



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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July 20, 2014

6th Sunday after Pentecost

WORSHIP HOST: 8:15 – Barb Baston

10:45 – Peggy Kooser

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 “Spirit, Breathe on Me”

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: This is none other than the house of God. This is no less than the gate of heaven.

P: Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

L: God hems us in, behind and before, and lays hands of blessing upon us.

P: Such knowledge is too wonderful to imagine. It is so high we cannot attain it.

L: Rejoice, for we are in the house of God. Give thanks and sing, for this is the gate of heaven.

P: Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

***OPENING PRAYER**

Great explorer, you have searched us and known us, and are acquainted with all our ways; you hem us in, behind and before, and discern our thoughts from afar; you know when we sit down and when we rise up; you are closer to us than our very breath. Such knowledge is too wonderful for us, it is so high we cannot attain it. If we take the wings of the morning, and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, even there your hand shall lead us, and your might shall hold us fast. Search us, O God, in this time of worship and test the measure of our hearts. Breathe your Spirit within us, and claim us as children of light, that everyone we meet might be blessed through the gift of your Spirit. Amen

***HYMN OF PRAISE No. 139**

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Children come forward during the last verse.

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS

ANTHEM 10:45 “Have Thine Own Way, Lord” – Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 28:10-19a

RESPONSIVE READING No. 854 Psalm 139

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Pastorale"

***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**

Holy God who chose to live among us: You remind us that in your creation good and evil exist side by side. We know that the evil can come in subtle ways, valuing the regard of others more than seeking to please you, putting self-promotion before compassion for others, or turning a blind eye to injustice. May the gifts we give this morning be our affirmation to choose the good over the evil, and what serves your loving purpose over what denies it. Help us to bear fruit, and may our lives be deemed worthy at the time of harvest. We pray in the holy name of Jesus, our Savior and Redeemer. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER HYMN No. 395 "Take Time to Be Holy"

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 SCRIPTURE**

Matthew 13:24-30; 36-43

SERMON

***HYMN OF PARTING No. 365**

"Grace Greater than Our Sin"

BENEDICTION

***MUSIC OF PARTING**

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

***Those who are able, please stand.**

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

Today, Sunday, July 20

6th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 Prayer Time
8:15 Worship
9:30 Adult Sunday School
10:45 Worship
12:00 Choir
2:00 FISH & CHIPS

Monday, July 21

7:00 Alternative Worship Meeting

Tuesday, July 22

6:15 TOPS
7:30 NA

Wednesday, July 23

6:30 Good Grief
Yoga has been cancelled for this week

Friday, July 25

Gym in use

Saturday, July 26

Gym in use

Next Sunday, July 27

7th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 Prayer Time
8:15 Worship
9:30 Adult Sunday School
10:45 Worship
12:00 Choir
2:00 FISH & CHIPS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CHILDREN’S COLLECTION this week will be given to the Clergy Spouse Association, for its mission project, *“All God’s Creatures,”* for the Animal Rescue League & Wildlife Center of Western Pennsylvania. Donations have been trickling in since annual conference but they want to deliver all the donations, gift cards & monetary gifts to the shelter at the end of July.

God made us stewards of all living creatures. Please help those who do the work of being good stewards.

All God’s Creatures: 7/6/2014 - \$152.80

Saturday, September 6th at 6:00 pm, the First United Methodist Church of Irwin will begin a new adventure in worship. This is our Launch Date for our new Alternative Worship Service. This will be a service that differs from the two Sunday morning service.

We need you help:

- ... attending
- ... talking about it with others
- ... asking questions

... attending the planning meeting this coming Monday, July 21st at 7:00 pm

See you then!

Beginning
Saturday, September 6, 2014



RICK SIMMS MEMORIAL WORK TRIP T- SHIRTS are in and can be picked up after each of the services the next two Sundays. Payment is due upon pick-up of \$7.00 for Small thru X-Large and \$9.00 2 X-Large and up. Checks can be made out to Pat Osterman. Exact change is appreciated if paying cash. A few extra X-Large shirts were printed to meet the minimum order and will be sold on a first come basis. Plans are to continue the T-shirts next year, so if you see an appropriate catchy phrase equal too or better than "The Church has left the building" please drop it by the office in the mail slot. In His Service, Jack & Patty --Work trip Coordinators

Camp News! Jumonville still has a few spots open at a few of their camps! If you think you'd like to attend, please fill out your registration and turn it in to the church office this week. There is still funding available for anyone! The camps available are:

- Dance II Camp - August 3-5 (10-12 Year Olds)
- Mommy/Daddy/Grandparent & Me Camp - August 3-6 (Ages 5-9 with an Adult)
- Summer's Last Blast Camp - August 3-6 (10-14 Year Olds)

If you've already attended camp, I'm sure you have some stories to tell! Share your experience with our church members...we'd love to hear from you! A short newsletter article can be submitted (and you don't need to tell EVERYTHING - some campers just need to experience some things for themselves!)

COME AND MEET REV. PAT NELSON, Greensburg District Superintendent, at one of the locations listed below. All clergy and laity are encouraged to attend any one of these **informal** gatherings. All of the sessions will begin at 7 p.m. and end at approximately 9 p.m.

- July 23rd** – New Stanton UMC, 612 S. Center Avenue, New Stanton PA, 7:00-9:00 pm
- August 11th** – Holiday Park UMC, 81 Sandune Drive, Pittsburgh, PA, 7:00-9:00 pm
- August 19th** – McKeesport: First, 1406 Cornell Street, McKeesport PA, 7:00-9:00

Any questions, please call the district office at 724-863-5673

CHURCH PICNIC: Mark your calendars now for the church picnic on August 18, 2014, at Oak Hollow Park, Pine Pavilion. Please note that this is a **MONDAY EVENING**. 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 11 so that we can prepare enough food.

I will be attending the All-Church picnic:

Name _____

Number of adults attending _____

Number of Children attending _____

I plan to bring the following dish to share _____

I need a ride _____ I can provide a ride for someone _____

Phone Number _____