



## MY FATHER, MY GUIDING LIGHT

Dad, you're like the sun to me,  
a sure thing, always there,  
beaming light and warmth  
on my life.

Whatever is good in me today,

I owe to your wisdom,  
your patience,  
your strength, your love.

You taught me by example,  
as a role model,

how to be my own person,  
how to believe in myself,  
instructing me without  
controlling me.

Even when we disagreed,  
you held us together,

so our bond was never broken.

I understand what you  
did for me,

and I am so grateful  
that I have you

as my solid foundation, my rock.

I respect you, I admire you,  
I love you,

my guiding light, my father.

Joanna Fuchs

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# Evergreen News

June 2017

## Not Pastor Mick's Musings...

Worship. It is not about me and it is not limited to Sunday mornings. Worship is an expression of love for something. We are all wired to worship. As Christians, we believe that we were created to worship God. Why should we choose to worship God?

While I generally want to know the why for most anything, why may not be the best place to start when attempting to understand worship. We all want to understand why we do things. Why do I brush my teeth? Why do I have to eat vegetables? Why can't I have the last piece of cake? With worship, it starts before the why and rather it starts with Who. We are to worship God for who He is and what He has done.

Our God, the God of unfailing love, has chosen to save his created people. He is the initiator. We cannot do anything to gain God's favor, worship is not a way to get God to do what we want. Our God is different than other gods. Religions of the Old Testament times required gigantic temples, physical idols that required clothing along with extensive lists of sacrifices to appease and gain the idol's favor. When God chose the Hebrews to be His chosen people, He acts first. He delivers them from the Egyptians. It was only after He rescues them that he offers them covenant to be His people. This covenant laid out His expectations, including worship and later allows them to create a physical space for Him to dwell. This dwelling place was where the Israelites were to come and worship.

When Jesus comes onto the scene, He comes as Savior. He does not come because of something we have done, rather because He is love. "It is by grace you have been saved through faith...it is a gift of God – not the results of works (Ephesians 2:8 NSRV)." He came and made worship in the temple obsolete. "In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God (Ephesians 2:22 NSRV)." We have become the place for worship.

Worship begins with the appreciation for Who God is and What He has done for us. As we have become the place of worship, all that we do in our daily lives can be seen as either worship of God or something else.

Worship is already begun by God; His invitation is always available. Consider what God has done. Dwell on who He is. Consider the consequences if He had not acted on your behalf. Is there anything more deserving of your love, of your worship, of your life? We learn in John's gospel that Jesus came that we may have abundant life. You can define abundant in a lot of ways, but in choosing Jesus I think we can have our cake and eat it too.

for Him and you,  
Shawn



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Men's Bible Study 7 pm	2 Church Reserved 8 am - Noon	3 Church Reserved All Day
4 Early Service 8 am Sunday School DWGT 9:15 am Worship 10:30 am	5 WWW Bible Study 7 pm	6	7 Autumn Saints 10 am Youth 7 pm	8 Men's Bible Study 7 pm	9 Prayer Shawl Gathering 9:30 am	10
11 Early Service 8 am Sunday School DWGT 9:15 am Worship 10:30 am Church Reserved Sr. High Pool Party	12 WWW Bible Study 7 pm Tiny Timbers Board Mtg. 7 pm	13 Commissions 7 pm Board 8 pm	14 Autumn Saints 10 am Youth 7 pm	15 Men's Bible Study 7 pm	16 Jr High Mini Golf	17
18 Dad's Day Early Service 8 am Sunday School DWGT 9:15 am Worship 10:30 am	19 WWW Bible Study 7 pm	20	21 Autumn Saints 10 am Youth GAIN Service Project	22 Men's Bible Study 7 pm	23	24 Nurture Camping Event
25 Early Service 8 am Sunday School DWGT 9:15 am Worship 10:30 am	26 WWW Bible Study 7 pm	27 Deacon Mtg. 7 pm	28 Youth 7 pm	29 Men's Bible Study 7 pm	30	



### Anniversaries

6/1 - Charles & Tracy Drescher  
 6/10 - Lloyd & Jackie Hemperly  
 6/11 - Brad & Brenda Drawbaugh  
 6/13 - Gary & Dawn Dupler  
 6/14 - Clint & Julie Arndt  
 6/16 - George & Sarah Clugston  
 6/18 - Justin & Beth Mease  
 6/19 - Dan & Nila Grose  
 6/25 - Maurice & Kim Houser  
 6/27 - Chris & Nikki Metzler

### Birthdays

6/1 - Steve Ginder  
 6/2 - Ally Dupler  
 6/3 - Sophie Slater  
 6/5 - Chad Garber  
 6/9 - Jim Kolp  
 6/14 - Keagan Collman  
 6/15 - Chester Kile  
 6/20 - Marlin Hibshman  
 6/22 - Connie Brown-Miller  
 6/23 - Richard Dickason  
 6/24 - June Kolp  
 6/25 - Duane Martin, Nikki Metzler  
 6/29 - Beth Mease  
 6/30 - Barry Miller



### Congratulations to our graduates!

**Nicole Drawbaugh** graduated from Eastern University with a BSN. She will

be a full time RN at Lancaster Rehabilitation Hospital. Her favorite scripture verse is 2 Timothy 1:7 - *"For God did not give us a spirit of fear, but of power, love, and self discipline."*



**Nicole Drescher** plans to attend Pennsylvania College of Health Sciences to pursue a BSN degree in nursing. She is interested in working in an Intensive Care Unit. Before starting in August, she plans to enjoy herself at Creation, the beach, & competing in her final National & World Dance Competitions in July & August.



