

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Church office hours are Monday through Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Announcements for the bulletin are due by Thursday at 5 p.m.
Small Groups meet various nights in homes and at the worship center.

MONDAY NIGHTS

Please participate in our weekly men's and women's gatherings at ALC **every Monday at 6:30 p.m.**

WEDNESDAY FAMILY NIGHT!

Join us every Wednesday for your mid-week spiritual refill! The worship service starts at 6:15 p.m. with praise & music followed by a mini sermon to get you through the rest of the week. There are classes for children grades 1 – 8 following the music portion of the service. Senior High students go to youth group after the praise & music.

YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE

Middle School (Grades 6-8) meets on Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
Senior High (Grades 9-12) meets on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

- † 7:10 – 7:30 a.m. Radio Program on WMBS 590 AM
- † 8:45 – 9:00 a.m. Refreshments & Fellowship in the lobby
- † 9:00 a.m. Worship service in the sanctuary
- † 9:00 & 10:45 a.m. ROOM 5 - NURSERY (ages 0 – 3)
- † 9:15 a.m. ROOM 6 – 1st & 2nd Grades
ROOM 7 – Preschool and Kindergarten
ROOM 9 – 3rd thru 5th Grades
ROOMS 8, 10 and 11 – Adult Sunday School Classes
- † 10:20 – 10:45 a.m. Refreshments & Fellowship in the lobby
- † 10:45 a.m. Worship service in the sanctuary
- † 11:00 a.m. ROOM 7 Preschool thru 1st Grade
ROOM 9 2nd thru 5th Grade

Watch us on **Cornerstone Network** Pittsburgh Faith & Family Channel WPCB DT 40.2 or **Atlantic Broadband Channel 119** on Saturday at 12:01 a.m., Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. and Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

WINTER WEATHER POLICY: Tues & Weds Youth Groups: When any two of the local school districts are closed, there will be NO evening youth group.

Small Groups: Each small group has its own policy. Please contact your small group leader regarding cancellation.

For Sunday Worship: We will have services unless the parking lot is impassable. Please use your own judgment and drive carefully!

Abundant Life Church exists to exalt Jesus (**worship**), to teach the Bible (**grow**), to share the gospel (**reach**), to love one another (**connect**), and to serve the Lord (**serve**).

Altars of Gratitude

"[Abram] built an altar there to the Lord, who had appeared to him."
— Genesis 12:7

Abram built an altar to God. What made him want to worship? God had taken a 75-year-old man out of his homeland and led him to a new country, making extravagant promises to him for his faith and obedience. There was no written revelation at the time, no covenant history, no people of God. Just a man and his faith. And a land of promise.

In a sense, this father of our faith is the prototype. We, too, have been called out of our homeland—this fallen world—and led to a new country—the kingdom of God. We, too, have been given extravagant promises for our faith and obedience. And though we have a written revelation to learn from and a history of God's people to inherit, it is all new for us. We enter into the kingdom with nothing but a call and a promise. We must proceed by faith.

So whenever God gives us a piece of land—any victory at any stage of our pilgrimage—we need to build an altar there. We need to worship each step of the way, for whatever He has given and whenever He has appeared. The privilege of the call and the guidance along the way are reason enough for an enormous amount of gratitude. God has called us not only to go to a new country, but also to be His. An altar of thanks is only appropriate.

Your life should be filled with such altars, monuments to the goodness of God for how He has called and where He has led. For every step toward the promise of the kingdom, we owe Him thanks. For every piece of the promised land we are allowed to stand on, we should be grateful. None of it is earned; all of it is grace. And we are allowed to participate in this plan by nothing but faith.

Abraham's faith opened the way to magnificent blessing. So does ours. Give thanks not just today, but every day. Build altars whenever you can. Worship God for the privilege of hearing His call.

Taken from Indeed on November 26, 2021

Quote of the Week

"No duty is more urgent than that of returning thanks." — Ambrose

Prayer Chain: 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Cindy Dawson Home: 724-564-5893 Cell: 724-208-5437
Email: prayerchain@myabundantlife.org

Announcements for the Week of November 28, 2021

COMMUNION WILL BE CELEBRATED NEXT SUNDAY, December 5th at 10:25 a.m. Please remain after the 9:00 a.m. service or arrive early for the 10:45 a.m. service so that we may share communion together as the body of Christ.

VARIOUS ITEMS FOR SALE TO HELP FAITH HARVEST GUATEMALA We are decluttering around the church. You can help by purchasing these items of \$1 each (or more if you wish). The proceeds from these items will benefit the missionary work of Faith Harvest Guatemala. Please stop by the library after the service today to make your selections.

WOMEN'S MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY will begin a new study of The Lord's Prayer this Monday, November 29th at 6:30 p.m. This three-week study takes an in depth look into the Lord's Prayer in Matthew 6:5-15 accompanied by supporting scripture. The cost of the study guide is \$10. Please sign up in the lobby or online.

SALVATION ARMY ANGEL TREE WITH CHILDREN GIFT TAGS is on the table in the lobby beside the Information booth. Please take a tag listing the clothing sizes and gift wishes of the children. The items on the gift tags are a "wish list". You are not expected to purchase everything on the list, and you are not expected to spend more than \$15-\$25. **PLEASE DELIVER the UNWRAPPED gifts with the ANGEL TREE TAG to our INFORMATION BOOTH at ALC OR TO THE customer service area of UNIONTOWN WAL-MART no later than SUNDAY, December 12th.**

GRIEFSHARE will be held Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. beginning December 1st, 2021. This Christ-centered, biblically based ministry helps those who are going through the grief which comes from the loss of a loved one. For more information call the church office at 724-425-9700.

BAPTISM will be held on Sunday, December 12th at 10:25 a.m. If you would like to be baptized, please sign up in the lobby or online.

CHRISTMAS WITH THE CHOSEN-"THE MESSENGERS" MOVIE ALC will be hosting this special movie event on Wednesday, December 15th at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are required to attend this event and can be purchased online by visiting <https://faithcontentnetwork.brushfire.com/thechosen/521844>.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS – Please sign up in the lobby to order one of the Red Poinsettias which decorate the stage. You may take them home or to a friend after the Christmas Eve Service. The cost is \$9 per plant. Please make checks payable to Abundant Life Church with "flowers" or "poinsettia" on the memo line and then place them in the offering box before 12/24/21.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE – will be held on **Friday, December 24th at 7:30 p.m.** There will be **NO** childcare during the service; however, parents with small children may watch the service on the TV in the lobby.