

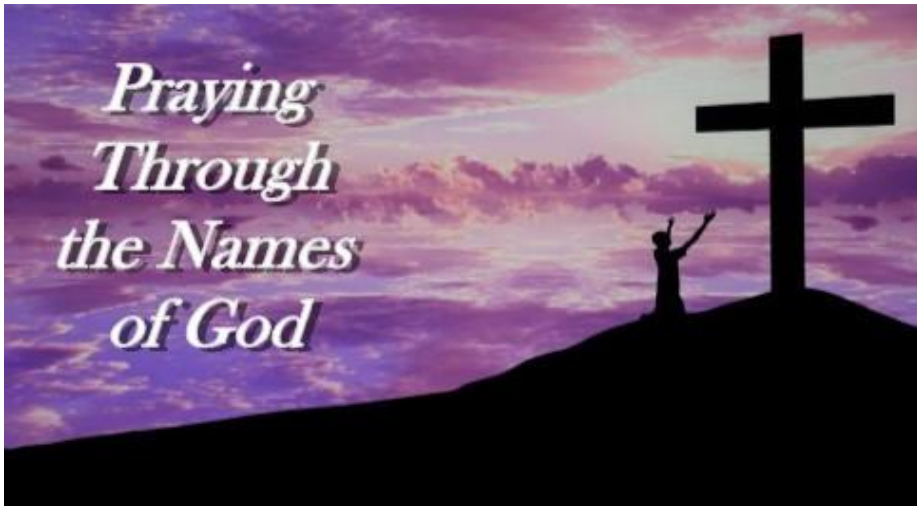
*Welcome to*

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*Opening Doors with Christ, One Another, and Our Neighbors*

*April 21, 2019*

*Easter Sunday*



*"El Shaddai: God Almighty"*

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**Sunday Services**

**Worship: 8:15 AM, 10:45 AM**

**Sunday School for all ages: 9:30 AM**



Welcome to First Church, we are so happy that you chose to worship with us! Here are some resources available to you this morning:

- **Children’s Activity Packs** are located at the entrance and rear of the sanctuary.
- **Nursery Childcare** (under 3 years of age) is available during services (paggers available at the Check-In Childcare Greeter Desk).
- You are also welcome to bring your infant with you to worship! A **Comfort Corner** is available for your convenience, ask an usher for directions.
- **Wee Worship** (ages 3 to 5) and **Kids Worship** (ages 6 through 5th grade) follow the praise music at the 10:45 service. This program is designed to help children become accustomed to the structure and purpose of worship. Wee Worship is in Room 118 and Kids Worship is in Room 216.
- For **Hearing Assistance**, wireless receivers are available. See an usher for assistance.
- **Large Print Hymnals** are available, see an usher for assistance.
- **Seat Cushions** for the wooden pews are available at the Sound Desk located in the rear of the Sanctuary.

Thank you for joining us today and we hope to see you again! Please visit the **Welcome Desk** (located outside the multipurpose room) for more information and to receive a special gift.



## FOUNDATION SERVICE ~ 8:15 AM

*“For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.”*  
~ 1 Corinthians 3:11

### Gathering and Praise

Prelude

Welcome

\*Greeting (Responsively)

Leader: Christ is risen!

**People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

\*Hymn of Praise..... “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” ..... No. 302 (vs. 1-4)

*(Ushers will receive green prayer cards)*

\*Affirmation of Faith.....No. 888

\*Praise Chorus ..... “He Is Lord” ..... 177

\*Passing the Peace

## Proclamation and Response

Scripture Lesson..... Genesis 17:1-8 ..... CEB Page 10  
Anthem..... “Then Sings My Soul” ..... Bell Choir  
\*The Gospel..... John 20:1-2, 11-18 ..... CEB Page 828  
Anthem..... “Majesty” ..... Sounds of Worship  
Sermon..... “El Shaddai: God Almighty” ..... Pastor Keller  
Last in the Series, “Praying Through the Names of God”

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer (sins)

\*Hymn..... “Up From the Grave He Arose” ..... No. 322

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

\*Offering Response ..... “Majesty, Worship His Majesty” ..... No. 176

\*Offering Prayer

## Sending Forth

\*Hymn..... “He Lives” ..... No. 310

\*Benediction

Postlude ..... “Easter Medley” ..... arr. Jack Schrader  
George Canonizado—trumpet

*\*Please stand as able.*

# SUNDAY SCHOOL ~ 9:30 AM

## ☪ Children's Sunday School ☪

- Classes for 3 year olds to 5th grade are using the Deep Blue Curriculum where kids dive deep into the bible and learn more about God, Jesus, faith and how it all fits together into life today. All classes learn the same bible lesson, but at different levels appropriate for their age.
- Classes for babies and toddlers are located on the first floor of the Children's Department. Check in with the greeter who will guide you to your child's room.

