

***HYMN No. 664**

“Sent Forth by God's Blessing”

1. Sent forth by God’s blessing, our true faith confessing,
The people of God from His dwelling take leave. The service is ended.
Oh, now be extended the fruits of our worship in all who believe.
The seed of His teaching, receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all. His grace did invite us,
His love shall unite us to work for God’s kingdom and answer the call.

2. With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living,
The tasks of our everyday life we will face. Our faith ever sharing,
In love ever caring, embracing God’s children of each tribe and race.
With Your grace You feed us, with Your light now lead us;
Unite us as one in this life that we share. Then may all the living
With praise and thanksgiving give honor to Christ and the name which we
bear.

***BENEDICTION**

***MUSIC OF PARTING**

***Please stand if you are able.**



ASSISTING WITH TODAY’S SERVICE

Worship Host—Robbyn Slavin

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK AT FUMC

Saturday Service—17
Sunday—8:15 a.m.—48 10:45 a.m.—48

“Epilogue”



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Dianne Runser—Music Ministries

Ronald Slavin—Youth Ministries

Laura Willby—Contemporary Music Coordinator



September 5, 2021

September Memory Verse—Romans 8:18

“I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us.”



The service is under the control of the Holy Spirit.

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

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

“Forever”

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 146:1-3

L: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

P: I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

***HYMN No. 548 (Tune No. 549)**

“In Christ There Is No East or West”

1. In Christ there is no east or west, In Him no south or north;
But one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.
2. In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord close binding all mankind.

WORD OF GOD

James 2:10-17

PRESENTATION OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERING

***OFFERTORY**

“Chapel Prayer”

***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. 2086**

“Open Our Eyes”

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch Him,
And say that we love Him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

CHILDREN’S CHAT

SPECIAL MUSIC—Connie Bickerstaff

“I Believe in Miracles”

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 7:24-37

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

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Faith Without Works is Dead”

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SACRAMENT

All are welcome to the table of our Lord.

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, September 5—Communion 8:15 and 10:45 a.m.

8:15 a.m.—In-Church and Drive-in Church (Radio 87.9 FM)

9:30 New Member Classes

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, September 6—Office Closed—Happy Labor Day!

6:30 p.m.—Cub Scouts

Tuesday, September 7

9:30 a.m.—Quilting

7:00 p.m.—Outreach

7:30 p.m.—NA

Thursday, September 9

6:15 p.m.—Choir Bells

6:30 p.m.—NA

7:15 p.m.—Choir

Saturday, September 11

8:00 p.m. - Food Bank

6:00 p.m.—Contemporary Worship

Wednesday, September 8—Norwin starts School

9:30 a.m.—Salvation Army

10:00 a.m.—Quality Control Meeting

10:00 a.m.—Prayer Group Meeting

Zoom Meeting ID#: 311 4389 930

Password: 3U22u3

5:00 p.m.—Youth Group

7:00 p.m.—AA

Friday, September 10

9:00 a.m.—Food Bank

Sunday, September 12

8:15 & 10:45 a.m.—Worship Service

9:30 a.m. New Member Classes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***“Though we miss him greatly, we rejoice in Joseph Burritt Hawley’s
triumphant***

return to his Heavenly Father.”

Friends and family are invited to attend a Memorial Service for Joseph B. Hawley (January 22, 1923—October 4, 2020) on Saturday, September 18, 2021, 11:00 a.m., at First United Methodist Church, 310 Oak Street, Irwin, with the Rev. Bruce R. Judy officiating. Interment, with military honors, will follow in Irwin Union Cemetery. A Luncheon at the church will follow the graveside service.

LOVE OFFERING—Our secretary, of more than 15 years, Jeannie Kertis, has retired. We will be collecting a Love Offering for Jeannie through the end of September. Please place your offering in an envelope and place in the offering plates. If you would like to mail in a donation, you may address it to First United Methodist Church, 310 Oak St., Irwin, PA 15642. Be sure to make your check or envelope “Love Offering—Jeannie Kertis.

NEW CHURCH OFFICE HOURS—Our Church office will now be open everyday from 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. The office telephone number is 724-863-6858. 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.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Our Greeters/Contact Tracing Team contact is Dianne Runser, at the organ bench or fumc.dianne.mm@comcast.net or 412-372-5290. Dianne is also the person you would contact if you would like the Church Directory App for your phone or computer.

Wendell’s Vision forms are available on the website or in the Church office. If you require more information, you may contact Patty & Jack Osterman at namretsojp@gmail.com or 724-863-2796.

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS AWARDS FOR BOTH BOY AND GIRL SCOUTS COUNSELORS NEEDED

The church is hoping to offer the religious award program for scouts offered by PRAY in our church. It will be for both boy scouts and girls scouts. Scouts will be working in a workbook specific for their age. They will meet with a counselor once a month for 4-6 months depending on the program. We are in need of counselors to work with the scouts. Counselors do not need to be affiliated with either boys scouts or girl scouts - just a Christian adult who would like to work with the youth. I need to have 2 adults per class due to safe sanctuary and child abuse clearances.

