



**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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**January 28, 2018**

**Fourth Sunday after the Ehipany**

**January Memory Verse - John 14:19 – “... because I live you also will live.”**

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**WORSHIP HOST: 8:15 – Kyle or Katrina Bryan**

**10:45 - Tracy Hawley**

**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**

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**BRINGING IN THE LIGHT**

**MUSIC OF PREPARATION**      **“God Is So Good”**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP No. 862      “Psalm 150”**

**L:** Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary;

**P:** ... praise God in his mighty firmament!

**L:** Praise God for his mighty deeds;

**P:** ... praise God for his exceeding greatness!

**L:** Praise God with trumpet sound;

**P:** ... praise God with lute and harp!

**L:** Praise God with tambourine and dance;

**P:** ...praise God with strings and pipe!

**L:** Praise God with sounding cymbals;  
**P:** ... praise God with loud clashing cymbals!  
**L:** Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!  
**P:** Praise the Lord!

**\*UNISON PRAYER “Concerning the Scriptures”**

**Blessed Lord, you have caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen**

**\*HYMN No. 127 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”**

**CHILDREN’S MOMENTS**

**No. 2233 “This Is Where Children Belong”**

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

**ANTHEM 8:15 “Breathe Your Name” - Connie Bickerstaff**  
**10:45 “Breathe Your Name” – Chancel Choir**

**WORD OF GOD Nehemiah 8:2-6**

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

**OFFERTORY “Prayer”**

**\*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. 2244 “People Need the Lord”**

**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**

**\*WORD OF GOD John 20:30, 31**

**SERMON The Gideons International**

**\*HYMN No. 176 “Majesty”**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*MUSIC OF PARTING “Joyful”**

**\*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 – 20      Sunday: 8:15 - 62      10:45 – 80**

**SERVING YOU TODAY**

**GREETERS:** 8:15 – Mike, Anne, Philip & Charlie Osborn  
10:45 – Phyllis Brickel & Gayleen Fisher

**USHERS TEAMS:** 8:15 – Terri Yurcisin      10:45 – Tom Lehner

**SOUND TEAM:** 8:15 – Fritz Runser, Jason Kirsch, John and Bernie Johnston  
10:45 – Josh Burger, Penny Brant

**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 Altar flowers this week are presented in honor of Dianne Runser's birthday.

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**THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH**

**Regular Office Hours: 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, January 28**  
**Gideon International speaker**

8:00 Prayer  
8:15 Worship Service  
9:30 Sunday School  
10:45 Worship Service  
12:15 Sonshiners  
6:00 Talent Show

**Monday, January 29**  
7:00 Dartball - Home

**Tuesday, January 30**  
6:15 TOPS  
7:30 NA

**Wednesday, January 31**

5:00 Youth Center  
6:00 Healing Service  
6:30 Women’s Book Study  
7:00 N.O.W. meeting

**Thursday, February 1**

6:15 C Bells  
6:30 Daisy Scouts Meeting  
6:30 NA  
7:15 Choir

**Saturday, February 3**

Gym in use  
6:00 Contemporary Worship

**Next Sunday, February 4**  
**Communion**

8:00 Prayer  
8:15 Worship Service  
9:30 Sunday School  
10:45 Worship Service  
12:15 Sonshiners

**ANNOUNCEMENTS – 1/28/2018**

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**CHILDREN’S COLLECTIONS: 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. While we are often recognized for our work with hotels, we also place and distribute Scriptures in strategic locations so they are available to those who want them, as well as to those who may not know they need them. Members of The Gideons International personally witness and distribute God’s Word to police, fire, and medical personnel; prisoners; military personnel; students in the fifth grade and above; and to those with whom they interact on a daily basis. Scriptures are also placed by Gideons and Auxiliary in key locations, including hotels, motels, hospitals, convalescent homes, medical offices, domestic violence shelters, prisons, and jails. <https://www2.gideons.org/about>

**Human Relations Day: 1/21 - \$118.00**

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**THE ANNUAL YOUTH RETREAT TO CAMP ALLEGHENY IS COMING UP!** It will be from **March 2-4**. The cost for the retreat is \$45. You can also opt to buy a camp t-shirt for \$10. If you would like to go, please contact Josh Burger at [joshburger92@gmail.com](mailto:joshburger92@gmail.com), or by phone at (412-613-2346). Josh will need to know who is coming by February 11th, so don't wait to long to save your spot!

