

# August 10, 2014 9th Sunday after Pentecost/ Baptism Sunday

## 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 "In Christ Alone"

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come, now is the time to worship.

**P:** Now is the time to spring forth in faith.

- **L:** Give thanks to our God.
- P: Sing of God's praise and glory.
- L: Seek the Lord.

P: Rejoice in God's presence.

L: Come, now is the time to worship.

## **\*OPENING PRAYER**

Steadfast God of faith and grace, call to us now. Carry us out of our fears and doubts into the glorious message of your saving love and constant presence. Walk with us, O God, as we renew our faith, discern your call in our lives, and journey forth as disciples of Christ. Amen

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Matthew Alexander Murrin, son of Thomas & Rachel Murrin

## **BAPTISMAL COVENANT II (page 39)**

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** 

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

BAPTISM SONG "Welcome the Child"

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 577	"God of Grace and God of Glory"
	Children come forward during the last verse.

### **CHILDREN'S MOMENTS**

ANTHEM "Better Is One Day"

**RESPONSIVE READING No. 828** Psalm 105

## PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

#### **OFFERTORY** "Meditation on 'Kentucky'"

#### \*DOXOLOGY No. #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below: praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

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

Lord of all creation who gives and holds nothing back, bless these gifts that we offer up to you this morning. Help us not just to give, but also to live more boldly and more generously. Grant in us the faith to step out of the places in our lives where we are so cautious and anxious that we miss the joy that comes from the kingdomliving Jesus taught. Help us to walk on water -- strong in our faith and keeping our eyes on Christ. In his holy name, we pray. Amen.

#### JOYS AND CONCERNS

**PRAYER HYMN No. 453** "More Love to Thee, O Christ" *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) Romans 10:5-15

\*HYMN OF PARTING No. 569 "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"

**BENEDICTION** 

\*MUSIC OF PARTING "Postlude in D"

\*Those who are able, please stand.

**DARTBALL:** The 2014-2015 Dartball season will be starting in September. Our team is currently looking for additional members. Participant must be at least 12 years old. The games are held on Monday evenings at various churches in this area.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm**, the First United Methodist Church of Irwin will begin a new adventure in worship. This is our Launch Date for our new Alternative Worship Service. This will be a service that differs from the two Sunday morning service.



*We need you help:*... attending ... ... talking about it with others... asking questions.

There will be a meeting on Thursday, August 14th to plan for the first service.

# THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

Today, Sunday, August 10 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Baptism Sunday 8:00 Prayer Time 8:15 Worship 9:30 Adult Sunday School 10:45 Worship 12:00 Choir No FISH & CHIPS

**Tuesday, August 12** 6:15 TOPS 6:30 Witness 7:00 Finance

7:30 NA

Wednesday, August 13 6:30 Good Grief 7:00 Yoga

# **Thursday, August 14** 7:00 Alternative Worship Meeting

Friday, August 15 9:00 Food Bank Truck – help needed Gym Closed

Saturday, August 16 9:00 Food Bank – help needed

Next Sunday, August 17 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Blessing of the Backpacks 8:00 Prayer Time 8:15 Worship 9:30 Adult Sunday School 10:45 Worship 12:00 Choir 2:00 FISH & CHIPS

**TRUSTEES** will meet on Tuesday, August 19<sup>th</sup> (one week later than usual) **CHURCH COUNCIL** will meet on Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>.

**THE CHILDREN'S COLLECTION** this week will be used to assist children with autism at the Northwest Health Service (NHS) School Herminie.

The school began in response for a need to create an educational environment specifically designed to instruct students with an Autism Spectrum Disorder. With the help of strong parent and school district support, our leaders in Children's Services including Karen Markle, Heather Tustin, Leanne Gilligan, and Helen Tautkus-Berry forged a new type of educational system designed specifically to address the academic and behavioral needs of children with ASD.

The NHS School Herminie became the first of its kind in 2005 and opened its doors to 15 eager students and their families. Over the last 10 years, the school has provided a supportive and responsive environment where students on the Autism Spectrum can learn academic skills, communication skills, adaptive skills, behavioral regulation, executive functioning, and social skills. Our proven expertise and the success of our graduates have

grown our program from those original 15 students to 40, as well as an additional 18 licensed private academic schools throughout Pennsylvania. The NHS educational continuum of services has also expanded to include not only educational programming, but transition programming for adolescents ages 14-21, professional development to district staff, and integrated in-district classroom services.

