

***HYMN No. 530 (cont.)**

4. Are ye able? Still the Master
Whispers down eternity,
And heroic spirits answer,
Now as then in Galilee. **Refrain**

“Are Ye Able”



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***BENEDICTION**

***MUSIC OF PARTING**

“O Almighty and Merciful God”

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ASSISTING WITH TODAY’S SERVICE
Worship Host - 8:15 a.m. - John Simpson
10:45 a.m. - Missy Andrison

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK AT FUMC
Saturday Service - 20
Sunday - 8:15 a.m. - 38 10:45 a.m. - 58
Facebook, YouTube, Zoom - 13

October 17, 2021

LAITY SUNDAY

October Memory Verse - Galatians 6:7

“Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow.”

The service is under the control of the Holy Spirit.

**Please stand if you are able.*

GATHERING & WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

L: The Peace of Christ be with you.

P: **And also with you.**

MOMENTS OF INFORMALITY

THE MISSION AND MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

“God leads Us Along”

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalms 91:9-16

L: Because you have made the Lord your refuge the Most High, your dwelling place,

P: **No evil shall be befall you, no scourge come near your tent.**

L: For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

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ALTAR FLOWERS - The flowers on the altar are given in memory of Susan Coleman, Bill’s sister, by Francis and William Whitmore.

SALVATION ARMY DIRECT NUMBER—724-331-7832. If you know of anyone in need of our services please do not hesitate to call.



***CALL TO WORSHIP (cont.)**

Psalm 91:9-16

P: On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

L: You will tread on the lion and the adder; the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

P: Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.

L: When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue them and honor them.

P: With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.”

All: AMEN.

***HYMN No. 181**

“Ye Servants of God”

1. Ye servants of God your master proclaim
And publish abroad his wonderful name
The name all victorious of Jesus extol
His kingdom is glorious and rules over all

4. Then let us adore and give him his right
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,
All honor and blessing with angels above,
And thanks never ceasing and infinite love..

WORD OF GOD

Isaiah 53:4-10

PRESENTATION OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERING

***OFFERTORY**

“They’ll Know We Are Christians”

***DOXOLOGY (tune – “Lord of the Dance”)**

**“For the gift of creation, for the gift of your love,
And the gift of the Spirit by which we live,
We thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.
May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.” Amen**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS**

***HYMN No. 473**

“Jesu, Jesu”

Chorus

Jesu, Jesu,
Fill us with Your love,
Show us how to serve
The neighbors we have from You.

***HYMN No. 473 (cont.)**

“Jesu, Jesu”

1. Kneels at the feet of His friends,
Silently washes their feet,
Master who acts as a slave to them. **Chorus**

4. Loving puts us on our knees,
Serving as though we are slaves,
This is the way we should live with You. **Chorus**

CHILDREN’S CHAT

ANTHEM

**8:30 a.m. - David Lyons - “Give Me a Servant’s Heart”
10:45 a.m. - Chancel Choir - Give Me a Servant’s Heart”**

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

***GOSPEL READING**

Mark 10:35-45

L: The Word of God for the children of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Servant Attitude”

***HYMN No. 530**

“Are Ye Able”

1. "Are ye able," said the Master,
"To be crucified with me?"
"Yea," the sturdy dreamers answered,
"To the death we follow thee."

Refrain:

Lord, we are able. Our spirits are thine.
Remold them, make us, like thee, divine.
Thy guiding radiance above us shall be
A beacon to God, to love, and loyalty.

OCTOBER IS OUR STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN MONTH



Living Generously

“Poor” – Whether you are 18, 28, 58, or 88 have you changed from where you were 10 years ago. Are you able to do more than you could before or are you more challenged in trying to accomplish things? God’s message is clear – he needs you to help bring people to him. Some things you can do will take a lot of time and effort, others are quick and simple and only needed once in a blue moon. All tasks are valued equally in God’s eyes – it is not the size or amount of time each offers – it is the amount of sacrifice it takes for each person to offer that time and talent. This week we have included in the bulletin a list of many of the ministries here at First United Methodist Church. **WHERE IS GOD CALLING YOU TODAY?**

If you were unable to view the Right Now Media learning video before today’s service, the Media Team will be showing “Poor” after each Sunday morning service in the Assembly Room. Stop by after the service for a cup of coffee to enjoy the video.

