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February 5, 2017

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany Sunday

February Memory Verse – Matthew 6:12

“and forgive us of our sins as we forgive those who have sinned against us.”

WORSHIP HOST 8:15 – Chris Ghrist

10:45 – Peggy Kooser

GATHERING & WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

L: The Peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Please pass the Peace of Christ to your neighbor.

MOMENTS OF INFORMALITY

THE MISSION AND MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

MUSIC OF PREPARATION “Be Still and Know”

***CALL TO WORSHIP No. 833**

Psalm 112:1-6

L: Praise the Lord. Blessed are those who fear the Lord, who greatly delight in God’s commandments.

P: **Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

L: Wealth and riches are in their house, and their righteousness endures for ever.

P: **They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful and righteous.**

L: It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice.

P: **For the righteous shall never be moved; they will be remembered for ever.**

***HYMN “God, You Give Us Recreation” (insert)**

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS No. 2233 “This Is Where Children Belong”

(Our Children’s Collection this morning will be given to our Food Bank program. Please see the announcement for more details.)

ANTHEM 8:15 “Footsteps of Jesus” – Connie Bickerstaff

10:45 “Bread of Angels” - Chancel Choir

WORD OF GOD Isaiah 58:1-9a

PRESENTATION OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Let Us Break Bread Together"

***DOXOLOGY No. 87, v.4**

These gifts we now bring, these presents, these tokens,
These words can convey it, the joy of this day!
When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,
This song we now offer in honor and praise!

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS**

***HYMN No. 394** "Something Beautiful"

JOYS AND CONCERNS

For our joys we say: "Praise the Lord."
For our concerns we say: "Lord, hear our prayers."

PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. AMEN

SERMON SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:13-20

SERMON "JNDP"

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION III Pg. 15

THE INVITATION
WORDS OF ASSURANCE
SACRAMENT

(All are welcome. Please follow the directions of the ushers.)

***HYMN No. 585** "This Little Light of Mine"

***BENEDICTION**

***MUSIC OF PARTING** "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

*The service is under the control of the Holy Spirit.
The altar rail is always open.*

***Those who are able, please stand.**

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Saturday: 27 Sunday: 8:15 - 47 10:45 - 126

SERVING YOU TODAY

GREETERS: 8:15 - Connie Fontana & Barb Ceresa
10:45 - Lee Stewart

USHERS TEAMS: 8:15 - Virginia Ives

10:45 - Joel Frye/Bill Hawley

SOUND TEAM: 8:15 - Fritz Runser

10:45 - Penny Brant, Josh Burger

NURSERY: Our Nursery (birth through age 5) is open during the worship services. The attendants today are Laurie Saporito and Lisa O'Reilly. In the event that no attendants are present, parents are still welcome to use the nursery however they must stay with their children.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The Altar flowers today are in memory of Sandy Kucherer and Tim Valeri from Neil and Shelly and Rebecca and family.

YOUTH MINISTER JOB OPENING: Are you a motivated, grace-filled Christian looking for part-time work? Join our team at Irwin First United Methodist Church! This position is roughly 20 hours/week and includes planning/coordinating/promoting activities with our youth and their friends to increase their faith. Activities include weekly youth group meetings, periodic youth events (fellowship, service projects, retreats), and some assistance with high school Sunday School. Personal commitment to Christ; working with youth using creativity, understanding, & kindness; Biblical worldview; and strong organizational/communication/team-building skills are necessary. Music/guitar skills, preaching capabilities, and computer/multi-media skills are a plus. Future potential growth into additional areas of ministry are available if mutually agreeable! Please send resume & cover letter to: Irwin First United Methodist Church, 310 Oak Street, Irwin, Pa 15642. Or email: fumc.debbie.offmgr@comcast.net
Any questions, please call the church office at 724-863-6858

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

Office - 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM Monday thru Thursday; 8:00 AM – Noon on Friday

Pastor Bruce – 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

724-747-6098 (call or text) or email at preacherptl@gmail.com

Please feel free to contact Pastor Bruce if you are in need of a pastoral visit.

