

FAITH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



MAY 2018

*And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.
Genesis 1:31*

The Color Scheme of Creation

The One who originally created beauty in nature accomplished much more than any human artist or architect could. The Creator made *from nothing* the paint, canvas, and stone with which He worked; and He also fashioned the manifold, interconnected natural laws that sustain this beauty!

Consider just one example of creation's beauty: the general color scheme. All sorts of factors are at play to give us our blue-and-green color scheme, which is both restful and coordinated. If we were surrounded by large amounts of red, for instance, it would raise our blood pressure and not be restful at all. However, neither earth nor sky is dominated by a red color. Instead, the earth is dominated by green and the sky is dominated by blue, both of which are restful colors. Indeed, if the world's top-rated interior designer were to judge the color scheme of creation, they would struggle to find any imperfections.

Moreover, it is also clever how God has made the color of the earth contrast with the sky. How strange it would be if both the earth and sky were green, or both the earth and sky were blue! This color scheme is no accident. When God designed chlorophyll for plants, He deliberately made it a green color so as to produce the right color scheme for creation. And when God designed air molecules, He deliberately made them scatter light so that the sky would be blue.

Another important design feature of green is that it is just the right background color for bright flowers. One of the reasons for the beauty of a field of flowers is not just the bright yellows, reds, and blues of the flowers but the fact that they contrast with the green background.

Yet another beautiful feature of the color scheme in creation is that blue is the most uncommon color for wildflowers, trees, and fruit. This gives the most beautiful effect because when blue dominates in the sky, it is best if it is the least common color on the ground.

When you consider the color scheme of creation, it is as if an expert in art has coordinated and planned the colors with great care and attention. The Bible says that God is perfect in knowledge ([Job 37:16](#)), so we should not be surprised that the elements and laws of nature work together to produce such a beautiful color scheme!

**SUNDAY
Fellowship**

10:30 am

Join us for coffee
and refreshments
in the
Fellowship Hall

**WORSHIP
SERVICE**

11:00 am



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“ We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers” 1 Thessalonians 1: 2

Thank you to **Vickie Warner** for washing the arcade windows.

Thank you to those who bring items for our weekly fellowship table.

Thank you to **William and Rick Houck** and **Calvin Woodward** for getting the copier to Calvin's trailer and thanks to Calvin for delivering to the landfill for recycle.

Thank you to **William and Robert Houck** for mowing the grounds and stepping in for Jim Bostian while he is out. Also for helping to overlook grounds during the week!

BINGO!

BINGO FUNDRAISER!

Saturday, MAY 12, 2018

Held at Lewistown Fire Company

Doors Open : 4:30pm

Games Starts : 6:00pm

CASH Bingo—Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Door prizes and King Tuts! Handbags for specials and raffles that are filled with great items. Bake Table items for sale and food items will be sold by the fire Company.

Always a wonderful opportunity to gather together for this fellowship and fun. Remember to wear your Faith T-Shirts!

Thank you to **Pat Harley** for filling in last minute to be our organist for our worship service April 22nd. We appreciate your thoughtfulness stepping in for Mary Francis Bostian.



We extend our sympathy to the family of Betty Cannon who passed away on April 18, 2018 . She was the mother of Pat Harley and Maris Cannon. A celebration of her life was held on April 24th here at Faith Church with Katie Penick officiating. She was confirmed here at Faith Church as child about 75 year ago! Thank you all who contributed food for her luncheon. She will be missed greatly.

Jim Bostian is still under doctors for a Baker's Cyst on his leg . He is home and we hope for him to recover quickly!



GREETER

Donald Shook /Jennifer Stull

ORGANIST /PIANO

Mary Frances Bostian

ACOLYTES

Kevin Sunday/Ashlee Sunday/Jim Bostian

USHERS

Jim Bostian / Doug Sunday

ALTAR GUILD

Jim & Mary Frances Bostian/Carole Houck

Weekly BULLETIN

Jennifer Stull

CHURCH TREASURERS

Jennifer Sunday / Shirley Bazan

Monthly NEWSLETTER & MAILING

Jennifer Stull

LABELS FOR HOFFMAN HOMES

Loberta Staley

HOMEWOOD Auxiliary Representative

Carole Houck / Loberta Staley

FELLOWSHIP MORNING

Jennifer Stull

CONSISTORY BOARD

Mary Catherine Martz, Carole Houck, Jim Bostian, Calvin Woodward, Jennifer Sunday, Jennifer Stull

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Carole Houck, Jim Bostian, Doug Sunday, William Houck

