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**October 12, 2014**

**18th Sunday after Pentecost/Music Dedication Sunday**

**WORSHIP HOST: Rev. David S Lake**

**GATHERING & WELCOME**

**\*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 “A Joyous Day” - Temple Bells**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**L:** Come! Dance! Sing! Celebrate the goodness of the Lord!

**P:** God continues to give us such great gifts of love.

**L:** We are made strong in the Lord.

**P:** We are made rich in the Lord.

**L:** God’s blessings are lavished on us every minute of every day!

**P:** Come, let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**\*OPENING PRAYER No. 69 “For True Singing”**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 68 “When in Our Music God Is Glorified”**  
*Children come forward during the last verse.*

**CHILDREN’S MOMENTS**

*(Our Children’s Collection this morning will be used for the “Love Gift for Food Bank Kids.” Please see the announcement for more details.)*

**ANTHEM “Jesus Medley” – SonShiners**

**RESPONSIVE READING No. 821 Psalm 100**

**PRESENTATION OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY “Offertory” - Cathedral Bells**

**\* DOXOLOGY (tune – “Lord of the Dance”)**

“For the gift of creation, for the gift of your love,

And the gift of the Spirit by which we live,

We thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.

May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.” Amen

## **\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS**

Merciful God, we come this morning, striving to keep our minds and hearts focused on the things that matter: the things that are honorable and pure and worthy of our relationship with you. Yet the world calls us away, breaks our focus, and points us toward war and conflicts, financial uncertainty, and hurtful deeds by some that seem to be rewarded, not punished. As we present our tithes and offerings to you this morning, remind us that keeping our minds focused on you will lead to ways of living that bring you praise. Remind us also that getting our actions in harmony with your compassion can lead our minds and hearts to a place that brings you joy. We pray this in His name. Amen.

## **JOYS AND CONCERNS**

### **PRAYER HYMN No. 494 “Kum Ba Yah”**

*The Altar is open during the hymn.*

## **PASTORAL 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 (NRSV) Colossians 3: 12 – 17**

## **MESSAGE “All God’s People, Singing the Song and Living the Life”**

**ANTHEM “I Love to Tell the Story” Chancel Choir**

**JOHN WESEY’S DIRECTIONS FOR SINGING, p. vii (*Front of Hymnal*)**

### **SING THE SONG**

**HYMN NO. 333, v. 1 “I’m Goin’ a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing”**

**HYMN NO. 57, v. 1 “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”**

**HYMN NO. 98, v. 1 “To God Be the Glory”**

### **ACCEPT THE PROMISE**

**HYMN NO. 707, v. 1 “Hymn of Promise”**

**HYMN NO. 504, v. 1 “The Old Rugged Cross”**

**HYMN NO. 641 “Fill My Cup, Lord”**

**HYMN NO. 369, v. 1 “Blessed Assurance”**

### **LIVE A JOY-FILLED LIFE**

**HYMN NO. 467, v. 1 “Trust and Obey”**

**HYMN NO. 368, v. 1 “My Hope Is Built”**

**HYMN NO. 380, v. 1 “There’s Within My Heart a Melody”**

### **REMEMBER TO REFLECT THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

**HYMN NO. 364, v. 1 “Because He Lives”**

**SPECIAL MUSIC “The Highest Place” -**

## **DEDICATION OF MUSICIANS**

### **RECOGNITION OF PERSONS LEADING OUR MUSIC MINISTRIES**

**Pastor:** Dear friends, all of us here are involved in the ministry of music. We are directed numerous times in the Bible to “make a joyful noise unto the Lord”. Some of us need more encouragement than others. That is why we are grateful to those who have responded to the call of God to lead the ministry of music in our church. To direct, to sing, to play instruments, and to dance are ministries of Christ among us. Those called to these ministries need our loyal support and our prayers.

We recognize today our Minister of Music, Dianne Runser; the members of the Chancel Choir, the SonShiners, the Cathedral Bells, and the Temple Bells

Making music to the praise of God in the congregation is a ministry that requires devotion and discipline. Do you accept responsibility for this ministry?

**Musicians:** I do.

**Pastor:** Will you be faithful to the disciplines of music?

**Musicians:** I will.

**Pastor to congregation:** As members of this congregation, do you promise to ever keep in mind John Wesley's directions for singing and to remember that making a joyful noise to the Lord is an act of devotion in which we all can share.

**Congregation:** We do.

**Prayer of Dedication (All):** We gather today, Lord, to begin another year of serving you. We come with varying gifts, believing that you have created us and called us to the same ministry as David and the Levites, using the gifts of which your servant Paul writes to lead your people in praise and to build up one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs.

We lay our gifts at your feet and pray that you will use us. As we sing, remind us of your love for all your children. Remind us that you have called us to this ministry when we face difficult times: times of fatigue and times of disappointment, times of grief and times of frustration, times of confusion and times of hard work, times when things go badly and especially when things go well.

