

WARREN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 25, 2022

PRELUDE

(8:00 AM)

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”
“He Giveth/No One Ever”

arr. Wilhelmi
arr. Hayes

PRELUDE

(10:00 AM)

“Toccatina on Festal Song”
“Reflection on Royal Oak”
“Come, Christian, Join to Sing”

G. Martin
Powell
arr. Hayes

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN No. 92

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Like long expected guests, we arrive to celebrate the wedding of heaven and earth; of Jesus and his beloved church.

People: **We are amazed to be invited!**

Leader: We arrive with nothing in the world more important to do with this time than to pray and praise, to draw strength and wisdom from this moment.

People: **We are overjoyed to be included!**

Leader: We shall not squander so precious an experience, having been gathered together by the Creator of the universe.

People: **We are both humbled and honored to be here, and now. Let us worship God together!**

ANTHEM

(10:00 am only)

“Saved By Grace”

Stan Pethel

A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

(10:00 am only)

Dee Dee Tucker

*PSALTER

Psalm 99

Pages 819 - 820

*GLORIA PATRI No. 71

CONCERNS AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

THE LORD’S PRAYER (using sins)

*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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.*

OFFERTORY "The Prayer" arr. Raney and McDonald
(10:00 AM only)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(10:00 AM only)
*Doxology
*Offertory Prayer

SCRIPTURE Matthew 25: 14-23 Pew Bible Pages 891 - 901

MESSAGE "Well Done" Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(8:00 AM only)

***HYMN No. 526** "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Converse

BENEDICTION

BEARING OF LIGHT

(10:00 AM only)

POSTLUDE "Psalm XIX" Marcello
(8:00 AM)

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*** Indicates Please Stand if Able**

MUSIC today is provided by organist and 8:00 Am pianist, Michele Sandberg and our chancel choir. The piano duet is played by Michele and Ruth Nelson.

LITURGIST today is Jon Swart.

ACOLYTES today are Collin Ellis and Aiden Ellis.

USHERS today are Laura Whitten and Bruce Punskey.

ALTAR FLOWERS today are in memory of Marilyn and Robert J. Frycklund, given by the Montour, Enserro, Dorunda & Frycklund Families.

PRAYER CONCERNS can be found in our weekly email Newsletter.

Offering plates **WILL NOT** be passed during worship but will be available at the door.

CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK ~ Helen Whitten, 205 Water Street, Room 548, Warren, PA 16365. - Please consider sending her a card.

INFORMATION FELLOWSHIP ~ There will be an information fellowship directly following the 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM services. The fellowship will be located in Parlor B and will last 45 minutes. All are welcome to attend.

NEW MEMBER CLASS ~ A class for those wishing to become members of First United Methodist Church will be held Tuesday evenings from 5:30-7:30. The class will be held on 9/27, 10/4, and 10/11 and include a light supper. Topics include *Jesus and the Trinity, Grace, and Sacraments, Spiritual Gifts and Fruits of the Spirit, and church history and structure*. Senior Pastor Rev. Mark Hecht and Tawni Betts will lead the class. Please let the church office know at 814-723-4930 or byoung@firstumwarren.com if you plan to attend so that dinner and materials are prepared adequately.

WESLEY WOODS BOOSTER DINNER ~ On Saturday, October 8, 2022 Wesley Woods will hold their annual Booster Dinner at 1001 Fiddlersgreen Rd., Grand Valley, PA 16420. Appetizers will be served at 5:00 PM with dinner served at 5:30 PM. Call 814-436-7802 for more information or to register for the dinner. Registration for this dinner is needed by October 1st.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR ~ We are looking for volunteers to supply snacks for our Sunday fellowship hour. It is more than coffee and donuts, It's fellowship and faith building. If you would like to share snacks and goodies with the congregation during our Sunday fellowship hour, there is a signup sheet on the bulletin board across from the office. —Thank you!