Below are the awards and the age group of the scouts:

JESUS AND ME - Kindergarten and 1st grade

GOD AND ME -grades 2nd and 3rd

GOD AND FAMILY - grades 4th and 5th

GOD AND CHURCH -grades 6th, 7th- and 8th

GOD AND LIFE -grades 9th-12th

If you would like to be a counselor for one of the age groups or help in one of the classes, please get in contact with me. More specific information will be given as counselors come forward. At present, no specific dates have been set up to start.

Pat Osterman e-mail: namretsop@icloud.com Home phone: 724-863-2796

BOY SCOUTS AND GIRL SCOUTS - PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS AWARDS

If you are a scout and would like to earn one of the religious awards, the church is hoping to offer the program this year. Depending on the program/award, scouts will be meeting with a counselor once a month for 4-6 months. Awards will be presented in church in March, 2022. The name of the award and age group is listed in the previous article. I still need counselors to do the program.

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

ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS—We need your updated clearances as soon as possible. We are asking that ALL volunteers submit their most recent clearance (if you have one) or complete and submit a clearance application request. Unpaid volunteers are required to receive a new clearance every 5 years from the date of your oldest clearance. If you have any questions or are not sure of your last clearance date, please call the office at 724-863-6858 or email Joyce at joyce.shaffer@irwinfirstumc.org.

In addition to the state clearances, the United Methodist Church requires that everyone working with children and vulnerable adults have **SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING**. If you have not had your Safe Sanctuary training, please contact Pastor Bruce of the office and we will help you with obtain your clearances and training.

ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS—**For computer or smartphone:** 1) Go to Zoom.com, 2) Click “Join a Meeting”, 3) When prompted enter Meeting ID, then a screen will pop up to enter password. (The Meeting ID & Password are noted with the service or meeting.) 4) You will enter the “meeting space”. If you move your mouse to the bottom of the box, it will show you the different options for example: chat and video.

For landline or cell phone (other than a smartphone): 1) Dial 1-646-558-8656, 2) Enter meeting number and follow the prompts. (The Meeting ID & Password are noted with the service or meeting.)

PART-TIME CUSTODIAN NEEDED—The SPRC is still searching for a part-time custodian. This position is Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 4:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m. and pays between \$10.00 and \$10.50 per hour. If you know someone who would be interested in this position, they can go to www.indeed.com and type “Part Time Custodian” and “Irwin PA”. This will take them to our listing. Eric Platt can provide additional information and can be reached at eric.platt@irwinfirstumc.org.

Until this position is filled, if you would like to volunteer from time to time to help Phill and Fritz, please contact Eric or Pastor Bruce.

ALTAR FLOWERS—Today's altar flowers are given in honor of Penelope Lee the newest niece of Phil & Melissa Hipple.

NEW MEMBER CLASS—Classes began Sunday, August 29 at 9:30 a.m. and will run through September with a reception on New Members Sunday, September 29. If you would like to become a member of our First United Methodist Church family, please fill out the Family Information sheet found on the table in the narthex and drop it in the offering. Pastor Bruce will be glad to speak with you about what it means to be a United Methodist and a member of Irwin First United Methodist Church. **If you are already a United Methodist, you may transfer your membership to our congregation at any time.** Please contact the church office so we can obtain the transfer from your previous congregation.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TODDLER CLASS—Did you know we have a class for your 2-4 year old? It is from 9:30—10:30 a.m. each Sunday morning. We have a story, a craft (sometimes 2), a snack and maybe some play time. If you would like further information, please contact Dawn Capecci (724-651-2503) or Donna Weber (724-864-4954).

THE UPPER ROOM—The September/October edition of The Upper Room is now available. This is a great devotional to help you begin (or end) your day with Bible readings, prayers and short testimonials from Christians around the world. Pick up your copy today in the Assembly Room.

FLEA MARKET—The Flea Market will take place on Saturday, October 30, 2021. Tables will be rented for those wishing to sell their own items. Food will be available for sale and there will be a bake sale. Please **do not** bring donated items to the church at this time as we have no room to store them. We will have more details in the near future.

CHURCH MINISTRIES FUNDRAISER—Orders for hoagies, pizzas and pepperoni rolls are being taken until September 12. Orders can be paid for when you pick them up on Sunday, September 26, following both services. Checks should be made payable to "FUMC". Any questions concerning your order, please contact Laurie Saporito at 724-864-5649.

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

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.

Lou Berta, Vi, Tom & Peggy, Sandy L., Paul & Michelle, Neil and Alma, Eugene W., Suzanne K., Bob & Bev M., Bob W., Joe K., Pastor Bruce & Bonnie, Ron, Judy & Jim M., Joseph K., Sean & Heather M., Heather S. & baby Lexi, Jean B., Jane M., Rita, Grace L., Melvin L, Jr., Jean & Jim L, Mia G., Kathy H., Bob M., Josh, Denise & Annie D., Jane M., Madison & Ryan A. and twins, Cheryl M., Lou B., our world, First Responders & Military, Our Country & Leaders, Job Situations and those traveling.

MILITARY PERSONNEL

Brandon D., Korea; Colby S., Iraq; Angelo W., Oklahoma City; Nicholas P., Schofield Barracks, HI; David J., Afghanistan; Amanda M., Walter Reed Hospital; James G. Maryland; Emery M. Japan; Makayla L., Ft. Jackson, SC; Mark Russak, Sara D., Jeremy L., Carl B., and Edward J. III.