Help us to see ourselves as part of your kingdom and to know that you love us solely because you created us. Help us to love you solely because you are our eternal King. These things we pray in the name of him who loved you and who loved us, and who gave himself for us, your Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Pastor:** May the faith expressed by your music live in our heart, and what you believe in your heart, practice in your life. May God give you grace to offer your music and your life in faithfulness and consecration, now, and in the world to come.

**Pastor to congregation:** Dear friends, I commend to you these persons. To them has been given the gift to lead in the ministry of music in our church. Will you sustain them with your encouragement and your prayers, as together we seek to offer praise to God?

**Congregation:** We will.

**All:** O Lord, our God, bless these ministries of music and those who offer them in Your service. Give to these persons love for You and Your people, fullness of heart as they praise You, and diligence that their music may be a worthy offering to Your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**RESPONSE ANTHEM** "So I Sing" - Combined Choirs

**\*HYMN OF PARTING No. 2153** "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

**\*BENEDICTION (unison)**

"To all upon my way, day after day, Let me be joy, be hope! Let my life sing!"

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE** "Get All Excited"

"Get all excited, go tell everybody that Jesus Christ is King! (2x)  
Jesus Christ is still the King of Kings!"

**\*MUSIC OF PARTING** "He Keeps Me Singing"

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

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## THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

**Today, Sunday, October 12**  
**18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/Musician**  
**Dedication Sunday**  
 8:00 Prayer Time  
 8:15 Worship  
 9:30 Sunday School  
 10:45 Worship  
 District Youth @ Jumonville  
 2:30 Hawley/Milam Wedding  
 4:00 T Bells  
 4:45 SonShiners

**Wednesday, October 15**  
 10:00 Staff Meeting – Office closed  
 7:00 Yoga

**Thursday, October 16**  
 6:15 C Bells  
 7:00 Disciple  
 7:15 Choir

**Saturday, October 18**  
 6:00 Alternative Worship

**Monday, October 13**  
 10:00 UM Women  
 7:00 Dartball - H

**Tuesday, October 14**  
 9:00 Men's Work Team  
 6:15 TOPS  
 6:30 Witness  
 7:00 Finance  
 7:00 Trustees  
 7:30 NA

**Next Sunday, October 19**  
**19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/Laity Sunday**  
 8:00 Prayer Time  
 8:15 Worship  
 9:30 Sunday School  
 9:30 New Members Class  
 10:45 Worship  
 12:00 Soup Luncheon  
 2:00 FISH & CHIPS  
 4:00 T Bells  
 4:45 SonShiners

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**THE CHILDREN'S COLLECTION** today and on October 19th will go towards a special project for the food bank. We have so much to be grateful for, but not all the families in our community have what they need. The Nurture Committee is asking for your help in creating a special love gift for each of our Food Bank kids which will be given out at the December Food Bank distribution.

We will also be collecting specific items for the kids beginning October 19th. Post-its with the desired items will be on a display in the narthex. Please take some post-its, make your purchases, and then return the items to the bin marked 'Love Gift for Food Bank Kids.' Let's help make Christmas a little more special for these kids. Thank you!

World Communion Scholarships: 10/5 - \$369.00

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**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY:** All Saints Sunday is November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Any memorial donations to be included in the All Saints booklet must be received by Sunday, October 26, 2014.

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**OUTREACH COMMITTEE SOUP LUNCHEON:** next Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, following the second service. Soup Makers and Cake Bakers are needed. Please sign up in the Narthex!



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Hearts to God



**PRAYER SHAWL DEDICATION:** On Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at both services, the Hands to Work, Hearts to God ministry will be having a dedication of scarves, shawls, lap quilts, and baby hats. Anyone having items needing to be dedicated, please see Burnetta Green, Leanna Lake, or Cindi Painter to obtain a prayer card to be completed prior to the dedication service.

Hands to Work

Also, this is your ministry – if you feel lead to give a dedicated item to someone who is in need, please pick it up after the service and know the church body’s prayers are with you and your loved ones.



‘Tis the season to prepare for the reason. And, in anticipation of Advent, you are invited to join us in creating a devotional booklet for the congregation to use each day during Advent. On the table in the narthex is a display containing sheets with complete details, suggestions and contact information. Please take a sheet home and think about what you can contribute. Sharing your article will be a Christmas gift to us all.

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**More Camping News!!!** If you didn’t get to go camping this summer, and you’d still like to go, there are 4 camps coming up that you can consider at Jumonville!