At the NHS School Herminie, students not only receive an outstanding education, they learn to become active members of the local community by accessing resources, participating in events, and demonstrating stewardship. The NHS School Herminie strongly believes in creating a student specific education plan to help each individual reach their maximum potential. Our school lives the NHS motto everyday ensuring that we educate each student *"One Individual at a Time"*.

Packpack Programs: 7/27/2014 - \$192.50 8/3/2014 - \$341.01

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN'S "DAY APART":** Wednesday, September 3, 2014, at Camp Allegheny. Presented by Greensburg District United Methodist Women. Please join us for a day of spiritual renewal, rekindling friendships, a delecious luncheon, and to share the sacrament of Holy Communion. Our speaker will be Luella Krieger and her program will be "Mrs. Noah". Pastor Steve Morris will be the soloist.

Registeration/Sign-In will be at 9:00 AM and the program will begin at 9:45 AM. The cost is \$12.00 per person (includes breakfast rolls/breads and coffee/tea, as well as beverage, soup, chicken salad on Croissant, and salad bar luncheon.) Please make checks payable to "Greensburg District United Methodist Women."

**THE WESTMORELAND COUNTY FAIR** runs August 15-23 from 12 noon to 8 pm daily. The Hospitality Center offers water, diaper changing and feeding areas for babies and also has Bibles available to distribute. Volunteers are needed in the Hospitality Center sponsored by the Greensburg District. If you would like to volunteer a couple of hours or your church would like to take a whole day, please contact Rev. Beverly Gross at <u>bevrev@stargate.net</u> or by calling 724-423-3457 or her cell at 412-953-4041 or any additional questions.

## -----Rick Simms Memorial Work Trip-----

**EXTRA, EXTRA, READ ALL ABOUT IT......THERE ARE EXTRA T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE**.....THEY ARE ALL (X-TRA LARGE) ADULT SIZE AND CAN BE BOUGHT BY ANY ONE WISHING TO SHARE THE MESSAGE THAT "*THE CHURCH HAS LEFT THE BUILDING*" You may purchase one or all, on a first come first serve basis. Envelopes are provided to pay.

If you pre-ordered a T-shirts they are also available for pick-up. They will be in the church office with a envelope attached to remit your cash or check.

**More Camp News - Attention All Golfers...2014 Jumonville Golf Fundraiser is coming up!** Have a fun day and contribute to a great cause! The date is Friday, August 15th on the Gold Course at Cedarbrook Gof Course located at the intersection of Route 51 and Interstate 70. Funds raised through this annual event helps provide scholarships for HOPE Camp and Kidz2Kamp program. You can be a part of changing lives on making a difference in families that are struggling. You don't need a foursome. For more information, go to the Jumonville website or call 724-439-4912 to reserve a spot.

**COME AND MEET REV. PAT NELSON,** Greensburg District Superintendent, at one of the locations listed below. All clergy and laity are encouraged to attend any one of these **<u>informal</u>** gatherings. All of the sessions will begin at 7 p.m. and end at approximately 9 p.m.

August 11<sup>th</sup> – Holiday Park UMC, 81 Sandune Drive, Pittsburgh, PA, 7:00-9:00 pm

August 19<sup>th</sup> – McKeesport: First, 1406 Cornell Street, McKeesport PA,7:00-9:00

Any questions, please call the district office at 724-863-5673



**CHURCH PICNIC:** Mark your calendars now for the church picnic on August 18, 2014, at Oak Hollow Park, Pine Pavilion. Please note that this is a MONDAY EVENING. The picnic will start at 5:00 PM. Dinner is planned for 6:00 PM. Various meats will be provided for hot sandwiches. Table service items are provided. Please bring a cold dish (like a salad or dessert) to share with others. This way, no one has to rush home from work to prepare something hot. Drinks will be provided. A donation container will be provided if you wish to help defray the costs of the picnic. Before and after dinner, gather for games and fellowship. If you have game equipment (balls, bats, etc.) please feel free to bring it. Also, bring lawn

chairs if the picnic benches are too hard for you.

A short vesper service will end the evening as we experience the beauty of God's world at sunset.

All are invited. If you need a ride, please let us know and we will try to make arrangements. Please let us know how many are coming. You may email the church office at <u>irwinfirstumc@comcast.net</u> or sign the form below, Please let us know by August 11 so that we can prepare enough food.

I will be attending the All-Church picnic:	
Name	
Number of adults attending	
Number of Children attending	
I plan to bring the following dish to share	
I need a ride I can provide a ride for someone	
Phone Number	