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April 18, 2021

April Memory Verse – Philippians 4:13

“I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.”

The service is under the control of the Holy Spirit.

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

MUSIC OF PREPARATION “Oh, How I Love Jesus”

***CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 1**

L: ¹Blessed are those who do not walk in the counsel of the wicked;

P: ... or stand in the way of sinners, or sit in the seat of scoffers,

L: ²... but their delight is in the law of the Lord,

P: ... and on God’s law they meditate day and night.

L: ³They are like trees planted by streams of water that yield their fruit in season, and their leaves do not wither.

P: **In all that they do, they prosper.**

L: ⁴The wicked are not so, but are like chaff which the wind drives away.

P: ⁵**Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment; nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;**

L: ⁶... for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,

P: ... but the way of the wicked will perish.

***HYMN No. 2115 “Christ Has Risen”, v. 1 & 3**

1. Christ has risen while earth slumbers, Christ has risen where hope died,

As He said and as He promised, as we doubted and denied.

Let the moon embrace the blessing; let the sun sustain the cheer;

Let the world confirm the rumor: Christ is risen, God is here!

2. Christ has risen for the people whom He died to love and save;

Christ had risen for the women bringing flowers to grace His grave.

Christ has risen for disciples huddled in an upstairs room.

He whose word inspired creation can't be silenced by the tomb.

WORD OF GOD Ephesians 6:13-17

¹³Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. ¹⁴Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, ¹⁵and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY 8:15 "Yes, I Know My Savior Lives"

10:45 "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked" - David Lyons

DOXOLOGY No. 2026 (TFWS) "Halle, Halle, Halleluja!"

Halle, Halle, Halleluja! (3 times)

Halleluja! Halleluja!

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS**

***HYMN No. 601 "Thy Word Is a Lamp"**

Chorus

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

1. When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way,
Still You're there right beside me, and nothing will I fear
As long as You are near. Please be near me to the end.

Chorus

2. Now I will not forget Your love for me and yet
My heart forever is wandering. Jesus, be my guide
And hold me to Your side, and I will love You to the end.

Chorus

SPECIAL MUSIC 8:15 – "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked" - David Lyons

10:45 – "My Redeemer" – 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 FROM THE GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL

SERMON SCRIPTURE John 20:30, 31

The Purpose of John's Gospel

³⁰Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. ³¹But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

L: The Word of God for the children of God.

P: Thanks be to God

SERMON “Nothing More Important than Salvation”

***HYMN No. 600 “Wonderful Words of Life”, v. 1 & 3**

1. Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life;
 Let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life;
 Words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty.

Chorus

Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of Life.
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of Life.

3. Sweetly echo the gospel call, wonderful words of life;
 Offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life;
 Jesus, only Savior, sanctify us forever.

Chorus

***BENEDICTION**

***MUSIC OF PARTING “Come Ye Faithful”**

(Please allow the ushers to direct you as you leave the sanctuary.)

***Please stand if you are able.**

ASSISTING WITH TODAY’S SERVICE

Worship Host – Robbyn Slavin

Song Leader – David Lyons

ALTAR FLOWERS: The Altar flowers this morning are presented in memory of Donald and Grace Hansel from John, Donna & J. J. Weber, and Dawn Cappeci.

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Please keep LaVerne Frick and her family and Shirley McCune and her family in your prayers. Both ladies are experiencing serious health concerns at this time and their families have asked that we keep them in prayer.

ATTENTION GRADUATES: Any one graduating from High School or College this year please call the office (724-863-6858) or Ethel Rosenburg (724-864-3833.) We would like to know your future plans.

High School Graduates: Where you are graduating from, if you are going to college (what college and your major,) or your employment plans.

College Graduates: Where you are graduating from and your degree, if you are continuing in school, or where you will be employed.

BROWN BAG MEAL: The meals will be handed out every Friday from 6:00 PM until 7:00 PM while supplies last. This will continue until further notice.