Next week’s video in the Living Generously study is called Tower at <https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Content/Series/215723?episode=7>. Please watch this before you attend service next week.

EXISTING MINISTRIES AT FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Prayerfully consider where you fit in. If you are not familiar with these ministries, reach out to the contact person to learn more about the ministry. If a ministry you are interested in is not listed here, reach out to our Pastors to help you establish a ministry to use your times and talents in the way God is calling you to do.

Administrative committees such as finance, trustees, staff parish, council, Altar Flowers, Blessing Box, Brown Bag meals, Adult Chancel Choir, Adult Cathedral Bells, Adult Sunday School classes, Bulletin Ministry, Camp coordinating, Caring Closet, Children’s ministry, Community Dinner, Communication through Facebook, the outside Sign, the Newsletter, our website, Communion Stewards, Dance Ministry, Decorating the sanctuary, Drama Ministry, Emergency Food boxes for those in need, Food Bank, Funeral dinners, Good Grief, Greeters, Hospitality sending greeting cards or emails to those in hospital or recovering/dealing with grief, Living Last Supper, Media/Technology Team, Nurture Outreach Witness, Prayer Shawl, Prayer team, Puppies, Pounds and Prayers, Quilting Ministry, Red Cross Blood Bank, Salvation Army, Scrapbooking, Sonshiners Choir – elementary age, Sunday School, Temple Bells - Youth, Temple Chimes – Elementary age, Teens All for Christ Choirs, UM Men, UM Women.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

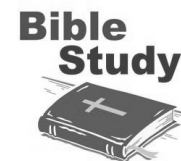
PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH - October is “Pastor Appreciation Month”. Pastor Appreciation Month (originally called Clergy Appreciation Month) was established in 1992 by a group of pastors and church leaders to honor those who serve in ministry. They grounded the celebration in Paul’s words to Timothy: *“The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching; . . .”* (1 Tim. 5:17). If you wish to show your appreciation to Pastor Bruce and Ron, we have included a “Love Offering” envelope for your use. We will show our “appreciation” to Pastor Bruce and Ron on Sunday, October 24, 2021, so please have your gift in before that date.

THE COMMUNITY INDOOR YARD SALE



Indoor Community Yard Sale will be held on Saturday Oct 30th from 10am-2pm. Cost of a table is \$20. Tables will be sold on a first come first serve basis, space is limited. Church will be open for set up on -Friday night from 7-9. To reserve a table see Robbyn Slavin or email Ron at ronaldslavin@comcast.net. We will be taking reservations from church members only until Oct 2nd, if all tables are not filled, we will open tables to the public.

BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR BRUCE - Pastor Bruce is leading a new Bible study on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. “Ancient Secrets of the Bible” explores the Shroud of Turin, the Ark of the Covenant, the Walls of Jericho, Noah’s Ark and the battle of David and Goliath. This study will run for six (6) weeks and will be held in the Assembly Room. If you are interested in learning more about these “ancient secrets”, please join us.



NEW YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY - This Bible study will be starting today, Sunday, September 19 between services and every Sunday to follow. Katelyn Slavin invites all young adults age 18-30ish to join her as she uses Right Now Media to study “Adulting”. Class will be held upstairs. For more information, contact Katelyn at 724-600-9724.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS - Our Church office is open Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. The office telephone number is 724-863-6858 and the office email is office@irwinfirstumc.org. This mail box is monitored by the secretary and our financial secretary/office manager. If you would like to reach our Financial Secretary/Office Manager, Joyce Shaffer, directly, you may call 724-863-4977 or joyce.shaffer@irwinfirstumc.org.

