

Welcome to

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Opening Doors with Christ, One Another, and Our Neighbors

September 29, 2019



"A Life of Settled Trust in God"

135 West Simpson Street, Mechanicsburg

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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."
~ I Corinthians 3:11

Prelude

"Prelude to Cello Suite No. 2 in D Minor"
J. S. Bach, arr. Simon Rowland-Jones

Arik Anderson

Gathering and Praise

Welcome & Announcements

*Opening Hymn "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" No. 138
(Ushers will receive green prayer cards)

Opening Prayer (In Unison)

To God be all glory, the One who visits us in three persons, the Holy Trinity of hope and love. For there is no place which is without you, O God, and no time when you are not there. For you are the beginning and the end, the source of all that is in the

wonder of universal life. And yet, you take us by the hand and lead us, as the life of Christ walks our human way and shows us that life is stronger than death. In the Holy Spirit, we are gifted, again and again, and are called onwards toward a future in which we are surrounded with love and grace, We praise and worship you, O God, for there is no other God like you.

*Praise Chorus

“Awesome God”

TFWS No. 2040

Proclamation and Response

Scripture Reading (In Unison)

Psalm 23 (RSV)

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want; he makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of my enemies; thou anointest my head with oil, my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Sermon

“A Life of Settled Trust in God”

Pastor Keller

Psalm 23 Video

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (sins)

Worship with Tithes and Offerings “Shepherd”

Sarah Pugh

*Offering Response

“His Name is Wonderful”

No. 174

*Offering Prayer

Sending Forth

*Closing Hymn

“Because He Lives”

No. 364

*Blessing

Postlude

**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 always welcome!

- **COMING SOON** - A study on "Fresh Expressions"... Come to engage in conversation and Bible study that will help to inspire new ideas for reaching new people in new places other than church, meeting them where they are and journeying with them toward Jesus. Interested? Contact Lisa Aronson or Tina Eaton for more details.
- **GROWING IN CHRIST** (Room B004) - A class for people of all ages and stages of faith that engages in short-term studies intended to challenge thinking and create fruitful conversation of Christian principles. Currently studying "Pathways" by Tony Evans. Drawing insight from the Book of Esther, Evans shows how God leads us along pathways toward His unique purpose for us. Contact Tina Eaton for more details.
- **FAITH IN EVERYDAY LIFE** (Room 207) - A class that focuses on fellowship and friendship. Class members share in leading reflections on Scripture and discussion of contemporary topics. Contact Jenell Paris or Susanna Brill for more details.
- **FAITHFUL FAMILIES** (Room B005) - 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. Currently studying "Outlive Your Life" by Max Lucado. Come to be challenged to make a difference that will last beyond your time on earth as you take a stand for children, widows, and families in need. Contact Bob Wertz for more details.
- **CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP** (Room 223) - A multi-generational adult class that selects short-term studies which generate challenging discussion of Christian principles. Currently studying "What Makes You Happy? It's Not What You Expect" by Andy Stanley. Come to explore the three things all happy people have in common, and learn how these things can be realities for all of us. So get ready, we are about to discover what makes us happy! Contact Mark or Nancy Rouch for more details.
- **HELPING HANDS CLASS** (Room 105) - A group of active seniors who focus on studies designed to provide 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. Contact Sue Chilton for more details.
- **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. Contact John Nesbit for more details

*For information on adult **Bible studies** held during the week and other **small-group opportunities** contact Tina Eaton at adultministry@fumchurch.com or call the church office at 717-766-4611.*



CONVERGENT SERVICE ~ 10:45 AM

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

Gathering and Praise

Welcome & Announcements

*Praise and Worship

"Raise a Hallelujah"

"In Your Light"

"Fierce"

(Children are dismissed to Wee Worship and Kids Worship)

*Passing the Peace

Proclamation and Response

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Prayers of the People

The Offering

Sending Forth

*Worship Song

"Goodness, Love, and Mercy"

*Benediction

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



First News First

Weekly Edition

Opening doors with Christ, one another and our neighbors

September 29, 2019

The **Altar flowers** are given to the glory of God and in memory of Deanna Lyn Otto, placed by her family.

Lifelong Learner

The **Health and Wellness Team** will offer a presentation on the **topic of "Sleep"** during the Sunday School hour in the multi-purpose room **TODAY** from 9:30-10:30 am. Brenda Barrick from the Carlisle Sleep Center will be out presenter.

Visit our Welcome Center to pick-up your copy of our **Daily Bible Reading Plan**, a **Study & Prayer Journal** or a regular or large-print **Bible** to guide you as you grow in your discipleships. While you're at it, pick one up for a friend!

New Member class begins October 13. This class, which runs 7 weeks, will be held during Sunday School from 9:30-10:30 am in Room 207. Please see the Welcome Center display to sign up. Questions? Contact Tina Eaton.



