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May 7, 2017

Third Sunday of Easter Communion Sunday

May Memory Verse – Psalm 23:4

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

WORSHIP HOST 8:15 – Krista Brown

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

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

MUSIC OF PREPARATION “You Never Let Go”

***CALL TO WORSHIP No. 754 “Psalm 23”**

L: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

P: **The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures,**

L: ...leads me beside still waters, restores my life,

P: ... **leads me in right paths for the sake of the Lord’s name.**

L: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;

P: ... **for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

L: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

P: ... **you anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.**

L: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;

P: ... **and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord as long as I live.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE No. 174 “His Name Is Wonderful”**

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (10:45 Service)

Carol Ackerman & Bethany Ackerman

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

(Our Children's Collection this morning will be given to our Work Trip team. Please see the announcements for more details.)

ANTHEM 8:15 “Gentle Shepherd” – Becky Platt

10:45 “Guests at His Table” - Chancel Choir

WORD OF GOD Acts 2:42-47

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Reflection on 'Bradbury'"

***DOXOLOGY No. 2026 (TFWS) "Halle, Halle, Halleluja!"**
Halle, Halle, Halleluja! (3 times)
Halleluja! Halleluja!

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS**

***HYMN No. 620 "One Bread, One Body"**

JOYS AND CONCERNS

For our joys we say: "Praise the Lord"

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

PASTORAL PRYER & 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 10:1-10**

SERMON "The Authority of God's Word"

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SACRAMENT

(All are welcome. Please follow the directions of the ushers.)

***HYMN OF PARTING No. 140 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"**

***BENEDICTION**

*** MUSIC OF PARTING "A Joyous Acclamation"**

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

The service is under the control of the Holy Spirit.

The altar rail is always open.

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Saturday: 18 Sunday: 8:15 - 63 10:45 - 91

SERVING YOU TODAY

GREETERS: 8:15 – Barb Ceresa & Connie Fontana

10:45 – Lee Stewart & Lois Kuhn

USHERS TEAMS: 8:15 – Men's Group

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. The attendents today will be Amy & Hannah Bergman. 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 today are presented in memory of William David Bryan from Katrina and Kyle Bryan.

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

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

Today, Sunday, May 7

Communion Sunday

“Spud Bar to Go” after each service

(see announcement)

8:00 Prayer

8:15 Worship Service

9:30 Sunday School

10:45 Worship Service

12:15 SonShiners

Monday, May 8

10:00 UM Women

6:30 Grief Support

Tuesday, May 9

9:00 Men’s Work Team

(see announcement)

6:15 TOPS

7:00 Trustees

7:30 NA

Wednesday, May 10

7:00 Youth Group

7:00 SPRC

Thursday, May 11

6:30 NA

7:00 “Crazy Love” Study Group

7:15 Choir

Friday, May 12

9:00 Food Bank Truck – help needed

Gym Closed

Saturday, May 13

9:00 Food Bank – help needed

6:00 Contemporary Worship Service

6:00 Mother/Daughter Banquet

7:00 Christian Singles Group

Next Sunday, May 14

Mother’s Day

8:00 Prayer

8:15 Worship Service

9:30 Sunday School

10:45 Worship Service



GRADUATION SUNDAY 2017



Graduation Sunday will be June 4, 2017. This is the day that we, as a church family, recognize those who are graduating. If you are graduating, or know of someone who is graduating, please let us know by submitting the information to the church office in writing or by email at fumc.jeanne.secrep@comcast.net

We need the following info:

High School Students – The school you are graduating from & your future plans, such as the college/school you plan to attend and what you will major in, or your employment plans.

College Students – The school you are graduating from, the degree you have earned, and your future plans.

All information should be received in the office by Sunday, May 21st.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN’S COLLECTIONS: The Children’s Collections this week will be given to the Work Trip team to help defer the cost of their upcoming trip to Philippi, WV. Please see the announcement below for more details on this year’s trip.

