

# 2nd Ave UMC Scroll

MAY 2022

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## Pastor's Letter

Church, what a great journey 2022 is shaping up to be. I cannot thank you enough for your prayers, gifts, encouragement, service, love for the Lord, and love for each other. I want you to know that truly you are making a difference, and I'm so grateful to be your pastor in this journey. As we begin May 2022 I have a question to ask you: who are you? As some of you read that I'm sure many answers come quickly to mind: you are an employee of a company or organization, a member of your family, a parent, a spouse, a student, a son or daughter, retired, and I'm sure the list can go on and on as you answer that question. I'm sure as others saw the question: their answers did not come to them as quickly, because many times in life we find ourselves in transition, leaving a relationship, saying goodbye to a loved one that has passed away, starting over, and uprooting to go where God has called us to go.

During the month of May it is my prayer that it becomes more clear who you are in God's eyes and who we are as a church located on the corner of Second St. and Second Ave. This will be a powerful time of exploration, growth, discovery, invitation, and more. My prayer for you as you come to worship each Sunday, serve during the week, fellowship with your fellow brothers and sisters, and seek to grow in your discipleship journey is that you are open to where God is leading and obedient to follow Him. Our sermon series will focus on our identity of being Christ centered, Holy Spirit empowered people. It is in that identity that we can boldly worship, serve joyfully, and fellowship always. Spiritual growth and discipleship happens in all three of those areas of our life together. Be ready, Church, for God to move.

Blessings,  
Pastor B

## Mother's Day

Everyone is welcome to join us on Sunday, May 8th, between services (9:15-10:30) as we celebrate and honor all the "moms" in our lives—we will have pastries (individually wrapped) and drinks in the Elevation Room.

## Graduation Announcements

If you have a 2022 high school or college graduate you'd like to acknowledge in our June Scroll newsletter and here at church, please have their name, where they are graduating from, any future plans they'd like to share and a picture, to me via email if possible, no later than May 13th.

## Memorial Day

The church office will be closed Friday, May 27th & Monday, May 30th; calls after 1:30 on 5/26 and emails after 3:30, will be returned Tues. 5/31.

*A special thank you to our church staff, individuals who prepared the Easter breakfast, individuals who helped lead and bless the congregation in music, and many more who helped make Holy Week 2022 one of our best yet.*

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*Save the Dates!*

*VBS*

*July 18-22*

*Rise Up Camp*

*July 25-29*

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*Soup & Sandwich Lunch*  
*3rd Saturday each month*  
*11:30 AM-1 PM (5/21)*

*Food Pantry*  
*5/27 11 AM until out*

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*Fellowship Dinner:*

*Sunday, May 15th @*  
*Hoss's in Altoona 5*  
*PM—please sign up!*

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*Ad Council and Trustees*  
*will be meeting on*  
*Tuesday May 3rd if you'd*  
*like to attend either*  
*meeting (attendees get a*  
*voice but no vote), only*  
*members get a voice and*  
*vote, you are welcome to*  
*attend. Trustees begin at*  
*6. Ad Council begins at 7.*

May Counters:  
Roger Morgan  
Marian Rice

### Treasurer's Report

Balance end of FEB: \$11,989.06  
 Total Receipts for MARCH:  
 \$26,932.38  
 Total Disbursements for  
 MARCH: \$28,046.36  
 Balance end of MARCH:  
 \$10,875.08

### Gift Cards

MARCH Gift Card Profit: \$27.50  
 2022 Year to Date Profit: \$102.50

### 20/20 Giving Report

#### MARCH:

Received \$1387.72  
 Fundraiser \$118.55  
 2022 Year to Date \$4056.27  
 To Missions \$211.54  
 To Trustees \$1294.73  
 TOTAL Received to Date:  
 \$686,446.21

#### *Giving Options:*

Mail in to: 130 2nd Ave,  
 Altoona PA 16602  
 You may also visit our website  
 2ndaveumc.org and click on "Give"

#### *Staff:*

Lead Pastor: Brian Sandell  
 Office Manager/Media: Jill Lang  
 Children's Ministry/ROCK:  
 Ashley Harclerode  
 Organist: Anastazia Hall  
 Praise Band: Jake Baskin,  
 Chris Ferguson  
 Choir & Bells: Gabriella Petracra  
 Custodian: Tom Ardrey  
 Website: Andrew McNeal

In Office Hours M-Th  
 7:30 AM – 1:30 PM  
 Available by email M-F until 3:30 PM  
 Sunday Services:  
 8:15 AM Traditional  
 10:45 AM Contemporary  
 9:30 AM Sunday School

## 2nd Ave Kids

Thank you so much to everyone who donated, volunteered, and participated in our Easter Egg Hunt. We had a great turn out and the kids had a great time. Thank you all so much!

Vacation Bible School will be here before we know it. Please stay tuned for sign up forms and more information. In the meantime, if you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to me.

If you are interested in volunteering your time for Sunday School, the nursery, or with Junior Church, please reach out to me at [ashleymiller1228@gmail.com](mailto:ashleymiller1228@gmail.com). Please continue to watch the Second Ave Kids Facebook Page, as well as the church emails and Second Ave UMC Facebook page for details as things are continually changing.

-Ashley Harclerode

## Nursery Schedule

*The nursery is staffed during our 10:45 AM service with volunteers who have had clearances and Safe Sanctuary training and is available for ages newborn-age 3.*

5/1 Nic Harclerode/Jenn Schultz | 5/8 Jenny Karlheim/Tamara Kruis  
 5/15 Raelyn Kruis/ Jody Langguth | 5/22 Ashley Harclerode/Ashley Wombacher  
 5/29 Rob Miller/ Cassie Sweeney

## The ROCK

The end of year Summer Bash is in just a few days! This year we plan on getting Brainfreezers again! The children had a great time with this and are excited for them to come back. If you are able to donate to this, we would greatly appreciate it, please make sure to specify that it is for the ROCK Summer Bash. It is hard to believe that ROCK will be over in just a few short weeks. Please be on the lookout for some summer activities and information on when the ROCK will be starting for the 2022-2023 school year. We greatly appreciate everyone's help with the ROCK. We wouldn't be able to do it without all of you. We are still in need of volunteers to be able to serve. If you have any interest, please reach out to me at [ashleymiller1228@gmail.com](mailto:ashleymiller1228@gmail.com). We encourage families to join us on Facebook/ @TheROCKat2ndAve. We will also be holding a Marianna's fundraiser to help raise extra funding for the 2022-23 program; this begins on Sunday, April 24th—orders with payment due by May 10th and can be placed here at 2nd Ave!

-Ashley Harclerode, ROCK Director

## Birthdays & Anniversaries



*\*please let us know of any additions or changes to be made\**



5/8	Jane White	5/19	Tiffany Stuckey
5/9	Anna Mae Dobson	5/19	Dominic Tyack
5/10	Cindy Lamb	5/23	Rachel Teeter
5/11	Christine Hopkins	5/24	Dawn Bonghi
5/14	Jackie Ross	5/25	Debbie Utesch
5/18	Jean Tyack	5/27	Rick Strasser

### May Anniversaries

26th Tammy & Tom Cooney  
 28th Sharon & Randy Lang  
 29th Lori & Dean Liebegott  
 31st JoEllen & Don Delozier