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**February 19, 2017**

**Seventh Sunday after Epiphany Sunday**

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**February Memory Verse – Matthew 6:12**

**“and forgive us of our sins as we forgive those who have sinned against us.”**

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**WORSHIP HOST 8:15 – Chris Ghrist**

**10:45 – Peggy Kooser**

**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**

**BRINGING IN THE LIGHT**

**MUSIC OF PREPARATION “I Love to Tell the Story”**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP No. 842 Psalm 119:33-40**

**L:** Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes; and I will keep it to the end.

**P:** Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

**L:** Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.

**P:** Incline my heart to your testimonies, and not to gain!

**L:** Turn my eyes from looking at vanities; and give me life in your ways.

**P:** Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you.

**L:** Turn away the reproach which I dread; for your ordinances are good.

**P:** Behold, I long for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life!

**\*UNISON PRAYER No. 881 “The Apostles’ Creed”**

**\*HYMN No. 191 “Jesus Loves Me”**

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

*(Our Children’s Collection this morning will be given to Gideons International. Please see the announcement for more details.)*

**ANTHEM 8:15 “When God Forgives” - Missy Andrison**

**10:45 “When God Forgives” - Chancel Choir**

**WORD OF GOD Hebrews 4:11-16**

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

**OFFERTORY "Teach Us Thy Word"**

**\*DOXOLOGY No. 87, v.4**

These gifts we now bring, these presents, these tokens,  
These words can convey it, the joy of this day!  
When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,  
This song we now offer in honor and praise!

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS**

**\*HYMN No. 601 "Thy Word Is a Lamp Unto My Feet"**

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

For our joys we say: "Praise the Lord."  
For our concerns we say: "Lord, hear our prayers."

**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 John 20:26-31**

**SERMON "God's Word" –Dick Stewart, Gideons International & Pastor Bruce**

**\*HYMN No. 600 "Wonderful Words of Life"**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*MUSIC OF PARTING "Processional in C Minor"**

*The service is under the control of the Holy Spirit.  
The altar rail is always open.*

**\*Those who are able, please stand.**

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**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK**

**Saturday: 21 Sunday: 8:15 - 56 10:45 - 92**

**SERVING YOU TODAY**

**GREETERS:** 8:15 - Bob & Alice Hubert

10:45 – Ethel Rosenburg & Liz Collins

**USHERS TEAMS:** 8:15 – Virginia Ives

10:45 – Joel Frye/Bill Hawley

**SOUND TEAM:** 8:15 – Fritz Runser

10:45 - Penny Brant, Josh Burger

**NURSERY:** Our Nursery (birth through age 5) is open during the worship services. The attendents today are Amy & Hanna Bergman. In the event that no attendents are present, parents are still welcome to use the nursery however they must stay with their children.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The altar flowers today are presented in memory of Alice Fennell's birthday - by her husband, Glenn. The butterflies in the arrangement are to honor their grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

*The announcement concerning the Altar Flowers last week was incorrect. The announcement should have read, "The altar flowers today are presented in honor of my sister and brothers Theresa, Anthony, and Sonny from Toni Fetter. We apologize to Toni and her family for this error.*

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### THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

**Office - 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM 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, February 19**

8:00 Prayer  
8:15 Worship Service  
9:30 Sunday School  
9:30 Confirmation Class  
9:30 Membership Class  
10:45 Worship Service  
12:15 SonShiners

#### **Thursday, February 23**

6:15 C Bells  
6:30 NA  
7:15 Choir

#### **Saturday, February 25**

6:00 Alternative Worship Service  
Prayer Shawl Dedication  
7:00 Christian Singles

#### **Monday, February 20**

##### **Presidents Day**

7:00 Dartball - A

#### **Tuesday, February 21**

5:30 NA  
6:15 TOPS

#### **Wednesday, February 22**

##### **Newsletter Deadline**

1:00 Bible Study  
6:00 Healing Service

#### **Next Sunday, February 26**

##### **Prayer Shawl Dedication**

8:00 Prayer  
8:15 Worship Service  
9:30 Sunday School  
9:30 Confirmation Class  
9:30 Membership Class  
10:45 Worship Service  
12:15 SonShiners  
6:00 Talent Show

#### **Upcoming Dates To Remember**

February 22 – Newsletter Deadline  
February 25 & 26 – Prayer Shawl Dedication  
February 26 – Talent Show  
March 1 – Ash Wednesday – Lent begins  
March 2 – Irwin Rotary Chili Cook-off

