

Offering & Tithes— We have decided to add the Q.R. code that takes you directly to Tithely to our bulletin to make it more accessible and easy. All you have to do is use your phone camera, scan the square, and follow the prompts. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the media team or the office. Thanks!



Clipboards in the Narthex

Located on the table in the Narthex are clipboards with the following sign up sheets:

- Altar Flowers
- Muffin Ministry
- Sign up for Lenten bible study

All Are Welcome



The Sanctuary is open and available for prayer and meditation. Monday - Friday 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM
Please sign in and out on the volunteer sheet found on the office half door.

SAVE A LIFE™



GIVE BLOOD

Blood Drive
Irwin Community
First UMC of Irwin

February 23, 2026
10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Please use the Gym Entrance



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310 Oak Street, Irwin, PA 15642
724-863-6858 - www.irwinfirstumc.org
Rev. Hyung-Suk Joe 412-389-2803 (call or text)
Dianne Runser - Music Ministries
Laura Willby - Contemporary Music Coordinator
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February 22, 2026
First Sunday of Lent
Memory Verse

Romans 12:2 (NIV)

“Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is-his good, pleasing and perfect will.”

GATHERING & WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

L: The peace of Christ be with you.
P: And also with you.

MOMENTS OF INFORMALITY

THE MISSION AND MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH
THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”

LENTEN CANDLE DRAMA

- Pastor and Philip (Kenny Ondish)

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: In the wilderness places we find and serve God.

People: We travel, like Jesus, to the wilderness.

Leader: We learn to serve God in life’s wilderness.

People: Though we wander, we are not lost.

Leader: We are still God’s people. Praise God for the journey!

All: Our God is calling us to follow, love, and serve.

*HYMN No. 2088

“Lord I Lift Your Name on High” x2

CHILDREN’S CHAT

Kendra Ondish & Amy Lentz

CHILDREN’S OFFERING

This month’s children’s offering will benefit The Living Last Supper.

ANTHEM

“Jesus Is My Lord”
-Chancel Choir

JOYS AND CONCERNS

For our joys we say: “Praise the Lord”
For our concerns we say: “Lord hear our Prayers”

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

PRESENTATION OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“The Lenten Garden”

*LENTEN DOXOLOGY (tune: “Old 100th)

Praise God throughout these forty days.
Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise,
And praise the Spirit who imparts
God’s love in Christ into our hearts. Amen

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS

*HYMN No. 2112

“Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley”

*SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 4:1-11

SERMON

“WILDERNESS”

*HYMN No. 269

“Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”

*BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord is your keeper; God is your shade at your right hand.

People: The sun shall not strike us by day, or the moon by night.

Pastor: God will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

People: God will keep our going out and our coming in from this time on and forever more.

Pastor: Go now into the world, knowing that God is with you, and preach the Good News.

All: Amen.

MUSIC OF PARTING

“We Sing of God”



ASSISTING WITH TODAY’S SERVICE

Worship Host – Kendra Ondish

Music Leader - David Lyons

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK AT FUMC

Saturday Evening - 5

Sunday - 8:15 a.m. 53 10:45 a.m. - 84

Facebook, YouTube, Zoom - 15

*PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

Altar Flowers



HAPPY BIRTHDAY JEHA!!!!!!!!!!!!

-Hyung-Suk, Shinhea, & Suha



THIS WEEK AT IRWIN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Easter Flowers

We have a choice of lilies or mums. We do not get to choose the color of the mums. Each are \$14.00. Please make sure you label your payment as Easter flowers. The last day to order flowers will be March 15, 2026

Singers needed!

We are seeking singers from church and community to sing for The Living Last Supper on March 31 and April 2, 2026. If you can commit to this short-term choir, please contact Dianne or any choir member. You will receive sheet music and a rehearsal CD. Rehearsals will be on March 1, 8, 15 and 22 at 4:00 PM in the sanctuary. Dress rehearsal will be on March 29 at 6:00 PM in the sanctuary.

Acting Help needed!!

We are seeking some brave men (or teens) to be understudies for roles in The Living Last Supper on March 31 and April 2. You need to attend rehearsals on March 1, 8, 15 and 22 at 3:00 PM in the sanctuary.

Please see the next newsletter for all of the other help needed for our production (our 16th year).

Attention: After a three-month break Wendell's Vision team members are ready and able to fulfill your requests. We encourage you to find the request forms in the June Coons Room on our Ministry station. Fill it out and return the form to the church office. We have been able to fulfill many tasks/projects over the years, maybe you have been one of them. Does the "To Do List" have any items we could assist you with or just take care of those items for you. The labor is free and you may only need to purchase the materials needed to do the job after agreeing to the specifics required. We have a few requests in the queue now that we will be addressing weather permitting.

