

A Global
Methodist Church

SNYDER'S CHURCH

1724 New Bloomfield Road - New Bloomfield, Pennsylvania 17068-8038

717-582-7856 E-mail: SnydersChurchOffice@gmail.com

WWW.SnydersChurchNB.ORG

*"To make disciples of Jesus Christ who
Worship passionately, Love extravagantly,
and Witness boldly"*

The Bible: IS The Word Of God – Jesus: IS The Only Way To Salvation
Prayer: IS Essential – Evangelism: IS Our Mission

July – August 2026

**Stop shopping for the perfect church
Get plugged into Snyder's Church that is
Worshipping a perfect God.
We Guarantee to be full of imperfect
People that need as much grace as you do!**

- Paula Stiffler, Member

Bill Pipp, Pastor
142 Emerson Drive, Carlisle, PA 17015-9185
Phone: 717-579-5306 717-350-2287

Jeff Brewster, Assistant Pastor
647 Newport Road, Duncannon, PA 17020
Phone: 717-834-9712

Sufferings for Independence

Fifty-six men signed the Declaration of Independence. Their conviction resulted in untold sufferings for themselves and their families. Of the 56 men, five were captured by the British and tortured before they died. Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned. Two lost their sons in the Revolutionary Army. Another had two sons captured. Nine of the fifty-six fought and died from wounds or hardships of the war. Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and

trader, saw his ships sunk by the British navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts and died in poverty.

At the battle of Yorktown, the British General Cornwallis had taken over Thomas Nelson's home for his headquarters. Nelson quietly ordered General George Washington to open fire on the Nelson home. The home was destroyed and Nelson died bankrupt. John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their thirteen children fled for their lives. His fields and mill were destroyed. For over a year, he lived in forests and caves, returning home only to find his wife dead and his children vanished. A few weeks later, he died from exhaustion.

Such were the sacrifices of the founding fathers. There are no movements that have shaped the world where sacrifice was not called upon. And of course in the church we have all our grace predicated on a sacrifice and it didn't stop at the cross. Jesus told his disciples that they too would need to take up the cross. And that's what they did:

- Matthew suffered martyrdom by being slain with a sword at a distant city of Ethiopia.
- Mark expired at Alexandria, after being cruelly dragged through the streets of that city.
- Luke was hanged upon an olive tree in the classic land of Greece.
- John was put in a cauldron of boiling oil, but escaped death in a miraculous manner, and was afterward banished to Patmos.
- Peter was crucified at Rome with his head downward.
- James, the Greater, was beheaded at Jerusalem.
- James, the Less, was thrown from a lofty pinnacle of the temple, and then beaten to death with a fuller's club.
- Bartholomew was flayed alive.
- Andrew was bound to a cross, whence he preached to his persecutors until he died.
- Thomas was run through the body with a lance at Coromandel in the East Indies.
- Jude was shot to death with arrows.
- Matthais was first stoned and then beheaded.
- Barnabas of the Gentiles was stoned to death at Salonica.
- Paul, after various tortures and persecutions, was at length beheaded at Rome by the Emperor Nero.

Newsletter Info July\Aug 2026

From: SNYDERS CHURCH (snyderschurchoffice@gmail.com)

To: revpippy@aol.com; snyderschurchoffice@gmail.com; ljipp@aol.com

Date: Friday, June 19, 2026 at 11:10 PM EDT

DUNCANNON COUNCIL OF CHURCHES CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 4th National Night Out in Noye Park in Duncannon. There will be games and prizes.

October 11th CROP Walk

November 24th Community Thanksgiving Service

December 13th Christmas Carols with Dan Stokes

COUNCIL MEETING & COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Admin Council Meeting is Sun. Sept. 13th at 8:00 am in the Adult Classroom. **All Committee Reports are due to Lisa by Sun. Sept. 6th** to be included in the packet for the meeting.

--
Blessings,
Lisa Stuck
Church Secretary

STAMP COLLECTING

Collect your used/canceled stamps off all of your mail. Snyder's Church will be supporting Alliance Stamp Ministry. Carefully trim the stamps leaving a border around the stamps of 1/4 " to 1/3". Place the stamps in a plastic bag. Do not use paper clips, rubber bands or even saran wrap around the stamps. Place the bag of cut out stamps in the box on the glass case. Bev will see that these stamps get to Florida where they will be sorted and sold. The income generated from this ministry goes to support ministry material in South America, Central America and even the USA. Thank You for your support!