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**MEMBERSHIP CLASSES:** Membership classes for those wishing to join our church, and those who would like a refresher course about the United Methodist Church, will take place during the Sunday School hour from Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>. The Confirmation class will be joining the Membership class for these sessions. Pastor Bruce will also be leading these sessions.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**CHILDREN'S COLLECTIONS:** The Children's Collection today will be given to Gideons International. The Gideons International is an Association of Christian business and professional men and their wives dedicated to telling people about Jesus through associating together for service, sharing personal testimony, and by providing Bibles and New Testaments. For more information see the bulletin insert or go to <https://www2.gideons.org/about>

Campers: 2/12- \$144.00

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**“HEARTS TO GOD, HANDS TO WORK MINISTRY”:** Today Pastor Judy will be dedicating prayer shawls, quilts, scarves, afghans, baby hats & blankets and/or pocket prayer shawls for the 3 services! These items have been made with prayers and peaceful thoughts. . . May you find God’s warmth as you wear, wrap, or hold it in your hand. If you know of someone who is in need of God’s Loving Comfort, please take an item to them. These items can be found on the quilt rack and in the basket in front of the Pulpit in the Sanctuary.

Hearts to God



Hands to Work

Those who are completing their projects, please obtain a prayer card in the “Comfort/Ministry Room” next to Pastor Judy's office. Please have your projects ready and/or place them on the altar for dedication prior to the services.

Many thanks for the hands & hearts who have created these items and to those who will be delivering them. Please direct any questions to: Burnetta Green, Kate Schlandler, or Cindi Painter.

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SUMMER



**Camp Fundraiser Hoagie Sale!** Thank you to everyone that ordered a hoagie to help send our kids to camp! We sold 56 hoagies...so thanks for your support! Hoagies can be picked up following both services **TODAY** in the large room off the narthex. Individual accounts have been started for the campers whose names were written in on your order forms. If no name was listed, the monies earned will go to our General Campership Fund. Questions...contact Laurie Saporito, Camp Steward at 724-864-5649 or [cts72@hotmail.com](mailto:cts72@hotmail.com)

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**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** All information for the March 2017 Newsletter is due in the office by Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please email (preferred) your information to [fumc.jeanne.secrep@comcast.net](mailto:fumc.jeanne.secrep@comcast.net) or write it down and leave a copy on the office desk. Please do not call to submit your information. Any information not received by Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> will be published in the April 2017 Newsletter.

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**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE:** Please see the clipboard that is being passed today for the following opportunities for service:

- 1) Coordinator for refreshments after the talent show next week and people to donate cookies
- 2) Volunteers to assist with the monthly coffee hours
- 3) Men to assist erecting the Easter Tomb next Sunday after church.

If you do not get the clipboard and would like to volunteer, please come to the organ to tell Dianne.

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**ATTENTION ALL LADIES!** The Mother/Daughter Banquet will be held on May 13, 2017 Contact Dawn Capecci @ 412-651-2503 for more information or for ways you can help make the banquet a success.

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**CALLING ALL SCOUTS!** If your child is involved in either Girl Scouts or Boy Scouts at any level, please notify the office. We would like to recognize Scouts in February or March and do not want to leave out anyone involved in Scouting.

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**TALENT SHOW:** Yippee! We are going to have a talent show on February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary. Please sign up to share any talent you may have. Read a story, jokes, or poetry. Sing, dance or play an instrument. Do magic, juggle, or do impressions. Put together a team to do something. Let’s have fun and laugh together. Sign up on the clipboard or call the office to register. Invite your neighbors to get involved too. For more info call Pastor Bruce at 724-7474-6098.

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Join us on Sunday March 5<sup>th</sup> after the second service for a soup and sandwich luncheon. Not only will you sample some great soups, you will get to enjoy some fellowship with other church members. We will have limited soups available after the first service for take-out. Take-out soup will be sold for \$4 per container. If you would like a sandwich to go with your soup, the cost will be \$5. Soup makers – look for the sign-up poster in the Narthex. We can’t do it without your great soups!

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**EVERYBODY LOVES EASTER CANDY!!!** The Church Easter candy sale for 2017 is starting on Sunday, February 26th. We will have order forms for families and members to take home to sell to their family and friends. Orders are due back to the church no later than Sunday, March 19th, to allow enough time for the orders to be fulfilled. We will still take individual orders before and after each service in the narthex.



All monies are due at the time of order. Candy will be available for pick-up on Palm Sunday (April 9th) and will be available by family. 35% of all sales go directly to the church. Please help to support the

finances of our church by purchasing your Easter candy through our fundraiser.



Thank you, The FUMC Finance Committee

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**HOSPITAL CALLS:** If you or someone you know is in the hospital, please call the office or Pastor Bruce to let us know. We will need the name of the patient, the hospital and the room number if available. It's better to get multiple calls than none at all.

*Remember, Pastor Bruce cannot provide care to our congregation if he doesn't know there is a need.*