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**HELP NEEDED!** Each week our Greeters, Ushers, and Worship Hosts provide much needed help to make our services run smoothly. If you are interested in taking a turn at helping in one of these areas, please contact:

- Greeters - Burnetta Green (724-863-0255)
- Ushers - Tom Lehner (724-864-0823) or Jerry Paul (724-863-2694)
- Worship Hosts - Tracy Hawley (724-863-8915)

Whether you want to help out for a month at a time or just a week here or there, your help is needed. Please give the coordinators a call, or put your name on the sign-up sheets on the clipboard, and take a turn in one of these positions

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**“JESUS” AT SIGHT AND SOUND THEATER:** There are 10 spaces available to see “Jesus” at Sight and Sound Theater on April 4<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$148. Which covers the ticket, 1 meal and transportation. Bev McDonald needs to know ASAP. Please call 724-864-4093 to hold your spot.

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**LIVING LAST SUPPER:** One actor is needed to portray Thaddaeus in our annual production. Please talk to Dianne Runser or one the cast for more information. Behind the scenes help of all kinds is needed. Please see the clipboard to offer to help.

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**FROM THE MEN:**

1. **Men's Work Day** will on Tuesday February 13 at 9:00 am, we meet downstairs in the kitchen.
2. **Men's Meeting** will be on Wednesday February 21 at 7 pm, we meet in the church parlor. For February's meeting I asked the men to read the Gospel of John and we will discuss it. As usual we will have pie and coffee after the meeting. All men are invited to attend.

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Hello Church Family,

As you all are aware, we continue to have a deficit in respect to our Connectional Apportionment giving. To get to the point-- the Finance Committee may have a solution to our problem. We have put forth a plan known as the **“Two Bucks Campaign”**! We are challenging 100 members to contribute \$2.00 a week above their current giving. It's equal to a cup of coffee or soft drink at a restaurant.

Alan & Cindi Painter have already tried it at a recent trip to Kings restaurant- they ordered water instead of a soft drink (each saving \$2.29). Additionally, instead of buying donuts for the dart ball team, Alan had Cindi make a cake for the team saving at least \$2.00 for this campaign. Two examples to *gift* an extra \$2.00 a week. See how you can meet the challenge.

This idea had to be a “God Thing” to develop this campaign- it's so painless and easy. A way to solve this year after year deficit. All you need to do is be creative with your \$2.00/week commitment (above your regular giving). Your weekly envelope will soon have a designated item line for your *gift* for the **“Two Bucks Campaign”**. To monitor our progress, check out the Newsletter Financial report & the Connectional Apportionment thermometer in the narthex.

We **are** connected together, Church Family. And we **are** going to meet our Connectional Apportionment giving in 2018 with this **“Two Bucks Campaign”**!

Thank You & Blessings to You,  
The Finance Committee

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**Irwin First UMC  
Person/Couple/Family of the Month**

Each month we will showcase a person/couple/family. It is our hope that by doing this we will get to know everyone in our church.

**Sandy and Phill Paden**

Address: 10149 Harrison Avenue in N. Huntingdon

Children: Susan Dambrosia & Missy (Jason) Davis

Grandchildren: Emily & Matthew Dambrosia

Chloe & Abby Davis

Pets: Gia (dog), Spike & Spikeless (cockatiels),

PJ (turtle), and 7 pond fish.

Phill (with two l's) was born on March 1<sup>st</sup> and grew up in Paintertown. He is our part-time custodian/handy man here at the church. Phill enjoys watching movies and football, hunting & fishing. His favorite color is yellow.

Sandy was born on December 20<sup>th</sup> and grew up in Sheridan Terrace, North Huntingdon. She is often seen here at the church helping Phill. Sandy enjoys watching game shows and her favorite color is blue.

Phill & Sandy were married here at FUMC on April 25, 1970 (48 years this year.) They are members of our Outreach Committee and, along with Missy & Jason, coordinate our Food Bank program. Together they enjoy traveling, gardening, and feeding the wildlife in their back yard. Their favorite song is "Celebration" and they love pre-prepared food or take-out.



Please make it a point to say hello to Phill & Sandy sometime during this month!