## ☪ Youth Sunday School: 4G ~ Morning Edition ☪

- **Middle School:** 6th-8th grade students meet in B003 for *Deep Discipleship*. Join us as we seek to grow deep roots of faith as we grow into more faithful followers of Jesus Christ.
- **High school:** 9th-12th grade students meet in the youth lounge for *Faith in Action: learn, lead, teach, and serve*.

## ☪ Adult Sunday School ☪

**Walk-in visitors and new class members are welcome in all classes.**

- **GROWING IN CHRIST** (Room B004) – An intergenerational class designed for adults of all ages. Short-term studies selected to challenge thinking and create fruitful conversation of Christian principles. New 6-week study, “Catch Your Breath” begins April 28.
- **FAITH IN EVERYDAY LIFE** (Room 207) - A group of singles and couples age 25ish and above, but all are welcome. A discussion-based class that values friendship. Come discuss a variety of contemporary topics related to living out the Christian faith, compassion, and social justice.
- **FAITHFUL FAMILIES** (B001A) - This class is made up of parents who are in the child-raising stage of life, and who enjoy discussion-based Bible studies related to living a faithful, Christ-centered life.
- **CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP** (Room 223) - A multi-generational adult class that selects short-term studies which generate challenging discussion of Christian principles.
- **HELPING HANDS CLASS** (Room 105) - A group of active seniors who focus on studies designed as encouragement and instruction on living a life of faith. Interactive studies and discussions are led by several class members. Also, class members enjoy many Christian social activities together.
- **GUYER CLASS** (Room 123) - A well-established group of elders in the church who study together using the United Methodist Quarterly Adult Bible Study lessons. Each lesson is focused on scripture, and encourages participants to live a faith-filled life.

*For information on adult **Bible studies** held during the week and other **small-group opportunities** contact Tina Eaton at [adultministry@fumchurch.com](mailto:adultministry@fumchurch.com) .*



## CONVERGENT SERVICE ~ 10:45 AM

*"Many gifts, one Spirit, one love known in many ways."*

### Gathering and Praise

\*Greeting (Responsively)

Leader: Christ is risen!

**People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

\*Praise and Worship

"Mighty to Save"

"King of My Heart"

"Jesus Paid It All"

### Proclamation and Response

Children's Story

(After this time, children are welcome to Kid's Worship or Wee Worship)

Anthem..... "How Beautiful" ..... Sanctuary Choir

\*The Gospel ..... John 20:1-2, 11-18 ..... CEB Page 828

Sermon ..... "El Shaddai: God Almighty" ..... Pastor Keller  
Last in the Series, "Praying Through the Names of God"

Prayers of the People

The Offering

### Sending Forth

\*Closing Song

"This Is Amazing Grace"

\*Blessing

*\*As you feel led, please stand or be seated.*



## *First News First*

*Weekly Edition*

*Opening doors with Christ, one another and our neighbors*

**April 21, 2019**

**The Altar flowers** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Harvey and Margaret Cook, placed by the family.

**The maché basket** is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Gayle Elder Anderson, placed by her mother, Annabelle Elder.

### *Lifelong Learner*

**Looking for new ways to grow closer to Christ this year?** Pick up a "Grow" brochure, which contains our daily Bible reading plan, at the Welcome Center display today!

**New Wednesday Evening Bible Study** with Pastor Denny begins May 1, 6:45-8 pm in room B004. This 6-week study is based on our new sermon series, "Catch Your Breath". Pick up your daily Bible reading plan, enjoy the sermons in worship, then come for deeper discussion in class!

