



**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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**July 19, 2020**

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**July Memory Verse: Romans 6:23**

*“For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*

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*The service is under the control of the Holy Spirit.*

**GATHERING & WELCOME**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**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**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP      Psalm 139:1-12**

**L:** <sup>1</sup>O Lord, you have searched me and known me!

**P:** <sup>2</sup>You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

**L:** <sup>3</sup>You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

**P:** <sup>4</sup>Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it altogether.

**L:** <sup>5</sup>You pursue me behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

**P:** <sup>6</sup>Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain it.

**L:** <sup>7</sup>Whither shall I go from your spirit?

**P:** Or whither shall I flee from your presence?

**L:** <sup>8</sup>If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!

**P:** <sup>9</sup>If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, <sup>10</sup>even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.

**L:** <sup>11</sup>If I say, “Let only darkness cover me, and the light about me be night,”

**P:** <sup>12</sup>even the darkness is not dark to you, the night is bright as the day; for darkness is as light with you.

**\*HYMN No. 694      “Come Ye Thankful People Come”**

1. Come, ye thankful people, come,  
raise the song of harvest home;  
fruit and crops are gathered in,  
safe before the storms begin.  
God our maker will provide  
for our needs to be supplied;  
come to God’s own temple, come,  
raise the song of harvest home.

**WORD OF GOD    Romans 8:12-19    (NRSV)**

*Life in the Spirit*

<sup>12</sup>So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh – <sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

<sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ – if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

*Future Glory*

<sup>18</sup>I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God.

**PRESENTATION OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY    “He Hideth My Soul”**

**\*DOXOLOGY No. 2026 (TFWS)    “Halle, Halle, Halleluja!”**

**Halle, Halle, Halleluja! (3 times)**

**Halleluja! Halleluja!**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS**

**HYMN No. 2214    “Lead Me, Guide Me”**

Lead me, guide me, along the way,  
for if you lead me, I cannot stray.  
Lord, let me walk each day with thee.  
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**For our joys we say: “Praise the Lord.”**  
**For our concerns we say: “Lord, hear our prayers.”**

**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 SCRIPTURE    Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43    (NRSV)**

*The Parable of Weeds among the Wheat*

<sup>24</sup>He put before them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; <sup>25</sup>but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. <sup>26</sup>So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. <sup>27</sup>And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ <sup>28</sup>He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ <sup>29</sup>But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup>Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, ‘Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

*Jesus Explains the Parable of the Weeds*

<sup>36</sup>Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” <sup>37</sup>He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; <sup>38</sup>the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, <sup>39</sup>and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup>Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. <sup>41</sup>The son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evil doers. <sup>42</sup>and

they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup>Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

**L:** The Word of God for the children of God.

**P:** Thanks be to God

**SERMON “Surrounded by Evil”**

**\*HYMN OF PARTING No. 2224 “Make Us One Lord”**

Make us one, Lord;  
make us one;  
Holy Spirit, make us one.  
Let Your love flow  
so the world will know  
we are one in You.

**\*BENEDICTION**

**MUSIC OF PARTING “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”**

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**Bible passages are taken from the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) of the Holy Bible.**

**“Come Ye Thankful People Come”**

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**“Halle, Halle, Halleluja!”**

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**WE’RE TAKING EXTRA PRECAUTIONS AGAIN AT FUMC!** With COVID 19 cases rising in our area, the decision has been made to stop in-church services at this time. The services will be conducted in the following ways:

- Starting Saturday, July 11th - Saturday services can be viewed on YouTube, Zoom, or Facebook
- Starting Sunday, July 12th - 8:15 AM Drive-in service only  
- 10:45 AM - Drive-in service plus, YouTube, Zoom, or Facebook

This schedule will continue until further notice. Please see “This Week At Our Church” for the Member IDs and Passwords for the Zoom services and meetings.

The following guidelines for using the church have been put in place:

1. Everyone must bring and wear a face mask at all times while inside the building. Gloves are optional.
2. Temperatures will be taken upon entering the building.
3. Hand sanitizer stations will be available.
4. Please do not congregate in groups. “Social Distancing” of 6 feet must be adhered to.
5. Anyone not feeling well is asked to please not enter the building.
6. Any gatherings inside the church will be limited to 25 people. The chairperson/host/hostess of the meeting or event will be required to take everyone's temperature upon entering the building, to make sure that face masks are worn at all times by their participants, and to practice social-distancing guidelines.

