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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 our weekly worship services 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.

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

Grades 6-12 meet on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

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

ABUNDANT LIFE
CHURCH

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**).

The Offensive Gospel

"The only reason they do this is to avoid being persecuted for the cross of Christ."—Galatians 6:12

The desire to avoid persecution is one of the most natural and understandable desires we have. We can be thankful that we don't live under the emperor Nero, who enjoyed tormenting Christians. But we do often feel pressure to keep our faith private and inoffensive. If we can dress it up as time-honored tradition or a preference among many other options, we can live comfortably in a politically correct world. But Christianity has never been about living comfortably, has it?

No, the Christian faith is about living for the glory of God in Christ, regardless of the consequences. That's the only way the world can see the difference between Jesus and religion. For some, the world's understanding comes at too great a cost; for others, there's no cost too great.

Our enemy doesn't mind Christianity when there's no cross in it. He inspires a world that places expectations on us to modify our faith to make it as palatable as possible. But Jesus said He would be a stumbling block; we have no right to compromise Him. We should remove all offensiveness from ourselves, but if we take the offensiveness out of the gospel, we don't have the gospel.

The enemy's tactics are subtle. He tries to water down the truth. He tempts us to love Christianity rather than Christ. He turns us against one another over details so we will divide over basics. And when it comes to pressure, he hopes we will not cling to our love. Satan loves a conformist to anything other than the image of Christ.

Don't conform to anything or anyone but Jesus. Don't cross the line from being a Christian in the world to being a Christian of the world. Ask yourself daily: who do I love most? Invest your love in Jesus, then follow it zealously. Even when it costs.

The above article is from the Indeed daily reading for October 10, 2022.

Quote of the Week

"Persecution for righteousness' sake is what every child of God must expect."—Charles Simeon

Announcements for the Week of October 16, 2022

WOMEN'S MONDAY NIGHT & TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY GROUPS will not be meeting for the next two weeks. **Our next study will be on the book of Habakkuk and will begin the week of October 31st.** The cost of the workbook is $10. Please sign up in the lobby or online.

NEW SMALL GROUP - Marriage on the Rock **This eight-week Monday evening small group study begins on Monday, October 17th from 6:30pm to 8pm.** Marriage doesn't have to be full of frustration and disappointment. Leading marriage authority Jimmy Evans discusses practical real-life challenges and offers easy to understand solutions even if you are the only one willing to work on your marriage relationship. Even if you are not having marital problems, this is a Bible study which will strengthen your relationship with your spouse. **Sign up online or in the lobby.**

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE LOBBY – It seems early to think about Christmas; but, for children from all over the world to receive by Christmas what may be their only gift, the time is now! Please take a shoebox and brochure from the table by the cafe. Plastic shoe boxes that can be reused in their homes are recommended as well. Enclose a check for, or donate online via debit/credit card, $10 or more to help with shipping and other expenses. **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16th is the deadline to bring in your shoeboxes.**

ANNUAL HAYRIDE Our annual hayride is this **Wednesday, October 19th from 6-9 pm**. There will be fun for the whole family! The activities planned are: Chili & Soup cook-off, games & crafts, fall themed photo booth, and hayrides. Please sign up: if you plan to attend; if you can volunteer with setting up, cleaning up, games, crafts, hayride, or can bring a dessert; and/or if you want to enter the Chili & Soup Cook-off. Online signups can be found at myabundantlife.org/signups/ or under Signups in the Church Center app.

PRAYER WALK FOR UNIONTOWN will be held on Saturday, October 27th beginning at City Hall at 8:00 a.m. when we will be splitting into groups to cover areas of Uniontown with prayer. ALC will be prayer walking in the South Mt. Vernon Ave. area. Please see today's bulletin insert for more information.

MEN'S LUNCH will be held **Saturday, October 29th at** 11:30 a.m. This is a terrific opportunity for men to connect, laugh, talk, and grow in their faith! Please sign up in the lobby or online if you plan to attend.

ALC WOMEN'S FALL LUNCHEON **will be held Saturday, November 5th from 11:00 am – 1:00 p.m. at the Uniontown Country Club**. Ladies, you are invited to join us for a time of good food, fellowship, and a devotion. We are also collecting new and gently used coats, hats, scarves, and warm socks at the luncheon that will be donated to the women's shelter. The menu consists of soup, a salad bar, sandwiches, and dessert. Cost per person is $15. Deadline to sign up is Saturday, October 29th. Please sign up online or in the lobby.