



**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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**August 27, 2017**

**12th Sunday in Kingdomtide**

**August Memory Verse - Psalm 23:4**

**“Yea, though I walk thru the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil for thou art with me. Thy rod and staff comfort me.”**

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**WORSHIP HOST 8:15 – Chris Ghrist**

**10:45 – Tracy Hawley**

**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 “You Are My All in All”**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP No. 846 Psalm 124**

**L:** If it had not been the Lord who was on our side – let Israel now say ...

**P:** ... if it had not been the Lord who was on our side, when foes rose up against us, then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their anger was kindled against us;

**L:** ... then the flood would have swept us away, the torrent would have gone over us;

**P:** ... then the raging waters would have gone over us.

**L:** Blessed be the Lord, who has not given us as prey to their teeth!

**P:** We have escaped as a bird from the snare of the fowlers;

**L:** ... the snare is broken, and we have escaped!

**P:** Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

**\*HYMN No. 555 “Forward Through the Ages”**

**CHILDREN'S MOMENTS No. 2233 “This Is Where Children Belong”**

*(Our Children's Collection this morning will be given to the Rotary and Lions Club food back pack programs. Please see the announcements for more details.)*

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Jordan Marie & Joshua David Platt – children of David & Kimberly Platt

**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” - Becky Platt**

**SPECIAL MUSIC “I Know Who Holds Tomorrow” - Becky Platt**

**WORD OF GOD Romans 12:1-8**

**PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY “Jesus, Lover of My Soul”**

**\*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**

**\*HYMN No. 175 “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”**

**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.**

**\*SERMON SCRIPTURE Matthew 16:13-20**

**SERMON “Who Do You Say Jesus Is?”**

**\*HYMN No. 399 “Take My Life, and Let it Be”**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*MUSIC OF PARTING “Postlude on 'Invitation'”**

**\*Please stand if you are able  
*The service is under the control of the Holy Spirit. The altar rail is always open.***

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**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK  
Saturday:22 Sunday: 8:15 - 61 10:45 – 56**

**SERVING YOU TODAY**

**GREETERS: 8:15 – Mike, Anne, Charlie & Philip Osborn  
10:45 – Litl Nel & Burnetta Green**

**USHERS TEAMS: 8:15 – Terri Yurcisin 10:45 – Joel Frye/Bill Hawley  
SOUND TEAM: 8:15 – Jason Kirsch, Fritz Runser 10:45 – Penny Brant & Josh Burger**

**NURSERY:** Our Nursery (birth through age 5) is open during the 10:45 worship service. In the event that there is no attendant in the nursery, parents are still welcome to use the nursery however they must stay with their children.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The flowers on the Altar today are presented in memory of our parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles from Toni and Chuck Fetter.

**Altar flowers are needed for several weeks in September.** If you are interested in sponsoring the Altar flowers please complete an "Altar Flower" form found in the bulletin or in the Information Center in the Narthex.

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### THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

**8:00 AM – 1:00 PM on Monday thru Thursday; 8:00 AM – Noon on Friday**

**Pastor Bruce – 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday**

724-747-6098 (call or text) or email at [preacherptl@gmail.com](mailto:preacherptl@gmail.com)

*Please feel free to contact Pastor Bruce if you are in need of a pastoral visit.*

**Today, Sunday, August 27**

**Baptism Sunday**

8:00 Prayer

8:15 Worship Service

9:30 Adult Sunday School

10:45 Worship Service

4:00 Choir Picnic at Schaefer's

**Wednesday, August 30**

6:00 Healing Service

**Thursday, August 31**

6:30 NA

**Saturday, September 2**

6:00 Contemporary Worship Service

**Monday, August 28**

Yough school year begins

6:30 Grief Support

**Next Sunday, September 3**

**Communion Sunday**

8:00 Prayer

8:15 Worship Service

9:30 Adult Sunday School

10:45 Worship Service

12:15 Choir Student meeting

(see announcement below)

**Tuesday, August 29**

6:15 TOPS

7:00 Outreach

7:30 NA

**CHOIR STUDENT MEETING:** There will be a brief meeting next Sunday immediately after the 10:45 AM service in the front of the sanctuary for any student (and their parents) who might be interested in singing or ringing this school year. We will confirm rehearsal times and answer questions at this meeting."

**Monday, September 4 – Labor Day – Office Closed**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS – 8/20/2017

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**THE CHILDREN'S COLLECTION** this week will be used for the food backpack programs in our area. With school starting the area Rotary and Lions Club are gearing up to help children in need in our communities.

*Beverly's Birthdays:* 8/13 - \$123.00      8/20/2017 - \$210.00

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**RADA Cutlery** - The Catalogs and Order Forms are now in and located on a table in the narthex! All of the items in this catalog are 100% American Made! These items make great Christmas, Wedding, Anniversary and Birthday gifts for teachers, family members and friends! Pick up a catalog and pass it around at work or share with your family, friends or neighbors. The prices are great and our church will profit 40% from any sales! All orders are due by **Sunday, October 29th**. Checks can be made payable to "FUMC." All order forms with checks or cash attached are to be placed in the office door slot. Catalogs can be returned to the table once you have finished your order, so we can recycle them. Orders will be available for Thanksgiving and Christmas giving.

