



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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October 18, 2015

21st Sunday after Pentecost/Laity Sunday

WORSHIP HOST: 8:15 – Nellie Wiancko

10:45 – Tracy Hawley

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 “Wonderful Words of Life”

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

L: From the beginning, God entered into covenant with the human family: with Adam and Eve, Noah, Abraham and Sarah, Moses, Deborah, Ruth, and Jeremiah.

P: Through baptism, Jesus Christ calls us into covenant and makes us ministers of Christ’s righteousness.

L: All Christian ministry is Christ’s work of outreaching love. It demonstrates a common life of gratitude and devotion, witness and service, celebration and discipleship.

P: All Christians are called to Christ’s servanthood in the world, to the glory of God and for human fulfillment.

L: The Church, as the community of the new covenant, participates in the Christ’s Ministry of grace.

P: It stretches out to human needs wherever service may convey God’s love and ours.

L: In our ministry of servanthood is this ultimate concern: ...

P: ... that all may be renewed in the image of their Creator, and that all Christians are called to minister in deeds and words that heal and free. Amen.

***OPENING PRAYER**

We believe, O Lord, that you have not abandoned us to the dim light of our own reason to conduct us to happiness, but that you have revealed in Holy Scriptures whatever is necessary for us to believe and practice. How noble and excellent are the precepts, how sublime and enlightening the truth, how persuasive and strong the motives, how powerful the assistance of your holy religion. Our delight shall be in your statutes, and we will not forget your Word. Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE No. 577** “God of Grace and God of Glory”

Children come forward during the last verse.

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS

(Our Children’s Collection this morning will be used for the “UMCOR Flood Buckets” program. Please see the announcement for more details.)

ANTHEM 8:15 "Fill My Cup, Lord" - Kelly Smith
10:45 "God Is So Good" - Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Hebrews 5:11-14
RESPONSIVE READING No. 858 Psalm 146

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Hiding in Thee"

***DOXOLOGY (tune – "Lord of the Dance")**

"For the gift of creation, for the gift of your love,
And the gift of the Spirit by which we live,
We thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.
May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give." Amen

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS**

Gracious God, through the witness of Christ, you show us the kind of leaders you desire: people of integrity and obedience who live with patience and peace. Today, we celebrate the ministry of the laity who serve you with faithful hearts and hands ready to reach out in your name. May each of us joyfully give of our talents and treasure from the abundance you provide. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who came not to be served but to serve, and who gave his life for our salvation. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER HYMN No. 534 "Be Still, My Soul"

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

***SCRIPTURE James 2: 14-26**

MESSAGE

***HYMN OF PARTING #593 "Here I Am, Lord"**

***BENEDICTION (unison)**

***MUSIC OF PARTING "Allegro (from Sonata #5)"**

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

We express our Christian sympathy to Paul Kingston and his family with the death of his son, Paul Kingston, Jr. Paul, Jr. passed away on Wednesday, October 14th. May God comfort and strengthen his family.

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK
Saturday Alternative Worship – 25 Sunday 8:15 –58 10:45 – 98

SERVING YOU SUNDAY, October 18th

USHERS: 8:15 – Terri Yurcisin 10:45 – Joel Frye/Bill Hawley
SOUND TEAM: 8:15 - Fritz Runser 10:45 - Josh Burger, Penny Brant
GREETERS: 8:15 – Mike, Anne, Philip & Charlie Osborn
 10:45 – Sandy Daugherty & Burnetta Green
NURSERY: Our Child Care Center (birth through age 5) will be open today during the 10:45 service. The Attendants today will be Donna Weber, Dawn Capecci & John Weber.

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

Today, October 18
21st Sunday after Pentecost
Laity Sunday/Coffee Hour
 8:00 Prayer Time
 8:15 Worship
 9:30 Sunday School for all ages
 10:45 Worship
 12:15 SonShiners
 2:00 FISH & CHIPS

Monday, October 19
 12:00 Happy Methodist Group @ FUMC
 7:00 Dartball - H

Tuesday, October 20
 9:00 Men’s Work Team
 6:15 TOPS
 7:30 NA

Wednesday, October 21
 5:30 Gym in use
 7:00 Yoga
 7:30 UM Men

Thursday, October 22
Newsletter Deadline
 6:15 C Bells
 7:00 Disciple
 7:15 Choir

Friday, October 23
 Gym in Use

Saturday, October 24
 Gym in Use
 6:00 Alternative Worship

Next Sunday, October 25
22nd Sunday after Pentecost
Baptism Sunday
 8:00 Prayer Time
 8:15 Worship
 9:30 Sunday School for all ages
 10:45 Worship
 12:15 SonShiners
 2:00 FISH & CHIPS

All Saint’s Sunday is November 1st. To be included in the All Saint’s Booklet, anyone wishing to make a donation “in honor of” or “in memory of” someone should have their donation and information to the office by Sunday, October 25th

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN’S COLLECTION

CHILDREN’S COLLECTIONS: In light of all the recent flooding in South Carolina, the Children’s Collection today will be given to The Eastbrook Mission Barn to be used for flood buckets. The Eastbrook Mission Barn is one of six UMCOR Relief Supply Network depots across the United States. In 2000, Eastbrook United Methodist Church acquired a former dairy barn as part of its purchase of a new parsonage. In 2008, the church began using the heated office space to store UMCOR cleaning buckets. Today, it is dedicated to storing relief supplies year-round, as well as to providing a work space for volunteers.

