



**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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**September 25, 2016**

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

**WORSHIP HOST: 8:15 – Nellie Wiancko      10:45 – Tracy Hawley**

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**Memory Verse for September**

***Phillipians 4:13 – “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.”***

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**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**

**BRINGING IN THE LIGHT**

**MUSIC OF PREPARATION      “Simple Gifts”**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP No. 810      Psalm 91:1-10**

**L:** Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord,

**P:** “My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.”

**L:** For the Lord will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence and will cover you with his pinions;

**P:** ... under the Lord’s wings you will find refuge. God’s faithfulness is a shield and buckler.

**L:** You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day,

**P:** ... nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.

**L:** A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.

**P:** You will only look with your eyes and see the recompense of the wicked.

**L:** Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High your habitation,

**P:** ...no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.

**\*HYMN No. 176      “Majesty, Worship His Majesty”**

**DEDICATION OF PRAYER SHAWLS**

**CHILDREN’S MOMENTS No. 2233 “This Is Where Children Belong”**

*(Our Children’s Collection this morning will be given to the Brent Lauffer Transplant Fund. Please see the announcement for more details.)*

**ANTHEM 8:15 “On Eagles' Wings”**  
**10:45 “On Eagles' Wings” - Chancel Choir**  
(Please join us on the refrain which may be found as Hymn No. 143)

**WORD OF GOD 1 Timothy 6:6-19**

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

**OFFERTORY “Come, Holy Traveler”**

**\*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**

**God, our helper, every good gift comes from your open hand. You sent your Son Jesus to become human, understanding our temptations and weaknesses. In our life of discipleship, help us to stand resolute in our commitment to follow Christ rather than the lures of our culture. Send your spirit to bring peace and contentment to our hearts. Let our congregation become a haven of those rich in good works and eager to share your message of hope. In gratitude, we dedicate our offerings through Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.**

**\*HYMN No. 2036 “Give Thanks”**

**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** *The Altar is open during this time.*

**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 Luke 16:19-31**

**SERMON “Lectionary”**

**\*HYMN No. 672 “God Be with You till We Meet Again”**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*MUSIC OF PARTING “Majestic Voluntary in C”**

*The service is under the control of the Holy Spirit  
The altar rail is always open.*

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

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### **ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK**

**Saturday Worship – 20 Sunday 8:15 – 53 10:45 – 88**

**SERVING YOU SUNDAY, September 25<sup>th</sup>**

**GREETERS:** 8:15 – Barb Ceresa & Connie Fontana 10:45 – Bryan & Kela Campbell  
**USHERS TEAMS:** 8:15 – Terri Yurcisin 10:45 – Tom Lehner  
**SOUND TEAM:** 8:15 – Fritz Runser 10:45 – Josh Burger

**NURSERY:** Our Child Care Center (birth through age 5) will be open today during the 10:45 service. Our attendants today will be Lori Loughner & Lindsay Smith.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God for all His wonderful blessings.

The Altar flowers for Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> were presented in memory of Alvin and Francis Cipra from Gloria and Doris Cipra. We apologize to Gloria and Doris for not listing this in the bulletin that week.

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**THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH**

**Office - 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM Monday thru Thursday & 8:00 AM – Noon on Friday**

**Pastor Bruce – 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday**

724-747-6098 (call or text) or email at [preacherptl@gmail.com](mailto:preacherptl@gmail.com)

**Today, Sunday, September 25**

**Prayer Shawl Dedication**

- 8:00 Prayer Time
- 8:15 Worship
- 9:30 Sunday School
- 10:45 Worship
- 12:15 SonShiners
- 2:00 FISH & CHIPS
- 4:00 Church Picnic at the church

**Thursday, September 29**

- 6:15 C Bells
- 7:15 Choir

**Friday, September 30**

Gym in use

**Saturday, October 1**

- Gym in use
- 6:00 Alternative Worship

**Next Sunday, October 2**

**World Communion Sunday**

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

**Monday, September 26**

- 6:30 Grief Support
- 7:00 Dartball - Home

**Tuesday, September 27**

- 6:15 TOPS
- 7:30 NA

**Wednesday, September 28**

- 6:00 Visitation Team Meeting

*Wednesday Yoga has been canceled until further notice. Please watch your weekly bulletin for future announcements concerning Yoga.*

