

# MGUMC NEWS

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## MOUNT GREтна UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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## WORSHIP SERVICES

**Sunday 8:30 & 10:00 am**  
(10:00 service at the tabernacle includes a children's message)

Weekly service online at  
[www.mtgretnachurch.org](http://www.mtgretnachurch.org)

## Welcome to MGUMC

We invite you to join us for worship each Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m., or online at [www.mtgretnachurch.org](http://www.mtgretnachurch.org).

Following our summer tradition, we will be moving our 10:00 a.m. worship service to the tabernacle on Sunday, June 2, and will continue to hold the 10:00 a.m. worship service there until fall. The 8:30 a.m. service will continue in the church sanctuary.

Our last worship with Pastor Mike will be on June 16. We will celebrate Mike and his 15 years of service to MGUMC on June 2, 1 p.m., at the Gretna Timbers. Seats are limited, so be sure to reserve your seat and submit payment by May 19.

On Sunday, July 7, we welcome Pastor Andrea Haldeman as our new MGUMC pastor. Our plans to welcome her into our community are being finalized. Look for information in the church bulletins and on our website at [www.mtgretnachurch.org](http://www.mtgretnachurch.org).

Our Gathering Place luncheons will continue until June 19, after which we will take a break for the summer.

This is the last edition of the MGUMC News until September. We've listed a number of spring and summer events, so mark your calendars and please join us!

*A new roof over our heads...*



*Did you see that our tabernacle is getting a new roof? It's scheduled to be finished within the next few weeks — well in time for our outdoor services, beginning June 2.*

## Upcoming MGUMC Events

**THURSDAY  
May 2**

### Zoom Prayer Group

Weekly online prayer group meets 7 p.m. Thursdays. Contact the church office for more information and to join.

**THURSDAY  
May 9**

### Zoom Prayer Group

Weekly online prayer group meets 7 p.m. Thursdays. Contact the church office for more information and to join.

**WEDNESDAY  
May 15**

### Gathering Place

Members, friends and neighbors are invited for lunch and fellowship at noon in Fellowship Hall. Menu to be determined! Gathering Place is supported by freewill donations.



**THURSDAY  
May 16**

### Zoom Prayer Group

Weekly online prayer group meets 7 p.m. Thursdays. Contact the church office for more information and to join.

**TUESDAY - THURSDAY  
May 22-23**

### 2024 Annual Conference

Pastor Mike, Pastor Marilyn and Linda and Carlton Dodge will be attending the 2024 Annual Conference of the United Methodists of Eastern Pennsylvania in Wildwood, NJ. Any MGUMC member interested in attending is encouraged to contact the church office for details.

**THURSDAY  
May 23**

### Zoom Prayer Group

Weekly online prayer group meets 7 p.m. Thursdays. Contact the church office for more information and to join.

**SATURDAY  
May 25**

### Porch Sale

at the church! Stop by for hotdogs, homemade treats and treasures! 8 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. (See WE NEED A HAND.)

**THURSDAY  
May 30**

### Zoom Prayer Group

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## MGUMC Events (continued from page 1)

**SUNDAY**  
**June 2**

### Worship at the Tabernacle

10 a.m. worship moves to the Tabernacle for the summer (until Sunday, Sept. 8).

**SUNDAY**  
**June 2**

### Pastor Mike Celebration!

Make your reservation now to celebrate Pastor Mike's 15 years at MGUMC. We have reserved the upstairs banquet room at the Timbers from 1-4 p.m. Tickets are \$20/person for a buffet luncheon. Seating is limited. Reserve at [mgumc@verizon.net](mailto:mgumc@verizon.net).

**THURSDAY**  
**June 6**

### Zoom Prayer Group

Weekly online prayer group meets 7 p.m. Thursdays. Contact the church office for more information and to join.

**THURSDAY**  
**June 13**

### Zoom Prayer Group

Weekly online prayer group meets 7 p.m. Thursdays. Contact the church office for more information and to join.

**WEDNESDAY**  
**June 19**

### Gathering Place

Members, friends and neighbors are invited for lunch and fellowship at noon in Fellowship Hall. Menu to be determined! Gathering Place is supported by freewill donations.



**THURSDAY**  
**June 20**

### Zoom Prayer Group

Weekly online prayer group meets 7 p.m. Thursdays. Contact the church office for more information and to join.

**THURSDAY**  
**June 27**

### Make Your Own Greeting Cards

Join Melissa Warner from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to create handmade greeting cards for any occasion. Supplies provided. Cost \$10. Register at [mgumc@verizon.net](mailto:mgumc@verizon.net)

**THURSDAY**  
**June 27**

### Zoom Prayer Group

Weekly online prayer group meets 7 p.m. Thursdays. Contact the church office for more information and to join.

**WEDNESDAY**  
**July 7**

### Pastor Andrea's First Sunday

Welcome Pastor Andrea at the 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. services. Join us following the 10 a.m. service for a reception to welcome Pastor Andrea. Details to follow in the weekly bulletins and on the MGUMC website.

**WEDNESDAY**  
**July 31**

### Wet'n Wacky Wednesday

Bible lessons, crafts, and wet'n wacky fun and games for children K-6<sup>th</sup> grade. Free. Registration starts at 6:15 p.m. Ends at 8 p.m.

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## Porch Sale at the Church

### Looking for a new home

for household items, collectibles, children's toys and books?

Consider donating those treasures to the church for the annual Campmeeting Porch Sale on Saturday, May 25.



We take most everything with the exception of clothing, furniture, electronics and big bulky items. Donations can be dropped off in the Fellowship Hall starting Monday, April 22.

Please also consider baking some homemade treats to sell. Wrap them individually to facilitate sales.

A portion of the proceeds from the porch sale and hotdogs will support Jubilee Ministries to help the children of inmates and staff of the Lebanon County Correctional Facility attend a week of summer camp.

## Thank You

**Thanks to all** for donations to Lebanon County Christian Ministries (LCCM)!

Donations in April totaled 71 pounds.

Total year-to-date given by MGUMC is 402 pounds.

See the bulletin board for LCCM's wish list of items for our next collection on Sunday, June 2.



## WE COULD USE A HAND....

Please mark your calendars to help with the following events:

### MAY 25 Porch Sale

Meet Don Bowman in the church parking lot at 7 a.m. to set up canopies, tables and chairs and tear down at 1 p.m. Contact Don ([dbowman7@comcast.net](mailto:dbowman7@comcast.net)) if you can help.

Drop off baked goods by 8 a.m.

### JULY 31, AUGUST 7 Wet'n Wacky Wednesdays

Parents needed to help organize and run games and activities for MGUMC and community youth. Please let the office know if you can help with planning the activities, running the event, helping with crafts and/or providing snacks. ([mgumc@verizon.net](mailto:mgumc@verizon.net))

