

Grace United Methodist Church
320 Felgar Road
Somerset, PA 15501
(814) 443-2906
August 16, 2026
Pastor Justin Judy

PRELUDE "Come Thou Fount" J.D. & Cindy Ross

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP *Gretchen Allen*

Leader: Family of God, we gather today to unite our voices and our lives in praise to God!

People: How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!

Leader: We gather to celebrate how God binds us together to live, work, play, and rest as the Body of Christ!

People: How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!

Leader: We gather to remember how God has worked through us to share Christ's love with one another and our neighbors through our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.

People: How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!

Leader: Family of God, today we come as diverse and unique members of the Body of Christ to learn and grow not in uniformity but in unity to love God, self, neighbor, and all creation.

People: How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!

Thanks be to God! Amen.

*PRAISE SONG "Mighty to Save"

*INVOCATION

Lord, you created each of us with differing strengths and weaknesses. Help us not only to use our strengths to assist others but also to allow others to use their strengths to meet our weaknesses. You have seen the parched places we have made in our lives, along with the devastation thrust upon us by the action or inaction of others. Meet us in the places of our deepest pain so that our facades of self-sufficiency might fall away, and we might be drawn into right relationship with you and one another. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"
"I Asked The Lord" J.D. & Cindy Ross

CHILDREN'S TIME

EXPRESSION OF NEED AND PRAISE

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY "Glory Be Magnified" J.D. & Cindy Ross

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" #277

SCRIPTURES Matthew 15:10-28 *Olivia Davis*

MESSAGE "Visible Face"

*CLOSING HYMN "I Love to Tell the Story" #156

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

****Those who are able, please stand***

GRACE UMC PRAYER CONCERNS:

Chuck Salay, Bill Stephens, Ray Tomsik, Joy Gresiek, Judith Henderson, Bruce and Jaye Holsopple, Pat Wickham, Dorothy Kolinsky, Richard Mostoller, Kristy Burkett, Darlene Roberts, Shirley Schlosser, Kendra Nist.



The altar flower vases have been given in Loving Memory of Neil Ankeny by Joan Ankeny.



Today's "Thinking of You" card will be sent to Martha Hemminger. The card is located in the narthex.

MISSION of the Month



UMCOR Relief Supply Kits

UMCOR
Cleaning Kit



UMCOR
Hygiene Kit



UMCOR/CWS
Menstrual
Hygiene Kit



The Mission of the Month for August will raise funds to purchase items to create UMCOR relief supply kits. Purchasing through UMCOR ensures the correct products at the best possible price. Once the items are purchased, assembly of the kits will be planned and advertised



Groceries from
GRACE

August

Cereal

Lysol Wipes

Canned Pasta

Mac N Cheese

Mashed Potatoes

Noodles

Ramen Noodles

Rice

Soup

Taco Kits

Tuna

Tuna Helper

Veggies

Shampoo/Conditioner

Paper Towels

Delivery Date : August 21



The Men of Grace will meet for Breakfast on September 5, 2026 at 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. All men are welcome. Please sign up in the Narthex so enough food will be prepared. This month's project will be constructing a Blackstone Grill for Mountain Craft Days.

The Somerset Historical Center



Mountain Craft Days

Mountain Craft Days are quickly approaching. Many different opportunities to help are available. In addition to manning the booth, we need help to prepare, set up and clean up. Check out the signups in the narthex to find your spot.

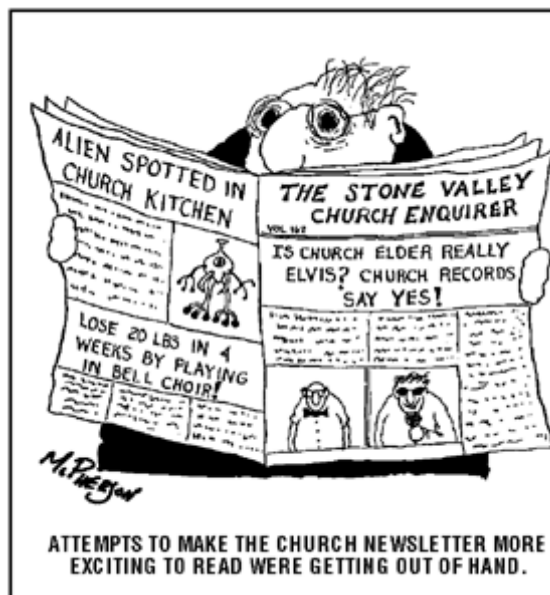
Proceeds to
benefit



Thank you to all who attended this morning's meeting. Watch the narthex for opportunities to help.



Bring your backpack, laptop, or other school supplies to the 10:30 service on **August 30, 2026** for our annual **Blessing of the Backpacks**. We will bless the supplies and pray for a safe and successful school year. All students are welcome!!!



Please turn anything you would like included in the September *Words of Grace* to Amy **ASAP**.



The Flight 93 Memorial Chorus was created to pay tribute to the heroes on the 10th Anniversary of that horrific day, 9/11/2001. The chorus sings patriotic music at special events throughout the area. This year, on September 11th, they will present a free concert at Grace UMC at 7 pm. The public is invited and a free will offering will be collected.



Terrace Lanes has a Church League on Tuesday nights at 6 pm. Each team consists of 5 members. If our church would like to participate, we need a representative to attend the league meeting on September 1, 2026 at 6 pm at Terrace Lanes. Questions should be directed to Althea at Terrace Lanes at 814-445-3539 or Linda Broadwater, League Treasurer at 814-521-3414.



To request the chain to pray, please call Amy during office hours (M-F 9am to 1pm) at the church office 814-443-2906 or send her a text at 814-233-5977 at any time.



**Choir Practice will resume
September 9, 2026 at 7 PM.
Everyone is welcome.**



August's
Challenge

Time for School Supplies!!!



Goal

450 Packs of Crayons, Colored Pencils, or Markers

2000 Pencils

450 Pencil Sharpeners

450 Erasers

Scissors-Kids size are good

Soft Sided or Small Notebooks