

# WARREN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## September 18, 2022 Acolyte Recognition

### PRELUDE

(8:00 AM)

“A Shield About Me”  
“Come Into His Presence”

arr. Keveren  
arr. Baird

### PRELUDE

(10:00 AM)

“Down to the River to Pray”  
“Prelude and Fugue”  
“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

arr. Hayes  
Handel  
arr. M. Kim

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*HYMN No. 159

“Lift High the Cross”

Crucifer

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Leader: Come to worship, and remember what the Lord has done.

**People: God makes us rich! God leaves no one behind. God keeps his promises.**

Leader: The Lord led Israel in the desert by cloud and by fire.

**People: God made sure everyone had enough to eat and drink. God keeps his promises. Praise God!**

### ANTHEM

(10:00 am only)

“Lightshine”

Joseph Martin

### A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

(10:00 am only)

#### \*PSALTER

Psalm 107

Pages 830 - 831

#### \*GLORIA PATRI No. 71

### ACOLYTE RECOGNITION

### 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**  
(10:00 AM only)

“Children of LIGHT!”

Travis Boyd

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

(10:00 AM only)

\*Doxology

\*Offertory Prayer

**SCRIPTURE**

“Matthew 25:1-13”

Pew Bible Pages 903 - 904

**MESSAGE**

“The Foolish and The Wise ”

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

(8:00 AM only)

\***HYMN No. 206**

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

Houston

**BENEDICTION**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Lutkin

**BEARING OF LIGHT**

(10:00 AM only)

**POSTLUDE**

(8:00 AM)

“High Ground”

arr. Courtney

**POSTLUDE**

(10:00 AM)

“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

Haydn

**\* Indicates Please Stand if Able**

**MUSIC** today at the 10:00 AM service is provided by organist Michele Sandberg and our Chancel Choir. The bass soloist is Chad Betts. The 8:00 AM pianist is Cathy Peterson.

**LITURGIST** today is Heidi Ketzko.

**ACOLYTES** today are Savannah Crowe and Madalyn Nobles.

**USHERS** today are Rachel Beach and Rusty Blodgett.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** today are in memory of Charles Richardson Tranter, given by Adele Tranter and his children, Elisa, Laurie, Mark & Jeffrey.

**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** ~ Darla Peterson, 205 Water Street, Room 525, 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, beginning September 20. The class will run four consecutive weeks, 9/20, 9/27, 10/4, and 10/11, and include a light supper. Topics to be covered 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](mailto:byoung@firstumwarren.com) if you plan to attend so that dinner and materials are prepared adequately.

**RED BAG SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE** ~ Through the month of September, we distributed red bags for collecting non-perishable food items for the Ruth M. Smith home. Bags can be returned to our collection box across from the Dunham Parlors. Collection of the bags will take place today, September 18th.

**YOUTH GROUP** ~ Cheri Kellogg at First Lutheran Church will be leading a joint youth group with our two churches and is in need of volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering with the youth group, please email Melissa McCracken at [melissa\\_mc22@hotmail.com](mailto:melissa_mc22@hotmail.com).

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** ~ At this time, our children's church will only occur on the first Sunday of each month. In order to comply with our Safe Sanctuary policy, more volunteers are needed. This ministry's goal is to offer the children's church at each 10:00 AM Sunday worship service. Our children's church will begin on October 2, 2022, and will occur on the first Sunday of each month. The children's church will follow the children's message during the 10:00 AM worship service and will be for children in grades 1-4. If you feel called to participate in this ministry, please get in touch with Heidi Ketzko through the church office at 814-723-4930 or email Heidi at [hketzko@firstumwarren.com](mailto:hketzko@firstumwarren.com).

**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

# CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF

## September 18, 2022 – September 24, 2022

### SUNDAY

**Acolyte Recognition**

**8:00 AM Service of Word and Sacrament; Crary Chapel**

**9:00 AM - 9:45 AM Information Fellowship; Parlor B**

**8:45 AM Fellowship; Covert Room**

**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**

**6:00 PM Youth Incarceration Support Group; Upstairs**

**6:00 PM Adult Incarceration Support Group; Founder's Hall**

**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 Staff Meeting; Covert Room**

**3:30 PM Youth Music Program; Music Room**

**5:30 PM New Members Class; Covert Room**

**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**

**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**

## **ACOLYTES DEDICATED AND RECOGNIZED TODAY:**

Grace Carr

Attie Corey

Grady Corey

Jaiden Crowe

Savannah Crowe

Holden Demers

Aiden Ellis

Collin Ellis

Lucas Gardiner

David Huffman

Anna McCord

Ian Montour

Grant Newton

Lilly Newton

Madalyn Nobles

Gavin Rex

Ainsley Schuler

Hayden Schuler

Annika Wyman

Tage Wyman

### **CONGREGATIONS RESPONSE TO THE ACOLYTES RECOGNITION**

**O God, bless with your Holy Spirit the acolytes of your church, who serve and lead us. We are mindful that the light they carry into and from this time of worship is representative of your light that shines in our lives. We thank you for their example and pray that you would continue to bless them as they witness to us and others the importance of sharing your light with the world.**

**Amen.**