

**Service of Word and Sacrament  
8:00 AM**

**PRELUDE** “His Eye is on the Sparrow” arr. Mier  
“Draw Me Close” arr. Hayes

**WELCOME**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Children of God!

**People: Welcome to this place of love and grace,**

Leader: Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance!

**People: God Invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,**

Leader: God invites all of us to share in the good news:

**People: We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.**

Leader: In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

**\*HYMN No. 328** “Deeper, Deeper, in the Love of Jesus”

**OLD TESTAMENT** “Exodus 33:7—19” Pew Bible Page 79

**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. 574** “My Chains Are Gone”

**SCRIPTURE** “Isaiah 6:1 - 13” Pew Bible Pages 622 - 623

**MESSAGE** “Going Deeper” Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**\*HYMN No. 589** “Here I Am, Lord”

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** “Great is the Lord” arr. Keveren

**\* 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** “The Will of God Is Always Best” de Semersy  
“Sortie in F Major” Leon Boellman  
“Allegro” Benedetto Marcello

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**ANTHEM** “Carry the Light” Stan Pethel

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**ACOLYTE 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.

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**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

“O Lord, Our Lord, How Excellent Thy Name” Joseph Martin

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

\*Doxology No. 682

\*Offertory Prayer

**\*HYMN No. 574** “My Chains Are Gone”  
*(Children are welcome to come forward for the Children’s Message during the last verse.)*

**A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES** Tawni Betts

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**BENEDICTION**

**BEARING OF LIGHT**

**POSTLUDE** “Jubilation” James Mansfield

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**IN SYMPATHY** ~ We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Jim and Pat Murphy in the passing of Pat’s mother, Arlene Lee, on September 11, 2024.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** today are in loving memory of our parents, Norman and Marilyn Rose & Henry and Mary Dahl, given by Henry and Barb Dahl.

**ALTAR FLOWER VASES** ~ For those who recently provided altar flowers for our church, please return the empty altar flower vase after you have finished enjoying the flowers.

**CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK** ~ Marty Campbell, 615 Rouse Ave., Room 7 - Memory Care, Youngsville, PA 16371 - Please consider sending her a card.

**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 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.

**OUTREACH** ~ First Methodist Outreach Committee will be accepting donations for the Faith Inn (a 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, Q-tips.

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.

**GARDENERS** ~ If anyone has an abundance of zucchini or summer squash, I would like some for the Friday lunch on September 27th. Donations may be left in the office by September 23rd. Thank you, Ruth.

**GREETERS** ~ Greeters at First Methodist Church make everyone feel welcome, answer questions, and put newcomers at ease. Sign-up sheets are available in the sanctuary today if you want to join this ministry.

**OPEN HOUSE** ~ On September 28th, from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM, there will be an open house in the Covert Room and Parlor B in celebration of Elsie Giegerich’s 80th birthday.

**THANK YOU** ~ The Hospitality Committee would like to extend a very heartfelt thank you to everyone who made the Spirit Sunday picnic a success.

**CHRISTMAS CANTATA** ~ The Chancel Choir will present a Christmas Cantata on Sunday, December 22nd, during the 10 AM worship service. We would welcome additional singers. Rehearsals will be on Wednesday evenings at the start of our regular weekly rehearsal from approximately 6:00 - 6:20 PM. If you are interested or want additional information, please contact Ruth Nelson (814-688-8238) or Micky Sandberg (716-969-7953).

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF  
September 15, 2024 – September 21, 2024**

**SUNDAY**

**8:00 AM Service of Word and Sacrament; Crary Chapel**  
**8:30 AM Acolyte Meeting; Music Room**  
**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 Chosen Ministry; Garage**  
**4:30 PM Monday Nite Meal; Founder’s Hall**  
**6:00 PM Incarceration Support Group; Everts Room**  
**6:00 PM Christian to the Core; Covert Room**  
**6:00 PM Trustees Meeting; Parlor B**