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**EMAIL REMINDERS:** If you would like to receive email reminders of church events, please email the church office ([irwinfirstumc@comcast.net](mailto:irwinfirstumc@comcast.net)) to get your email on the list. Please DO NOT hand write or call the office with the email address, as errors may occur. We want to make sure that we have the correct email.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**“RIGHT NOW MEDIA” BIBLE STUDIES:** To participate in any of these 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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**VISITATION TEAM:** The Visitation Team will meet on Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. If you are interested in being a part of this very important ministry please attend the meeting or let Pastor Bruce know you are interested.

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**GIVING TO OUR CHURCH THROUGH UNITED WAY!** Many of you are already contributing to United Way from your paycheck. You can give that portion to First UM of Irwin! The campaigns for United Way are usually held in September at your place of employment. Please tell them that you would like your portion of giving to go to your church! You will need our church code to do this donation online.

If you work in **Westmoreland County** the church code is: **416719**.

If you work in **Allegheny County** the church code is: **11850302**.

Thank you for your ongoing support!

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**DO YOU LIKE TO PAY YOUR BILLS ONLINE?** If so, you can designate First United Methodist Church as a bill payee. The address is 310 Oak Street, Irwin, PA. 15642. You can elect the amount you would like the church to receive and the number of times to “pay” the church. Use your envelope number as the requested account number. The bank will then send a check to the church. The office will process the check the same as we do for Sunday envelopes.

**CHILDREN’S COLLECTIONS:** Our Children’s Cup Collection today will be used to help Brent Lauffer with the medical expenses he is incurring with his upcoming liver and kidney transplants. Brent is the grandson of Agnes Reynolds. Go to Brent’s website, [http://www.brentlauffer.com/Brent's\\_story.html#story](http://www.brentlauffer.com/Brent's_story.html#story) for more information on his health concerns.

God Bless You and Thank You for Your Prayers and Help! HelpHOPELive provides help for Brent to coordinate his fundraising activities. If you are interested in hosting a fund-raising event, please contact us Doug & Vicki Lauffer (412) 527-2213, [llv5@comcast.net](mailto:llv5@comcast.net) or [douglaslauffer@gmail.com](mailto:douglaslauffer@gmail.com)

Also, Brent loves to paint! Samples of his paintings can be found on Facebook

at: <https://www.facebook.com/gr...>

Like a custom painting? Just let him/us know. Brent Lauffer: 724-747-5856

or [lauffer2000@yahoo.com](mailto:lauffer2000@yahoo.com). Proceeds will go to help with the transplant-related expenses.

With love and appreciation, Brent JFM Lauffer & Family

“Brent Lauffer” 9/18 - \$164.58

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**CAMP NEWS!!!** Camping is not over yet! If you or your daughter did not get to camp this year, you may want to attend the Mother/Daughter Retreat at Jumonville on October 28-30. This is for Mothers and Daughters ages 9 and up. The girls will be separated by ages for some programs, but the week-end includes games, devotions, Adventure Center activities, a movie, hikes to the Cross and Green Cathedral, campfires and snacks. What a great time to bond with

your daughter and God! The cost is \$99/Moms and \$49 for each daughter. This includes your lodging (2 nights) and five meals. Campership funding is available through our church and through Jumonville’s office or website. Any questions, contact Laurie Saporito, Camp Steward at 724-864-5649 or [orcts72@hotmail.com](mailto:orcts72@hotmail.com)

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It is that time of year again! If you have someone who graduated high school in the spring and started college this fall please give their name, address, and what gift cards they might like (ex. Subway, Sheetz, Giant Eagle) to Connie Phillips at 724-493-8387( you may text also) or email [cmptcp@comcast.net](mailto:cmptcp@comcast.net). If someone who was on the list

already has changed addresses or graduated please pass this information on, also.

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**RICK SIMMS MEMORIAL WORK TRIP 2017:** Our dates for the 25th build will be June 18-21, 2017. This is a week before we have been going. We don't have a project visitation date set ... but will get that out to the group some time in March '17. More information on the work trip will be published in future bulletins and newsletters.

