



**Pastor Dee's Office Hours**  
*Week of April 15, 2018*  
*Hours available by appointment.*

*Believe*

## This Week's Schedule

<b>Sunday, 15</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>10:15 AM</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
Monday, 16	9:00 AM	May Newsletter deadline
Wednesday, 18	8:00 PM	AA Meeting
Thursday, 19	7:00 PM	Bible Study
Saturday, 21	3:00 PM	Models Club

## Upcoming Schedule

<b>Sunday, 22</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>10:15 AM</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
Wednesday, 25	8:00 PM	AA Meeting
Thursday, 26	7:00 PM	Bible Study

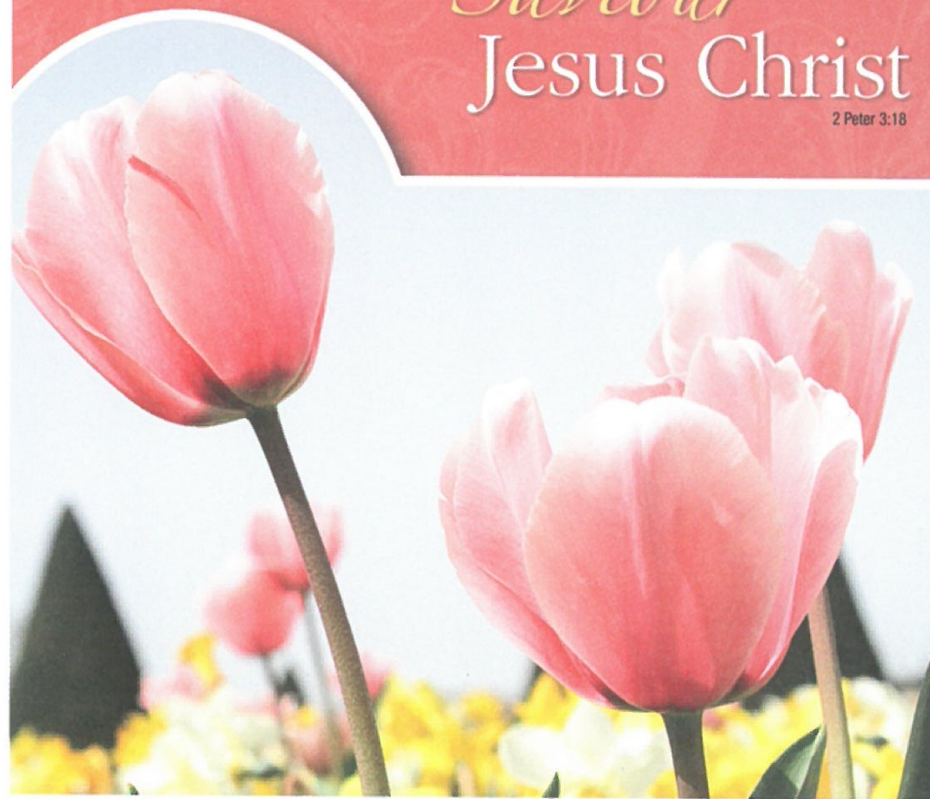
### **FINANCIAL SUMMARY, WEEK OF APRIL 8, 2018**

2018 Non-discretionary Budget:	\$ 62,761.00
2018 Total Budget Offering	\$ 3,866.00
Weekly giving required to meet this projection:	\$ 1,206.94
April 8 <sup>th</sup> budget offering:	\$ 458.00
On-Line offering for week:	\$ 55.00
Budget giving surplus (deficit) for the week:	\$ (693.94)
April 8 <sup>th</sup> Debt Reduction offering:	\$ 0.00
Budget surplus (deficit) after debt reduction:	\$ (693.94)

***We thank you for your continued support in helping us meet our budget and for your ongoing commitment to the work of Jesus Christ through Porter UMC!***

Grow in grace,  
 and in the  
*knowledge* of our *Lord*  
 and  
*Saviour*  
 Jesus Christ

2 Peter 3:18



### **Office Hours**

Monday – Thursday | 9:00 AM to 1 PM | Office (219) 926 - 1586  
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**Pastor Dee Miller**

# Porter United Methodist Church

Sunday, April 15, 2018

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**PRELUDE** *Anna Kalbe*

**CHIMES WITH BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF LOVE**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP** *Pastor Dee Miller*  
*Brief Announcements*

**POSITIVE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK (In Unison)** *Joyce Craig*  
" 'You are my witnesses,' declares the Lord, 'and my servant whom I have chosen, that you may know and believe Me and understand that I am He.' " **Isaiah 43:10**

**\*OPENING HYMN** *UMH #304*  
*"Easter People, Raise Your Voices"*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** *Joyce Craig*

L: We are witnesses,

**C: to the love God has poured into us.**

L: We are witnesses of God's love,

**C: sharing it with each person we meet.**

L: We are witnesses to everyone we encounter,

**ALL: little children like us, sisters and brothers in God's family.**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER (In Unison)** *Joyce Craig*