Today, Sunday, February 5

Communion

Souper Bowl Sunday

8:00 Prayer
8:15 Worship Service
9:30 Sunday School
9:30 Confirmation Class

Monday, February 6

7:00 Dartball - A

Tuesday, February 7

6:15 TOPS
6:45 SPRC
7:00 Outreach
7:30 NA

Wednesday, February 8

1:00 Bible Study

Thursday, February 9

6:15 C Bells
6:30 NA
7:15 Choir

Friday, February 10

9:00 Food Bank Truck (Help Needed)
Gym Closed

Saturday, February 11

9:00 Food Bank (Help Needed)
6:00 Alternative Worship Service
7:00 Christian Singles Group

Next Sunday, February 12

Camp Sunday/Coffee Hour

8:00 Prayer
8:15 Worship Service
9:30 Sunday School
9:30 Confirmation Class
10:45 Worship Service
12:15 SonShiners
2:00 N.O.W. Meeting

Upcoming Dates To Remember

February 12 – Camp Sunday
Confirmation Classes begin (9:30 AM)
NOW meeting (2:00 PM)
February 15 – Clean-Up! Clean-Out!
February 19 – Membership Classes begin (9:30 AM)
February 26 – Talent Show (6:00 PM)

Clean-Up! Clean-Out! A meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 15, 2017, at 6:00 PM on the Mezzanine level for ALL interested members of FUMC. All are welcome, but Committee Chairpersons (UM Men, UM Women, Nurture, Outreach, Trustees, etc.) are **STRONGLY ENCOURAGED** to attend. Brief discussion concerning the purpose and/or usefulness of tagged items from "Round I" of the recent church-wide Cleaning Day will be held. Final "status" of said items will be determined at this meeting.



CALLING ALL SCOUTS! If your child is involved in either Girl Scouts or Boy Scouts at any level, please notify the office. We would like to recognize Scouts in February or March and do not want to leave out anyone involved in Scouting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN’S COLLECTIONS: The Children’s Collection today will be given to our Foodbank. Over 100 families in our area attend our Foodbank each month. Most of the food items come from the Westmoreland County Food Bank. Our Foodbank coordinators use the money donated from our church to purchase additional non-perishable items to be given to those in need.

Below is a brief history of the “*Souper Bowl of Caring*” program.

Thank you in advance for your donations.



Founded: 1990 **Founder:** Rev. Dr. Brad Smith
Focus: Hunger, Poverty, Youth Service
Location: Houston, Texas, United States
Area served: North America (Some participants worldwide)
Key people: President and CEO, Clara B. Cooper
Website: <https://souperbowl.org>

The *Souper Bowl of Caring* utilizes Super Bowl weekend in America to mobilize young people to fight hunger and poverty in their local communities. Its vision is to transform Super Bowl weekend (the weekend of the first Sunday in February) into America's largest youth-led weekend of giving and serving. Young people collect monetary and food donations during the week leading up to Super Bowl Sunday. 100% of the money and food is then given directly to local charities of the group's choice.

Started at Spring Valley Presbyterian Church in Columbia, South Carolina, the *Souper Bowl of Caring* has branched out to include schools, businesses and congregations of all faiths. Together, they have raised more than \$50 million in monetary and food donations. In 2008 alone, more than 14,000 groups collected over \$10 million.

The *Souper Bowl of Caring* has gained national attention, securing partnerships with nine different NFL Teams, in addition to finding National Advocates in former President and Mrs. George H.W. Bush and former President and Mrs. Jimmy Carter.

History: The *Souper Bowl of Caring* began in 1990 with a simple prayer said by Reverend Brad Smith of Spring Valley Presbyterian Church in Columbia, South Carolina:

*“Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game,
help us be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat.”*

22 churches raised \$5,700 in the first year. The number of groups involved has steadily grown each year, and so has the amount raised and put back into the communities.

Service Blitz: On the Saturday before the Super Bowl, Service Blitzes are held in many communities. This is a day of service in which young people from the area come together to volunteer at a local charity. This gives the participants exposure to the cause they are fighting: poverty, hunger, homelessness and injustice. Some communities sponsor local events to raise awareness, others get their youth group or club involved with a soup kitchen to have a hands-on experience.

National Youth Advisory Board: Although the *Souper Bowl of Caring* is led by adults, the basis of the organization is its association with young people. Therefore, in 2007, a National Youth Advisory Board (NYAB) was created to bring youth ambassadors of the Souper Bowl to local communities around America. The board is composed of 15-20 high school students from around the country who serve as youth spokespersons to the media, lead and advise their respective communities, assist the *Souper Bowl of Caring* by providing ideas and suggestions and represent the

Souper Bowl in a positive manner. Additionally, they attend two meetings to prepare for the upcoming event.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Souper_Bowl_of_Caring

CONFIRMATION CLASSES: Confirmation classes will begin today and run through Sunday, April 9th. The classes will be held during the Sunday School hour and Pastor Bruce will be the instructor. Youth who are interested in attending the Confirmation classes in preparation for becoming a member of our church should contact Pastor Bruce (724-747-6098 (call or text) or email at preacherptl@gmail.com) or the church office (724-863-6858.)

