

# WARREN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## February 27, 2022

### PRELUDE

(10:00 am)

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”  
“Fairest Lord Jesus”  
“Sing Hallelujah”

arr. Carter  
arr. Wilhelmi  
arr. Hayes

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*HYMN No. 64

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

Nicaea

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

God’s Faithfulness

Leader: Day after day, an abundance of God’s love.

**People: Morning by morning, new signs of blessing:**

Leader: A gentle rain, an awesome sunset,

**People: A friend’s embrace, a child’s smile,**

Leader: A new insight, a sense of peace,

**People: A shared meal, a treasured moment.**

Leader: All around us and deep within us are signs of God’s presence.

**People: How can we not sing of God’s faithfulness?**

### ANTHEM

(10:00 am only)

“God is All You Need”

Mary McDonald

### A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

**Dee Dee Tucker**

### \*PSALTER

Psalm 71

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### \*GLORIA PATRI No. 71

### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

### 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.*

**ANTHEM**

“I Will Arise”

**SCRIPTURE**

“Luke 5:1-11”

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**MESSAGE**

“Success”

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

**\*HYMN No. 374**

“Standing on the Promises”

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

“How Majestic is Your Name”

arr. Hayes

**\* Indicates Please Stand if Able**

**MUSIC** today is provided by pianist Michele Sandberg and cellist Chad Betts.

**LITURGIST** today is Kayla Giambrone.

**USHERS** today are team 4, Gary Kell — Captain.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** today are in loving memory of Carol Niver Tucker Hampson, given by her son Daniel Tucker.

**PRAYER CONCERNS** can be found in our weekly email Newsletter.

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

**SAMARITAN FUND** ~ Due to recent catastrophic events in the community, the Samaritan Fund needs donations to assist those in need. Donations can also be made throughout the year. Please make a notation on your envelopes or checks if you would like all or even a portion of your contribution to go to the Samaritan fund.

**ANNOUNCEMENT** ~ The Chancel Choir has started rehearsals for a cantata to be presented in May. If you are interested in singing "Once Upon A Morning," please join us for rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 7:30 in the music room. All singers are welcome. If you need additional information, contact Ruth Nelson at 814-688-8238.

**LENTEN SOUP AND STUDY** ~ On Tuesdays from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM, beginning March 8, 2022, Rev. Hecht will lead an evening soup and study titled "Walking With Jesus." Each lesson includes a reference to an important passage of Scripture, a brief reflection, and then a time to deal with questions and practical applications for richer daily living throughout Lent, Easter, and beyond. This study will meet each Tuesday, ending April 12th.

No book is necessary, but it will be beneficial to bring your Bible and come having already read the passage for the week. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board across from the office.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS**~ Rev. Hecht and Tawni Betts will teach Confirmation Class for youth in grades nine and up on Sundays from 5:00 PM—6:30 PM. The class will begin on March 6th and be held each Sunday through April 10th. Confirmation will be at the 10 a.m. worship on Easter Sunday, April 17th. Following Jesus: Steps to a Passionate Faith, by Carolyn Slaughter, will be the curriculum. Please call the church office to register at 814-723-4930. Questions can be directed to Reverend Hecht at the church office or Tawni Betts at 814-730-3861.

**SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER** ~ On Tuesday, March 1, 2022, from 5:00 PM to 6:15 PM, we will have our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. The supper will be a Take-Out only event, and pickups can be made in Founder's Hall. Donations are welcome, monies raised will go to the Prison Ministry Program.

**FAITH ON FOOT** ~ On March 20th, Faith on Foot will be at the Warren YMCA, 212 Lexington Ave., from 3:00 PM—5:00 PM. Please RSVP to [faithonfoot@gmail.com](mailto:faithonfoot@gmail.com).

**FLY-FISHING WEEKEND** ~ From April 29, 2022 - May 1, 2022, Gary Kell, Master Certified Instructor through Fly Fishers International, will be at the Olmstead Manor Retreat Center. This will be a weekend of in-class and on-the-water training. More information and registration are at: <https://www.olmsteadmanor.org/fly-fishing-weekend.html>.

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION** ~ Applications for the Mary F. & Melvin G. Keller Scholarship through the First United Methodist Higher Education Fund are now available. Applications must be received before April 30, 2022, for the 2022—2023 school year and can be printed off from the church website at [www.firstumwarren.com](http://www.firstumwarren.com) or a link on the weekly newsletter.

**2022 MID-WEEK LENTEN COMMUNITY SERVICE** ~ March 9th at First Lutheran, March 16th at First Presbyterian, March 23rd at St. Paul, March 30th at St. Joe's, April 6th at Trinity.

# CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF February 27, 2022 – March 5, 2022

## SUNDAY

8:00 AM Service of Word and Sacrament; Founder's Hall  
8:45 AM - 9:45 AM Fellowship; Founder's Hall  
10:00 AM Worship Service; Founder's Hall  
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM UMYF Grades 6 & 7; Youth Room  
6:00 PM Book Study; Covert Room  
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM UMYF Grades 8th - 12th; Youth Room

## MONDAY

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours  
1:15 PM Lay Ministers Meeting; Covert Room  
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM Jason Meeting with Youth; The Crossing  
6:00 PM SPRC; Covert Room  
6:30 PM Silver Winds Flute Choir; Music Room

## TUESDAY

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours  
8:30 AM - 11:15 AM 3 Year Old Preschool  
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Preschool  
12:30 PM Tuesday Study Group; Covert Room  
1:00 PM Staff Meeting; Parlor B  
2:00 PM Angel Tree Zoom Meeting; Covert Room  
3:30 PM Children & Youth Music; Music Room  
5:00 PM Shrove Pancake Supper; Founder's Hall (Take-Outs)

## WEDNESDAY

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours  
8:30 AM - 11:15 AM 3 Year Old Preschool  
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Preschool  
8:45 AM Covenant Disciple Group  
3:30 PM LOGOS; Ash Wednesday  
6:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal; Music Room

## THURSDAY

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours  
8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3 Year Old Preschool  
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Preschool  
1:00 PM Covenant Discipleship Group; Covert Room  
5:30 PM Covenant Discipleship Group; Covert Room  
6:00 PM Divorce Care Meeting; Covert Room  
7:00 PM Warren Philharmonic; Founder's Hall

## FRIDAY

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

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**  
**of First United Methodist Church, Warren,**  
**and EVERYONE is part of it!!**

**Today as we pray and dedicate these shawls, ALL OF US are participants in the Prayer Shawl Ministry!**

TO DATE, we have sent out 15 prayer shawls with greetings and ongoing prayers from our congregation:

- Five shawls were given in time of grief.
- Three shawls were given with prayers for healing and patience in the struggle of chronic health issues.
- Two shawls celebrated the baptism of an adult and a child, and one celebrated a marriage.
- Three were given to offer encouragement and one as prayerful support in a time of great emotional pain and struggle.

Each time one of these shawls was given, you participated by offering your prayers at the time of dedication. You can continue to support those receiving shawls with your prayers by checking out the prayer log in the Prayer Shawl Room.

**A WORD OF RESPONSE**

*I was so, so blessed when I opened your package. The beautiful prayer shawl that was made and consecrated to the Lord truly is a comfort from the Holy Spirit as I wrap it around my shoulders in my ‘prayer chair’.”*

*“Thank you for the lovely prayer shawl you prepared for Marcus. Thank you for the prayers and love it was made with and for consecrating it to the Lord. He is often chilly now, and being wrapped in the arms of God and comforted by the Holy Spirit will warm body, soul and, mind indeed.”*

**AN ACCOUNT OF GIVING**

In 2021 the First United Methodist Church began new ministries. We became an Angel Tree sponsor church and began a Prayer Shawl Ministry. It is always amazing to see God at work in the timing and connectedness of things. These ministries came together beautifully in December.

During our initial conversation with families, one grandmother shared her struggle. She shared that she had difficulties at that time. The ministry coordinator who spoke with her suggested that she might appreciate receiving a prayer shawl. She was very touched and expressed her appreciation for receiving a Prayer Shawl delivered to her from the church.

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**Prayer Shawls** are creations of shawls or lap blankets, by means of knitting, crocheting, sewing, weaving, and so on, to be given to people in need or at special times of celebration. Often they are given in times of grief or serious illness or other times of loss; the shawls can also be given at times of celebration like adoption, baby birth, significant anniversary, or birthday.

**EVERYONE** will send shawls out with prayer.

**EVERYONE** needs to be part of identifying those to receive shawls. There is no need to check with a committee. when you know of a need, you may choose a shawl and deliver it. Any individual may choose a shawl to be given, record the name, the need or occasion of giving in the prayer book, and deliver the prayer shawl on behalf of the congregation. This will ensure there is ongoing prayer. Shawls and the prayer book will be housed in the usher's closet by the Market St. entrance once work is completed in the sanctuary. Currently, Prayer Shawls, prayer log, and yarns are located the downstairs in the crib room.

**EVERYONE** can help to provide materials for the creation of prayer shawls.

**EVERYONE** can use skills they already have or learn new skills to create shawls. The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets every second and fourth Wednesday at 10:00 AM in the Covert Room. All are welcome!

**EVERYONE** can continue to pray for the needs of those who have received shawls. The prayer book will be kept in the Prayer Shawl area for anyone wanting to pray for the recipients.

**For more information, contact Coralee Wenzel at 814-723-3667 or [sticksnpins@verizon.net](mailto:sticksnpins@verizon.net), or you can also contact Maryann Long at 724-366-8034 or [mjlong@atlanticbb.net](mailto:mjlong@atlanticbb.net).**