**TUESDAY**

**8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours**  
**8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3-4 Year Old Preschool**  
**8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class**  
**12:30 PM Christian to the Core; Covert Room**  
**1:35 PM Staff Meeting; Parlor B**  
**1:45 PM Peals of Praise; Sanctuary**  
**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—11:00 AM Moms of Minis; Covert Room**  
**1:00 PM - 4:30 PM Chosen Ministry; Garage**  
**5:15 PM Finance Meeting; Covert Room**  
**6:00 PM Chancel Rehearsal; Music Room**

**THURSDAY**

**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours**  
**8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3-4 Year Old Preschool**  
**8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class**  
**6:00 PM DivorceCare; Covert Room**

**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**

**ACOLYTES DEDICATED AND RECOGNIZED TODAY**

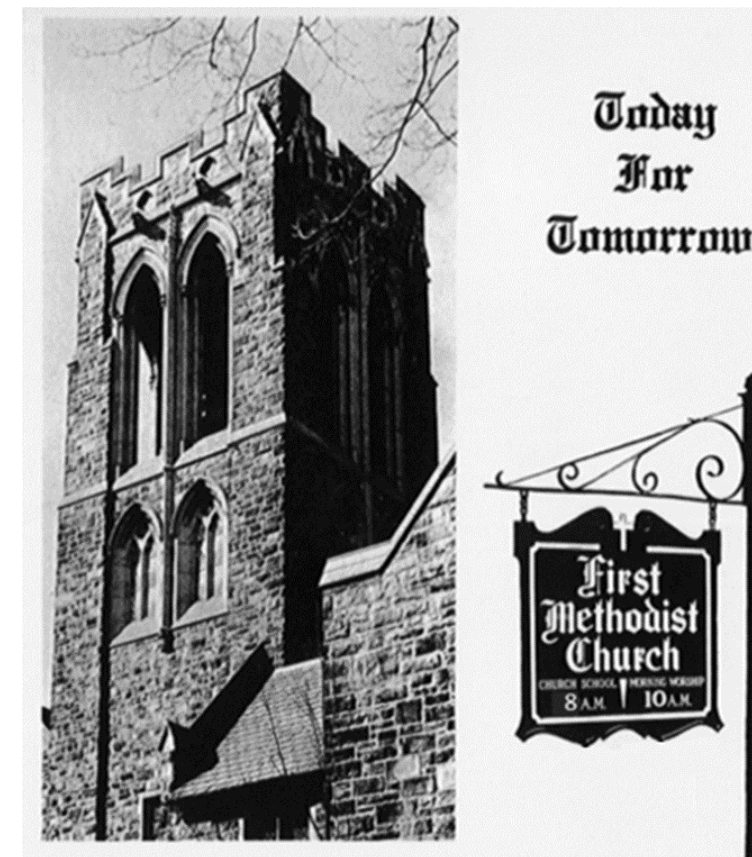
Grace Carr	Grady Corey
Collen Ellis	David Huffman
Gavin Rex	Allison Conti
Lilly Newton	Tage Wyman
Attie Corey	Holden Demers
Brian Huck	Grant Newton
Madalyn Nobles	Abby McCord
Annika Wyman	Aiden Ellis
Caroline Curren	Sam McCord
Kenna Nobles	Aiden Zawacki
Ashlynn Zawacki	

**ATTENTION**  
**PARKING LOT CLOSURE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th**  
 The parking lot at First Methodist Church will be closed on Tuesday, September 17, 2024, due to work being conducted on the Bell Tower.  
  
 A crane will be on-site Tuesday morning to hoist a work platform to the top of the Bell Tower. The platform will be lifted from the parking lot, requiring the lot to be closed until mid-afternoon.

**MOMS OF MINIS** will have their first meeting on Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, from 8:45 AM - 11:00 AM in the Covert Room. They will meet the first and third Wednesday of the month. Questions may be directed to Lindsay Laird at 814-706-1461.

**THE YOUTH GROUP** will have a welcome back pizza party on Sunday, September 22, from 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM. Youth in grades 7-12 are invited to join us for food, faith building, and fellowship.

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	Madalyn Nobles and Abby McCord	
Liturgist	Mary Schall	
Usher Captain Team 2	Erik Fincher	
Ushers		
Susie Zimmerman	Tom Giegerich	Matt McCord
Stephanie Tannler	Brent Jones	Rebekah Swart



**WARREN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH  
September 15, 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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