MEMBERSHIP CLASSES: Membership classes for those wishing to join our church, and those who would like a refresher course about the United Methodist Church, will take place during the Sunday School hour from Sunday, February 19th through Sunday, March 26th. The Confirmation class will be joining the Membership class for these sessions. Pastor Bruce will also be leading these sessions.

TEACHER NEEDED: A teacher is needed from Sunday, February 5th thru Sunday, April 16th for the Jr. High Sunday School class. Pastor Bruce, who currently teaches this class, will be teaching the Confirmation and Membership classes during this time. Anyone interested in helping out, please contact Pastor Bruce at 724-747-6098.

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY: The Women's Book Study group will meet at our church every other Wednesday at 7:00 PM. If you haven't participated before or you need more information about the group you may contact Becky Platt (412-445-9833) or Bonnie Judy (724-864-2235).



“HANDS TO WORK, HEARTS TO GOD MINISTRY”: On February 25th & 26th Pastor Judy will be dedicating prayer shawls, quilts, scarves, afghans, baby hats & blankets and/or pocket prayer shawls for the 3 services! These items have been made with prayers and peaceful thoughts. . . May you find God's warmth as you wear, wrap, or hold it in your hand. If you know of someone who is in need of God's Loving Comfort, please take an item to them. These items can be found on the quilt rack and in the basket in front of the Pulpit in the Sanctuary.

Those who are completing their projects, please obtain a prayer card in the “Comfort/Ministry Room” next to Pastor Judy's office. Please have your projects ready and/or place them on the altar for dedication prior to the services.

Many thanks for the hands & hearts who have created these items and to those who will be delivering them.

Please direct any questions to: Burnetta Green, Kate Schlander, or Cindi Painter.

ATTENTION ALL LADIES! The Mother/Daughter Banquet will be held on May 13, 2017 and I need your help. I need people to take on the task of decorating a table according to the theme. The theme this year is “Mothers and daughters through the years” and the tables would need to be decorated in a decade of your choice. Any decade from the 20's to the present. Also, I could use help in other areas of the dinner. I do have entertainment scheduled. If you have questions please call Dawn Capecci @ 412-651-2503



TALENT SHOW: Yippee! We are going to have a talent show on February 26th at 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary. Please sign up to share any talent you may have. Read a story, jokes, or poetry. Sing, dance or play an instrument. Do magic, juggle, or do impressions. Put together a team to do something. Let's have fun and laugh together. Sign up on the clipboard or call the office to register. Invite your neighbors to get involved too. For more info call Pastor Bruce at 724-7474-6098.

Coming Soon...Camp Sunday!!! On Sunday, February 12th we will have “Camp Sunday” at First UM! Please wear your comfy camp clothes! If you've never been to one of our three church camps, you'll want to attend worship that Sunday to hear about the camps that are available for all ages. A special offering will be taken that Sunday to put towards our campership



funding. There will be s'mores and hot chocolate served in the parlor following both services and camp brochures can be picked up there. It's not too soon to be thinking about camp, as some of the camps fill up quickly.

Any questions, contact Laurie Saporito, Camp Steward
at 724-864-5649 or cts72@hotmail.com

Attention all Campers - Camp Fundraiser! This year we are having a hoagie fundraiser to help with individual campership funding. All campers are encouraged to pick up an order form and sell hoagies to your family, friends and neighbors. A separate account will be kept for each camper and you can help defray the cost of your camping expense. For the next few months we will be taking orders on the first and second Sunday of the month. On the third Sunday, hoagies will be available for pick up in the large room off the narthex. Order forms are available on a table in narthex.

Campers, please print your name on the top of your order form so credit can be applied to your account. For this month, orders will be taken on February 5th and February 12th. Please place completed order forms in the box on the camp table or hand deliver to Laurie Saporito by February 12th. Hoagies will be available for pick up on February 19th. The cost for a 6" hoagie (Italian, Roast Beef, Roast Turkey, Tuna Salad or Veggie) is \$6.00 and is due at pick up.

Church members...find a camper in the church, and help support their week at camp! Prayers will also be coveted while they're away. Any questions, please contact Laurie Saporito, Camp Steward, at 724-864-5649 or cts72@hotmail.com

HOSPITAL CALLS: If you or someone you know is in the hospital, please call the office or Pastor Bruce to let us know. We will need the name of the patient, the hospital and the room number if available. It's better to get multiple calls than none at all.

*Remember, Pastor Bruce cannot provide care to our congregation
if he doesn't know there is a need.*