

Service of Word and Sacrament 8:00 AM

PRELUDE “Near to the Heart of God” arr. Mier
“I Love to Tell the Story” arr. Thomas

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

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Leader: Come because Jesus first loved us, and gave himself for us.

People: Come because you want to be filled with the Holy Spirit.

Leader: Come because you want to experience the mystery of God’s grace.

***HYMN No. 551** “Glory to His Name”

NEW TESTAMENT “Hebrews 10:19 - 25” Pew Bible Page 1095

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.

***HYMN No. 316** “Take Time to Be Holy” Holiness

SCRIPTURE “Luke 14:7—14” Pew Bible Pages 951 - 952

MESSAGE “Places of Honor” Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

***HYMN No. 411** “Here, O My Lord, I See Thee” Penitencia

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “O Worship the King” arr. Bober

*** Indicates Please Stand if Able**

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

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

Worship Service 10:00 AM

PRELUDE “A Paeon of Praise” Lani Smith
“Penitencia” arr. Stearns
“Prelude in C Major” J.S. Bach

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SPECIAL MUSIC “As Long As I Have Breath” Farrar

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OFFERTORY MUSIC “Put Your Hand in the Hand” MacLellan

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Doxology No. 682

*Offertory Prayer

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(Children are welcome to come forward for the Children’s Message

during the last verse.)

A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES Karen Hecht

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BEARING OF LIGHT

POSTLUDE “Postlude in Early American Style” Lani Smith

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NEEDED ~ We need additional acolytes to help lead worship services starting in September. If you are a youth going into grade 4 or older and you’re willing to join the acolyte team, please contact Ruth Nelson at 814-688-8238.

NEEDED: A handbell ringer for our afternoon group. Rehearsals are Tuesdays from 1:45 - 2:30 PM. This is a 2 octave handbell choir. No previous handbell experience is necessary. For more information contact Ruth Nelson at 814-688-8238.

WALK TO END ALZHEIMER’S ~ The 2024 Warren Walk to End Alzheimer’s will take place on September 28th, at 9:00 AM at Betts Park.

CORE GLOW WALK ~ The 2024 CORE Glow Walk will take place on September 28th, beginning at 1:00 PM, with the Glow Walk starting at 8:00 PM. The Glow Walk Event will take place between Liberty and 2nd Streets.

MUSICAL VOICES ~ Calling all who would like to sing with the adult choir. No audition is necessary and no solos will be required! Rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, September 4th, with a family supper at 5:30 PM in the Covert Room. A brief rehearsal will follow that night. For more information, contact Ruth Nelson at 814-688-8238.

MUSIC today is provided by Hope Punskey. We thank her for sharing her talents and gifts with us.

ALTAR FLOWERS today are in loving memory of Adele and Charles Tranter, given by Mark Tranter.

PEDESTAL FLOWERS today are in honor of Heidi Ketzko, given by her friends.

CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK ~ Dorothy Sutton, 701 Rouse Ave., Room 108, Youngsville, PA 16371 - Please consider sending her a card.

CHURCH-WIDE DISCIPLESHIP ~ A Sunday Sermon Series will be offered this fall: September 8th through the week of November 24th.

We, as a congregation, will participate in a twelve week emphasis entitled “Christian to the Core.”

Christian to the Core is a journey to becoming a deeper disciple by increasing your intimacy with God, increasing your love for people, and discovering God’s greater purposes for your life.

It is our goal to get as many people as possible to participate in these ONE HOUR studies. At the present time, we have set aside two optional times to meet for our study opportunities: Monday Evenings from 6:15 to 7:15 (Beginning September 9)
Tuesday Afternoon from 12:30-1:30 (Beginning September 10)

OUTREACH ~ First Methodist Outreach Committee will be accepting donations for the Faith Inn (homeless shelter in downtown Warren). The Inn needs dishes, pots, pans, bowls, glasses, cups/mugs and silverware. Items do not need to be new but in good condition.

Other items always needed: personal care items, cleaning supplies, non-perishable food, baby diapers, clothes, shoes, coats, toys, games, puzzles, bedding, towels, Qtips.

Please place items in Parlor B by September 16. For more information or pickup, call/text Rev. Mike (814)779-4795 or Laura (814)706-8001.

BOOK CLUB ~ The Book Club will meet for their Fall Season, Wednesday, September 4th at 1:00 P.M. in the Covert Room. Come and share about all the books you have been reading this summer. New members are always welcome. The only requirement needed is a love for reading and sharing.

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF
September 1, 2024 – September 7, 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

Office Closed ~ Happy Labor Day!