Pictures of the 2016 work trip are on the easel in the narthex or visit the Heart & Hand website at [www.heartandhandhouse.org](http://www.heartandhandhouse.org) and click on Ministries, Home Repair, First UM June 26, 2016.

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**The United Methodist Women are going to do Operation Christmas Child this year.**

Many of you are familiar with this Franklin Graham mission, Samaritans Purse. We will fill shoe boxes with small gifts like small non violent toys, school supplies, books, and hygiene items. We would love some donations from the church family. First and foremost we would like shoe boxes, plain, or if you want, wrap them in some

Christmas paper with the base and the lid wrapped separate. We will have a table set up in the narthex beginning 9/25/16. On the table will be more information about how you can help us with this meaningful mission. We will be asking for donation of gifts ... just leave them on table.

It’s a great family or class activity to fill a box, or an organization project. Please watch your bulletin for a final date. Any questions call Donna Weber 724-864-4954 or Dot Depp 724-863-0351



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**THE HOLIDAYS ARE APPROACHING!!** Our Outreach Committee needs the addresses for all service personnel who belong to our church. Please send their names and addresses to the church office or call Sara Campbell at 412-751-9767. We like to send them cards for their birthday's and the holidays.

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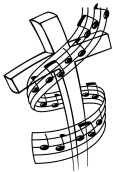
**2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL HAYRIDE!** The Nurture committee will be sponsoring the second annual Hayride Fellowship Night on Monday October 17, 2016 at 6:30 pm. The event will take place at Kerber's Dairy on Guffy Road in North Huntingdon. The Cost for the event is \$8.50 for adults. **Children are free.** This includes your hayride, a cone or cup of the famous Kerber's Ice cream and a small pumpkin. A Signup sheep will be passed around at all three worship services beginning Saturday October 9<sup>th</sup>. You can also register on our Facebook page or by calling Eric or Becky Platt at 412-816-1906. We hope to see you there!

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**The Finance Committee is once again selling RADA Cutlery!** Catalogs and order forms are on a table in the narthex. When ordering, please place your check (payable to First United Methodist Church) and your order form in the door slot of the office door. Please return your catalog to the table, so they can be used by others. All orders are due by Sunday, October 30th. Pick up a catalog and check out some of the new items listed this year! Do your Christmas shopping early for family, friends, neighbors, teachers or coaches! Any questions, contact Laurie Saporito at [cts72@hotmail.com](mailto:cts72@hotmail.com) or 724-864-5649. Proceeds from this sale will go to our General Church Fund. Thank you for your support!



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**On Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, Musician Dedication Sunday,** there will be a hymn sing, featuring as many of your favorite hymns as we can squeeze in. It may be from **either hymnal** in our pews. Please indicate your favorite hymn(s) on yellow insert form and place in the offering plate. You may also leave it in the office or bring it up to the organ.

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### WOMAN'S BOOK CLUB

The Woman's Book Club is starting up again starting October 5, 2016 at 7:00 pm upstairs in the Youth Room. Please plan to join us for a great study! The study is "Becoming Myself: embracing God's Dream of You" by Stasi Eldredge. The book and workbook are both available on Amazon and other outlets. If you need someone to order the books for you please call Becky Platt at 412-445-9833. We will be meeting every other Wednesday. If you have any questions, please call Becky Platt or talk with Bonnie Judy our new Group leader. Hope to see all our ladies at 7 on October 5!



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**FIRST RESPONDERS HANDKERCHIEFS:** There are a few handkerchiefs available that were distributed to first responders. If you know someone who is a first responder and did not yet receive one of these gifts, please see Dianne at the organ bench to take one for them.

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**STYLUS PENS:** We have purchased stylus pens (which may be used on a tablet or phone as well as on paper) which are engraved with the church name, phone number and the phrase "God Loves You and So Do We." They are of superior quality and are available for purchase for \$2.00 each. They make great inexpensive Christmas gifts and will help spread the news that our church is a loving and caring church. Buy several and "lose" them around our community! Contact Dianne Runser for details.

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