

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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August 2, 2015 10th Sunday after Pentecost/Communion

GATHERING & WELCOME

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

L: The Peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Please pass the Peace of Christ to your neighbor.

MOMENTS OF INFORMALITY

THE MISSION AND MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

MUSIC OF PREPARATION "The Heart of Worship" with "O Worship the King"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: We gather together, coming from near and far,
- P: We come, younger, older, and in between.
- L: We come expecting to experience the presence of the Living Lord,
- P: And we gather as a community of prayer.
- L: Today, we will gather around the Table of the Lord,
- P: To celebrate God's gift of forgiving love.
- ALL: And to be challenged to go forth to serve in the world.

*UNISON PRAYER

As the world rushes by, O God, our desire is to slow down and find meaning in the life You have given us. In this age of information, help us to stop, listen and empty ourselves to find, in the common elements of bread and juice, Your message of love for us and for every human being. Create in us a quiet place that is not touched by a world that calls us to rush, hurry, consume and satisfy all our wants. Walk with us that our desires may become Your desires for us. Give us the strength, in that quiet place, that renews us to be the Body of Christ in Your world. We ask this in the name of Christ. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 732 "Come We That Love The Lord"

Children come forward during the last verse.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

(Our Children's Collection this morning will be used for Project Happy Feet. Please see the announcement for more details.)

ANTHEM "No Greater Love" - Deb Andrison

GOSPEL LESSON John 6: 25-35

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS OFFERTORY "Meditation on "Ubi Caritas""

*DOXOLOGY No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below: praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS

Generous God, we rejoice in your wonderful power! In Christ, you give us the true bread from heaven. You satisfy our spiritual hunger and thirst, filling our hearts with your abundant love. Help us to work not for perishable goods, but for love that endures. May these offerings contribute to your nurturing work in the world. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS PRAYER HYMN No. 620 "One Bread, One Body"

The Altar is open during the hymn.

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass 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

SERMON - "Overlooking the Obvious" by Rev. Frank Sherman

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION II

THE INVITATION WORDS OF ASSURANCE SACRAMENT

All are welcome. Please follow the directions of the ushers.

*HYMN OF PARTING No. 593 "Here I Am, Lord"

*BENEDICTION

*MUSIC OF PARTING "Go Joyfully"

*Those who are able, please stand.

We express our Christian sympathy to:

The Zubalik & Peckman families with the death of Megan M. Zubalik on July 23rd. Lou & Jerry Berta with the death of their niece, Jolan Friend on July 27th.

May God's comfort and strengthen these families.

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

Today, Sunday, August 2 10th Sunday after Pentecost/Communion Rev. Frank Sherman will lead the service

8:00 Prayer Time 8:15 Worship 10:45 Worship 2:00 FISH & CHIPS

Monday, August 3

7:00 District Meeting - Sanctuary

Tuesday, August 4
6:15 TOPS
7:00 Outreach
7:30 NA

Wednesday, August 5

7:00 Yoga

Friday, August 7

5:00 Wedding Rehearsal Kara Weaver & John Nahar

Saturday, August 8

3:30 Wedding
Kara Weaver & John Nahar
6:00 Alternative Worship

Next Sunday, August 9 11th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 Prayer Time 8:15 Worship 10:45 Worship 2:00 FISH & CHIPS (Zaq's last day)



Believing that God has ordained the Institution of Holy Matrimony,
Bob & Debbie Weaver
invite the congregation to the wedding ceremony uniting
their daughter,
Kara Nicole Weaver
to

John Oliver Nahar IV son of John & Janet Nahar on

Saturday, August 8, 2015 at 3:30 PM in our church sanctuary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CHILDREN'S COLLECTION this week will be given to *Project Happy Feet*, the Greensburg District program, in cooperation with *Payless Shoe Source*, which provides needy children in our area with shoes.

Outreach Committee Summer Picnic Baskets - \$264.70

SUMMER PICNIC BASKETS: Once again, the Outreach Committee will be preparing summer food baskets for families from Sheridan Terrace Elementary School. **All donations are due back to the church today**. We will also gladly accept any "garden overflows." If you have just too much fresh produce in early August, we will share it with these families. Thanks in advance.





