

Abundant Life Church • 1239 Brownfield Rd • Uniontown, PA • 724-425-9700

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.
Men's & Women's Bible Studies meet Monday nights at 6:30 p.m.
Midweek Worship service Wednesday evenings at 6:15 p.m.

Sunday at Abundant Life Church

- † **7:10 - 7:30 a.m.** Radio Program on WMBS 590 AM
- † **8:45 - 9:00 a.m.** Refreshments & Fellowship in the Lobby
- † **8:50 & 10:35 a.m.** Rooms 12/13
Drop off Pre-K thru 5th grade for Kid's Church
- † **9:00 a.m.** Worship service in the Sanctuary

- † **9:00 & 10:45 a.m.** ROOM 6 - Nursery (ages 0 - 3)
ROOM 7 - Pre-K to K (Only 9:00 a.m.)
ROOMS 12 & 13 - 1st thru 5th Grades
ROOM 10 - JR High (grades 6-8) begins after the hymns

- † **9:30 a.m.** ROOMS 8 & 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

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.

The Keys to Survival

It's no surprise that Satan targets our relationships with others and with God. If Satan can cultivate discord and disunity in the church, and if Satan can get our eyes off of Jesus and onto rules, principles, and hair-splitting doctrines, he can open up an opportunity for deception. If he can get our hearts out of sync with our church family and the Spirit of Christ, he can set foot on the battleground with optimism.

Never fall for any deception that will move your eyes off of Jesus and keep you from attending church on Sunday. Both are essential to a healthy spiritual life, and both are keys to the mission of God. To be effective for Jesus, we have to be effective with Jesus and with our church family.

The above paragraphs are taken from the Indeed daily reading for 8/24/2022.

Prayer Chain: 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
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C H U R C H

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).

Sacrifice and Friendship

"I have called you friends." –John 15:15

We will never know the joy of self-sacrifice until we surrender in every detail of our lives. Yet self-surrender is the most difficult thing for us to do. We make it conditional by saying, "I'll surrender if...!" Or we approach it by saying, "I suppose I have to devote my life to God." We will never find the joy of self-sacrifice in either of these ways.

But as soon as we do totally surrender, abandoning ourselves to Jesus, the Holy Spirit gives us a taste of His joy. The ultimate goal of self-sacrifice is to lay down our lives for our Friend (see John 15:13-14). When the Holy Spirit comes into our lives, our greatest desire is to lay down our lives for Jesus. Yet the thought of self-sacrifice never even crosses our minds, because sacrifice is the Holy Spirit's ultimate expression of love.

Our Lord is our example of a life of self-sacrifice, and He perfectly exemplified Psalm 40:8, "I delight to do Your will, O my God..." He endured tremendous personal sacrifice, yet with overflowing joy. Have I ever yielded myself in absolute submission to Jesus Christ? If He is not the One to whom I am looking for direction and guidance, then there is no benefit in my sacrifice. But when my sacrifice is made with my eyes focused on Him, slowly but surely His molding influence becomes evident in my life (see Hebrews 12:1-2).

Beware of letting your natural desires hinder your walk in love before God. One of the cruelest ways to kill natural love is through the rejection that results from having built the love on natural desires. But the one true desire of a saint is the Lord Jesus. Love for God is not something sentimental or emotional—for a saint to love as God loves is the most practical thing imaginable.

"I have called you friends..." Our friendship with Jesus is based on the new life He created in us, which has no resemblance or attraction to our old life but only to the life of God. It is a life that is completely humble, pure, and devoted to God.

The above article is from the My Utmost for His Highest daily reading for August 25th.

Quote of the Week

"The Holy Spirit has promised to lead us step by step into the fullness of truth." –Leon Joseph Suenens

Announcements for the Week of August 28, 2022

NEW MONDAY NIGHT MEN'S & WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY BEGINNING TOMORROW, MONDAY, AUGUST 29TH - Amen is a 6 Week Study of The Story of Scripture from Eden to Eternity. Do you struggle to connect the dots between the Old and New Testament? Are you wanting to learn how each book of the Bible points to Jesus? Scripture tells one, big, cohesive story and this study will help you discover it. This study is perfect for couples or singles. **Childcare is available.** To learn more and/or to sign up online, please go to Signups in the church app, or our website, www.myabundantlife.org, or you can sign up at the Information Room.

CHRISTIANITY 101 - "Discovering Church Membership" - will be held on **Thursday, September 15th at 6:15 p.m.** This class is required if you wish to become a member of ALC. However, if you attend the class, you are not required to become a member. Please sign up online or in the lobby if you plan to attend.

SIGHT & SOUND THEATRE TRIP - 5 TICKETS AVAILABLE! - The Monday Night Women's Bible Study Group is organizing a trip to see David at Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster on Saturday, September 17th, *and we are inviting the ladies of ALC to join us!* We will be carpooling. The cost of the ticket to the show is \$80 per person. We also ask that you help cover the cost of gas and tolls for the carpool drivers. If you would like to attend and/or help drive, please call or email Kim at 724-425-9700 or kim.rhodes@myabundantlife.org.

ASPIRE GIRLS' NIGHT - 1 Bible Teacher - 1 Comedian - 1 Musician is Friday, September 23 from 7-10 p.m. at Community Church in Irwin. You'll laugh, you'll learn, you'll worship, and you'll leave refilled! Admission is \$20 per person. Please sign up in the lobby so that we know how many tickets to purchase. Don't forget to invite your female family and friends!

Save The Date

"When God Judges a Nation" Conference

On October 7th - 9th, 2022 at Abundant Life Church Gene Cunningham (a Bible teacher, Bible scholar, author, missionary, and pastor) will present "When God Judges a Nation" drawn from Habakkuk 1:3.

"Why do you show me iniquity and cause me to see trouble? For plundering and violence are before me, there is strife and contention arises." -Habakkuk 1:3

Visit www.myabundantlife.org/btbm/ for more information and to register online.