7. We are trying to keep our staff safe. At this time we ask that meetings not be held in the office. The parlor is available as well as the youth room and both are air conditioned.

The above procedures will be in effect until further notice. By following the CDC guidelines, we can, not only do our part in stopping the spread of the COVID 19 coronavirus, but, we can also stop the spread of other infectious diseases.

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**THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH**

*Feel free to contact Pastor Bruce at any time if you are in need of a pastoral visit.  
724-747-6098 (call or text) or email at [preacherptl@gmail.com](mailto:preacherptl@gmail.com)*

**Sunday, July 19**

8:15 AM Drive-in Church (Radio 87.9 FM)  
10:45 AM Drive-in Church (Radio 87.9 FM)  
Facebook, YouTube, and  
Zoom (Meeting ID# 633 303 454  
Password 104289)

**Tuesday, July 21**

7:00 Finance Meeting (Parlor)  
7:30 NA

**Wednesday, July 22**

10:00 Prayer Group Meeting on Zoom  
(Meeting ID#311 4389 930, Password 3U22u3)  
1:00 Wednesday Bible Study on Zoom  
(Meeting ID#161 160 578, Password 011752)  
7:00 *Holy Roar* Small Group Study week

**Thursday, July 23**

6:30 PM NA  
7:00 Bible Study with Missy Andrison on Zoom  
(Meeting ID# 823 2302 0270 Password 004583)

**Saturday, July 25**

6:00 PM Contemporary Service on  
Facebook, YouTube, and  
Zoom (Meeting ID# 750 261 324  
Password 520327)

**Next Sunday, July 26**

8:15 AM Drive-in Church (Radio 87.9 FM)  
10:45 AM Drive-in Church (Radio 87.9 FM)  
Facebook, YouTube, and  
Zoom (Meeting ID# 633 303 454  
Password 104289)

**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING:** Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM the Church Council will have their quarterly meeting. Anyone is welcome to attend the meeting however, only members of the Church Council may vote on motions brought before the Church Council. The meeting will be on Zoom. Meeting ID: 850 5784 8590 and Password: 281431

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**ZOOM MEETING INSTRUCTIONS:** As you can see in “THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH” many our services, Bible study, and Youth Group are all being broadcast using Zoom. If you would like to participate in these activities using Zoom, please follow the instructions below. Please contact Pastor Bruce or Pastor Ron if you have questions.

**For computer or smartphone:**

Go to Zoom.com Click-Join a meeting  
When prompted enter Meeting ID, then a screen will pop up to enter password.  
(The Meeting ID & Password are noted with the service or meeting below)  
You will enter the “meeting space”. If you move your mouse to the bottom of the box,  
it will show you the different options, like chat and video.

**For landline or cell phone (Audio only):**

Dial 1-646-558-8656.  
Enter meeting number and follow the prompts.  
(The Meeting ID & Password are noted with the service or meeting below)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS – 7/19/2020**

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**YOUTH GROUP NEWS:** The Youth Group will not be meeting in the church until September. Pastor Ron and Robbyn plan to have outings with the youth outside the church during July and August. Please contact Pastor Ron (724-691-7113) for more information.

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**THE COMMUNITY DINNER** scheduled for Friday, July 31st has been changed to a Brown Bag Meal. The meals will be handed out every Friday, beginning on July 31<sup>st</sup>, from 6:00 PM until 7:00 PM while supplies last. This will continue until further notice.

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**“WENDELL'S VISION”** is a special task force to do work for our church family in lieu of the annual trip to Philippi, WV. We hope to expand this ministry to our community once we put a team together. This ministry will gather names of folks willing to give their time to helping members of this congregation, as well as, people in the community. We are happy to report that we have had several folks respond to the request already. Patty and I have decided to coordinate this ministry and wish to invite you to be a part. You only need to be able to assist others on a voluntary basis using your skills and abilities. If you would like your name(s) to be added to the growing list, please email the information to [namretsojp@gmail.com](mailto:namretsojp@gmail.com) or call and leave a message at 724-863-2796. You can find a Volunteer Form, as well as, a Project Request Form at the end of the bulletin.