Work Trip: 4/30 - \$125.50

NEW ON THE CLIPBOARD TODAY

1. Helpers are needed to decorate the sanctuary for Pentecost (June 4th). We need to decorate the altar and hang banners on the pillars. Decoration is scheduled for Thursday evening, June 1st at 6:30 PM.
2. June 4th is also graduate recognition Sunday. Someone is needed to purchase gifts for the graduates and to assist at a reception for them.

MUSICIANS WANTED

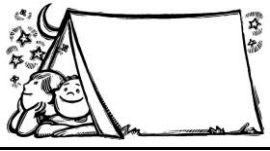
Are you interested in being a part of the Saturday night worship team (6pm service)? We are in need of musicians (on guitar, keyboard, or percussion) who are willing to play/sing on a regular or semi-regular basis.



Interested persons should have the following qualities:

- Ability to independently learn 5 or 6 songs in a week
- Willingness to arrive at 4:30 on Saturday to practice
- Ability to play from chord sheets
- Familiarity with current contemporary worship music would be a plus
- Ability to sing harmonies would be a plus as well.

If you are interested please talk to Laura (Saturday night worship leader) sometime at a Saturday night service. You can also contact the office and they will forward your information to Laura.



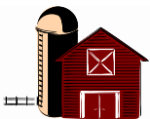
Camp Fundraiser Hoagie Sale - Orders for our May Hoagie Sale will be taken today and next Sunday. Order forms can be found on the table in the narthex. This will be the last sale to designate a camper's name on the top of the form since some camps start in June. The cost is \$6.50 and cash/checks (payable to First UM) are due on May 21st when hoagies will be available following both services. Thank you for

supporting our campers! If your child has not registered for a camp, it is not too late! Pick up a brochure and return the registration form to our church office. Questions contact Laurie Saporito, Camp Steward at 724-864-5649 or cts72@hotmail.com

MEN'S WORK TEAM: The Men's Work Team will meet at the church on Tuesday, May 9th at 9:00 AM. They meet about once a month to do repairs around the building. They have coffee & talk a while, do some jobs around the building, and have lunch before they leave. It's a great group of guys who have saved the church thousands of dollars through the years by doing some of the work and repairs to the building.

THE UNITED METHODIST MEN will have their monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 17th at 7:00 PM. They will begin a study on "The Names of God." All men of the church are invited to attend.

BARN PARTY!



Mark your calendars for Friday, June 2nd in the evening for a beginning of summer barn party!

Activities will include eating, dancing/listening to a DJ, an organized food fight, bonfire, corn hole, and more! ***This event will be free and open to anyone in middle school or high school.*** Kick off the beginning of summer right, and PLEASE BRING FRIENDS! This is designed to be an outreach event.

Adult Volunteers are needed! Please contact Stephen at 412-610-3289 or pastormannion@gmail.com if you can help.

***** And don't forget Fish and Chips (youth group) Wednesday at 7:00pm! *****

THERE IS A NEW MINISTRY HERE AT IRWIN FUMC
“Stitch in Faith Ministry”



Meeting Place: the Upper Room off the balcony
(previously the District Superintendent’s office)

Dates: Wednesday, June 7th from 10:00 – 11:00 AM
Wednesday, June 21st from 7:00 – 8:00 PM

Ministry: We will be learning how to make prayer quilts.

What to Bring: Yourself and the desire to learn how to quilt. No experience is required. We would love for all who are able to come and join the fun!

Quilting Instructor: Mary Reed (724-864-5376)

Direct questions to: Mary Reed or Cindi Painter (724-446-0224)

The Rick Simms Memorial Work Trip 2017



On this 25th year of the annual mission work trip, we have coveted with Janet Andrade, a single mom, to place a new bedroom on her home. Janet has a son, 8 year old Alex, and her 16 year old nephew, Isaiah, living in a two-bedroom mobile home. This addition will be for Isaiah. We also saw the need to replace the entry stoop with steps, with an attached porch to the addition. The room will be 10’ x 12’ plus a large closet/storage area. A corner of the addition will be a coat and boot area just inside the door. We will also be doing some work on the roof to close some openings at its peak. The room and porch will be covered by a continuous roof.