**INFORMATIONAL MEETING ON UPMC
"FOR LIFE'S" MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PLANS**

Are you getting Medicare for the first time? Looking to switch your current Medicare plan? Join us and have your Medicare questions answered.

Learn about Medicare coverage choices. Geoff Clauss, an authorized UPMC for Life agent, will be hosting informational meetings to help you better understand Medicare. Geoff will cover Original Medicare, UPMC for Life's Medicare Advantage plans, explain the extra benefits included in those plans, and more!

No need to preregister—just come to The First United Methodist Church located at 310 Oak St., Irwin, PA.

The wearing of face masks is required for all attendees and will be available at the door.

**The next meeting will be held:
Saturday, November 13 at 1:00 p.m.**



TRUNK OR TREAT - Trunk or Treat will take place on Saturday, October 23, from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. We will be handing out treats from our decorated car trunks. Join us in the parking lot to share the love of Christ with our community children.

CHRISTMAS COOKIES - The NOW Committee will be selling Christmas cookies (YAY!) again this year. The cost will be \$21.00 for a small tray and \$35.00 for a large tray. If you are interested in purchasing this delicious treat for your Christmas celebration, please sign up on the sheet that will be pass around during the worship service. We would like to get as many pre-orders as possible so we may bake accordingly.



CRAZY CHRISTMAS CLUB COMMITTEE - The Crazy Christmas Club Committee meets again on Monday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m. Are you wondering what the Crazy Christmas Club Committee does? We plan activities to be held at the Church for the upcoming Advent season. If you would like to join us, please attend our next meeting. The more the merrier!

PLEDGE CARDS and NEWSLETTERS - Extra pledge cards and Newsletters are located in the Narthex. If you do not have one, please help yourself.

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS WANTED - The church office is looking to enlist volunteers to help with the monthly newsletter mailing, counting the weekly offering, special mailings (Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter . . . etc.) and any other big projects that may occur. If you are interested in helping, please contact the office at (724) 863-6858 or email to office@irwinfirstumc.org.



ADVENT PHOTO DEVOTIONAL - We are trying something new this year for our Advent Devotional booklet. We are asking you to share your favorite Christmas photographs and attach a scripture to go with the picture. The picture can be of family, pets, scenery, house decorations, etc. We will then compile said photographs into a booklet and distribute them for Advent. If you would like to participate, please send your photos and scriptures to the office by November 1, 2021. Let's make this a "family affair".

UNION MISSION - The Union Mission of Westmoreland County is holding its annual October Celebration Dinner on Friday, October 22 at Stratigos Banquet Center in North Huntingdon at 5:30 p.m. The Mission has provided eighty (8) free seats for the steak dinner to First United Methodist Church. The Union Mission is a faith-based organization providing resources that lead to safe, affordable and sustained housing for all in need in Westmoreland County. It is bringing the annual dinner to the Irwin/North Huntingdon area to highlight its breadth of services and get to know the local church community. The timeline is short, so please contact Dan Berkley at danberkley@verizon.net or 724-454-2371 if you would like to attend.

HYMN SING - A Hymn Sing (hymns and choruses) will be held at the Irwin Assembly of God Church, 501 Oak Street, Irwin, on Friday, October 29 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Harvey and Toni Turner will be the featured guest. All are invited to attended.



ACTIVE SHOOTER INFORMATIONAL MEETING - An Active Shooter Informational meeting will be held on Thursday, October 28 at 7:00 p.m. All Ushers and Greeters are asked to attend. This meeting is open to anyone who has a desire to receive information as to what would be the expect response if such an incident took place



If you would like to participate in this ministry, there are still cards available on the rack in the Narthex. Please take one or more of the hangers and return it with the suggested articles of clothing by Sunday, November 7.