Emptier of tombs, we find ourselves running down the street after lies, rather than walking with You. We find it easy to love other people, as long as they don't annoy or bother us. We hunger for love and search for affirmation, yet find it difficult to let others love us for who we are. Forgive us, Compassionate Heart. You listen to the whispers of our hearts, and then sing of the promises of hope. You grace us with peace, so our hearts can rest in You. You continue to

transform us into Easter people, brothers and sisters of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. In His name we pray, Amen.

followed by "GLORIA PATRI"

*UMH #70*

**PASSING THE PEACE: "Meet & Greet"** *All*

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT** *Pastor Dee Miller*

*"An Open Mind"*

**RESPONSIVE READING** *Joyce Craig*  
Psalm 4 *UMH #741*

**RECEIVING JOYS AND CONCERNS** *Pastor Dee Miller*  
**PASTORAL PRAYER** followed by *The Lord's Prayer*

**WORSHIP OF GIVING: Tithes, Offerings & Gifts** *All*  
*"Above All" \*\**  
followed by *"The Doxology" \** *Screen*

**THE EPISTLE** *Joyce Craig*  
1 John 3:1 - 7

**SERMON: Luke 24:36b - 48** *Pastor Dee Miller*  
*"You Are Witnesses"*

**\*CLOSING HYMN** *UMH #571*  
*"Go, Make of All Disciples"*

*- Closing Words & Benediction -*

**CONGREGATIONAL BLESSING** *All*  
*"Grace, Love and Fellowship" \*\**

*\*Indicates **STANDING** if you are able.*

*\*\* Video Presentation*

# Prayer Requests

## Joys:

Thankful for the safe return of families back from vacation.

*Joyce Craig* is thankful for the church & its ministries.

Greek Easter celebrated last Sunday.

## Recent Prayer Requests:

*Jeannie Ellis* (Babe Poparad's sister) - fell & hit her head

Travel mercies for *Marcia Wood* while on vacation.

*Fern Duvall* - health needs

*Lila Hallberg* (Kim Allmon's mom) - angiogram study

*David Ellis* (Babe Poparad's nephew) - checkup on heart

*Elmer Mannen* - recovering from surgery at U of C

*Nancy Pacholke* (cousin of Kim's mom) - hospitalized

## Continue Prayers for:

*Brenda Brueckheimer* - continued prayers for healing

*Barbara* (Mary Cooper's mom) - in hospice

*Keenan Bush* - prayers as he trains with Marines

Judy Hoffman's son-in-law *Matthew* - undergoing chemo

*Rose Marcus, William Kuhns, Linnea Hokanson* - health

*Great Grandma Josephine* (Emily Nielson) - ill

## Pray for the family of:

† *Kenneth Clarke* (son of Pam Furdo's daughter's pastor) †

## Ministry Partners & Organizations

Frontline Organization; Duneland Medical Loan Closet;

Westchester Neighbors Food Pantry; Duneland Resale;

Westchester Meals;

VNA hospice; Royal Family Kids Camp,

Boy Scout Troop 928; True North Training Stables; Yost

# Announcements

## **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Altar flowers are given today by Will & Liz Scharp in celebration of Alice's birthday on 4/17 to benefit Vacation Bible School.

## **WESTCHESTER NEIGHBORS FOOD PANTRY**

We are continuing to collect canned fruit during the month of April for the food pantry. Please place your donations in the basket near the railing up front. As always, thank you for your donations!

## **CHILDREN'S MISSION: JACOB'S LADDER PEDIATRIC REHAB**

Our current children's quarterly mission outreach supports *Jacob's Ladder Pediatric Rehab*, a non-profit organization providing comprehensive therapy & care for special children and to provide support for their family. The money collected will go towards scholarships to cover the cost between insurance allowance for therapy and the amount of therapy that is actually needed.

## **OUR QUARTERLY MISSION: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Our very own VBS is this quarter's mission outreach. Vacation Bible School is a great outreach to children in preschool through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, both within our church and to those within the community. Leader resource materials, DVDs & CDs, children's learning materials and other items needed to help bring the theme to life (not to mention the food since we provide dinner each night) require money to help make a program as large as this a success.

## **NEXT VBS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING SET**

We've had great planning sessions for this year's Vacation Bible School, *Rolling River Rapids*. We still welcome volunteers to help with VBS and if this area of service interests you, **please join us at our next planning meeting on Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6 p.m.**

## **MOTHER'S DAY DINNER OUT IN PLANNING STAGES**

If you are interested in helping plan a night out event in May, please see Anna Kalbe.

## **UPDATES TO CHURCH DIRECTORY NEEDED!**

We are in the process of updating the directory, so please make sure to look over the directory on the clipboard. We would like updates & additions to email addresses so we can provide better communication with our members. A listing of birthdays/anniversaries have been added in the back, so make sure you check them for mistakes or omissions.