

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
- Holy Humor Potluck

Salvation Army - 724-331-7832. If you know of anyone in need of our services please do not hesitate to call.



DAILY BREAD and THE UPPER ROOM - Daily Bread and Upper Room are available in the "June Coon's Assembly Room" by the window. Please place your donation in the envelope provided and place it in the offering plate. If you haven't had the opportunity to use these prayer devotionals before, now is the perfect time.

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.



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March 29, 2026
Palm Sunday

Memory Verse
1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

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

"Prepare the Way" -Chancel Choir

LENTEN CANDLE DRAMA

Matthew (Mike Andrison), Judas Iscariot (Matt Schandler)

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Still Jesus comes: to us, to our town, to our nation, to our world.

People: Ride on, ride on in majesty!

Leader: Still Jesus rides: to peace rejected, trust betrayed, and hope destroyed.

People: If we are silent, the stones will cry aloud.

Leader: Still Jesus calls: "Come with me, all the way."

All: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!

***HYMN No. 2075**

“King of Kings” 3 times

CHILDREN’S CHAT

Hannah Platt & Sandy Tyler

CHILDREN’S OFFERING

This month’s children’s offering will benefit The Norwin Public Library.

ANTHEM

**“Enter In”
-Chancel Choir & SonShiners**

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

“Offertory on ‘Kedron’”

***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. 277**

“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus”

***SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 21:1-11

SERMON

“The King Riding on a Donkey”

***HYMN No. 278**

“Hosanna Loud Hosanna”

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor: Go in peace, dear people of God. Go ready to proclaim with your lives that Jesus is Lord and Savior. Go to offer God’s love and peace to all.

People: Amen.

MUSIC OF PARTING

“Behold! The King Rides Forth!”



ASSISTING WITH TODAY’S SERVICE

Worship Host – Kendra Ondish

Music Leader - David Lyons

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK AT FUMC

Sunday - 8:15 a.m. 45 10:45 a.m. - 78

Facebook, YouTube, Zoom - 18

***PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE**

Altar Flowers



In memory of my parents.

-Connie Bickerstaff

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| February Income | \$20,923.26 |
| February Expenses | \$31,433.76 |
| | -\$10,510.50 |
| Bank Balance as of February 28, 2026 | \$82,435.93 |
| Designated Funds | \$80,970.94 |
| | \$1,464.99 |

While all contributions are greatly appreciated, please consider contributions to the General Fund or Local Ministries.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office.

THIS WEEK AT IRWIN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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, March 29 Happy Birthday Kurtis!

- 8:15 am - Worship Service
- 9:30 am - Sunday School
- 10:45 am - Worship Service
- 12:15 pm - Set Erection
- 6:00 pm - LLS Dress Rehearsal
- 6:00 pm - Youth Group Easter Party

Monday, March 30 Happy Birthday Fritz!

- 6:30 pm - Cubscouts
- 7:00 pm - Dartball - A

Tuesday, March 31

- 8:00 am - Irwin Senior Activity Center
- 7:00 pm - LLS
- 7:30 pm - NA

Wednesday, April 1

- 8:00 am - ISAC
- 10:00 am - QC
- 10:00 am - Zoom Prayer Group - Meeting ID#: 311 4389 930, Pasword:3U22u3
- 1:00 pm - Women's retreat bible study
- 6:00 pm - Volley/pickleball
- 7:00 pm - AA

Thursday, April 2

- 8:00 am - ISAC
- 6:00 pm - Basketball
- 6:00 pm - Girl Scouts
- 6:30 pm - NA
- 7:00 pm - LLS

Friday, April 3 Good Friday

- 12:00 pm - Walk of the Cross Begins
- 7:00 pm - Tenebrae Service

Saturday, April 4 Happy Birthday Teagan!