THIS WEEK AT IRWIN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Feel free to contact Pastor Bruce at any time if you are in need of pastoral care. His contact information is as follows: 724-747-6098 (call or text) - preacherptl@gmail.com

Sunday, October 17

8:15 a.m. - In-Church and Drive-in Church (Radio 87.9 FM)
9:30 a.m. - Sunday School
10:45 a.m. - In-Church and Drive-in Church—Radio 87.9 FM, Facebook, YouTube and Zoom
(Meeting ID#: 633 303 454 Password: 104289)

Monday, October 18

6:30 p.m. - Cub Scouts
7:00 p.m. - Dartball (Home)
7:00 p.m. - Crazy Christmas Club Committee Meeting

Tuesday, October 19

9:00 a.m. - Quilting Group
7:00 p.m. - Trustees Meeting
7:30 p.m. - NA

Wednesday, October 20

9:30 a.m. - Salvation Army
10:00 a.m. - Zoom Prayer Group Meeting
Zoom Meeting ID#: 311 4389 930, Password: 3U22u3
10:00 a.m. - Quality Control Meeting
1:00 p.m. - Bible Study
5:00 p.m. - Youth Group
6:00 p.m. - Bible Study with Pastor Bruce
7:00 p.m. - AA

Thursday, October 21

6:00 p.m. - Girl Scouts
6:15 p.m. - Chancel Bells
6:30 p.m. - NA
7:15 p.m. - Choir

Friday, October 22 - November Newsletter Deadline

Saturday, October 23

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. - Trunk or Treat
3:00 p.m. - Irwin Halloween Parade
6:00 p.m. - Contemporary Worship & Dinner

Sunday, October 24 - Pastor Appreciation Sunday and Music Dedication Sunday

8:15 & 10:45 a.m. - Worship Service
9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

HOSPITAL CALLS AND VISITS—If you or someone you know is in the hospital or would like a visit from Pastor Bruce, please call the office or you may call/message Pastor Bruce directly at 724-747-6098. *Remember, Pastor Bruce cannot provide care to our congregation if he does not know there is a need.*

IN PERSONAL CARE AND REHABILITATION FACILITIES



Wanda H. - Redstone; Dorothy B. - Asbury Heights, Mt. Lebanon;
Mary Greene & James R., Sr. - St. Anne's Home, Greensburg; Doris
C. - Golden Heights, Harrison City; Altozoe S. - Hempfield Manor.

CONTINUOUS PRAYER

Linda K., Larry R., Jule K., Mark L., Brent L., Kurt W. & Family, Cheryl & John M., Tim & Diane N., Rick H., Marlin A. & Nancy P., Joe S., Joe L., Virginia, Jennifer N., Curt E., Valerie M., Patty H., Jeff M., Donna H., John B., Dean & Dorothy, Chris E., Rose N., Sara C., Jeanne & Larry A., Fred & Barb S., Mischa & Suzanne S., Diane B., John G., Noah C., Craig C., Red, Dawn, Amy P., Chuck K., Pat M., Jane I., Ashley, Stu S., Shawn S., Christa L., Rhonda, Beverly & Tom D., Laura, Stephanie S., Dave W., Bill & Elaine M., Kim V., Dorothy A., Paul & Iva Lou B., Jackie S., Lesley K., Debbie N., Cliff R., Penny & Jerry M., Ron M., Father John Moineau, Shirley B., Brandon G., Kathy H. and

Missionaries: Bob & Natalie F. & Family (India) and Connie Wieck.

THIS MONTH'S PRAYER LIST

We will change the prayer list the first Sunday of each month. Please contact the church office with names for the list.

Jerry and Wendy S., Carol L., Vi, Tom and Peggy, Sandy L., Neil and Alma, Eugene W., Suzanne K., Bob W., Lou B., Josh, Denise and Anne D., our world, First Responders & Military, Our Country & Leaders, Job Situations and those traveling.

MILITARY PERSONNEL

Brandon D., Colby S., Angelo W., Nicholas P., David J., Amanda M., James G., Emery M., Makayla L., Mark Russak, Sara D., Jeremy L., Carl B., and Edward J. III.

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." I Thessalonians 5:16-18