Some favorite scriptures: *"I will go before you and make the crooked places straight."* Isaiah 45:2 and *"She is clothed in strength and dignity and she laughs without fear of the future."* Proverbs 31:25. She would like to sincerely thank everyone for supporting her in her dancing, especially with multiple fundraisers. We have been blessed to have such an amazing church family.

**Scott Farmer** will be receiving his Master of Science in STEM Education from Lebanon Valley College.

## Camp Swatara

## Weekend

## August 11th - 13th

## See Linda Tripp

## to reserve a spot!

*Congratulations!*



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!!**

In about 2 months West Green Tree will be welcoming kids ages 3 years through 5th grade to learn more about how we are uniquely wired and wonderfully made. We need your help! Sign up to help out during the week, volunteer to provide snack or items for decorating, help decorate the week before VBS.

Items needed for decorating donations -

- Packs of 4 in and 6 in solid colored plates (primary colors)
- Vinyl Dryer Tube
- Primary Colored Latex Paint
- Large Cardboard Boxes
- Tubes (no toilet paper or paper towel tubes)
- Large Pieces of Poster Board (Primary Colors)
- Rolls of Corrugated (?) Cardboard
- Empty/Clean Soup Cans & Coffee Cans
- Tissue Paper (Primary Colors)
- Pool Noodles

Bring donations to Welcome Center Area in designated bin. If you have any questions please contact me!

Thanks!  
Allison Huber  
VBS Coordinator

**Upcoming Youth Events:**

- Sunday, June 11 - Senior High Pool Party
- Friday, June 16 - Junior High Mini Golf Event
- Wednesday, June 21 - GAiN Service Project
- Friday, July 7 - Senior High Outing
- Sunday, July 9 - Junior High Pool Party
- Monday, July 17 - Friday, July 21 - VBS Ministry
- Sunday, July 23 - Baptisms
- Sunday, August 20 - Youth Ministry Get Air Event



**Family Camp Out**

Join with other WGT Families here at the church Saturday, June 24th for a family camp out. Family-friendly movie at

dusk, breakfast & outdoor service Sunday morning. See any Nurture Commission member with questions.

**Tiny Timbers News**

The Tiny Timbers Board is pleased to announce that Andrea Famous will be the MWF AM & PM Teacher for the upcoming school year. Andrea has 10 years of experience working with children. She is currently a Preschool Teacher Assistant at E-town BIC. She is active in the community serving as secretary/treasurer of Willowood Swim Club and served as secretary of the E-town Mom's Club. We are excited to have Miss Andrea join the Tiny Timbers staff.



### June Servants

	June 4	June 11	June 18	June 25
<b>Scripture &amp; Sermon</b>	God's Master piece Ephesians 2:1-10 Pastor Mick	Citizens of Heaven Ephesians 2:11-22 Shawn O'Brien	Fearless Ephesians 3:1-13 Pastor Mick	More Than Conquerors Ephesians 3:14-21 Pastor Mick
<b>Pianist/Organist</b>	Ryan Arndt	Brenda Geib	Sylvia Weaver	Leslie Allen
<b>Special Music</b>	Glenn Weaver		Mixed Group	Ryan Arndt
<b>Chorister</b>	June Kolp	Regena Tripp	Glenn Weaver	Ryan Arndt
<b>Greeters 8 am</b>	Henry Harry & Ralph Daniels	Steve & Nel Bender	Shawn & Lisa Cannon	Jason & Holly Leonard
<b>Greeters 10:30 am</b>	Charles & Marilyn Keener	Helen Weber & Katherine Gebhard	Mel & Brenda Geib	Grace & Adrienne Fellenbaum
<b>Welcome Center 8 am</b>	June Kolp	Kathy Martin	Mary Jane McClenaghan	Mandy & Noelle O'Brien
<b>Welcome Center 10:30 am</b>		Don & Ruthie Hollinger	Todd & Lisa Shelly	Holly Leonard
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Julie Ramsey	Ralph Daniels	June Kolp	Kelsey Hollinger
<b>Ushers</b>	Youth	New Horizons SS Class	Faith Seekers SS Class	Sojourners SS Class
<b>Deacons/Anointing</b>	Jeff & Dori Schwanger	Marlin & Rose Hibshman	Matt & Heather Haverkamp	Jerry & Julie Ruhl
<b>Sound Room 8 am</b>	Jerry Huber & Zane Seitz	Jerry Huber & Zane Seitz	Jerry Huber & Nick Sieber	Jerry Huber & Justin Arndt
<b>Sound Room 10:30 am</b>	Duane Martin & Jason Leonard	Jeff & Shane Schwanger	Duane Martin & Jeff Schwanger	Duane Martin & Shane Schwanger
<b>8 am Nursery/Toddler</b>	Brenda Drawbaugh & Nicole Gordon	Scott & Christie Farmer	Linda Spickler & Hailey Tippet	
<b>10:30 am Nursery/Toddler</b>	Dane & Lauren Youtz	Jason & Holly Leonard	Gene & Betty Walmer	Jeff & Cody Schwanger

### April & May Stats

	April 23	April 30	May 7	May 14
<b>Total Worship</b>	149	168	500+	162
<b>Sunday School</b>	103	104	None	102
<b>General</b>	\$3,632.00	\$4,366.00	\$6,956.00	\$6,254.00
<b>Building</b>	\$560.00			\$620.00
<b>Deacon</b>				\$125.00
<b>Seminary</b>	\$500.00	\$280.00		\$200.00

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Our Purpose Statement  
*"We intentionally develop friends of  
Jesus Christ by sharing God's love  
through words and deeds."*

Sunday Service Times:

Contemporary Worship 8:00 am

Sunday School 9:15 am

Traditional Worship 10:30 am

Wednesday Service Times:

Jr. High Clubs @ 7:00 pm

Sr. High Clubs @ 7:00 pm