# **CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF** November 17, 2024 – November 23, 2024

### **SUNDAY**

8:00 AM Service of Word and Sacrament; Crary Chapel 8:45 AM Fellowship; Covert Room 8:45 AM Class Meetings Study; Parlor A 9:45 AM Prayer; Crary Chapel **10:00 AM Worship Service; Sanctuary** 

## MONDAY

6:45 AM Christian Men's Accountability Group; Covert Room 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM Chosen Ministry; Garage 3:00 PM - 5:30 PM Eagle Knights Soccer; Gym 4:30 PM Monday Nite Meal Team C; Founder's Hall 6:00 PM Incarceration Support; Everts Room 6:00 PM Trustees Meeting; Parlor B 6:15 PM - 7:15 PM Christian to the Core; Covert Room

### TUESDAY

8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3-4 Year Old Preschool 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours 12:30 PM Christian to the Core; Covert Room 1:35 PM Program Staff Meeting; Mark's Office 1:45 PM Peals of Praise; Sanctuary 3:30 PM Youth Handbells; Music Room and Sanctuary 5:30 Security Committee Meeting; Covert Room 6:00 PM GriefShare Ministry; Parlor B **6:30 Epworth Bellringers; Sanctuary** 

#### WEDNESDAY

8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3-4 Year Old Preschool 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours 8:45 AM Moms of Minis; Covert Room 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM Chosen Ministry; Garage 5:00 PM Madrigals; Music Room 6:00 PM Chancel Rehearsal; Music Room

#### THURSDAY

8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3-4 Year Old Preschool 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours 7:00 PM Warren Philharmonic; Founder's Hall

#### FRIDAY

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM Chosen Ministry; Garage 12:00 PM Senior Lunch; Founder's Hall

# **Meet The Staff - Bob Confer**

"WE LOVE Mr. BOB" says several preschoolers. In fact we all love Bob Confer, our year-long, full time custodian.

For 35 years Bob has blessed our church with faithful service. Among other things, Bob's daily tasks include setting up rooms for meetings and events, polishing furniture, opening and locking doors, sweeping and vacuuming, cleaning restrooms, small building repairs, painting jobs, washing windows, empting room garbage, kitchen floor mopping and even doing dishes when needed.

Bob also cleans the preschool classrooms after they leave and you can imagine what little people leave!!!? Bob is always willing to help. Whether it be preparing for a rummage sale, organizing storage of church decorations after the holidays or mowing the church and parsonage lawns, Bob takes care of it! His work begins at dawn and his "office" is near the gym. Be aware as Bob loves to tease and tell jokes. In his spare time, he likes to hunt deer, turkey and spend quiet time in the woods. We all truly love and appreciate Bob!



Visitation Pastor		Rev. Mike Rutenber		
Director of Music		Ruth Nelson		
Organist/Pianist		Michele Sandberg		
Pianist		Cathy Peterson		
Office Manager		Debbie Giambrone		
C		Barbara Young		
Coordinator of Commun	ity Programs	Heidi Ketzko		
Custodian		Bob Confer		
Acolytes		Grace Carr and Gr	ady Corey	
Liturgist		Mary Schall		
Usher Captain Team 2		George Lilja		
Ushers				
Mike Giambrone	Nick Giambrone		Henry Dahl	
Morrie Kintner			Harold Hice	

Morrie Kintner

# WARREN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH November 17, 2024

Pastor

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

## We are glad that you are worshipping with us at First Methodist Church this morning.

Please SIGN AND PASS the attendance pad at the end of the pew. If you are visiting with us, we would especially appreciate having your name, address, and phone number because we would like to thank you for being with us.

> 200 Market St. Warren, PA 16365 814-723-4930 info@firstmwarren.org www.firstmwarren.org

# Service of Word and Sacrament 8:00 AM

PRELUDE	"I Worship You, Almighty God" "Here I Am to Worship"	' arr. Leonard arr. Hayes	FRELUDE	"Reflections on 'Royal Oak "For the Beauty of the Earth	
WELCOME			*CALL TO WORS	ЧІР	
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STEWARDSHIP	MOMENT	Chad Betts	STEWARDSHIP MO		Chad Betts
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SCRIPTURE	"Luke 4:1 - 12"	Pew Bible Page 936	*Doxology N *Offertory Pra		
MESSAGE SACRAMENT OF	"Messy Closets" <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>	Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht	·	"All to Jesus I Surrender" welcome to come forward for the during the last verse.)	-
		A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES		Dee Dee Tucker	

ALTAR FLOWERS today are in loving memory of Nick & Hazel Merenick, David & Mary Merenick, Elsie Hollabaugh, and Scott & Mabel Phillips, given by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Merenick and Family.

**CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK** ~ Pat Harpster, 809 Chase Dr., Warren, PA 16365 - Please consider sending her a card.

THE GIVING TREE is posted on the bulletin board across from the office. There are still a few tags remaining on it. If you wish to be part of this ministry, please take a tag, sign your name on the sheet next to the tree beside the number on your tag, shop, wrap the gift, and tape the round tag to the package. All gifts should be returned to the office or the music room desk no later than Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions, please contact Ruth Nelson at 814-688-8238.