- **Quilter’s Week-end** – (Friday, October 24 – Sunday, October 26)  
Whether you’ve been quilting forever or just want to learn some beginner basics, you can join others for an autumn week-end of sewing, sharing and devotions quilting under the cross! Cost is \$200.00 for double occupancy or \$229.50 for single occupancy at the Jumonville Inn. (Includes registration, lodging with linens, meals and project materials. Check in is at 6 PM Friday and concludes after lunch on Sunday.
- **French & Indian War History Seminar** – (Friday, October 31 – Saturday, November 1) If you are a History Buff, you may love this! The Braddock Road Preservation Association presents the War History of Jumonville. Bus Tour on Friday with stops along the way, and additional sessions on Friday evening and continuing all day Saturday. Refreshments served, with lunch optional.
- **Mother Daughter Retreat** – (Friday, November 7 – Sunday, November 9) If you need some time away from home, work or other distractions, you need to go and enjoy the outdoors with other families! You will stay in Washington Lodge and the girls will be separated by ages 8-10 and 11-14 for some programs. Includes games, devotions, adventure center activities, a movie, hikes to the cross, campfires and snacks. Cost is \$99.00 for Adult and \$49.00 for each daughter.
- **Rock Solid...A Time for Married Couples** – (Friday, November 14 – Saturday, November 15) Discover that you do things differently than your spouse! You’ve made your commitment to each other, now make the commitment come alive with new understandings of each other’s strengths and differences! Enjoy 2 days and one night with your spouse in the cozy Jumonville Inn, and concentrate on each other! Cost is \$199 Couple (extra overnight and breakfast for \$50.00 more)

For information or to register for any of the week-ends, please contact the Jumonville office at 724-439-4912 or [www.jumonville.org](http://www.jumonville.org). If you have additional questions, please contact Laurie Saporito, Camp Steward at 724-864-5649 or [cts72@hotmail.com](mailto:cts72@hotmail.com). **Campership funding is available in the church office for anyone wishing to go!!!**

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**SOLES 4 SOULS IS BACK !** Outreach committee is collecting gently used or new shoes and boots for people who do not have proper footwear. This year we are partnering with Penn Zion Lutheran Church in Penn Township as they collect shoes all year long and transport them to a distribution site. They will take our donated shoes and save us the mailing costs! Please drop your shoes in the Narthex beginning October 1st through November 30th. We will collect shoes for 8 weeks and then arrange for them to be transported to Penn Zion. Thank you in advance for your support of this worthy cause!

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**RADA Cutlery:** The Finance Committee is selling cutlery. If you ordered from RADA last year, you might want to check out their new catalog located on the table in the narthex. To place an order attach your cash or check (payable to First United Methodist) to the order form and deposit it in the slot of the office door. The catalogs will be recycled, so please return them to the table in the narthex. Additional order forms will be printed as needed.



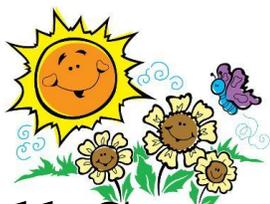
All orders must be in by Sunday, November 9th. Do your Christmas shopping early or circulate them in your office or among your team! These make great gifts for newlyweds, teachers, coaches, neighbors, co-workers or for grab bags! Proceeds from this sale will go to our General Fund. Any questions, please contact Laurie Saporito at [cts72@hotmail.com](mailto:cts72@hotmail.com) or 724-864-5649.

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**COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES:** The Outreach Committee has decided to bring back “College Care Packages.” We need addresses of all the college students who are members of (or attend) our church. Please email, call or text Connie Phillips at [cmptcp@comcast.net](mailto:cmptcp@comcast.net) or 724-493-8387. We need the students name, school address, and when their finals are (if known.) Please indicate some ideas for gift cards to businesses in their area. Example: Sheetz, Subway, etc.

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**FELLOWSHIP NIGHT IS BACK!** Wednesday, October 29th at 6:30 in the Gym. Come join us for a delicious Taco Bar dinner, and then stick around for great fellowship and some cookie decorating fun! Cookies will be given to the UMW to sell at the Bazaar. Sign up on the clipboard - everyone is welcome and we'd love to have a crowd! Please bring a toiletry item or paper product for the Food Bank.



# All Seasons Bazaar



Saturday, November 1, 2014  
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

at

First United Methodist Church  
3<sup>rd</sup> & Oak Streets, Irwin

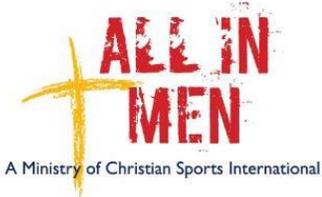


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Do Your Christmas Shopping Early!



Call 724-863-3901 or 724-863-6858 for more details



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2014

6:00 PM

COST \$15

HOSTED BY First UMC Murrysville Men's Ministry

We cordially invite men and boys to join us for dinner, door prizes and program.

*A LIFE-CHALLENGING GAME PLAN FOR EACH MAN'S JOURNEY*

Join *Featured Speaker Jon Kolb* a former Pittsburgh Steelers offensive tackle, Super Bowl IX, X, XIII, XIV Champion and assistant coach along with *Emcee Tom McGough* a former Cleveland Indians pitcher for an action packed night.

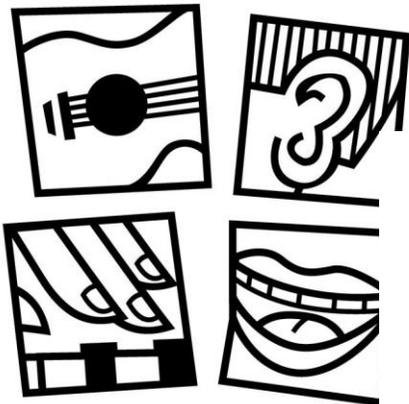
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