**Scholarships** - The Trustees offer scholarships for anyone enrolled in post-high school education of any kind. Applications are available online or from Lisa Aronson or Lee Cadwallader. Applications are due May 1st. You can put completed applications in Lee Cadwallader's mailbox at the church or email [laceselect@aol.com](mailto:laceselect@aol.com).

**18 Wounds of Disability Learning Events** - Sunday, May 5, following worship - 12:30 to 2:00 pm OR Tuesday, May 7 from 7:00 – 8:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. Disabilities is often accompanied by a sense of devaluation and wounding. Lisa Wickenheiser, M. Ed. will lead the event and provide tangible ways we can be of help. Choose one presentation and RSVP to Steve Noss by April 23 at [sdppp@msn.com](mailto:sdppp@msn.com). For more info check the FUMC website/facebook pages, April Newsletter or contact Steve Noss.

### *Praying Follower*

**Recovering at home:** Tom Mullikin, Grace Koser, Jane Bonser

**Moms in Prayer group** meets every Monday that Mechanicsburg schools are in session, from 7-8 pm in the Prayer Room. No prayer experience is required. Questions? Contact Deb Noss.

**A National Day of Prayer** gathering is being held May 2 at First Church. All are invited to come to pray at noon by the flagpole (in the sanctuary if raining). State Representative Sheryl Delozier will be joining us. Can't attend - pray where you are. Prayer guides are available at the Welcome Center display and on our church website.

**Wednesday Prayer Walks** are being held May 8, 15, 22, and 29 from 6 - 6:45 pm. Come to immerse our community in prayer and listen for the voice of God in order to discern His desires for our church and people of Mechanicsburg. Gather at the church flagpole and go from there!

### Passionate Worshipper

Join us for our **Rejoicing Spirits** service next Sunday at 4:00 pm. Fellowship with other Rejoicers in the multipurpose room following the service.

### Dedicated Missionary

#### **Monthly Mission Opportunities:**

**FUMC grocery bagging** for Bethesda Mission Outreach at Mission Central on the third Wednesday of each month. Contact Eric King with questions.

**Help feed the sheep with Isaiah 61 Ministries** also is the third Wednesday of each month at 6 pm. Contact Tiffany Holland at [tholland1967@gmail.com](mailto:tholland1967@gmail.com) for more information.

### Relationship Builder

**Disability Awareness Sunday is April 28th:** Health & Wellness and Access Ministries invite you to the Sunday School presentation from 9:30-10:30 in the multi-purpose room. Pastor Elizabeth Brake, born with cerebral palsy, will speak on her journey with disability and faith.

**Senior Fellowship** will meet Tuesday, April 23, 1-3 pm in the Hardwood Café. There will be fellowship, snacks, and a presentation from Pastor John Shellenberger entitled "The Dirt on Downsizing Your Garden!" Questions, contact Janice Bowen, [wecarefumchurch.com](http://wecarefumchurch.com) or 717-766-4611 x112.

### Generous Giver

The **trustees invite you** to join us Saturday, April 27 at 8:00 am to help with the **annual tanbark and landscape clean-up event**. No experience necessary. We appreciate your help!

**10th annual Spaghetti Dinner** put on by the handbell choirs is THIS Saturday, April 27. Dinner will be served from 4-6:30 pm. Sign up at the info desk for tickets, see a bell choir member, or get your tickets at the door. Take-outs are available.

## **CHILDREN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Wonderful Wednesday** – CARNIVAL, Wednesday April 24th. 5:00pm until 6:00pm in the Multi-purpose room. All Wonderful Wednesday and Passion Play kids invited. Hot dogs, cotton candy, games, prizes and more! Parent help is needed, visit [www.timetosignup.com/kidscount](http://www.timetosignup.com/kidscount) to see how you can help.

**Passion Play 2019**- A huge THANK YOU to everyone involved with the Passion Play!! Your hard work and dedication made the 30<sup>th</sup> year a fantastic evening of bringing glory to our awesome God!

**BOOMERANG**- April 28<sup>th</sup>. Join us at the church for some fun, learning and fellowship time! Any questions contact Dawn Fisher or Anna Haris.

**2019 Vacation Bible School**- June 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am until 12:00pm daily. Join us as we blast off to Mars and Beyond! We will be inspired to give glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine!

## **YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Stay connected!** We use Remind to send updates and reminders. Text @4gyo to 81010 to be added to the distribution text for "4G news".

