

**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
  - Easter Flowers
- Holy Humor Sunday Potluck Sign up.**

**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.

**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.



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March 8, 2026  
Third Sunday of Lent

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** "Medley on the Cross" – Cathedral Bells

**LENTEN CANDLE DRAMA**

Bartholomew/Nathaniel (Tim Saporito), James the Lesser (Tim Rominski)

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come, drink the living waters...

**People: the living waters of faith in Christ.**

Leader: Come, taste the bread of life...

**People: the grace and love of God.**

Leader: Come to the well of wisdom...

**People: where thirst for righteousness is quenched.**

Leader: Come, let us worship in spirit and truth.

\*HYMN No. 127

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

CHILDREN’S CHAT

Katrina Bryan & Dawn Capecci

CHILDREN’S OFFERING

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

ANTHEM

“The Love of Christ” -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

“I Will Serve the Lord”

\*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. 156

“I Love to Tell the Story”

\*SCRIPTURE READING

John 4:5-26

SERMON

"MOVING BEYOND"

\*HYMN No. 298

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

\*BENEDICTION

Pastor: We have encountered the living God through the love of the living Christ. We have been refreshed by living water. Go now to live in the hope this encounter inspires. Be water bearers to a dry and parched world, knowing that the God of love and hope goes before you and with you always.

**People: God is our rock and our salvation. God keeps us from stumbling in our going out and coming in. God will be with us till we meet again.**

Pastor: Go with God, filled with reverence and joy.

People: Amen.

MUSIC OF PARTING

“The Solid Rock”



**ASSISTING WITH TODAY’S SERVICE**  
Worship Host – Becky Platt & Kendra Ondish  
Music Leader - David Lyons

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK AT FUMC**

**Saturday Evening - 6**

**Sunday - 8:15 a.m. 46 10:45 a.m. - 80**

**Facebook, YouTube, Zoom - 19**

**\*PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE**

*Altar Flowers*



In honor of Sophie’s 16th birthday.  
-Love Mom, Dad, Jordan, & Joshua



## 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.

## 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) .

## Announcement:

March 14, 2026 will be our final Saturday evening service for the foreseeable future. We hope to reconfigure contemporary service to better suit our community. We will be sure to share any updates as they come. Thank you for your patience and understanding. Any questions 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](mailto:hsjoe@hotmail.com)

### Sunday, March 8

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

### Monday, March 9

11:00 am - UMW  
6:30 pm - Cubscouts  
7:00 pm - Dartball - A

### Tuesday, March 10

8:00 am - Irwin Senior Activity Center  
10:00 am - CC team  
6:00 pm - Basketball  
6:30 pm - Trustees  
7:30 pm - NA

### Wednesday, March 11

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

### Thursday, March 12

8:00 am - ISAC  
6:00 pm - Basketball  
6:00 pm - Girl Scouts  
6:15 pm - C Bells  
6:30 pm - NA  
7:15 pm - Choir

### Friday, March 13

9:00 am Foodbank Truck

### Saturday, March 14

8:00 am - Foodbank  
6:00 pm - Contemporary Worship Service

### Sunday, March 15

8:15 am - Worship Service  
9:30 am - Sunday School  
10:45 am - Worship Service  
12:15 pm - Chimes/ SS  
3:00 pm - Actors no music  
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, 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., 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

**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.

### **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 UMWs 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

**Worship Opportunities-** If you are interested in assisting during worship service (greeter, usher, worship host, or children's chat). Please contact the office or Dianne Runser and we will get you in contact with the correct person. Thank you so much for your faithful service.