Any questions, please contact Laurie Saporito at 724-864-5649 or [cts72@hotmail.com](mailto:cts72@hotmail.com)



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Pastor Bruce will be having membership orientation classes beginning Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> during the 9:30 Sunday School hour. Reception of new members will be on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. Anyone interested in becoming a member of our congregation at Irwin First United Methodist Church should contact the office or Pastor Bruce. If you will be transferring from another church, please let us know and we can notify your current church

and begin the transfer process.

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**CAMP NEWS ...** Please keep **Dawn Capecci and John Weber** in your prayers this week as they attend the Christian Singles Fellowship Retreat at Jumonville on Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup> through Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. Pray that they have a wonderful camp experience as they participate in the outreach ministry of the Western PA Conference of the United Methodist Church.



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**THE UPPER ROOM** for September/October is now available in the narthex. This daily devotional with passages selected from the Bible encourage you to spend time with God each day. Praying and reading the Bible will help you recognize how His Word applies to everyday life. Pick one up today.

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## Sunday, September 10, 2017



Sunday school is starting up again for the fall! We will be starting on September 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am in the elementary wing of the church. Please plan on attending for a fun time! There will be a Bible lesson by the pastor and some face painting by Mrs. O'Reilly and of course snacks. It will be a fun time to kick off our Sunday school year! This year the little ones from Mrs. Weber's class will be meeting in a brand new room, so everyone is asked to please meet in large meeting room off the mezzanine. Any questions please contact Becky Platt at 412-816-1906

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**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS:** Looking for an Adult Sunday School Class to join? Come downstairs to the Harvester's Class! After taking a summer break, we will be starting up again on **Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30**. There is coffee, tea, hot chocolate and baked

goods provided for any singles, parents and grandparents to enjoy while watching a video or during our class discussion. We will be doing (2) studies from Andy Stanley. The first is titled "Christian - It's not what you think".

What does it *really* mean to be a Christian? The second is titled "Follow - No Experience Necessary". Jesus doesn't expect you to be perfect. Journey through the Gospels and Jesus' teaching on what it means to follow.

Mark your calendars! Join us...we pray, study and laugh together!

## Come join the fun!

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**United Methodist Women Day Apart**  
Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at Camp Allegheny  
Speaker: Rev. Patricia Nelson

9 AM-9:45 AM Registration                      9:45 AM-2 PM Program

Cost \$12 per person

RSVP: Aug 30<sup>th</sup> to Greensburg District, 307 Freeport St, Delmont PA 15626

Phone: 724-461-7178

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### ANNUAL CONNECTIONAL APPORTIONMENTS

Take note of the annual Connectional Apportionment thermometer in the narthex. Here we will be able to monitor our progress. Let us pull together and help us to reach our goal of \$38,892 for our



2017 commitment.

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**Teen Center begins September 13th!** Stay tuned for more details. We are in need of:  
1) money to help purchase gaming equipment and TV's  
2) volunteers to help chaperone and/or help in homework room. A minimum once a month commitment is all that is necessary. Volunteers will likely be the most difficult aspect of this, so PLEASE help!

Contact Pastor Stephen if you are interested. [pastormannion@gmail.com](mailto:pastormannion@gmail.com), 412-610-3289

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## **ADDICTION ADDRESSED A COMMUNITY EDUCATION**

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First United Methodist Church of Irwin  
310 Oak Street, Irwin, PA 15642

**Saturday, September 9, 2017  
1:00pm-3:00pm**

Learn how addiction is impacting our community and what is being done to address this epidemic!

**FREE LUNCH      EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

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**How to get connected to the District e-Newsletter** - Many people are missing valuable information by simply not knowing to be connected to the monthly e-newsletter. The District e-Newsletters are also archived on the district webpage and can be viewed at anytime. To connect to the District e-Newsletter, follow these 3 easy steps:

1. Go to the WPA Conference website: [www.wpaumc.org](http://www.wpaumc.org) and scroll down to the bottom of the page and click on "Sign Up for Newsletters"
2. Enter your email address, first and last name
3. Select the Greensburg District Connector (e-newsletter)

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### **COMING IN SEPTEMBER ... CONGREGATIONAL LUNCHEON**

On Sunday, September 17, 2017 our congregation is invited to attend a covered dish luncheon after the 10:45 service in the gymnasium/fellowship hall. See the September Newsletter and the up-coming weekly bulletins for more information.

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**PRAYER QUILT:** The *Stitch in Faith Ministry* team are currently taking requests for Prayer Quilts. Please take a peach colored "Prayer Quilt Request" form from the information stand in the Narthex, fill it out, and place it in the slot in the church office door. If you need more information, please contact Mary Reed or Cindi Painter.

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