ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME! If you are a visitor or new to Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church—we're glad you're here. Please sign the attendance sheet in the pew. Worship at our church is a joyful, prayerful, music-filled, traditional experience. We worship to glorify God and build up the community of believers to live in this world as followers of Jesus Christ. The 8:30 am service meets in Sanner Chapel, immediately inside the front entrance of the church. During the summer, the 10: 45 am service is in our air-conditioned Asbury Center. Kidz Praise, a special worship service for ages 3 through

3rd grade, takes place during our 10:45 Sunday service.



For more information: www.mlumc.org or 412-531-7131.

Faith for Today

9:30-10:30 am Sundays Asbury Center

Today: Tina Whitehead



For the past 13 years,
Tina Whitehead has been living in Jerusalem between two worlds:
Muslim and Christian.
Her presentation highlights both and

focuses on Jesus' commandment to "love your neighbor as yourself."

August 4 Family Friendly



Interactive Focus on African Missions

All ages are invited to participate in this interactive experience

with a focus on African Missions.

August 11 Dawn Hand

The State of Our Church

Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church

OPEN HEARTS OPEN MINDS OPEN DOORS 3319 W. Liberty Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15216 412-531-7131 mlumc.org Reverend Thomas Q. Strandburg, Pastor tstrandburg@mlumc.org





VBS Starts Tomorrow— It's Not Too Late to Register!

Get Ready to ROAR!

Children ages 4 years through fifth grade are invited to attend Vacation Bible School this summer from July 29 to August 2, where they will deepen their friendship with a mighty, loving and good God who empowers them to boldly face life's challenges.

Register by filling out a form available at the church, or online at MLUMC.org.

Adult & teen volunteers are vital to the success of VBS! Contact Kim Rhoton to sign up—krhoton@mlumc.org.

Faith for Today School Bag Collection

The third family-friendly Faith for Today for the summer will be the Sunday after VBS, on August 4. On that day we have a goal of packing 200 school bags that will go to orphans in Zimbabwe. YOU CAN HELP by donating some of the items below. TNC is sourcing the rest of the supplies. We are already off to a great start since Staples on Banksville Road allowed us to purchase 288 notebooks for a super low sale price, plus an extra discount!

Here are the supplies we hope to have in place before August 4:

- spiral notebooks or composition books (800 total)
- clip boards (200)
- kid or youth scissors (200)
- jars of vaseline (200)
- watercolor paints (200)
- blue ink pens (1000 pens)

Drop off donations in the church office during the week, or in Asbury on Sundays. Financial donations toward purchasing these items are also appreciated!

ACHTUNG: Zwickau Up-Date!

Thirteen members of our partner church (Friedenskirche) in Zwickau, Germany, will arrive on Sunday, October 13, and stay until the 22nd.

Our Goal: Meet as many of them as possible and have great conversation and interactions

Our Theme: Expand Our Mission Eyes

Sign-Ups for Group Activities: September

Our Zwickau Committee has been hard at work planning a variety of activities that will show our guests our mission work and also acquaint them with our church and with Pittsburgh. There will be several **opportunities for church-wide participation**: church-wide all-American picnic at South Park, local mission work, Terrific Tuesdays supper with Zwickau discussion, Heinz Field tour, and a Hop On Hop Off bus tour of Pittsburgh. Signups will begin in September. Stay tuned for more info!

Questions? Contact Deanna Baird (fraubaird@aol.com) or ask a committee member: Kathleen Amant, Dan & Lori Barr, Berni Bowes, Mary Garber, Betsy Harkins, Stephanie & Kirk Lowe, Mike & Mary Paine, Eric & Kim Palmer, and Pastor Tom and Kathy Strandburg.



From Mike Staab:

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to this year's American Blind Bowling Association National Tournament that was held here in Pittsburgh. Your generous donation and support made our tournament a huge success. Nothing but good comments coming from all the members who attended. Everyone wants to know when are we coming back again.

Mike Staab Event Coordinator American Blind Bowling Association



Modern Worship

@ Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church Raise your hands for a new alternative worship experience!

Plans are in the making for a new worship service featuring a modern format, a message delivered by Assistant to the Pastor Scott Miller, and today's style of music. The church has scheduled a bit of a preview—on Sunday, August 18, congregation members and friends are invited to the 8:30 service in Sanner Chapel, celebrated with contemporary music and guitar accompaniment.

The new modern service is not meant to be a detraction from the church's traditional service at 10:45, but is proposed to be an alternative experience, a non-traditional worship choice. Though the launch date is not yet set, the weekly service is scheduled for 8:30 AM in Sanner Chapel. This time slot is not perfect, but appears to be the best choice. While 9:30 AM in Asbury Center was considered, the new service at that time would conflict with Faith for Today, strong and well-attended adult Sunday school classes, Scott Miler's confirmation class teaching role and receptions in Asbury Center.

The church is welcoming congregation members' opinions of the proposed service and its time slot. Look for a survey soon to be distributed—and raise your hands for a new worship experience.