**Join us for 4G!** 6th-12th graders are invited to meet in the youth lounge from 6:15-8:15 on Sunday evening where we **GATHER** together to **GAIN** from the Bible as we **GROW** into more committed followers of Jesus as we **GIVE** ourselves to His kingdom purposes. Come as early as 6:00. **There is NO 4G tonight.**

**Spring Retreat:** Join us for a weekend away at Rhodes Grove on April 26-28. Retreats are the best! A time to grow in our faith and grow together as a youth group! **Missed the deadline?** let Lisa know if still interested.

**MNF:** The next Monday Night Finance is April 29 @ Mark and Cheryl Mengle's house from 7:30-9:30.

**Confirmation Trip** to Washington DC will be on Saturday May 4th. Permission slips are now available. (This is one of the many expectations in the confirmation process of helping grow and equip you as a disciple of Christ).

**Impact:** The summer camping festival is July 24-28 and registration forms for the discount rate are now available.

**Mission Trip Meeting:** the next mission trip meeting is May 13 from 7-8:30.

**Dates to Keep in Mind:** Confirmation Trip - May 4, Mission Trip - June 30-July 6, Impact - July 24-28



## “Catch Your Breath”

Spring Sermon Series  
begins April 28

**April 28**  
“In Times of Fear”  
John 20:19-30

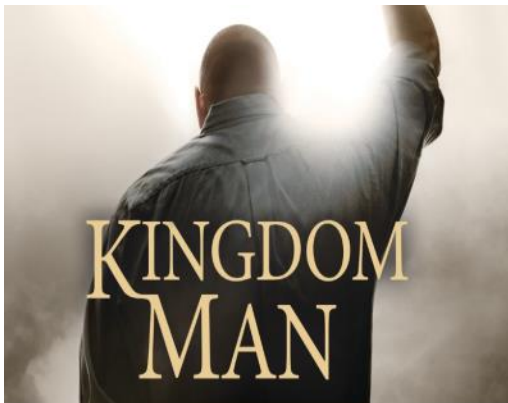
**May 5**  
“In Times of  
Exhaustion”  
John 21:1-19

**May 12**  
“In Times of Doubt”  
John 10:22-30

**May 19**  
“In Times of  
Loneliness”  
John 13:31-35

**May 26**  
“In Times of Suffering”  
John 14:23-29

**June 2**  
“In Times of Division”  
John 17:20-26



### New Video Series and Kingdom Men Rising Movie Kick-Off Event!

The First Church Men's Small Group invites all men to join in the new video series, *Kingdom Man* by Dr. Tony Evans, starting on May 15 from 8:00 to 9:30 p.m. The first meeting will be held at Barry Eaton's home and will continue on the third Wednesday of each month.

A Kick-Off event will be held in late April to view the new movie: "Kingdom Men Rising" which will be shown at a local theater. We will get tickets and attend the movie together.

To sign up for the new Kingdom Man study, contact Barry Eaton at [theaton5@verizon.net](mailto:theaton5@verizon.net) or John Bowen at [bowenhome720@gmail.com](mailto:bowenhome720@gmail.com).



### SUMMER CAMP IS COMING SOON!

Camp is for all ages and stages.

Get your registrations in now for a wonderful life-changing experience. First Church will pay for half camp fees upon request.

NOTE: Please provide registration confirmations to the camp coordinators so that everyone receives a prayer partner.

So, how can you help this to be the "best camping year" ever?

- \* Attend a camp, retreat or event this year
- \* Volunteer to be part of a camp staff
- \* Offer prayers for campers and staff
- \* Provide a financial gift

Come to the lobby narthex area for more information.