The 2017 work team members list has mostly veterans with a few new folks who have answered the call. Please keep the family, team members, and planning team in prayer. We have coveted to construct the solution and with you as intercessors, God may direct our hands and feet to an acceptable result. Your dedication and resolve will forever change the life of this family.

As we were talking to Janet, we mentioned some of the other families we had done similar additions for. One being just at the beginning of her road. We talked about the Lance’s addition (2015) which will be similar. It turns out she is the daughter of Kathryn Lance. Small world! Janet’s sister lives next door to her also.

There is a poster in the narthex, detailing the project and a drawing of the planned structure. If you would like to help “Build a Memory,” you can make a contribution for building materials, scholarships for work team members, or to help defray the cost of food. Please place your monies in a marked envelope from the bulletin or pew holders. If you wish to buy materials in Memory, Honor or to the Glory of God, there are half sheet forms to do so. All the names will be placed on the corresponding item(s) prior to installation. There will be lumber for signing in the narthex a few weeks prior to leaving, that you may add your name and or note that we will take with us. Maybe you have furniture you would like to donate to this bedroom. Isaiah’s room will need a twin or full bed, nightstand, dresser and a free-standing shelf unit. If you have any laminate flooring you might want to donate for the closet/storage areas ... roughly 2’ x 6’ and 2’ x 4’. Lighting fixtures for the room will be sconces and plug in lamps. Old wall hung cabinets could be used in the coat/boot area. If you have any items to donate, please call before bringing them to the church. We will make arrangements to get the items before we leave.

If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact us via email or phone. Any questions or inquiries are welcome.

In His Service, Patty & Jack Osterman Work trip coordinators
Email at namretsojp@gmail.com Phone 724-863-2796

THE HAPPY METHODIST GROUP will meet for lunch at Rodney’s Restaurant on Monday, June 5th at 12:00 noon. If you have any questions about the lunch, or the Happy Methodist group, please contact Shirley McCune at 724-527-2497.

Community News...The Community Women's Club of Level Green is once again sponsoring its annual Safety Town Program on June 12-16 at the Level Green Presbyterian Church from 9:00 to 11:30 AM. Children who are entering kindergarten for the 2017-2018 school year are eligible to attend. The Safety Town program is designed to teach basic safety measures, tips and awareness lessons that will keep children safe. Key topics include fire safety, school bus safety, poison awareness, stranger danger, and bike/scooter/skateboard safety. Visits will be made by Penn Township Police Department, Penn Township Ambulance, Level Green Volunteer Fire Department and First Student Bus Company. Children will also be introduced to "the Town" and will have an opportunity to learn about street safety as they drive big wheels or bikes with training wheels through the Town each day. **Personal bike helmets are required.** Through the week children are taught their full name, address, telephone number for use in emergency situations. In addition, the children will enjoy crafts, snacks, songs, workbooks and new friendships daily. The cost is \$50 for the week and the registration deadline is **Monday, May 15th.** You do not have to live in the Penn Trafford District to attend this. Space is limited to 45 students (3 classes of 15). The Women's Club has sponsored this program for over 30 years because we believe in educating our children to develop a safe community. To register, or if you have any questions, contact Laurie Saporito at 724-864-5649.

For more information on the following programs, contact Pastor Bruce at 724-747-6098 (call or text) or email at preacherptl@gmail.com

BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR BRUCE: Held every other Wednesday at 1:00 PM.

HEALING SERVICE: the last Wednesday of the month at 6:00 PM.

DEPRESSION AND ANXIETY SUPPORT GROUP: Meetings will be held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM.

PRAYER WARRIORS! If you are interested in becoming one of FUMC's Prayer Warriors please see Pastor Bruce. He will give you more information on the program.

"RIGHT NOW MEDIA" BIBLE STUDIES: To participate in any of these studies, you need to email the church office at fumc.jeanne.secrep@comcast.net with your request. The office will place your email address on the list of participants and give you instructions on how to log onto the account.

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.*

If you would like to be a member of our church, please contact Pastor Bruce (724-747-6098) or the church office (724-963-6858.)