



**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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**October 9, 2016**

**21st Sunday after Pentecost**

**Musician Dedication Sunday**

**WORSHIP HOST: 8:15 – Nellie Wiancko**

**10:45 – Peggy Kooser**

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**Memory Verse for October**

***Matthew 7:12 – “The Golden Rule”***

***Do unto others as you would have them do unto you, for this is the Law and the Prophets.***

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**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**

**“Come Christians, Join to Sing”**

**Temple Chimes**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**

**L:** Come! Dance! Sing! Celebrate the goodness of the Lord!

**P:** God continues to give us such great gifts of love.

**L:** We are made strong in the Lord.

**P:** We are made rich in the Lord.

**L:** God’s blessings are lavished on us every minute of every day!

**P:** Come, let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**\*UNISON PRAYER Pg. 69 "For True Singing" (unison)**

**Glorious God, source of joy and righteousness, enable us as redeemed and forgiven children evermore to rejoice in singing your praises. Grant that what we sing with our lips we may believe in our hearts, and what we believe in our hearts we may practice in our lives; so that being doers of the Word and not hearers only, we may receive everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 77, v, 1 “How Great Thou Art”**

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

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

**ANTHEM “Jesus Loves Me” –SonShiners**

**RESPONSIVE READING No. 821 Psalm 100**

**L:** Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

**P:** Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into God’s presence with singing!

**L:** Know that the Lord, who made us, is God.

**P: We are the Lord's, we are the people of God, the sheep of God's pasture.**

**L: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and God's courts with praise!**

**P: Give thanks and bless God's name!**

**L: For the Lord is good;**

**P: God's steadfast love endures for ever; God's faithfulness to all generations.**

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

**OFFERTORY "Cascade for Bells" Cathedral Bells**

### **\*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**

**Merciful God, your steadfast love endures forever. We are grateful that when we are hungry in body or spirit, you give us food. Help our congregation to bring nourishment to those who are hungry for your good gifts. Strengthen and renew our ministries with children and those who are vulnerable. Use these tithes and offerings to reach people with your loving kindness. We pray through Jesus Christ, the bread of life. Amen.**

**HYMN No. 314, v.1 "In the Garden"**

### **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**

**SCRIPTURE Psalm 98**

**MESSAGE "Why Do We Sing?"**

**ANTHEM "I Will Sing Praise" Chancel Choir**

*(All hymns will be verse 1 only)*

#### **Songs of Praise and Thanksgiving**

**HYMN No 57 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing  
HYMN No 89 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee  
HYMN No 2025 As the Deer**

#### **Songs Which Teach**

**HYMN No 261 Lord of the Dance  
HYMN No 364 Because He Lives**

#### **Songs of Assurance and Trust**

**HYMN No 133 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms  
HYMN No 370 Victory in Jesus  
HYMN No 707 Hymn of Promise  
HYMN No 2146 His Eye Is on the Sparrow**

#### **Songs about our Mission**

**HYMN No 431 Let There Be Peace on Earth  
HYMN No 572 Pass It On  
HYMN No 733 Marching to Zion**

## **DEDICATION OF MUSICIANS**

**Pastor:** Dear friends, all of us here are involved in the ministry of music. We are directed numerous times in the Bible to “make a joyful noise unto the Lord”. Some of us need more encouragement than others. That is why we are grateful to those who have responded to the call of God to lead the ministry of music in our church. To direct, to sing, to play instruments, and to dance are ministries of Christ among us. Those called to these ministries need our loyal support and our prayers.

We recognize today our Minister of Music, Dianne Runser; the members of the Chancel Choir, the SonShiners, Temple Chimes and the Cathedral Bells.

Making music to the praise of God in the congregation is a ministry that requires devotion and discipline. Do you accept responsibility for this ministry?

**Musicians:** I do.

**Pastor:** Will you be faithful to the disciplines of music?

**Musicians:** I will.

**Pastor to congregation:** As members of this congregation, do you promise to ever remember that making a joyful noise to the Lord is an act of devotion in which we all can share.

**Congregation:** We do.

**Prayer of Dedication (All):**

We gather today, Lord, to begin another year of serving you. We come with varying gifts, believing that you have created us and called us to the same ministry as David and the Levites, using the gifts of which your servant Paul writes to lead your people in praise and to build up one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs.

We lay our gifts at your feet and pray that you will use us. As we sing, remind us of your love for all your children. Remind us that you have called us to this ministry when we face difficult times: times of fatigue and times of disappointment, times of grief and times of frustration, times of confusion and times of hard work, times when things go badly and especially when things go well.