Feel free to contact Reverend Hyung-Suk Joe at any time if you are in need of pastoral care. His contact information is as follows: 412-389-2803 (call or text) - hsjoe@hotmail.com

Sunday, February 22

8:15 am - Worship Service
9:30 am - Sunday School
10:45 am - Worship Service
12:15 pm - Chimes/SS
6:00 pm - Youth Group

Monday, February 23

10:00 am - Blood Drive
6:30 pm - Cubscouts
7:00 pm - Dartball-A

Tuesday, February 24

8:00 am - Irwin Senior Activity Center
6:00 pm - Basketball
7:30 pm - NA (in the gym)

Wednesday, February 25

8:00 am - ISAC
10:00 am - QC
10:00 am - Zoom Prayer Group - Meeting ID#: 311 4389 930, Password:3U22u3
1:00 pm - CC team
6:00 pm - Volley/pickleball
7:00 pm - AA
7:00 pm - Lenten Bible Study

Thursday, February 26

8:00 am - ISAC
3:00 pm - Senior Center Board Meeting
6:00 pm - Basketball
6:00 pm - Girl Scouts
6:15 pm - C Bellls
6:30 pm - NA
7:15 pm - Choir

Friday, February 27

6:00 pm - Community Dinner

Saturday, February 28

6:00 pm - Contemporary Worship Service

Sunday, March 1

8:15 am - Worship Service
9:30 am - Sunday School
10:45 am - Worship Service
12:15 pm - Chimes/ SS
3:00 pm - Actors on Pulpit side
4:00 pm - LLS Choir
6:00 pm - Youth

HOSPITAL CALLS AND VISITS - If you or someone you know is in the hospital or would like a pastoral care, please call or text Pastor Joe at (412) 389-2803 .

Remember, Pastor Hyung-Suk Joe cannot provide care to our congregation if he does not know there is a need.

IN PERSONAL CARE AND REHABILITATION FACILITIES

Catherine M. - Red Stone Greensburg, Lois K. - Ridgeview Residential Care, Greensburg, Altozoe S. - Hempfield Manor, Jerry B. - Beatty Pointe Village. Nancy W.- Golden Heights. Edith B.- Westmoreland Manor

CONTINUOUS PRAYER

Benny, Ruth A., Olivia A., Logan B., Sue B., Tim B. & family Ken B., Diane B., Wyatt B., James B., Jeret B., Terry B., Vicky C., Belinda C., Craig C., Bob & Connie C., Nick C., Mark C., Barb & Jack E. and family, Deb F. & family, William & Bernardine F. Delaney F., Wilma F., Kent G., Linda G., Judy G. & girls, Stephanie G. & family Joanne G., Joe & Mary G., Rose H., Jendy H., Joie H., Floyd H., VDH, Bill H. & family, Denny H. & family, Jason H., Jennifer H., Steve J., John J., Ginny K., Barb K., Bob K., Mark K. & family, Suzanne K., Lesley Beth K., Jim L., Julie & Mike L., Sandy L., David L., Marta M., Mike M., Bonnie M. & family, Mason M. & family, Connor M., Arthur M., Michelle M., Helen M., Pat M., Jorge & Martha & family, Ron M. & family, Elma M., Cindy M., John & Cheryl M & family, Vi N., Maryann O., Steve O., Cindi P., Barb P., Debby & Randy R., Melodie and Earl R., Beth S., Dom S., Corey S., Jackie S., Wendy S., Toby S., Linda S., Ron S. & family, John T., Chris U., Kathy U. & family, Jameson W., Jane W., Tom & Barbara W., John W., Janet Z., Heather & Matt & family, Mick, Larry, Renee, Jimmy, Kristen, Jesse, & family, Jeff S. & family, Trish, Talia, Nelson, The Bazala Family, Heather, Nick, Keith Y. & family

Missionaries: Bob & Natalie F. and Family (India), John and Diane K. (Mexico) and Connie W. (Laos), Roy and Grace.

If there is a name you would like added to the prayer list, please contact the office at 724-863-6858.

THIS MONTH'S PRAYER LIST

We will change the prayer list the first Sunday of each month. Please contact the church office with names for the list.

The unborn, missing & exploited children, Laney, Our country/leader, Our Church, those traveling, 1st responders, Angela H.,

MILITARY PERSONNEL

Brandon D.; Carl B.; Colby S.; David J.; Dylan A.; James G.; Jeremy L.; Kristi H.; Lt. Joseph A Profeta IV; Makayla L.; Nicholas Park, Major, Army; Mark R.; Sara D.; Tanner Goldbach, Airman First Class, Air Force; Thomas C.; Tim N.; Edward J. III; and William R.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lenten Bible Study on the Gospel of Luke

During Lent, we'll be studying the Gospel of Luke using Adam Hamilton's book Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws. Over six weeks, we'll explore the life of Jesus and his compassion for people who are often overlooked, and we'll reflect on what that means for our lives today. The study will meet on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM in the June Coons Room, starting February 25. There's a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Participants will need a copy of the book, which costs \$13. The church can order it for you, and you can pay when you receive your copy. Please label your payment Lenten book.



We will begin a monthly Centering Prayer group meeting on the third Saturday of each month, starting on Saturday, February 21, at 10:00 a.m. in the June Coons Room. For those who attended the first Introductory Workshop or who have been practicing Centering Prayer on your own, please join us for these monthly gatherings so that we may renew our motivation and encourage one another to continue this practice.

SAVE THE DATE! MAY 3RD, 2026

It may seem like far away, but you will blink and the snow will be melted (yay), flowers will be blooming and UMW's annual mother/daughter lunch will be here. All women are invited, you are all daughters. Tickets will be on sale in April! Unlike rising costs everywhere else our prices will be the same! \$10.00 for adults \$5.00 for kids under 12! Amazing right? Watch the bulletin for more fun announcements about the lunch.

So what about now? Really consider coming the next 2 meetings. Our own Nancy Welsh and Sandy Tyler are going to present programs on their travels. The meeting in May, a program about essential oils. Watch bulletin for details on each program. We meet the second Monday of each month at 11AM. Also, we have great lunches!

Questions? call or text any officer: Co-president Donna Weber (724)493-2048. co-president Alice Hubert (724)989-7903. Sec. Barb Worthington (412)554-2824 Treasurer Deb Weaver (724)630-5802