SHOPPING SUPPORTS OUR YOUTH

If you shop at Karn's you can buy Gift Cards and a percentage of the money stays at our church to support our Youth Program! Just see Sherry Duncan if you would like to purchase any of these cards. They come in different increments such as: \$25/\$50/\$100 and they are delivered the first Sunday of the month.

SODATABS

Save your soda tabs off the aluminum cans for the Ronald McDonald's House. Just deposit them in the orange plastic container in the Narthex.

USED EYE GLASSES COLLECTED

The Ickesburg Lions Club project is on-going, and you can bring those used eyeglasses and place them in the box provided in the Narthex.

Tending to Christ

I cannot help but think of an old story told about Mother Teresa of Calcutta. She was asked how it was that she could continue to tend the sickest and most wretched of the poor in the slums of Calcutta, India. Mother Teresa said that as she looked at each person for whom she was caring she tried to imagine that she was tending the Lord Jesus' wounded body – His nail-scarred hands, feet, and side. And so it was that in each act of caring, the Kingdom of God embraced and even reached out through Mother Teresa as she welcomed Christ in her neighbor and as she embraced the neighbor as if that person were the Lord Himself! God remembers each act of hospitality.

Samuel Zumwalt, Welcoming Christ

Passing It On

Now That We've Gathered

Welcome to the weekly devotional for the
Northeast Conference of the Global Methodist Church.

Focus Scripture: *"Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth."* Psalm 78:1

From Pastor Steve

Last week, in Williamsport, PA, the Northeast Conference gathered for our second session of Annual Conference. Whether you joined in online, in-person, or will catch the recording later, please be praying for a move of the Holy Spirit in our region.

Our verse for today and from our Annual Conference is from Psalm 78. Here's some truth:

Before God calls His people to go, He first calls them to listen.

That may seem obvious, but it is surprisingly difficult. We live in a world filled with so much noise. News feeds. Notifications. Opinions. Deadlines. Responsibilities. Even ministry can become noisy. We spend so much time doing things *for* God that we forget how to be *with* God.

Yet Psalm 78 begins with a simple invitation: *"Give ear."* Listen. The psalmist does not begin by talking about programs, strategies, or even mission. He begins with the posture of the heart. Before God's people can pass on the faith, they must first receive it again for themselves.

This is one of the great challenges facing every generation of believers. It is possible to know the mission and still miss the voice of the One who gave it. It is possible to lead, serve, teach, and organize while quietly drifting from the presence of God.

The Hebrew understanding of listening goes far beyond hearing words. To listen is to receive, to respond, and ultimately to obey. In Scripture, listening always has movement attached to it. We have not truly heard God until our lives begin to change.

As we gathered for the Northeast Annual Conference and now are sent out in mission, perhaps the greatest gift God wants to give us is not another task to accomplish, but a renewed attentiveness to His voice.

"The question is not whether God is speaking;

the question is whether we are listening."

Before we engage our churches...our communities...the mission...we must engage our hearts with God. The good news is that God still speaks. He speaks through His Word. He speaks through His Spirit. He speaks through prayer. He speaks through the gathered body of Christ. The question is not whether God is speaking; the question is whether we are listening.

As John Wesley once wrote, *"God does nothing but in answer to prayer."* Perhaps the most important preparation for the ministry of the church after our Annual Conference week is not filling our calendars or reviewing our agendas. I doubt it's voting on legislation or even ordaining clergy. Perhaps it's simply finding a quiet place and praying: *"Speak, Lord. Your servant is listening."*

Reflection Questions

1. What voices have been competing for your attention recently?
2. Where have you sensed God trying to get your attention?
3. What would it look like for you to create space to truly listen this week?

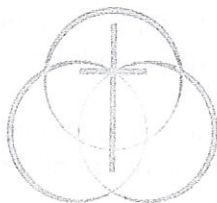
Prayer

Lord, before I rush into activity, help me slow down and listen. Quiet the noise around me and the noise within me. Open my ears to Your Word and my heart to Your Spirit. As I gather with Your people wherever I am this week, help me hear Your voice clearly and respond with faith and obedience. Speak, Lord. Your servant is listening. Amen.

Final Thought

Before God says, "Go." He first says, "Listen."

Blessings,
Steve



Rev. Steven M. Taylor
Conference Superintendent
Northeast Annual Conference
Global Methodist Church
<https://northeastgmc.org>

☎ (716) 560-5226

✉ staylor@northeastgmc.org