Irwin Volunteer Fire Department – 10/11 - \$240.50

OUR HAPPY METHODIST GROUP will meet on Monday, October 19th at noon here at the church. Everyone is welcome to join the group for lunch and fellowship. Please contact Shirley McCune (724-527-2497) for the cost of the lunch and additional information.

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES for the November Newsletter are due to the office by Thursday, October 22nd. Please drop a written copy of your article off in the office or email it to fumc.jeanne.secrep@comcast.net Articles not received by the due date will be published in the October Newsletter.

FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE ...

Thank you to everyone that dined at Bob Evans the four Fridays in September. What a fun fundraiser that was! Our church made \$175...and we had a break from cooking those days! Yeahhh!



All RADA Cutlery orders are due by November 1st. Please return all catalogs to the back table to be recycled. Checks payable to "FUMC" and order forms can be deposited in the church office door slot. Thank you for your continued support!

Coming soon...Our 2016 Stewardship Campaign – starting on November 1st! Our theme this year is "Love" and our first Sunday will focus on Loving your God. Check your November newsletter and your bulletin each week for information on this upcoming program. You won't want to miss hearing the sermons each week in November! Stewardship is an opportunity to change people's hearts as well as their giving...come and experience the change in your heart!

Craft Show

Saturday, November 7, 2015
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

at

First United Methodist Church
3rd & Oak Streets, Irwin

Crafts, Decorations, Gifts & More
Homemade Baked Goods

Do Your Christmas Shopping Early!

Call 724-863-3901 or 724-863-6858 for more details



NURSERY COORDINATORS: Our current Nursery Coordinators, Ed & Theresa Lorenc, are retiring at the end of this year. They have done a great job in scheduling Nursery attendants over the last few years. Without their help, there would have been many Sundays that the Nursery would not have provided child care for our young families.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank them for a job well done!

If you are interested in being the Nursery coordinator, or helping in any way, please let Eric Platt (Nurture chairman) or Pastor David know. Ed & Theresa are willing to help anyone who is interested during the transition.

YOUTH MINISTER JOB OPENING: Are you a motivated, grace-filled Christian looking for part-time work? Join our team at Irwin First United Methodist Church! This position is roughly 20 hours/week and includes planning/coordinating/promoting activities with our youth and their friends to increase their faith. Activities include weekly youth group meetings, periodic youth events (fellowship, service projects, retreats), and some assistance with high school Sunday School. Personal commitment to Christ; working with youth using creativity, understanding, & kindness; Biblical worldview; and strong organizational/communication/team-building skills are necessary. Music/guitar skills, preaching capabilities, and computer/multi-media skills are a

plus. Future potential growth into additional areas of ministry are available if mutually agreeable! Please send resume & cover letter to:

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or fumc.debbie.offmgr@comcast.net

Any questions, please call Pastor David Lake at 724-771-0868 or Jean Halza, SPRC Chairperson at 412-720-8920.

Rock Solid ... a Marriage Enrichment Retreat: November 20-21, 2015: Remember the day you said "I do!" ...and then discovered that you do things differently than I do? Join us for a weekend you just won't forget. You've already made your commitment to each other. Now make your commitment come alive with new understandings of each others strengths and differences. Enjoy two days and one night with your spouse in the *luxurious Inn at Jumonville*; remove yourself from everyday concerns and concentrate exclusively on each other. Pamper yourself with some quality time together in very comfortable and cozy accommodations.



The total cost of the retreat is \$199/couple. This includes one night deluxe lodging in the *Inn at Jumonville*, three meals (Saturday breakfast through Saturday dinner), and seminar expenses. For an additional \$50/ couple you may have an extra night's lodging in the Inn and breakfast on Sunday morning. That makes your total weekend just \$249. The registration deposit is \$50.00 per couple and is non-returnable unless cancellation is made 18 days before the event. The balance is due on arrival. Financial aid may be available through the Jumonville office or via the Jumonville website.

COLLEGE STUDENT CARE PACKAGES: It is that time of year again and Outreach needs info for college student care packages. Please send name, college they attend, and their address to Connie Phillips at cmptcp@comcast.net or text or call at 724-493-8387. If your child graduated last year and their name was not on the list please let Connie know. Also, if your child was on list last year please give contact info again just to make sure it is up to date. Please contact with any new students who started college this year.



Do Something

I woke up this morning, saw a world full of trouble now
Thought, how'd we ever get so far down, how's it ever gonna turn around?
So I turned my eyes to Heaven, I thought, "God, why don't You do something?"

Well, I just couldn't bear the thought of people living in poverty,
Children sold into slavery, the thought disgusted me
So, I shook my fist at Heaven, said, "God, why don't You do something?"
He said, "I did, I created you"

If not us, then who? If not me and you?
Right now, it's time for us to do something!
If not now, then when will we see an end to all this pain?
It's not enough to do nothing, it's time for us to do something

I'm so tired of talking about how we are God's hands and feet.
But it's easier to say than to be, live like angels of apathy who tell ourselves
It's alright, "somebody else will do something." Well, I don't know about you,
but I'm sick and tired of life with no desire, I don't want a flame, I want a fire
I wanna be the one who stands up and says, "I'm gonna do something"

If not us, then who? If not me and you?
Right now, it's time for us to do something (yes, it is)
If not now, then when will we see an end to all this pain
It's not enough to do nothing, it's time for us to do something

We are the salt of the earth. We are a city on a hill (shine shine, shine shine)
But we're never gonna change the world by standing still.
No we won't stand still

If not us, then who? If not me and you?
Right now, it's time for us to do something (yes, it is)
If not now, then when will we see an end to all this pain
It's not enough to do nothing, it's time for us to do something

WEST, MATTHEW