



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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September 9, 2018

16th Sunday after Pentecost

September Memory Verse – John 3:16

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”

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

WORSHIP HOST: 8:15 – Nellie Wiancko

10:45 – Barb Worthington

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 – “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Book of Worship No. 454)**

L: As a shepherd seeks a lost sheep,

P: ... so God seeks and saves the lost.

L: Like a woman who searches for a lost coin until it is found,

P: ... so God rejoices over one soul restored to wholeness.

L: As a father receives a returning wayward son,

P: ... so God welcomes us, and lets the past be the past.

L: Therefore let us praise God in thanksgiving that we are received.

P: Let us receive and welcome and rejoice over one another in the name of Jesus Christ.

***HYMN No. 176 “Majesty”**

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS

No. 2233 “This Is Where Children Belong”

(Our Children’s Collection this morning will be sent to the Eastbrook Mission Barn.)

SPECIAL MUSIC 10:45 “Grace and God of Glory” – Chancel Choir

WORD OF GOD James 2:1-10, 14-17

**PRESENTATION OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY – “Early in the Morning, Our Song Will Rise to Thee”**

***DOXOLOGY**

**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. 367 “He Touched Me”**

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 Mark 7:24-30**

SERMON “Do Not Show Favoritism”

***HYMN OF PARTING No. 591 “Rescue the Perishing”**

***BENEDICTION**

BENEDICTION RESPONSE No. 665 “Go Now in Peace”

MUSIC OF PARTING “Grand Choer”

***Please stand if you are able**

ATTENDENCE LAST WEEK

Saturday: 21 Sunday: 8:15 – 70 10:45 - 55

SERVING YOU TODAY

**USHERS TEAMS: 8:15 – Terri Yurcisin 10:45 – Lou Berta
SOUND TEAM: 8:15 – Fritz Runser, Jason Kirsch, John and Bernie Johnston
10:45 – Penny Brant, Josh Burger**

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 morning are presented in memory of Olga Brown and Frances Cipra fy Gloria and Doris Cipra.

The start of our 2018/2019 Sunday School year will begin on September 9th with a Pancake Breakfast!



Come hungry to church on September 9th. We will be having our annual pancake breakfast to help kick off the start of Sunday School. We will start serving around 8:45 – plenty of time to enjoy a great meal and still make it to Sunday School on time. And we will keep flipping pancakes until around 10:15 so you can have a meal before the second service. Hope to see you all there!

After we have had our breakfast we will go to our Sunday School classes and begin a year of fun & learning about Bible stories and God’s will in our lives.

We hope you have enjoyed your summer and will join us for Sunday School fun!

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

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

Today, Sunday, September 9

**Sunday School Kick-off/Pancake Breakfast/
Prayer Shawl/Quilt Dedication**

- 8:00 Prayer
- 8:15 Worship Service
- 8:45 Pancake Breakfast
- 9:30 Sunday School for all ages
- 10:45 Worship Service
- 12:15 SonShiners & Temple Chimes

Monday, September 10

- 10:00 UM Women
- 6:30 Grief Support
- NO Dartball - BYE Week

Tuesday, September 11

- 7:00 Trustees
- 7:30 NA

Wednesday, September 12

- 10:00 Quilting
- 1:00 Directory Committee Meeting
- 5:00 Teen Center
- 7:00 Lay Leadership Meeting

Thursday, September 13

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

Friday, September 14

- 9:00 Food Bank Truck (help needed)
- 8:00 Friday Night Live - Grades 9-12

Saturday, September 15

- Irwin Fall Festival
- 9:00 Food Bank (help needed)
- 7:00 Jr. High Rocks to House
- 6:00 Contemporary Worship

Next Sunday, September 16

- 2019 Stewardship Campaign Begins
- 8:00 Prayer
- 8:15 Worship Service
- 10:45 Worship Service

Attention Finance Committee: The Finance Committee meeting has been changed from October 16th to Tuesday, September 18th at 7:00 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – 9/9/2018

THE CHILDREN’S COLLECTION this week will be given to the Eastbrook Mission Barn for use in purchasing supplies for Relief Supply Kits. UMCOR collects hygiene, school, and cleaning kits for distribution within the United States. Kits help sustain everyday life for people who lack ready access to essential supplies when a disaster strikes. They also request monetary donations to purchase additional supplies for the kits and to also defray the cost of shipping them throughout the country.

Eastbrook Mission Barn: 9/2/2018 - \$196.50

Coming in September ...

In addition to our year-round activities such as our regular Saturday and Sunday Worship services, Food Bank, Grief Support, Depression & Anxiety Support, Healing Service and NA, September will be a busy month with returning activities and a few new ones!