Help us to see ourselves as part of your kingdom and to know that you love us solely because you created us. Help us to love you solely because you are our eternal King. These things we pray in the name of him who loved you and who loved us, and who gave himself for us, your Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Pastor:** May the faith expressed by your music live in our heart, and what you believe in your heart, practice in your life. May God give you grace to offer your music and your life in faithfulness and consecration, now, and in the world to come.

**Pastor to congregation:** Dear friends, I commend to you these persons. To them has been given the gift to lead in the ministry of music in our church. Will you sustain them with your encouragement and your prayers, as together we seek to offer praise to God?

**Congregation:** We will.

**All:** O Lord, our God, bless these ministries of music and those who offer them in Your service. Give to these persons love for You and Your people, fullness of heart as they praise You, and diligence that their music may be a worthy offering to Your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## **RESPONSE ANTHEM – “So I Sing” Combined Choirs**

\*HYMN OF PARTING No. 593, v.1 “Here I Am, Lord”

\*BENEDICTION (unison)

“To all upon my way, day after day, let me be joy, be hope! Let my life sing!

\*MUSIC OF PARTING “Sunshine and Joy Medley”

*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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## ROSTER OF CHURCH MUSICIANS

**MINISTER OF MUSIC** - Dianne S. Runser

**CHANCEL CHOIR** – Deb Andrison, Michaelae Andrison, Connie Bickerstaff, Wendell Campbell, Anne Cloonan, Chris Ghrist, Phill Paden, Becky Platt, Fritz Runser, Bobbi Schaefer, Kelly Smith, Nellie Wiancko, Debbie Yarlett, Terry Yarlett.

**SONSHINERS AND TEMPLE CHIMES** –Hannah Platt, Sophia Platt.

**CATHEDRAL BELLS** – Deb Andrison, Michaelae Andrison, Katrina Bryan, Kyle Bryan, Andy Halza, Bernie Johnston, Nellie Wiancko, Debbie Yarlett, Terry Yarlett..

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### ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

**Saturday Worship – 21      Sunday 8:15 – 49      10:45 – 60**

### SERVING YOU SUNDAY, October 9<sup>th</sup>

**GREETERS:** 8:15 – Bob & Alice Hubert                      10:45 – Carol Stoner & Phyllis Brickel

**USHERS TEAMS:** 8:15 – Men’s Group                      10:45 – Joel Frye/Bill Hawley

**SOUND TEAM:** Josh Burger & Penny Brant

**NURSERY:** Our Child Care Center (birth through age 5) will be open today during the 10:45 service. Our attendants today will be Donna Weber & Dawn Capecci.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The altar flowers this morning are presented in memory of Jock Johnston by June Johnston and family.

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Help us be good stewards of God’s resources. If you don’t need the inserts and envelopes that are in your bulletin, please leave them in the pew or place them in the recycle box in the Narthex.

*Let’s do our part to save our trees!*



### 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, October 9**

##### **Music Dedication Sunday**

8:00 Prayer Time

8:15 Worship

9:30 Sunday School

10:45 Worship

12:15 SonShiners

2:00 Youth Group

#### **Monday, October 10**

10:00 UM Women

7:00 Dartball - Away

#### **Tuesday, October 11**

9:00 Men’s Work Team

6:15 TOPS

6:30 Witness

7:00 Trustees

7:30 NA

#### **Thursday, October 13**

6:15 C Bells

7:15 Choir

#### **Friday, October 14**

6:30 Spud Bar Prep

#### **Saturday, October 15**

6:00AM-9:00PM Bob Evans Fundraiser

8:00 AM Kitchen & Kiwanis Room in use

9:00 Norwin Homecoming Parade

6:00 Alternative Worship

#### **Next Sunday, October 16**

##### **Laity Sunday/Take-out Spud Bar**

8:00 Prayer Time

8:15 Worship

9:30 Sunday School

10:45 Worship

12:15 SonShiners

2:00 Youth Group

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**GIVING TO OUR CHURCH THROUGH UNITED WAY!** Many of you are already contributing to United Way from your paycheck. You can give that portion to First UM of Irwin! The campaigns for United Way are usually held in September at your place of employment. Please tell them that you would like your portion of giving to go to your church! You will need our church code to do this donation online.

If you work in **Westmoreland County** the church code is: **416719**.

If you work in **Allegheny County** the church code is: **11850302**.

Thank you for your ongoing support!