TUESDAY

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours
5:30 PM 3-4 Year Old Preschool Parent Night; Founder's Hall
6:00 PM Praise and Prayer Planning Meeting; Covert Room
6:30 PM Pre K Parent Night; Founder's Hall

WEDNESDAY

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours
8:20 AM - 10:00 AM 3-4 Year Old Preschool
8:30 AM - 10:15 AM Pre K Class
1:00 PM - 4:30 PM Chosen Ministry; Garage
5:30 PM Music Family Supper; Covert Room
6:30 PM Chancel Rehearsal; Music Room

THURSDAY

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours
8:20 AM - 10:00 AM 3-4 Year Old Preschool
8:30 AM - 10:00AM Pre K Class

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
5:00 PM Lay Speaker Training; Marysville, Ohio

SATURDAY

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM Lay Speaker Training; Marysville, Ohio

**PGE Agreement Announcement
120 Market Street at 2nd Avenue**

Pennsylvania General Energy Company (PGE) has recently agreed to permit parishioners to utilize their parking lot for parking during Sunday services and their lawn at the corner of East St. and Second Ave. for recreational activities subject to the following conditions:

The Church and users assume all risk of loss or damage to property, including, without limitation, property damage and all risk of personal injury, including but not limited to death, attributable to any cause other than unlawful conduct of PGE

The Church will use reasonable care to prevent damage to the Premises
PGE grants this permission at no cost to the Church

Parking

Parking lot is available to parishioners during Sunday services only
PGE has no duty to clear the parking lot of snow and ice on Sundays

Lawn

One week's prior notice must be given to PGE and use is subject to availability

Mark Your Calendars!

Sunday September 8th is SPIRIT SUNDAY

With the beginning of fall also comes the resumption of many programs and activities in the life of the church. We are especially excited about several new ministries and groups we have planned for this fall. Most importantly, we will participate in an all-church Discipleship focus entitled "Christian to the Core." This series is a journey to becoming a deeper disciple by increasing your intimacy with God, increasing your love for people, and discovering God's greater purposes for your life.

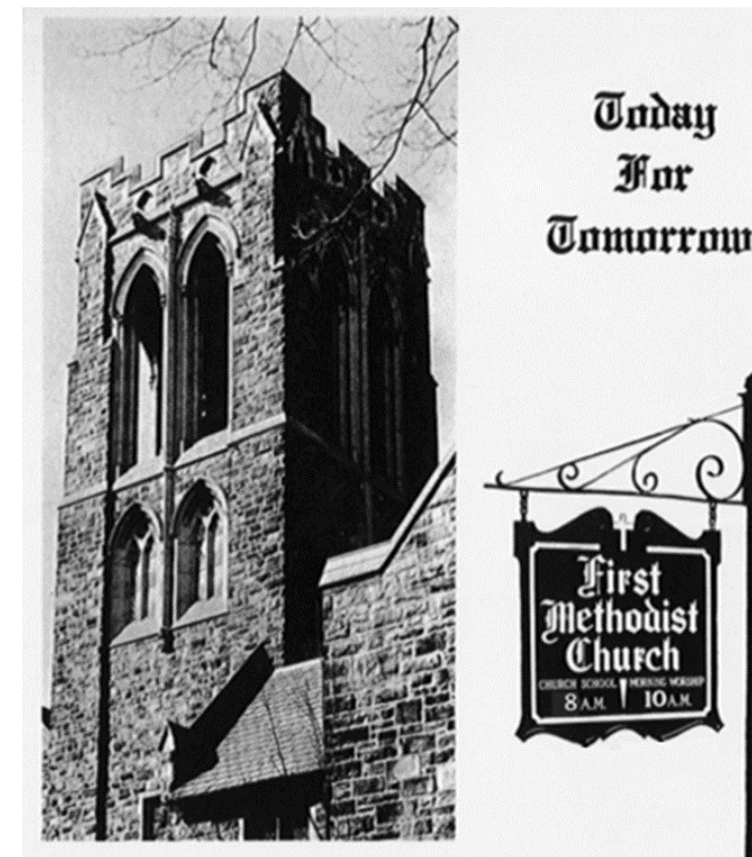
Everything kicks off September 8th. Please plan on joining us for our combined worship service at 10:00 followed by an all church picnic in the parking lot! **There will not be an 8:00 AM service offered on September 8th.**

The Lion's Club will be providing Sausages and Hot Dogs with all the toppings. There will be plenty of sides and desserts for everyone!

We are confident that the coming program year will be a blessing to this church, its members and the community. We hope you will want to be part of it!

Visitation Pastor	Rev. Mike Rutenber
Director of Music	Ruth Nelson
Organist/Pianist	Michele Sandberg
Pianist	Cathy Peterson
Office Manager	Debbie Giambrone
Office Assistant/Streaming Tech	Barbara Young
Coordinator of Community Programs	Heidi Ketzko
Custodian	Bob Confer
Acolytes	Annika Wyman and Tage Wyman
Liturgist	Bruce Parker
Usher Captain Team 2	Erik Fincher

Susie Zimmerman	Tom Giegerich	Matt McCord
Stephanie Tannler	Brent Jones	Rebekah Swart



**WARREN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
September 1, 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.*

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