flowers will be arranged into a lovely display at the front of the sanctuary and the memorials will be listed in the morning bulletin. Checks payable to MLEPC, along with the names of the donors and memorials may be sent to Financial Administrator Shannon Hohowski (MLEPC, 255 Washington Road 15216) by Sunday, March 26. If you have questions you can contact Shannon at 412-531-3387 ext. 254 or shohowski@mlepc.org.

“50 DAYS TO VITALITY” PRAYER GUIDE

The EPC provides many resources to help churches in developing their ministries to fulfill the Great Commission. One in particular seeks to engage the congregation in prayer toward this goal, and we have copies of this “50 Days to Vitality” Prayer Guide available for you to participate. Please pick up a copy in the Lobby or Narthex, or reference it on our website, and join us in this exciting opportunity.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME
 Just a reminder to “Spring Forward”
 as Daylight Savings Time begins next weekend

KINGDOM KIDS FUNDRAISER



Kingdom Kids invites you to join us at Chick-fil-A on Thursday, March 8. Make a purchase at the Chick-fil-A, South Hills (1620 Washington Road 15241) on Thursday, March 8 from 4:30 - 7:30p.m. and Chick-fil-A will make a donation of 15% of your purchase to Kingdom Kids. You must tell your cashier that you are there to support Kingdom Kids when you order. Thanks in advance for your support of our ministry to preschoolers and their families.

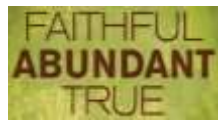
KIDS’ SINGING PRACTICE FOR CHILDREN’S SUNDAY

Join us this week for singing practice in the Sanctuary. The kids will be learning the songs that they will be singing for the congregation at the April 15 Children's Sunday service.



- Sunday mornings from 10:15 - 10:30 a.m.
- Please drop off children in the MacDonald Room. We will walk together to the Sanctuary for practice. After singing, they will walk with their teachers to their Sunday School classrooms.
- Please pick them up from their regular class at 11:05 a.m.

WOMEN’S SPRING RETREAT



Join the Women of the church for our weekend Retreat April 27-29 at Punderson Lodge in Ohio. We will be studying a series called FAITHFUL ABUNDANT TRUE, a series recorded live with Kay Arthur, Priscilla Shirer & Beth Moore. “Kay challenges us to faithfulness in difficult days. Priscilla points to the essential of trust in God's ability, and Beth teaches on how to discern truth from error in these difficult days.” You can sign up in the Lobby this morning, or see all the details and register on the website. Questions? Contact Debbie English at english1234@verizon.net or 412-343-5966.

SUMMER INTERNSHIPS AVAILABLE

We’re looking for someone, of college age or above, who has a heart for children/youth and loves the Lord, to be an Intern in Children’s Ministry or Youth Ministry this summer. If interested, download the information and application from the website. For questions please contact Children’s Ministry Director Ashley Gardner at agardner@mlepc.org / 412-531-3387 ext. 205 or Youth Ministry Director Brant Toulouse at btoulouse@mlepc.org / 412-531-3387 ext. 209.

ELDER / DEACON RECOMMENDATION



By the grace of God; through the power of God;
 For the love of God; to the glory of God;
 We commit to reach upward to God in worship and prayer;
 To reach outward to the world in witness and service;
 To reach inward to each other in fellowship and discipleship;
 Enabled by the Spirit, So shall we live, and so shall we proclaim
 The Good News of Jesus Christ!

Your **Congregational Nominating Committee** is currently discerning God’s will for our congregation by identifying those who are called to be Elders and Deacons. We want your input! If you have a recommendation, please complete this form and place it in the offering plate or Keith Engleka’s mailbox at church. If you have questions or comments please contact a member of the Nominating Team: Keith Engleka, Team Chairperson (k.engleka@univstainless.com), Roy Behling (roybehling@comcast.net), Lois Boyles, Bill Humphreys (billhumphreys57@gmail.com), Loren Luft (luft.loren@gmail.com), or Jill Thurston (uscjlt@gmail.com).

ELDERS are called to nurture the faith and spiritual life of the congregation by exercising leadership, government, and discipline. They are to be persons of faith, dedication, and sound judgment who live a life that displays the gospel of Jesus Christ. See Mark 10:35-45, Acts 6:1-6, Acts 20:28-31, I Timothy 3:1-7, James 5:14-16, and I Peter 5:1-4.

DEACONS are called to offer a ministry of care to those in need within and beyond MLEPC. They are to be persons that demonstrate sympathy, compassion, servant leadership, and a witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ. See Mark 10:35-45, Acts 6:1-6, and I Timothy 3:8-13.

We ask that you be in prayer for our work. We also ask that you be in prayer for those whom the Lord may be calling to these important leadership positions.

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Proposed Candidate _____ † Elder † Deacon

Personal/faith qualifications for position _____

Submitted by _____ Date _____