Questions: contact: Deb Noss at [sdppp@msn.com](mailto:sdppp@msn.com) or Amy Ogden at [amy.ogden7@gmail.com](mailto:amy.ogden7@gmail.com)

**Spring 2019**  
**Sermon Series**  
**“Catch Your Breath”**



**“In Times of Fear”**

April 22	Leviticus 19:14-32
April 23	Psalms 23
April 24	Isaiah 8:11-16
April 25	John 20:19-30
April 26	1 John 4:7-21
April 27	Relax & Reflect
<b>April 28</b>	<b><i>Sermon</i></b>



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**LEADING IN TODAY’S MORNING WORSHIP**

Preaching..... Rev. Dr. Dennis Keller  
Worship Leader..... Rev. John Shellenberger  
Acolytes..... TBD (8:15); Katie McKenney (10:45)  
Organist..... Frank Heberlig  
Sound & Media ..... Michael Garman and Roger Walton

**SERVING OUR CHILDREN DURING MORNING WORSHIP**

Sunday School Greeter..... Sarah Jones  
Worship Greeter..... Marilyn Knott (8:15); TBD (10:45)  
Crib/Toddlers:..... Sarah Jones, TBD. Kevin Knott (8:15); Karen Smith, TBD (10:45)  
Wee Worship (10:45) ..... Kelley Levan, Jill Matolyak  
Kids Worship (10:45) ..... Dan Wertz, Jenell Paris

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# *This Week at First Church*

## **Sunday, April 21 Easter**

- 6:20 am Sunrise Service  
(Mechanicsburg Cemetery)
- 8:15 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am Sunday School (various)
- 10:45 am Worship (Sanctuary)



## **MONDAY, APRIL 22**

- 9:00 am Squares & Prayers (FH)
- 1:00 pm Strong Women (FH)
- 6:30 pm Al-Anon (223)
- 6:30 pm Handbells (Music Room)
- 6:30 pm Monday Night Basketball (MP)
- 7:00 pm Al-Anon (216)
- 7:00 pm Staff/Parish Committee Meeting (207)
- 7:15 pm WSSO (Sanctuary Auditorium)

## **TUESDAY, APRIL 23**

- 9:00 am Little Friends Preschool  
(120/122/123/219/MP)
- 12:30 pm Little Friends Preschool (219)
- 1:00 pm Senior Fellowship (Hardwood Café)
- 1:00 pm Zumba Gold (MP)
- 2:15 pm Little Friends Preschool (MP)
- 5:00 pm UMHC ILPP (FH)
- 5:30 pm UMHC ILPP (B003/B004)
- 7:00 pm Endowment Committee Meeting (207)
- 7:00 pm FUM Safety Committee Meeting  
(B002)

## **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24**

- 9:00 am Little Friends Preschool  
(120/122/219/MP)
- 9:30 am Covered In Love (FH Café)
- 11:30 am VBS Craft Workshop (FH Café)
- 12:30 pm Little Friends Preschool (219/MP)
- 5:00 pm Wonderful Wednesday Carnival
- 6:00 pm Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

- 6:30 pm LFP Board Meeting (B002)
- 6:45 pm Evening Bible Study (B004)
- 7:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous (FH)
- 8:00 pm Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

## **THURSDAY, APRIL 25**

- 9:00 am Little Friends Preschool  
(120/122/123/219/MP)
- 12:30 pm Little Friends Preschool (219)
- 1:00 pm Zumba Gold (MP)
- 2:15 pm Little Friends Preschool (MP)
- 3:30 pm Studio 1 Percussion  
(Sanctuary Auditorium)
- 7:00 pm Sounds of Worship Rehearsal  
(Sanctuary)

## **FRIDAY, APRIL 26**

- 9:00 am Little Friends Preschool  
(118/216/219/MP)
- 12:00 pm Al-Anon (216)
- 12:00 pm Church office closes
- 12:30 pm Little Friends Preschool (219/MP)
- 5:30 pm Youth Spring Retreat (offsite)
- 6:00 pm Spaghetti Dinner Prep (FH/Kitchen)
- 7:00 pm CV WyldLife (MP)

## **SATURDAY, APRIL 27**

- 4:00 pm Youth Spring Retreat (offsite)
- Spaghetti Dinner (FH/Kitchen)

## **SUNDAY, APRIL 28**

- Youth Spring Retreat (offsite)
- 8:15 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am DisAbility Awareness Sunday School  
Special (MP)
- 9:30 am Sunday School (various)
- 10:45 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 12:15 pm Handchimes (Music Room)
- 2:00 pm Greene Hills Music Camp Meeting  
(B004)
- 4:00 pm Rejoicing Spirits Worship  
(Sanctuary Auditorium/MP)
- 6:15 pm 4G—Evening Youth Fellowship
- 6:15 pm Men's Bible Study (207)

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