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**DO YOU LIKE TO PAY YOUR BILLS ONLINE?** If so, you can designate First United Methodist Church as a bill payee. The address is 310 Oak Street, Irwin, PA. 15642. You can elect the amount you would like the church to receive and the number of times to “pay” the church. Use your envelope number as the requested account number. The bank will then send a check to the church and it will be processed the same as the Sunday envelopes.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**CHILDREN’S COLLECTIONS:** This week our children’s collection will be sent to the Irwin Volunteer Fire Department to help with their annual fund drive. The money donated will help pay for vehicle costs, equipment, and other operating expenses.

“*Irwin Volunteer Fire Department*” 10/2 - \$204.25

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**EVENING CUSTODIAN:** The First United Methodist Church of Irwin is accepting applications for the position of Evening Custodian. Responsibilities include general housekeeping and maintenance, grounds care, minor repairs, and event support. Candidate must have a flexible schedule, be Christian centered, have a pleasant disposition, and have strong organizational skills. This is a part-time position of 25-30 hours per week with no benefits. Applicants are required by law to have passed the PA State Police Criminal Record Check, the PA Child Abuse History

Clearance and the FBI based fingerprint check. Interested persons may contact the church at 724-863-6858 or by email at [irwinfirstumc@comcast.net](mailto:irwinfirstumc@comcast.net)

Cover letter and resume with references may be sent to: First United Methodist Church

Attn: Staff Parish  
310 Oak Street  
Irwin, PA 15642

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**PASTOR APPRECIATION SUNDAY:** Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate Pastor Appreciation Sunday. If you would like to contribute to a Love Gift for Pastor Bruce, please use the “Love Offering” envelopes in the bulletins or on the table in the Narthex. There will be a gathering after each service that day to fellowship with Pastor Bruce and Bonnie.

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## PLEASE EXCUSE OUR MESS!

The Trustees are moving forward with a project to renovate the restrooms and the adjoining hallway on the Sanctuary level. The wall paper border and the baseboard have been removed. New paint and flooring will be coming soon.



We want to thank the Men’s Work Team for their hard work and our congregation for their generous donations. These combined enable the Trustees to keep our building in good repair.

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**The United Methodist Women are going to do Operation Christmas Child this year.** Many of you are familiar with this Franklin Graham mission, Samaritans Purse. We will fill shoe boxes with small gifts like small non violent toys, school supplies, books, and hygiene items. We would love some donations from the church family. First and foremost we would like shoe boxes, plain, or if you want, wrap them in some Christmas paper with the base and the lid wrapped separate. We will have a table set

up in the narthex beginning 9/25/16. On the table will be more information about how you can help us with this meaningful mission. We will be asking for donation of gifts ... just leave them on table. It's a great family or class activity to fill a box, or an organization project. Please watch your bulletin for a final date. Any questions call Donna Weber 724-864-4954 or Dot Depp 724-863-0351



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**2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL HAYRIDE!** The Nurture committee will be sponsoring the second annual Hayride Fellowship Night on Monday October 17, 2016 at 6:30 pm. The event will take place at Kerber's Dairy on Guffy Road in North Huntingdon. The cost for the event is \$8.50 for adults. **Children are free.** This includes your hayride, a cone or cup of the famous Kerber's Ice cream and a small pumpkin. A signup sheet will be passed around at all three worship services beginning Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. You can also register on our Facebook page or by

calling Eric or Becky Platt at 412-816-1906. We hope to see you there!

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It is that time of year again! If you have someone who graduated high school in the spring and started college this fall please give their name, address, and what gift cards they might like (ex. Subway, Sheetz, Giant Eagle) to Connie Phillips at 724-493-8387 ( you may text also) or email [cmptcp@comcast.net](mailto:cmptcp@comcast.net). If someone who was on the

list already has changed addresses or graduated please pass this information on, also.

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**The Finance Committee is once again selling RADA Cutlery!** Catalogs and order forms are on a table in the narthex. When ordering, please place your check (payable to First United Methodist Church) and your order form in the door slot of the office door. Please return your catalog to the table, so they can be used by others. All orders are due by Sunday, October 30th. Pick up a catalog and check out some of the new items listed this year! Do your Christmas shopping early for family, friends, neighbors, teachers or coaches! Any questions, contact Laurie Saporito at [cts72@hotmail.com](mailto:cts72@hotmail.com) or 724-864-5649. Proceeds from this sale will go to our General Church Fund. Thank you for your support!