Monetary donations to help fund this mission are always accepted. Please make your check payable to “FUMC” and put “Community Dinner” in the memo line. If you would like to help with this mission, please contact Robbyn Slavin.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: All articles for the May newsletter should be in the office by Thursday, April 22nd. Please email your articles to Jeanne at fumc.jeanne.secrep@comcast.net or drop a hard copy off at the church office. Articles not received by April 22nd may not be published until the June newsletter.

Please note: Our church Secretary/Receptionist is in the office Monday through Friday until noon. She can be reached at 724-863-6858 or fumc.jeanne.secprep@comcast.net Our church Financial Secretary/Office Manager is in the office on Mondays and Wednesdays. She can be reached at 724-863-8658 or joyce.shaffer@irwinfirstumc.org
Please call before coming in to make sure someone is in the office to assist you.

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

*Feel free to contact Pastor Bruce at any time if you are in need of a pastoral visit.
724-747-6098 (call or text) or email at preacherptl@gmail.com*

Sunday, Sunday, April 18

8:15 In-Church & Drive-in Church
(Radio 87.9 FM)
9:30 Harvesters Adult Class,
Prayer Shawl Group, BYKOTA
9:30 Toddler – 5th Grade Sunday School
(see announcement)
10:45 In-Church & Drive-in Church
(Radio 87.9 FM) Facebook, YouTube, and
Zoom (Meeting ID# 633 303 454 Password
104289)

Monday, April 19

6:30 Cub Scouts

Tuesday, April 20

7:00 Finance Committee
7:30 NA

Wednesday, April 21

9:30 Salvation Army
10:00 QC Meeting
10:00 Prayer Group Meeting
(Zoom Meeting ID#311 4389 930, Password 3U22u3)
1:00 Bible Study
(Meeting ID: 89493128220, Passcode 104289)
5:00 Youth Center
6:00 Depression & Anxiety Support
7:00 AA
7:00 Bible Study with Jim Remaley
(call Jim at 412-445-6288 for more information)

Thursday, April 22

Newsletter Deadline

6:00 Girl Scouts
6:15 C Bells
6:30 NA
7:00 Choir

Friday, April 23

Scrapbooking
6:00 Brown Bag Meal

Saturday, April 17

Scrapbooking
6:00 PM Contemporary Service with Dinner

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LOOKING AHEAD

Church Council Meeting
Tuesday, April 27 at 7:00 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS – 4/18/2021



WENDELL’S VISION: We are hopeful that by May/June we may be able to assist any or all of the requests coming into the church office for vetting. We are looking for the volunteers on our list from the start to confirm their status, as well as, those who would want to become a member of this ministry. We will be starting to look at requests after Easter. If you would like to fill out a request form and turn it into the church office you can do so at any time. Once the requests are vetted, we will begin to schedule visitations to evaluate the requests for assignment

of volunteers. If your need is a burden financially, please make that know on the request. Support is available for those who may qualify. We are currently concentrating on attendees of First Irwin UMC. Some tasks/projects may not be possible due to time frame needed, volunteer experience, weather conditions for outside work, cost

prohibited, scope of the task/project, etc. That shouldn't stop you from making a request. We would continue to ensure that all parties will be as safe as possible during the execution of work at your homes. This means you will be responsible for the safety of the volunteers doing the task/project in a productive climate/setting. If you are scheduled for a visitation for your request, we will explain the logistics of the ministry and come to an agreement to the time frame and financial responsibility of its completion. Please keep this in prayer and give God the glory!!!

Coordinators, Patty & Jack Osterman

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For computer or smartphone:

Go to Zoom.com Click-Join a meeting

When prompted enter Meeting ID, then a screen will pop up to enter password.

(The Meeting ID & Password are noted with the service or meeting)

You will enter the "meeting space". If you move your mouse to the bottom of the box, it will show you the different options, like chat and video.

For landline or cell phone (Audio only):

Dial 1-646-558-8656. Enter meeting number and follow the prompts. (The Meeting ID & Password are noted with the service or meeting in "This Week at our Church.")

MICROSOFT TEAMS INSTRUCTIONS:

For laptop or desktop computer, Smart Phone & Tablet: Please follow the instructions on the reminder email that you receive from your committee.