**THE YOUTH** will be packing food boxes to go to the families on The Giving Tree. A sign up sheet for that is also on the bulletin board. Food items should be returned to the clear box on the floor beside the nursery by December 1<sup>st</sup>. Thank you to everyone for your help.

MUSICALE POTPOURRI ~ Please sign up on the bulletin board TODAY, or call the office at 814-723-4930 by Monday, November 18th if you plan to attend the supper.

**PRAISE AND PRAYER** ~ A Praise and Prayer Service will again be held this evening at 5:00 PM. Join us for a time of worship, scripture reading and prayer focusing on the theme of Thankfulness. We are also looking for individuals who may want to assist with the worship team for future services. If you have interest, please talk to Doug McCracken.

**ADVENT SOUP AND STUDY** ~ There will be Advent noon Worship Services in Founder's Hall on December 5th, 12th, and 19th, with a meal immediately following. Each week we will remember another Christmas carol and see how the carols of the season speak to our hearts and have relevance for us in our faith walks

as well.

We welcome you to share some fellowship in the Covert Room after the service.

\* Indicates Please Stand if Able

"Chant Heroique"

"Luke 4:1 - 12"

"Messy Closets"

"Here at the Cross"

\*HYMN No. 612 "Here at the Cross"

**BENEDICTION** 

POSTLUDE

"You're Worthy of My Praise"

\* Indicates Please Stand if Able

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Please place offerings in the offertory plate as you exit the chapel.

POSTLUDE

SCRIPTURE

\*HYMN No.612

**BENEDICTION** 

**BEARING OF LIGHT** 

MESSAGE

PRELUDE

"Danza Rustica"

**Worship Service** 

10:00 AM

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arr. Powell arr. Ashdown

Pew Bible Page 936

George Blake

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

**STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN** ~ The 2025 Stewardship Campaign has been mailed out. As you prayerfully consider your pledge for the coming year, remember that together as a congregation, we can positively impact the lives of those we serve.

**BLUE BAG SUNDAY** ~ The collection of the bags will take place today.

SHOEBOX PACKING PARTY~ November 24th, following the 10:00 AM worship. We will deliver to Pleasant Community Church following packing.

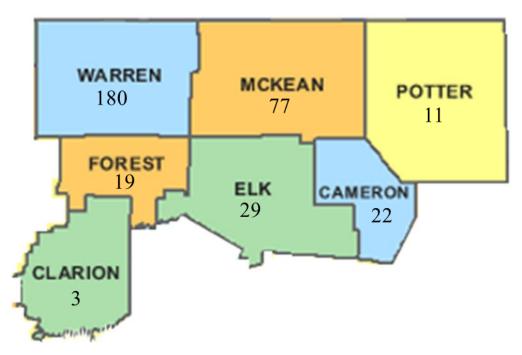
AFRICAN ADVENTURE ~ Recently, Rev. Hecht traveled to Kenya with a delegation of clergy and laity from the Allegheny West Annual Conference, to meet and plan with the GMC church in Africa. The ultimate goal is to create a partnership for performing ministry and sustainably fulfill our mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ, who spread scriptural holiness across the globe. While there is still much to be organized and approved, Rev. Hecht would like to take time, following the 10:00 AM Sunday morning worship service on November 24th, to share some initial information regarding his trip, and our conference plans for the future. For those who are interested in learning more of Rev. Hecht's African adventure and learn of the conference plans for the future, we welcome you to join him in the Covert Room, immediately following the worship service. Lite refreshments will be available.



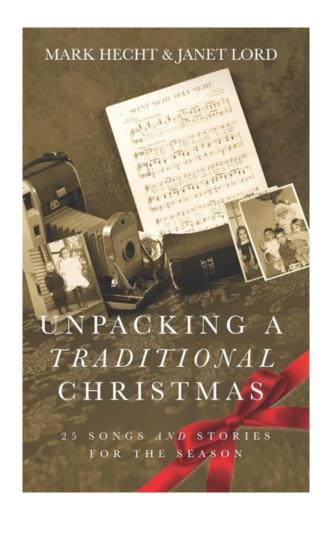
RAMPS BY YEAR

Year	# Installed	Still Installed
2015	8	4
2016	10	4
2017	9	5
2018	15	8
2019	43	22
2020	36	15
2021	59	39
2022	48	37
2023	61	50
2024	57	54
Total 10/26/2024	346	238

RAMPS INSTALLED BY COUNTY



**DEVOTIONAL** ~ Last year Rev. Hecht and Rev. Janet Lord published A Christmas Devotional entitled: Unpacking a Traditional Christmas: 25 Songs and Stories for the Season. This year Rev. Hecht will be sharing 8 selected stories from his book. These stories will be available on the firstmwarren.org website, the firstmwarren Facebook page, as well as the weekly newsletter. Each message will be accompanied by special music performed by Ruth Nelson and Michele Sandberg. Also Note: Copies of the book are still available in the church office for \$10 each. All proceeds from the sale of these books will go towards our hurricane relief effort!





Thursday 12:00 PM Advent Worship Service in Founder's Hall with Meal Following

> A half hour worship service will include Christmas carols and a message for the day.

December 5th Rev. Mark Hecht December 12th Rev. Jon Swart December 19th Rev. Jon Swart

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Service will begin promptly at noon will a meal immediately following.