- 9:00 am - Set up Cross

Sunday, April 5 Easter

- 8:15 am - Worship Service
- 10:45 am - Worship Service

The Mother-Daughter Luncheon, hosted by the United Methodist Women, will be held on Sunday, May 3rd in the gymnasium following the second worship service at 12:15 PM. All women are invited! You are all daughters. Bring your mother, daughter, aunt, or a friend! We've had families with three and four generations attend. Tickets will be sold in the narthex on April 12, 19, & 26. April 26th will be the final day to buy tickets. Adult tickets will be \$10.00. Children's tickets for ages 4-12 will be \$5.00. Children 3 & under are free. Lunch Lady on Wheels will cater the luncheon. Entertainment after lunch will be well-known Magician Steve Haberman. We hope to see you there for lunch, fellowship, door prizes and entertainment! Contact Donna Weber, Alice Hubert, Barb Worthington, or Debbie Weaver with questions.

BLESSING BOX



We stock our Blessing Box with toiletry items for those who are in need of them in our community. The need at this time is very great and we hope you can help. If you have donations of new items such as toothpaste and toothbrushes, shampoo and conditioner, bath soap, deodorant or any personal hygiene items,

please bring them to the church when you come for Saturday or Sunday services. Also during office hours. Please be sure that all items are new and in their original packaging. If you have any questions about the Blessing Box, please contact The church office. Additional Blessing Boxes are located in Irwin at the First Assembly of God Church on Oak Street (canned goods) and at the Cheesecake Café on Main Street (books).

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, Camilla, Ruth A., Olivia A., Mary 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., Chris D., 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., Jorge & Martha & family, Ron M. & family, Elma M., Cindy M., John & Cheryl M & family, Vi N., Olivia N Maryann O., Steve O., Cindi P., Barb P., JoAnn 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, Caydin Z.

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.

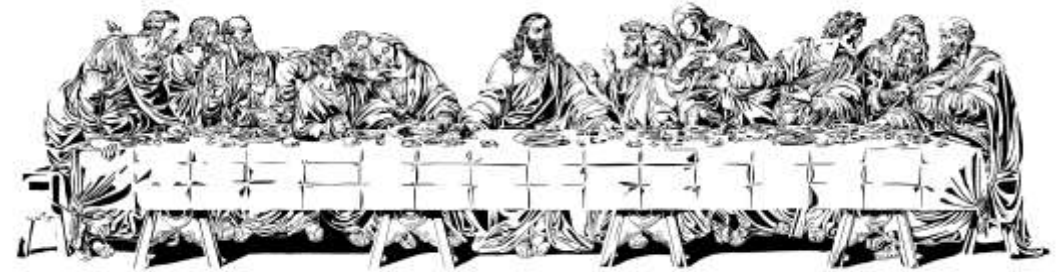
The unborn, missing & exploited children, Laney, Our country/leader, Our Church, those traveling, 1st responders, Angela H.,

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

LIVING LAST SUPPER



All are welcome. Bring your family and friends.

Tuesday, March 31

Thursday, April 2

7:00 PM

Questions? Call 724-863-6858

HOLY HUMOR SUNDAY



We will be celebrating Holy Humor Sunday at both services on the Sunday after Easter, April 12. What IS Holy Humor Sunday? The idea behind it is that God played the greatest practical joke on the devil by raising Jesus from the dead. One website about this special Sunday states: "Holy Humor Sunday services not only give Christians an opportunity for ongoing celebrations of the greatest miracle in human history - Jesus' Resurrection. It also gives each of us an opportunity to

celebrate and give thanks, for our own smaller resurrections in this world and this life. "From time to time in our earthly lives, many of us have been dead - from illness, depression, physical injuries, emotional wounds, the loss of loved ones, financial losses - and yet have come alive and endured while looking forward to the Great Resurrection. "Laughter releases tension, and we have enough of that these days. We all need to stop taking ourselves so seriously. We need to recognize that this is really God's world, and He has so much in store for us. We put too much emphasis on what's wrong and what's bad with it." As a part of the festivities, we are proclaiming Sunday, April 12, as Holy Humor Hat Day. We are asking everyone in attendance to wear SOMETHING on your head and the BRIGHTEST COLORED CLOTHING in your closet. Feel free to be as silly as you can. This is a chance for everyone to relax, smile, even (GASP!) LAUGH in church! Celebrate the joy we find in our faith! Remember – laughter is the best medicine!