For landline or cell phone (Audio only): Dial 724-936-1197. Enter the Conference ID when prompted. Follow the prompts.

Please contact Eric Platt at eric.platt@irwinfirstumc.org or 412-841-7655 if you have questions.

TODDLER – 5TH GRADE SUNDAY SCHOOL: this age group has not yet returned to in-church Sunday school. Please use the contact information listed to participate in the Zoom classes:

Toddler Zoom Sunday School - 2-4 year old children - please email or call Dawn Capecci 412 651 2503, missdawn25@yahoo.com or Donna Weber 724 864 4954, donnam_weber@yahoo.com for more information and the Zoom instructions.

Preschool - 5th grade Sunday School - 9:30 AM on Zoom. For more information please contact Becky at 412-816-1906.



THE SALVATION ARMY UNIT OF IRWIN has its own phone number. If you know anyone in need of our services please have them call 724-331-7832. The office hours for the unit are Wednesday mornings from 9:30 until 11:30.

HOSPITAL CALLS AND VISITS: If you or someone you know is in the hospital or would like a visit from the pastor please call the office or Pastor Bruce. *Remember, Pastor Bruce cannot provide care to our congregation if he doesn't know there is a need.*

Pastor Bruce receives calls or texts at his cell phone number 724-747-6098

******* IN PERSONAL CARE & REHABILITATION FACILITIES *******

Dorothy B. ~ Asbury Heights, Mt. Lebanon Marge O. ~ The Grove at Irwin
Wanda H. ~ Redstone, N. Huntingdon James R., Sr. ~ St. Anne's Home, Greensburg
Doris C. ~ Golden Heights (Harrison City) LaVerne F. ~ Walden's View
Altozoe S. ~ Hempfield Manor

Shirley McCune is at Redstone, Greensburg.

******* CONTINUOUS PRAYERS *******

Brent L., Kurt W. & Family, Cheryl & John M., Tim & Diane N., Rick H., Marlin A & Nancy P., Joe S., Joe L., Virginia, Jennifer N., Curt E., Cheryl H., Valerie M., Patty H., Jeff M., Donna H., John B., Joe and Wava, Dean and Dorothy, Chris E., Rose N., Sara C., Jeanne and Larry A., Fred & Barb S., Mischa & Suzanne S., Diane B., Les H., John G., Noah C., Craig C., Red, Dawn, Amy P., Chuck K., Pat M., Jane I., Ashley, Stu S., Shawn S., Christa L., Rhonda, Beverly and Tom D., Laura, Marlin F., Stephanie S., Dave W., Bill & Elaine M., Kim V. Paul & Iva Lou B., Jackie S., Andrea, Lesley K., Debbie N., and Cliff R.

Bob & Natalie F. & Family (Missionaries in India) Connie Wieck (Missionary)

******* THIS MONTHS PRAYERS LIST *******

We will change the prayer list the first Sunday of each month.

Contact the church office at 724-863-6858 with names for the list.

Vi, Tom and Peggy, Sandy L., George and Kelly, Paul and Michelle, Neil and Alma, Yvonne I. and family, Janice, Eugene W., Joe K., COVID 19 Concerns, Our world, Medical & Emergency Personnel, First Responders and Military, All Essential Workers, Teachers and Students, Businesses, The Unrest in Our Country, Our Country and Leaders, Pastor Bruce & Bonnie, Ron, Burnetta G., Royce A., Bob, Cindi P., Bill & Elaine M., Kathy, Amy H., Bob N., Bella D., Helena G., and Sandra W., D. White, The Marie Harrison Family, Trish, Bill B., Mary Alice, Susan M., Jesse D., Rolan's Family, The Pierce Family, Mary G., LaVerne F.

******* SERVICE PERSONNEL *******

Brandon D. – Korea	Colby S. – Iraq	Sara D.	
Angelo W. – Oklahoma City	Nicholas P. – Schofield Barracks, HI	Jeremy L.	
David J. – Afghanistan	Amanda M. – Texas	Carl B.	
James G. – Texas	Emery M. – Japan	Mark Russak	Edward J. III

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Welcome

Announcements