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Jim Bostian, Doug Sunday, Jennifer Stull



***The Beauty
of the
Springtime***

By ERMA GROVE

*Oh, the beauty of the springtime
Is a wonder to behold,
For its magic happens daily
When new life breaks forth from old.*

*Shrubs and grasses shimmer softly
As the sun-splashed lawns turn green;
Violets and snowdrops blossom
Just to brighten up the scene.*

*Golden daffodils sway gently
As they whisper to the breeze;
Pussy willows seem to beck on
To the robins in the trees.*

*Hyacinths and tulips glisten
Showing colors, pastel bright;
Like pure gold, forsythia bushes
Radiate a true delight.*

*Dogwood trees burst forth in splendor
To proclaim pink ecstasy.
There's a glory in creation
Both the eye and heart may see.*

*Walk on tiptoe midst such beauty
As the blossoms all unfold;
Oh, the beauty of the springtime
Is a wonder to behold.*





FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

TOM BAZAN

PATTY BLANK

BILLY BOWSER

RILEY BRANNAN

TRISH BRANNAN

CLARKE BURELL

Family of BETTY CANNON

BRYAN DINKLE

BRENDA DINKLE-WRIGHT

MARION DOUGHERTY

NORMA DRAPER

JOHN DREISONSTOK

ROGER FARBER

NOAH FINDLEY

BRADLEY FLOOK JR

ANGIE FORREST

DOT GLASSCOCK

BOB GOEDERT

EMILIE GOEDERT

JERRY GOEDERT JR

JERRY HAYES

LILLIE BELL HOBBS

ROBERT KALASKI SR

SARA KNIGHT

ANTHONY MAIN

MARY FRANCES MAIN

ROBERT MARSH

PEGGY MEEUWSEN

MARGARET PASLAWSKY

JERRY PENICK

DORIS PENROD

KATHY PETERS

MEHRL RAMSBURG

THELMA RAMSBURG

BOBBY REMSBERG

GARY SMITH JR

MELVIN SMITH

BARBARA SNOOTS

SANDY SPENCER

BOB STANLEY

LINDA TROPE

PATRICK VASOLD

BOB WARNER

CALLIE WATKINS

JOEL WILCOX

BILL WISSMAN

HEATHER ZIMMERMAN

To **ADD** or **REMOVE**
names to :

- Prayer List
- Newsletter Mailing
- Birthday/ Anniversary

Please contact Jennifer Stull
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Our In-Home Members

Margaret Sunday lives at home, visitors welcome —call first 301-304-0214.

Brenda Dinkle Wright lives at home, call to say hello or visit—call first 301-663-8341.

Fundraiser UPDATE!

Thank you to **ALL** who helped with the April 14th turkey supper! Thank you to **Jim and Mary Francis Bostian** for the hard work and time organizing this bi-annual event. All volunteers have been a blessing for our church! Thank you to **ALL** that helped set up the hall, Friday preparation day, the supper day of serving, dishes, cooking, cleaning up and Monday's final cleanup. And of course thank you to all the volunteers of oyster patters and donations of food items! It would not be a success without coming together as a church family! The bake table food items were delicious and sold great. It was a gorgeous day but we still served 269 and raised \$3038.75!



UTICA CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

The 71st Annual Business Meeting and memorial Service of the Utica Cemetery Assoc. will be held Sunday, May 27, 2018 at 2:00pm at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Utica. Rev Tim May, Pastor of Pleasant View Church of the Brethren will be our guest speaker. Special music will be provided by Harold Staley and Mary Frances Bostian will serve as organist. A strawberry and Ice cream social will follow. Everyone is cordially invited. This memorial day remember your loved ones, those who are presently serving in the military and the Veterans who fought for our freedom. Sincerely,
Mary Alice Grove
Sec. of Utica Cemetery Association.
301-662-6929 if questions.



MAY 1- BRENDA Dinkle WRIGHT
MAY 10 - WILLIAM HOUCK
MAY 20 - ALI WRIGHT
MAY 24 - FRANCIA STANLEY
MAY 27 - MARY C MARTZ
MAY 27 - LINDSEY STANLEY

Congratulations



Congratulations to Ali Wright! She entered a West Virginia University contest for designing the logo for their University t-shirts. She won the contest! The shirts will be sold at the university.



Congratulations to Sergeant Kyle Stull of US Marines as he was awarded a *Navy and Marine Corp Achievement Medal*. This is awarded to those who show outstanding and worthy recognition of service.



CONSISTORY MEETING

Monday

MAY 14 @ 7pm



Fall of Jerusalem

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