



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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July 26, 2020

8th 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.”*

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 150**

L: ¹Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary;

P: ... **praise God in his mighty firmament!**

L: ²Praise God for his mighty deeds;

P: ... **praise God for his exceeding greatness.**

L: ³Praise God with trumpet sound;

P: ... **praise God with lute and harp!**

L: ⁴Praise God with tambourine and dance;

P: ... **praise God with strings and pipe!**

L: ⁵Praise God with sounding cymbals;

P: ... **praise God with loud clashing cymbals!**

L: ⁶Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

ALL: **Praise the Lord!**

***HYMN No. 540 “I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”**

1. I love thy kingdom, Lord,
the house of thine abode,
the church our blest Redeemer saved
with His own precious blood.

WORD OF GOD Romans 8:26-33 (NRSV)

Future Glory

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. ²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

God's Love in Christ Jesus

³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY "I Worship You, Almighty God"

***DOXOLOGY No. 2026 (TFWS) "Halle, Halle, Halleluja!"**

Halle, Halle, Halleluja! (3 times)

Halleluja! Halleluja!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS

HYMN No. 405 "Seek Ye First"

1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and His righteousness,
and all these things
shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!

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 13:31-33, 44-50 (NRSV)**

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

³¹He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; ³²it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

The Parable of the Yeast

³³He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

Three Parables

⁴⁴"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

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

P: Thanks be to God

SERMON “Whatever It Takes”

***HYMN OF PARTING No. 2140 “Since Jesus Came Into My Heart”**

1. What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought
since Jesus came into my heart!
I have light in my soul for which long I had sought,
since Jesus came into my heart!

Chorus

Since Jesus came into my heart, since Jesus came into my heart,
floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll,
since Jesus came into my heart.

***BENEDICTION**

MUSIC OF PARTING “Love Lifted Me”

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“Come Ye Thankful People Come”

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“Halle, Halle, Halleluja!”

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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

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)

Tuesday, July 28

7:00 Church Council Meeting at the church and on
Zoom (Meeting ID: 850 5784 8590 Password: 281431)
7:30 NA

Wednesday, July 29

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)
1:00 Red Cross Blood Drive (See bulletin insert)
7:00 *Holy Roar* Small Group Study week

Thursday, July 30

6:30 PM NA

Friday, July 31

6:00PM-7:00PM Brown Bag Meal
(See bulletin insert)

Saturday, August 1

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

Next Sunday, August 2

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 28th 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 at the church and on Zoom. Meeting ID: 850 5784 8590 and Password: 281431

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)

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – 7/26/2020

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.

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 31st, from 6:00 PM until 7:00 PM while supplies last. This will continue until further notice.

“WENDELL'S VISION” is a special task force to do work in our community in lieu of the annual trip to Philippi, WV. 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 or call and leave a message at 724-863-2796. 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

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

“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 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.



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.

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

******* IN PERSONAL CARE & REHABILITATION FACILITIES *******

- Dorothy B. ~ Asbury Heights, Mt. Lebanon Marge O. ~ The Grove at Irwin
- Wanda H. ~ Redstone, N. Huntingdon James R., Sr. ~ St. Anne's Home, Greensburg
- Bettie H. ~ Nature Park Commons, Greensburg
- Doris C. ~ Golden Heights (Harrison City) LaVerne F. ~ Walden's View

******* CONTINUOUS PRAYERS *******

Brent L., Kurt W. & Family, Casey Y., Megan Y., Cheryl M., Tim N., Rick H., Marlin A & Nancy P., Joe S., Rhonda R., Marlin, Joe L., Virginia, Jennifer N., Curt E., Cheryl H., Valerie M., Patty H., Jeanne R., Jeff M., Donna H., John B., Joe and Wava, Bill G., Dean and Dorothy, Chris E., Marion H., Rose N., Sara C., Jeanne and Larry A., Fred & Barb S., Mischa & Suzanne S., Diane B., Les H., John G., Kim R., Noah C., Craig C., Red, Dawn, Amy P., Chuck K., Pat M., Jane I., Ashley, Stu S., Shawn S., Christa L., Rhonda, Beverly and Tom D., Laura Bob & Natalie F. & Family (Missionaries in India)

******* THIS MONTHS PRAYERS LIST *******

*We will change the prayer list the first Sunday of each month.
Contact the church office at 724-863-6858 with names for the list.*

Vi, Tom and Peggy, Sandy, George and Kelly, Paul and Michelle, Neil and Alma, Brett, Paul K., Don, Yvonne I. and family, Samantha, Lilliana P., Tiffany M., Joe K., Bill L., Polly O., Lilliana, Audrey, Marilyn and Jim M, Heather and Matt, Our Country & World, COVID 19 Concerns, Our Country and Leaders, Our world, Medical & Emergency Personnel, First Responders and Military, Marie & Wayne, All Essential Workers, Teachers and Students, Businesses, Truckers, Railroad Workers, 2020 Seniors, The Unrest in Our Country, Alice H., The Evelyn P. Family, Ken, The Betty Lou Sullivan Family, The Connie McClain Family, Demi Peripanos, Jim F., The Delores Cox Behms Family

******* SERVICE PERSONNEL *******

- Brandon D. – Korea Colby S. – Iraq Sara D.
- Angelo W. – Oklahoma City Nicholas P. – Schofield Barracks, HI Jeremy L.
- David J. – Afghanistan Amanda M. – Texas Carl B.
- James G. – Texas Emery M. – Japan Mark Russak Edward J. III



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WENDELL'S VISION

Project Request Form

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

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.

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

How were you referred to us?

**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

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?

Restrictions/Limitations _____

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

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: IrwinFirstUMC to schedule an appointment.



Scan to schedule an appointment.

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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.

Brown Bag Community Dinner!

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

Call Pastor Ron (724-691-7113) for more information.
 Pull around to the back of the church and a volunteer will hand you your bag.

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