For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

~ Matthew 18:20

WANTED AND NEEDED ~ We have openings for ringers in both handbell choirs. The afternoon group meets at 2:00 PM on Tuesdays and plays 2 octave music. This group is the “touring” group and enjoys going into the nursing homes a couple of times a year. The evening group meets on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM and plays 4 05 octave music. Both groups regularly play for worship services. No previous handbell knowledge is required but it is helpful if you have some background in reading music. If interested in either group, please contact Ruth Nelson at 814-688-8238 or through the church office.

OLMSTED NEEDS YOU ~ Would you like to help decorate the historic 1917 Tudor Manor House at Olmsted for the Christmas season? Olmsted is looking for volunteers to decorate a room. Decorating will take place anytime from Monday, November 28—Friday December 2, 2022. For more information, please contact Al Hammer at al@olmstedmanor.org or 814-845-6512 x 11.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF
September 25, 2022 – October 1, 2022

SUNDAY

8:00 AM Service of Word and Sacrament; Crary Chapel
8:45 AM Fellowship; Covert Room
9:00 AM - 9:45 AM Information Fellowship; Parlor B
10:00 AM Worship Service; Sanctuary
11:00 AM - 11:45 Am Information Fellowship; Parlor B

MONDAY

6:45 AM Christian Men's Accountability Group
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours
5:15 PM Finance Meeting; Covert Room
6:30 PM Church Council; Covert Room
6:30 PM Silver Winds; Sanctuary
7:30 Trustees Meeting; Covert Room
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Troop 9 Boy Scouts; Downstairs

TUESDAY

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours
8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3 yr. Old Preschool
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class
1:00 PM Tuesday Afternoon Study; CR - Bring Your Bible
1:00 PM Staff Meeting; Parlor B
3:30 PM Youth Music Program; Music Room
4:30 PM Nurture Meeting; Covert Room
5:30 PM New Members Class; Covert Room
5:30 PM Outreach Meeting; Parlor B
6:30 PM Epworth Bells; Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY

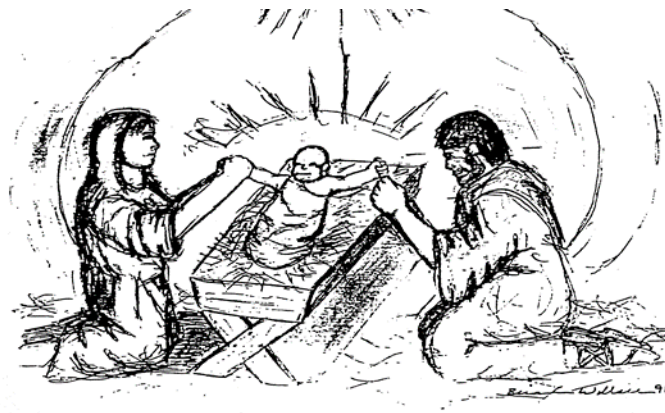
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours
8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3 yr. Old Preschool
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class
8:30 AM Covenant Discipleship Group; Mark's Office
10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry; Covert Room
3:30 PM LOGOS; Founder's Hall
6:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal; Music Room

THURSDAY

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours
8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3 yr. Old Preschool
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class
1:00 PM Covenant Discipleship Group; Covert Room
5:30 PM Covenant Discipleship Group; Parlor B
6:00 PM Divorce Care; Covert Room
6:30 PM Warren Philharmonic Rehearsal; Founder's Hall

FRIDAY

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



A number of years ago, perhaps as long ago as Christmas 1991, our church published an Advent Devotional written by members of our congregation. This was very meaningful to so many, not just because it was a devotional to lead us through the Advent Season, but also because it was written by people we knew. The Worship Commission would like to do one again this year. If you are willing to be a contributor, please contact Nettie Swart (814-779-5337), Dusky Merenick (814-723-7516) or Ruth Nelson (814-688-8238) by October 2nd to secure a date. Write your article adhering to the format below and submit to the church office either in hard copy or email (rnelson@firstumwarren.com) no later than Sunday, November 6th. We trust many of you will use this opportunity to share your Christmas experiences with others.

SUGGESTED FORMAT

Date you would like to have your article printed

Bible Scripture or Reference (or both)

Devotional (150 – 250 words)

Prayer

Your Name or Names if you write jointly with someone else

Thank you!