Do you know someone who is responsible, friendly, and would like to make a little money by helping out our church? FUMC-Irwin has a job opening for an individual to work a few hours (roughly 5:30-9:00) on weekday evenings for two to three evenings per week based on a mutually agreeable schedule. The job description is security, open/lockup, meeting setup/cleanup, emergencies, assistance to people in meetings, some cleaning and maintenance. If you or a friend is interested, please call the church office at 724-863-6858 or Jean Halza at

412-720-8920. Resumes may be mailed to FUMC-Irwin 310 Oak St. Irwin, PA 15642 or emailed to fumc.debbie.offmgr@comcast.net or fumc.jeanne.secrep@comcast.net

CAMP NEWS...Attention all singles! There is a Christian Singles Fellowship Retreat at Jumonville during Labor Day Week-End! It starts Friday, September 4th and ends with a brunch and closing on Monday, September 7th. If you register before August 17th, there is a \$25 early bird discount! This retreat is an outreach ministry of the Western PA Conference of the UM Church. It provides opportunities for singles to share the love of Christ through education, nurturing, fellowship and spiritual growth. Events are open to those who are divorced, separated, widowed or have always been single. All denominations are welcome. If you'd like to attend, please pick up a registration form in the church office, fill it out and return it to Debbie. She will send a church check for 30% of the total cost of this retreat, and this will hold your spot. Any questions, contact Laurie Saporito, Camp Steward at 724-864-5649 or cts72@hotmail.com

WorshipFest 2015 will be held on Saturday, October 17th at the Greensburg: First UMC beginning at 9 am and concluding at 4 pm. Come and join us for a spirit filled worship encounter. Brochures are available on the office half door. To register, or for more information, contact the Greensburg District Office at <u>wpaumc.org/register</u> or <u>greensburgfirst.org</u> or the District office at 724-863-5673.

AUTISM INCLUSION SEMINAR: The Autism Initiative is dedicated to helping families living with special needs find the "down time" the rest of the world takes for granted. For more information or to pre-register (requested) email Rev. Dr. Ed Saxman at autisminitiative@oaklandum.com Learn more about Autism Initiative at: autisminitiative.com

Thursday, October 1, 2015, 6:45 - 9:15 pm, Free

Christ UM Church, 1135 Buffalo Street, Franklin, PA 16323

Friday, October 2, 2015, 6:45 - 9:15 pm, Free

Bridgeville UMC, 244 Station Street, Bridgeville, PA 15017

Saturday, October 3, 2015, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm, \$30.00

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WESTMORELAND COUNTY FAIR: Once again, the Greensburg District Churches will be hosting the "hospitality booth" at the Westmoreland County Fair. The county fair will run from August 21-29. We will not host the hospitality booth on Sunday August 23 and Saturday August 29 as something else is taking place in the booth those days. Please contact Beverly Gross on her cell phone (412-953-4041) to reserve a time. After all the spaces have been filled, passes will be sent for each person for each two hours.

Thank you in advance for supporting this ministry in the Greensburg District.

PARENTS: There is a plastic container in the entrance hall which has bags, dolls and activities for young children. Please feel free to take a bag, fill it with age appropriate activities and use it to help keep your young child occupies during the service. After the service, you should return the bag and the toys to the container. We hope that this will make your life easier, since that it less you have to bring from home.

Hello Ladies! There is a great comedian coming to Community United Methodist Church -- Harrison City on Saturday August 15, just for us girls! Amy Barnes is hysterical. Take a look at this preview video ... "Stuff It Is Still Totally Legal To Do To Your Kids." There's going to be a brunch too! The fun all begins at 10:00am and

we will be done by noon. Cost is only \$15. Sign up by emailing Elizabeth Somes at Esomes@CommunityUMChurch.com. RSVP by Wednesday, August 12 and invite a friend!

CHURCHPICNIC: Mark your calendars now for the church picnic on August 24, 2015 at Oak Hollow Park, Pine Pavilion. Please note that this is a MONDAY EVENING. Anyone wishing to help set up should come by 4:00 P.M. The picnic will start at 5:00 PM. Dinner is planned for 6:00 PM. Various meats will be provided for hot sandwiches. Table service items are provided. Please bring a cold dish (like a salad or dessert) to share with others. This way, no one has to rush home from work to prepare something hot. Drinks will be provided. A donation container will be provided if you wish to help defray the costs of the picnic. Before and after dinner, gather for games and fellowship. If you



have game equipment (balls, bats, etc.) please feel free to bring it. Also, bring lawn chairs if the picnic benches are too hard for you.

A short vesper service will end the evening as we experience the beauty of God's world at sunset.

All are invited. If you need a ride, please let us know and we will try to make arrangements. Please let us know how many are coming. You may email the church office at irwinfirstumc@comcast.net or sign the form below, Please let us know by August 17 so that we can prepare enough food.

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