



July 2024

The Methodist Messenger

Aldersgate United Methodist Church

*Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!
Energizing Alders gate to connect Christ and the Community
by engaging, educating, empowering, and encouraging.*

Sunday Services

Sunday School livestreamed on
Zoom— 9 a.m.

Worship service @ AUMC &
livestreamed on Zoom — **9:45 a.m.**
Trinity— 10:45 a.m.
Grace— 8:45 a.m.

Office Hours

Pastor Mindy Petrovic
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AUMC: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Tue., Wed.
Trinity: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Thursday

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9 a.m.-3 p.m., Thursday

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From My Heart To All Of Yours

As June with its unusually hot and dry weather comes to a close, may July arrive bringing with it a much needed respite from the scorching heat and water for a very dry and thirsty land. Thinking about the way the scorching heat has the ability to sap our strength and leave our mouths dry and thirsty also reminds me that our spirits at times feel the same way. Our spirits can become so weak and dry that we need to take time to enjoy a long cool drink from the well that never runs dry. Yes, time has a way of marching on and for now it seems like our work is never done. The same was true for our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and yet... Scripture records times when Jesus sought solitude from others to spend time alone with God.

Jesus went off alone before His season of ministry began, after healing the sick and feeding the hungry and Jesus went off alone to grieve the loss of someone He loved. Jesus also went off alone to prepare for His suffering and death on the cross. Jesus went off alone so that God could replenish His sapped and thirsty soul, prepare Him before He made important decisions, and help Him deal with the demands of life and ministry. He went off alone to spend time drinking from the Well that never runs dry. Yes, we are all busy with the demands of life and we each have our work to do for God and neighbor and yet... There are times when we too need solitude, rest and refreshment in our lives.

Brothers and Sisters, if your spirit feels weary, dry, thirsty or in need of rest, Jesus may be calling to you saying, "Come with Me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest" (Mark 6:31b). So, ask yourself honestly: When was the last time you spent time alone with God to rest and refresh your spirit? If the Savior of the world thought it was important to take time to rest and replenish His spirit then so should we. My prayer for us all is that we take some time to drink from the well that never runs dry even if it begins with just taking little sips.

"May our magnificent Lord bless you and keep you, shine His marvelous face upon you, and be gracious to you; may He turn His face toward you and give you peace." (Numbers 6:24-26)

Refreshed and replenished through my time spent at the Well,
Pastor Mindy





- ◆ I want to thank everyone for the beautiful flowers I received for my 92nd birthday. You shared so much love with me with all your cards, calls and visits. This church family is such a blessing. May our Lord bless you all!

Maryalice Ritter

- ◆ Thank you for the card shower for my 100th birthday. My mailbox was pretty well filled. Your kind thoughts and kind wishes certainly brightened my day. God bless you all!

Bill Conn

- ◆ I would like to thank everyone who took part in the Rose Tea this year. We enjoyed good food, tea, and fellowship. Sharon McCahren read us a very nice poem. God Bless!

Kristi Arbogast

- ◆ Siblings in Christ, thank you for the beautiful cards you showered us with to celebrate our anniversary. May God bless you all for your thoughtfulness.

Pastor Mindy and Brian

- ◆ Thanks to my church family for blessing me so much for my graduation.

Ben Petrovcic



Vacation Bible School will be held at the Mifflintown Park, July 14-18 from 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Call the office or see Kristi Arbogast for a registration form.

The deadline for the August Messenger is July 23rd.



May God bless you on your special day and in the years to come.

5– Butch McCahren

7– Loma Saner

10– Donnie Lyter

18– Fred Powell

20– Deb Sheaffer

21– Vickie Stine

22– Kali Turner

27– Nancy Chrismer



The VBS/Charge picnic will be held on July 21st at Myer's Park at 12:30 p.m. Sign up sheet is located on the back table.





Designated gifts for special purposes

Aldersgate will use all designated gifts for their intended purpose and once the amount is reached, the remaining balance will be deposited into the general fund account.



Pastor Mindy will begin worship services at 3 churches on July 7th. Worship at Grace UMC is 8:45 a.m., **Aldersgate UMC 9:45 a.m.** and Trinity UMC at 10:45 a.m.

Her office hours at **Aldersgate** are Tue. & Wed. from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The office will still be open Thursday 9 a.m.– 3 p.m.

Pastor's office hours at **Trinity** is Thur. 9 a.m.-2 p.m.



Aldersgate collected \$383.74 for Baby Bottle Boomerang for Crossroads Pregnancy Center! Thank you all!



Aldersgate will be taking a bus trip to Lancaster to see Daniel at Sight and Sound on August 20, 2024. The show begins at 11 a.m. and we will stop to eat after the show. Cost is \$135 for adult & \$85 for children ages 4-12. Please sign up on back table if you're interested.

ZOOM INFORMATION-

To join Zoom Sunday worship, go to our website aumcmifflintown.org/zoom. You can also call toll free at 888-475-4499 Meeting ID 827 5363 0265

OR

Let us call you on the phone one Sunday or every week:

Call the church ahead of time at 717-436-6750 or email aumcmifflintown@gmail.com.



Pastor Mindy's Sabbath Day of rest is on **Fridays**. She will still be available if there's an emergency.

If you have a prayer request and would like to place it on our prayer chain, please call Clara Whistler at 717-436-6567 or Marie Watkins at 717-436-6491.



Ushers & Greeters



We are in need of Ushers & Greeters for Sunday Worship. Sign up sheets are located on the back table.



AUMC is partnering with Community Aid. If you have clothing to donate, you can drop them off at Community Aid and provide our partner #30108.

AUMC will receive \$.06 per pound of clothing donated.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Mission Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the church & on Zoom	2	3	4 Office Closed Happy 4th of July	5	6
7 Sunday school, 9 a.m. Worship service at AUMC & Zoom, 9:45 a.m. 	8 Trustee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the church & on Zoom	9	10	11 Bible Study, 6 p.m. at the church	12	13 New Beginning's Group, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
14 Sunday school, 9 a.m. Worship service at AUMC & Zoom, 9:45 a.m. VBS, 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m., at the Mifflintown Park	15 VBS, 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m., at the Mifflintown Park	16 VBS, 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m., at the Mifflintown Park	17 VBS, 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m., at the Mifflintown Park	18 VBS, 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m., at the Mifflintown Park	19	20
21 Sunday school, 9 a.m. Worship service at AUMC & Zoom, 9:45 a.m. VBS/Charge Picnic, 12:30 p.m. at Myer's Park	22 Church Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the church & on Zoom	23 Last day for Newsletter submission	24	25 Bible study, 6 p.m. at the church	26	27
28 Sunday school, 9 a.m. Worship service at AUMC & Zoom, 9:45 a.m.	29 SPRC Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the church	30	31 Pastor Mindy off		When Pastor Mindy is out of the office, please feel free to call the parsonage at 717-436-2237 or 717-513-7194 For Congregational Care needs, please call Pastor Mindy at 717-513-7194	