

**The Coming Weeks at a Glance**

Apr. 21 TUE 7:00PM Stewardship & Finance  
Apr. 22 WED 7:00PM Trustees  
Apr. 29 WED 7:00PM **Worship & Music - Cancelled**

**Worship Helpers**

Scripture Readers Harsteads & Pastor Chris  
Music Marietta & Balls Mills Virtual Choir  
April card person Sandy Robinson

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**Attendance and Financial Information April 13, 2020**

Worship – 0	Sunday School - 0
Envelopes and Plate – \$725.00	Sunday School – \$0.00
Mission - \$0.00	Project Fund - \$0.00

Amounts include electronic giving through March 23, 2020  
Budgeted Amount \$48,438 Received to Date \$44,456  
(To date: budgeted amount: 26.92% received amount: 24.71%)  
Shares of Ministry are paid through February 2020

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**Balls Mills United Methodist Church  
At Home Worship  
April 19, 2020**

**“Search for the LORD and for his strength;  
continually seek him.”**

**1 Chronicles 16:11**



**AT HOME WORSHIP**  
**April 19, 2020**

**WELCOME**

Pastor Chris

*Enlighten our hearts, Father of glory,  
because sometimes we just don't get it,  
Or maybe we just aren't paying attention.  
If the bulb is burned out, change it.  
If the dimmer is on low, spin it up high.  
Do what you must to help us understand,  
because everything is different now.  
Christ died, but you brought him back to life.  
Now he is in charge of everything, including us.  
And the power you used for this miracle,  
you place in the hands of those who believe  
to rescue us from death and let Christ rule our hearts.  
This really does change everything.  
Our hope is restored; our inheritance is secured.  
Bring up the lights, Lord, so we can thank you. Amen.<sup>1</sup>*

*God meets us where we are.*

**WORSHIP AND PRAYER**

**\*HYMN** "What a Friend We Have In Jesus" Marietta

**JOYS AND CONCERNS AND PRAYER** for these things we hold in our hearts

*We are changed and refined, by God's transforming presence in our lives.*

**READINGS 1 AND 2**

Harsteads

Mark 6:7-13 and Acts 1:1-8

**READING 3**

Pastor Chris

Acts 1:9-14

**SERMON:** Constantly United in Prayer

Pastor Chris

*Reflect on the ways you are being inspired to serve God?*

**SPECIAL MUSIC** "He's got the Whole World in His Hands"

Balls Mills Virtual Choir

**MISSION MOMENT**

**OFFERING INVITATION AND PRAYER**

*What will we give and do today, and this week, as our offering to God in our real life?*

**GOING FORTH**

Let us go forth in peace, in this home and time, to love and serve our Lord. Amen

*"Yet the world has become secular not because it has become 'irreligious,' 'materialistic,' 'superficial,' not because it has 'lost religion'--as so many Christians still think--but because old explanations do not really explain... Christianity, with its message offering fullness of life, has contributed more than anything else to the liberation of man from the fears and the pessimism of religion."*

*Alexander Schmemmann*

<sup>1</sup> Robert D. Inghram, *Worship and Song, Worship Resources Edition*, ©2011 by Abingdon Press.

## Prayer Concerns

### Nursing Homes

The Meadows Melvin Durrwachter Rm 113  
Rose View Center Dorothy Kiess Rm 328 Bed B

### General

Our Church	Jeanne Confer	Danielle & Zach (Paruch)
Our Country	Randy Knauss	Lou Mallot
Kenny Snyder	Romayne Kline	Faye Lukens
Families in need	Debbie Smith	Joanie Fullmer
Carol McElroy	Bill Newman Family	Steve Shilling
Troops throughout the world		Chris Wesley Family
*Justin Shaffer	Rev. James Sunderland	*James Querry
*Stephen Welty	Megan Martin	*James Corey
*Jason Runner	*Jonathan Raap	*Shay Boyles

This week's list of churches for "Circle of Prayers."  
Please join the Conference to lift up each other in prayer.

Nisbet UMC, Williamsport	Calvary UMC, Harrisburg
Albright UMC, Wilkes-Barre	Thornhurst UMC, Thornhurst
Trinity UMC, Bloomsburg	Pine Grove UMC, York
Emmanuel UMC, Windsor	Cornelius Chapel UMC, Mapleton Depot
Pleasant Valley UMC, Howard	Maple Hill UMC, Montgomery

**Bell Memorial UMC, Njala - Sierra Leone**

**VISITATION, AND SPIRITUAL AND PASTORAL CARE NEEDS:** The Visitation Team will not do home or facility visitations during this time. Feel free to call one another (or email, Skype, Facetime). Even in this moment, we are called to live out the biblical mandate to "visit" the sick, the incarcerated, and the lonely. Pastor Chris welcomes your calls and emails, updating Judy and Chris on how you are doing, and talking about any concerns happening in your life. Also, it is always helpful to speak of the joys you continue to find in life. If you are in need of someone to talk to, during these days of isolation, feel free to call the church office (570-494-1614), the parsonage (570-494-0398), or Pastor Chris's cell phone (814-876-0338) with requests or needs.

**FREE PIANO:** Irma Jean Woodis has a piano that she is giving away for free. It is a smaller, white piano. Anyone interested would be responsible for local pickup. Pickup would be arranged after social distancing measures have been lifted. If interested please contact her at (239) 425-5149.

## **WAYS TO CONTINUE OFFERING AND TITHES DURING OUR "DISCIPLINE OF SOCIAL DISTANCING":**

1. Mail a check through the Postal Service.
2. Go into your bank account on-line and make a payment to the church.
3. Go through your bank to set up an automatic withdrawal to be paid to the church.
4. We are not set up for PayPal. If you would like us to explore this option for you, send an email message to the church.

**AT HOME WORSHIP:** Resources are available on our website

<https://ballsmillsunc.weebly.com/> such as a power point of the sermon, the traditional weekly bulletin, a worship at home bulletin, and the power point with announcements. Soon we hope to be able to deliver these resources to those without internet access. Which brings me to the next announcement.

We would like to have available to those who are not able to access the internet, hard copies of all the things on our website like the traditional and worship at home bulletins, sermon, and whatever resources you need. We ask that you call the church office and leave a message as to your wants or needs. These will be delivered by mail or in person to you.

**DO YOU HAVE NEEDS?** The Missions Committee has developed a shopping and delivery service for groceries and medications for church members and surrounding community to help prevent exposure to Covid-19 virus. The CDC guidelines recommend seniors and individuals with underlying medical conditions to avoid social environments with a large number of people such as the grocery stores. If you or someone you know would like to participate, please call with the request to Marie Murphy at 570-971-4437 or Janice Stebbins at 570-419-8533. You may also email: mariemurphy575@gmail.com or jms2ponds@gmail.com. We are happy to help so please contact us!

**BULLETIN INFORMATION:** If you have information you would like in Sunday's bulletin, it needs to be submitted by Wednesday.

**FLOWER CHART:** The flower chart is up on the bulletin board in the hallway of the education wing. Please fill you name in a spot if you are interested in having flowers put in the church for a specific Sunday for any occasion.

**WORSHIP AND MUSIC MEETING:** The Worship and Music meeting scheduled for April 29<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled and will be rescheduled at a later date.