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**STYLUS PENS:** We have purchased stylus pens (which may be used on a tablet or phone as well as on paper) which are engraved with the church name, phone number and the phrase "God Loves You and So Do We." They are of superior quality and are available for purchase for \$2.00 each. They make great inexpensive Christmas gifts and will help spread the news that our church is a loving and caring church. Buy several and "lose" them around our community! Contact Dianne Runser for details.

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The Outreach Committee is hosting a Spud Bar on Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. Potatoes will be available for takeout only. So, get a potato and all your favorite toppings to take home after the 8:15 or 10:45 service. It will be a great lunch before the Steelers victory!

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**CAMP NEWS!!!** Camping is not over yet! If you or your daughter did not get to camp this year, you may want to attend the Mother/Daughter Retreat at Jumonville on October 28-30. This is for Mothers and Daughters ages 9 and up. The girls will be separated by ages for some programs, but the week-end includes games, devotions, Adventure Center activities, a movie, hikes to the Cross and Green Cathedral, campfires and snacks. What a great time to bond with your daughter and God! The cost is \$99/Moms and \$49 for each daughter. This includes your lodging (2 nights) and five meals. Campership funding is available through our church and through Jumonville's office or website. Any questions, contact Laurie Saporito, Camp Steward at 724-864-5649 [orcts72@hotmail.com](mailto:orcts72@hotmail.com)



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**“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](mailto: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.

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**“Let’s Go Fishing”** is a handbook for the United Methodist Church. It explains United Methodist beliefs, the Constitutional Structure of the church, history, mission concerns, etc. The handbooks are available on the table in the Narthex and everyone is welcome to take a copy with them.

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**EMAIL REMINDERS:** If you would like to receive email reminders of church events, please email the church office ([irwinfirststumc@comcast.net](mailto:irwinfirststumc@comcast.net)) to get your email on the list. Please **DO NOT** hand write or call the office with the email address, as errors may occur. We want to make sure that we have the correct email.

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**THE HOLIDAYS ARE APPROACHING!!** Our Outreach Committee needs the addresses for all service personnel who belong to our church. Please send their names and addresses to the church office or call Sara Campbell at 412-751-9767. We like to send them cards for their birthday’s and the holidays.



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**DIAPER DRIVE:** The United Methodist Women will be coordinating a Diaper Drive for needy families. Our Food Bank can supply food and various personal hygiene products to these families. However, the families with infants and toddlers also need help with diapers. There will be a cart in the Narthex on Sundays, October 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> to collect the diapers. All sizes are needed ... the brand is not important. The children’s collection on those Sundays will also be used to buy diapers. Thank you in advance for helping with this important mission endeavor.

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**TAKE THE SPIRITUAL GIFTS INVENTORY** - Discover what your gifts are in order to best serve God. The booklets are on the table in the Narthex. Please answer the questions, sign the book, and return it to Pastor Bruce or the church office.





**Our congregation's favorite hymns (with vote tally)**

314	In the Garden	6
593	Here I Am, Lord	6
261	Lord of the Dance	4
572	Pass It On	4
364	Because He Lives	3
504	Old Rugged Cross	3
707	Hymn of Promise	3

**Hymns with 2 votes each**

77	How Great Thou Art	377	It is Well with My Soul
89	Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee	431	Let There Be Peace on Earth
133	Leaning on the Everlasting Arms	496	Sweet Hour of Prayer
143	On Eagle's Wings	534	Be Still, My Soul
145	Morning Has Broken	733	Marching to Zion
344	Lord You Have Come to the Lakeshore	2025	As the Deer
357	Just As I Am, Without One Plea	2036	Give Thanks
370	Victory in Jesus	2146	His Eye Is On the Sparrow

**The following were one vote each:**

57	O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing	369	Blessed Assurance
64	Holy, Holy, Holy	383	This Is a Day of New Beginnings
110	A Mighty Fortress Is Our God	402	Lord, I Want to Be a Christian
140	Great Is Thy Faithfulness	410	I Want a Principle Within
155	All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (Diadem)		
171	Jesus, There's Something about that Name		
176	Majesty, Worship His Majesty	467	Trust and Obey
191	Jesus Loves Me	480	O Love that Wilt Not Let Me Go
297	Beneath the Cross of Jesus	526	What a Friend We Have in Jesus
310	He Lives	582	Whom Shall I Send?
327	Crown Him with Many Crowns	2016	Glorify Thy Name
347	Spirit Song	2112	Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley
348	Softly and Tenderly	2145	I've Got Peace like a River
361	Rock of Ages	2164	Sanctuary
367	He Touched Me		Day of Rest and Gladness