September 8 & 9 - Recognition and Anointing of Our Educators, Blessing of the Backpacks, Prayer Shawl Dedication

September 9 – Pancake Breakfast & Sunday School Kick-off

September 10 – UM Women begin their regular monthly meetings, Dartball begins their season

September 15 – Food Bank

September 15 & 16 – Stewardship Campaign for 2019 begins

September 19 – Bible Study begins for the 2018/2019 season

September 23 – Membership Class, UM Women’s “Welcome Home Shelter” Shower

Sept 27 & 28 – Bob Evans Fundraiser

There’s something for everyone here at FUMC!

Stitch in Faith & Hands to Work, Hearts to God Ministries



Prayers, fabric, threads, yarns and compassion are our specialty! God has given us the gift of serving Him by creating prayer quilts, shawls, pocket shawls and etc.!

Hearts to God



Hands to Work

Today is our dedication at both Sunday Services. After the dedication, the items will be on a ladder type shelving unit in the narthex and in the “Little Parlor” next to Pastor Bruce’s office. Irwin FUMC folks, please take a Prayer Quilt/Shawl or Blanket to those in need

for a little love, hug, warmth and a reminder that prayers are being offered for them. Additionally, inform Pastor Bruce/Prayer Warrior of person(s) who needs our prayers.

Our Meetings are as Follows:

Quilting ministry meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday from 10:00 to 11:30 in the meeting room on the 3rd floor next to the spiral stairs.

Knitting/Crocheting ministry meets every Sunday during the Sunday School hour in the “Little Parlor”.

If anyone would like to join in these ministries just come- no experience is necessary. Direct questions to our Facilitators: Mary Reed (Quilting Instructor) or Cindi Painter. Thank You!

In the United States, Patriot Day occurs on September 11 of each year in memory of the people killed in the September 11 attacks. The flag of the United States is flown at half-staff at the White House and on all U.S. government buildings and establishments throughout the world; flags are also encouraged to be displayed on individual American homes. Additionally, a moment of silence is observed to correspond with the attacks, beginning at 8:46 a.m. (Eastern Daylight Time), the time the first plane, American Airlines Flight 11, struck the North Tower of the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001.



Patriot Day is not a federal holiday; schools and businesses remain open in observance of the occasion, although memorial ceremonies for the victims are often held. Volunteer and service opportunities are coordinated by the Corporation for National and Community Service.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Patriot_Day

LAY LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE: The Lay Leadership committee will be meeting on Wednesday, September 12th at 7:00 PM. The committee meets to nominate people to fill the leadership positions of our church for the coming year. The committee members are Pastor Bruce, Tom Lehner, Ed Caswell, Ethel Rosenburg, Peggy Kooser, Dave Walker, Tracy Hawley, Dot Depp, Patti McGowan, Donna Weber, Chris Ghrist, and Nellie Wiancko.

If you are interested in serving on any of our church committees, or would like your name removed from a committee, please contact one of the above members as soon as possible.

DISTRICT HELPSHOP - Oct. 13th: New Stanton UMC (612 Center Ave., New Stanton, PA 15672) - Rev. Steve Bane. Cost: \$15/per person

9:00 AM-3:30 PM (Note: participants may register for morning or afternoon or both. Only 1 course may be taken in the morning and 1 session in the afternoon).

Tentative Schedule:

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| 9 AM - Gathering/Snacks | 12-12:45 PM - Lunch |
| 9:30 AM - Welcome (Sanctuary) | 1-3 PM - Afternoon Session |
| 9:45-11:45AM - Morning Session | 3:15 PM - Closing Prayer/Dismissal (Sanctuary) |

There will be opportunity for the lay people in your congregation to participate in a number of training workshops **to assist in the leadership ministry** of your church. All laity are encouraged to come; clergy are welcome, too. The possible options offered at the October 13th event may include:

1. Church Finances, Connectional Apportionments, Payroll/Clergy Taxes
2. Church Revitalization Overview
3. Mission and Ministry of the Conference
4. Mission Insight
5. Safe Sanctuaries
6. Discipleship
7. Certified Lay Minister
8. Laity in Church (Roles/Opportunities)
9. United Methodist Women
10. Fiji Community of Faith (culture, dance, worship style)
11. Camping Initiative
12. UMCOR Relief Kits
13. Conference Youth Ministry Teams
14. Greensburg District Youth

HOSPITAL CALLS AND VISITS: If you or someone you know is in the hospital or would like a visit from the pastor please call the office or Pastor Bruce. 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.*

Pastor Bruce receives calls or texts at his cell phone number 724-747-6098

YOU BELONG HERE!

FUMC Youth Center

310 Oak St, Irwin

Join us starting Sept. 5th

Every Wednesday Night

5pm to 8pm

Grades 6th-12th

Fellowship, Games, Music, Worship, Snack Bar

Friday Night Live

8pm-11pm

Grades 9th-12th

Hangin' out, music, dancing, Snack bar

Saturdays Jr. High Rocks the House

7pm-10pm

Grades 6th-8th

Music, Snack bar, dancing, hangin' out

All events are free. Parent or guardian must sign a liability release form. Any questions contact Youth Pastor, Ron Slavin at ronaldslavin@comcast.net