Out of tragedy like the pandemic we are living through now, can come new opportunities ... *Wendell's Vision* can be another wonderfully supported mission for us to undertake and oversee. When a door closes ... a window opens!! Help us, help others! Join the "Vision" and together we can make a difference. Be open to His calling!! Pray about it!!

By the way, your skill and ability may be to move something from point A to point B and that is just awesome, too. You may be a retired professional, skilled craftsman, school teacher, seamstress or stay at home mom ... no matter, there is a place you can help in God's plan for this ministry. We look forward to hearing from you and hope you will support *Wendell's Vision*.

Coordinators, Patty & Jack Osterman

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**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY:** Pastor Bruce will continue his Wednesday Bible Study at 1:00 PM on Zoom. If you are interested in participating in the study, please contact him so he can see that you are mailed a copy to use to follow along. Pastor Bruce receives calls or texts at his cell phone number 724-747-6098 and emails at [preacherptl@gmail.com](mailto:preacherptl@gmail.com)

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**CHURCH PICNIC CANCELLED!** Due to the uncertain times with the COVID 19 virus, the N.O.W. Committee has made the decision to cancel the picnic scheduled for Monday August 24<sup>th</sup>. We hope that next year things will be better and we can once again enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship at our church picnic.

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**“RIGHT NOW MEDIA” BIBLE STUDIES** This is a good way to increase your knowledge of the Bible and grow closer to our Lord. To participate in any of these Bible studies, you need to email the church office at [fumc.jeanne.secrep@comcast.net](mailto:fumc.jeanne.secrep@comcast.net) with your request. The office will place your email address on the list of participants and give you instructions on how to log onto the account.

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**THE SALVATION ARMY UNIT OF IRWIN** has its own phone number! If you know anyone in need of our services please have them call 724-331-7832. The office hours for the unit are Wednesday mornings from 9:30 until 11:30.

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**HOSPITAL CALLS AND VISITS:** If you or someone you know is in the hospital or would like a visit from the pastor please call the office or Pastor Bruce. *Remember, Pastor Bruce cannot provide care to our congregation if he doesn't know there is a need.*

Pastor Bruce receives calls or texts at his cell phone number 724-747-6098

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## WENDELL'S VISION

### Project Request Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you own your home?    Yes        No

Do you have Home Owners Insurance?    Yes        No

Can you cover the cost of materials needed for the project?    Yes        No

Are you currently or can you volunteer hours of service to help the community?    Yes        No

**If yes, please explain where or what you would be willing to do.**

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**\*Project Request: Please be as detailed as you can. Use back if you need more room to write about the request.**

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How were you referred to us?

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**Please fill out the form and mail it to:  
First United Methodist Church  
310 Oak Street, Irwin, PA 15642**

**\*You will be contacted after the committee reviews your request. Please allow 2 – 4 weeks for application review. Based on the number of volunteers, time, cost, and resources, not all service project can be done.**

*God loves you and so do we!*

# WENDELL'S VISION- VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_

*How would you like to be notified of projects?*

*Note preference: using 1, 2, 3 at the end of the line*

**Phone** (provide number) \_\_\_\_\_

**Text** (Provide number) \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail** (Provide address) \_\_\_\_\_

**Skills/Abilities or Preferred Tasks**

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**When is the best time(s) you're available to help?**

**Circle all appropriate...***(morning, afternoon, evening, weekends only or no preference)*

**Other, explain** \_\_\_\_\_

**Other additional information you would like to provide?**

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**Restrictions/Limitations** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Do you have current clearances? (in the last five years)**

**Criminal clearance** \_\_\_\_\_ **Child Abuse clearance** \_\_\_\_\_





**Blood Drive**  
**Irwin Community**  
**First United Methodist Church**  
**of Irwin**

Gym  
 310 Oak St  
 Irwin

**Wednesday, July 29, 2020**  
**1:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

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## Drive-In Church

**First United Methodist Church**  
 will still hold “drive-in” services every Sunday at 8:15 AM & 10:45 AM.  
 Please arrive and remain in your vehicle and follow the usher’s instructions for parking.  
 If you have questions call Pastor Bruce, Pastor Ron, or the church office.

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## Brown Bag Community Dinner!

**Every Friday**  
 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM  
 (or while supplies last)

**Beginning July 31st**

Call Pastor Ron (724-863-1112) for more information.  
 We will be at the church and a volunteer will hand you your bag.

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