

The Chancel Flowers: In memory of Ray & Phyllis Stough, by Art Khalouf & Family.
And In Memory of Fran Comer, Shawn McGillis, Jason Franklin by Mike, Heather, Andrew & Owen Baker.

In the hospital and in our prayers as of Thursday, October 1st:
Redstone Murrysville Isobel Nelson
Brookdale Latrobe John Smith

Added to the prayer list as of 9/30: Linda B., Rick Burdelski, Andi Cartwright, Chuck Kovach, Dan Miller and for the safety and successful completion of all the Carpenter's Apprentice projects scheduled for the October work weekend.

Praise and Thanksgiving: Bill Martin' knee surgery, the birth of Archer Graham Schofield, along with all the Carpenter's Apprentice support workers and the persons being helped. Bless and Praise the Lord!

Our Service Personnel: Jeff Cmar, MSgt. Zachary Coleman, SFC James Davis, Dominic Duke, Vaughn Estepp, Sgt. Luke Frye, Sgt.GY, Sgt. Chris Keba, 2nd LT Andy Marlin, CDR Timothy Minor, Sr. Airman Zane Moore, Sgt. Noah Rady, Connor Ramage and Col. Brian Trumble

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WELCOME
We're glad you're here!



“Bringing the heart
of Jesus
to the heart of Irwin”

Morning Worship

October 4, 2026

8:15 & 10:30am

A warm welcome! The Lord calls all of us to a new way of living under His wonderful grace in our Savior. If you are our guest, it is a pleasure to have you worshipping with us. Please help us to get to know who you are by introducing yourself. Thank you.

PRELUDE There is A Balm in Gilead Martin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

M. We come from many places to worship here.

P. **We come without shame because of Jesus.**

M. We come to worship as one family.

P. **Due to Christ's finished work we come as children of God.**

M. We come to break bread, share in the cup, and meet our Lord.

P. **Remembering the suffering and death of Jesus, we come to renew our covenant in His name.**

***HYMN No. 561** We Gather Together

***NICENE CREED** (In unison)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

No. 623

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 53:1-6

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Debts and Debtors)

ANTHEM Table of Desire Chancel Choir

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** No. 624

***HYMN No. 385** Near the Cross

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 2:1-5

SERMON "Joy In Nothingness" Doug Rehberg

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

The Invitation

Prayer of Consecration

The Words of Institution

Distribution of Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

***HYMN No. 210** Jesus Paid It All

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE** No. 42

Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God And His righteousness, And all these things shall be added unto you - Allelu, alleluia!

Ask and it shall be given unto you, Seek and ye shall find, Knock and the door shall be opened unto you - Allelu, alleluia!

POSTLUDE Festivity on "Holy Manna" Wagner

***Those who are able may stand**

This Week's Activities

Sunday, October 4 World Communion Day

- **8:15AM** Worship Service, Communion
- **9:15AM** Jumpstart & Refresh
- **9:30AM** New Members Class
- **10:30AM** Worship Service, Communion, Kids Worship, Child Care
- **10:30AM** Confirmation Class
- **11:30AM** Cheapest Lunch hosted by Fellowship Committee
- **12:30PM** Confirmation Class "Meet Your Mentor" Day
- **6:30PM** Youth Fellowship (9-12th grades)

Monday, October 5

- **9:30AM** Counters
- **1:00 PM** Worship Committee Meeting
- **6:30PM** GriefShare

Tuesday, October 6

- **11:00AM** Staff Meeting
- **6:30PM** Boy & Cub Scouts
- **6:30PM** Working Women's Study Group

Wednesday, October 7

- **7:30AM** Norwin Men's Prayer Fellowship
- **10AM-11:30AM** Food Pantry Open
- **5:30PM** Children's Choir Practice
- **6:00PM** TOPS
- **6:00PM** Youth Club (K-5 & 6-8)
- **7:00PM** Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday, October 8

- **6:30PM** D-Team Meeting
- **7:00PM** Bell Choir Practice

Friday, October 9

- **10AM-11:30AM** Food Pantry Open
- **1:00PM** Knit-Wit(nesses) for the Lord

Saturday, October 10

- **9:00AM** Set up for Oktoberfest
- **4:00PM** Youth Hayride - Goodman Family Farms

Sunday, October 11

- **8:15AM** Worship Service
- **9:15AM** Jumpstart & Refresh
- **10:30AM** Worship Service, Kids Worship, Child Care, Reception of New Members
- **10:30AM** Confirmation Class
- **11:30AM** Oktoberfest - All Church Picnic
- **6:30PM** Youth Fellowship (9-12th grades)

Isaiah 53:1-6

- 1 Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?
- 2 For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him.
- 3 He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.
- 4 Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.
- 5 But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.
- 6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Philippians 2:1-5

- 1 So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy,
- 2 complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind.
- 3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.
- 4 Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.
- 5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus



World Communion Sunday gathers Christians worldwide as a powerful reminder of the global body of Christ and the unity found in shared worship. Join millions in this special observance, reflect on your faith, and connect with your community.

1.) **The METHODOLOGY** v. 3(a), "Do nothing from selfish ambition..."

2.) **The MOTIVE** v. 3(b), "Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit..."

3.) **The MODEL** v. 5, "Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus"

For your preparation: "Joy In Imitation"
Philippians 2:5-11



CALENDAR REMINDERS

Shoeboxes: distribution 10/18, due back 11/15

Angel Tree: tags out 11/15, due back 12/4

Norwin Light Up Night: brownie donations due 11/19

Irwin Cookie Tour: cookie donations due 12/4

Gingerbread House Baking Night: 11/5

Gingerbread House Set up Night: 12/3

Christmas Eve Services: Family Service 5pm, Traditional Service 7pm

More detailed information will be in upcoming bulletins & newsletters.

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OKTOBERFEST

★ ALL CHURCH FESTIVAL ★

OCTOBER 11TH 12:00PM *Sign up to help* 

\$5 FOOD TICKET
(MEAL, DRINKS, DESSERT)

make dessert,
setup, serving, clean up, etc....

*Join us to celebrate the blessings of the season
and our wonderful growing church family!*



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EXODUS 6:6-7

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followers of Yeshua —
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Pittsburgh and beyond.



**Join us on Thursday,
October 15th at 6:30pm
as we welcome speaker
Abraham Sandler II,
Congregational Leader**
to talk about his 2 month
ministry trip to Israel that was
extended to 5 due to the
conflict with Iran.



THE
CARPENTER'S
APPRENTICE

**SERVING CHRIST BY HELPING TO IMPROVE THE LIVING
CONDITIONS OF THOSE LESS FORTUNATE**

FALL FIX UP OCT. 16-18



What are some types of jobs I might be working on if I volunteer?

Repair or construction of:	Exterior/Interior painting
• Steps, Porch & Decks	Mobile home skirting
• Wheelchair Ramps	Weatherization
Safety improvements (grab bars, railings, etc.)	Landscaping

Other ways you can also support TCA:
Breakfast & Lunch are supplied to volunteers, you can donate items and/or help make bagged lunches & prep breakfast.

What types of photos can you upload to your profile in our church directory?

- ✓ Studio Photos
- ✓ Vacation Pic.
- ✓ Selfies
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Bring the device you use (phone, tablet, laptop)



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HONORING ALL WHO HAVE SERVED

VETERANS DAY LUNCH

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