Draw Nearer to God through crafting and creating. Classes are held at Mechanicsburg Crafter's Retreat, 304 W. Main Street. and focus on writing God's Word in beautiful ways. Participants can choose to attend one or all of the classes. Classes will be led by church members and all materials and instruction will be provided at no cost. Register at Time to Sign Up at ttsu.me/ynd84n or email Lori Hoffnagle at outreach@fumchurch.com. More details and class descriptions can be found at fumchurch.com. There are 4 classes left to choose from.

Praying Follower

Special Circumstances: Kathy Chapman

Recovering at Home: Marlin Simmons

As a follow up to Bless Our Schools Sunday, we encourage you to pray for students, teachers and staff using the convenient **Prayer Guide** found at the ASAP (Always Say A Prayer) station under the balcony. Look for the Prayer Guide on the ASAP bulletin board and use it to keep your loved ones in prayer all year long!

Is there someone you are praying for or haven't seen at church for a while? Is there someone in our church family celebrating a special anniversary or birthday? Someone you want to thank or someone who is sick? Visit the **new card carousel** at the Welcome Center display, pick out a card and send it off with your caring thoughts today!

Passionate Worshipper

A special **Service of Praise & Prayer** will be held TONIGHT at 7 pm. All are invited to come and be refreshed as you experience the Good Shepherd's provision, protection and promises!

Did you miss our last sermon series? Check out our website at funchurch.com to find all the sermons from the "Trusting God for Everything" series based on Psalm 23. They are located under the "Sermons" category of the "Resources" drop-down menu on the homepage.

Current Worship Sermon Series - "Revive": Faced with life's struggles and difficulties, we may sometimes feel like saying, "I quit!" To a discouraged young pastor named Timothy, Paul writes, "...revive God's gift that is in you!" (2 Timothy 1:6). Paul's practical guidance in this letter points the way for Timothy, and all of us, to experience a vibrant life in Jesus.

October 6	Be Connected	2 Timothy 1:1-6
October 13	Be Bold	2 Timothy 1: 7-9
October 20	Be Grounded	2 Timothy 1: 10-14

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

Dedicated Missionary

Mission Central 5K Run-Walk is coming soon! See the insert in today's bulletin to see how you can help even if you don't care to participate!

The Sierra Leone 2020 Mission Team is holding a **Bake Offering** Sunday, October 13th between services in the Narthex. We would love to speak with you about the upcoming trip as well as have you meet members of the team you may not know. This is our way to say THANK YOU for your continued prayers and support.

Scrip Fundraiser for Sierra Leone now through November. Purchase gift cards to the following places and a percentage will to the Missions Team's March 2020 trip: Cracker Barrel, Olive Garden/Longhorn Steakhouse, Papa John's, Panera, Red Lobster, Texas Roadhouse, Giant, Weis, Bass Pro, Boscov's, Harry & David, Marshall's/TJ Maxx/Home Goods, Ross, Stein Mart. Thank you in support of our sister church!

Monthly Mission Opportunities:

FUMC grocery bagging for Bethesda Mission Outreach at Mission Central on the third Wednesday each month at 6 pm. Contact Eric King with questions.

Help feed the sheep with Isaiah 61 Ministries also is the third Wednesday of the month at 6 pm. Contact Tiffany Holland at tholland1967@gmail.com for more information.

Relationship Builder

Ruth Circle will meet October 2nd at 11:15 am at Hoss's for lunch followed by their regular meeting. Please call Janet Baker if you will not be attending.

Senior Fellowship - Tuesday, October 8th, 1 - 3 pm. Please join us at the Mechanicsburg Museum (2 W. Strawberry Alley) for the Salute to Veterans' display with Carvel Markley as our host and guide! There is plenty of close parking - look for the balloons!

Extravagant Hospitality hint for September: Fall activities have started and new families will be joining us, please welcome them and make them feel like a part of our family. Hospitality is such a wonderful thing to share.

Interested in connecting with one of our college freshmen? Consider adopting a student for their college time. Contact Lynn Rapp at minion.youth17@gmail.com for more info.

Communication Awareness for Email Distribution Lists: For those who receive emails from the church staff (prayer letter, service opportunities, children's ministry newsletter, 4G news and information, newsletter, etc) and ever wish to be unsubscribed from a specific list, please respond to the sender and request removal. **Please do not click the unsubscribe link** unless you desire to have your email removed from all distribution lists and email communications.

Active Shooter Training- Anyone interested in receiving Active Shooter Civilian Response Training, please send your email address to Jason Fisher at jfisherbcpd@gmail.com by October 1st. Live training will be held on October 19th here at the church from 9:00am-12:00pm. Why ALICE Training? Visit www.alicetraining.com to learn more.

Men, we hope you have saved the date! March 6-8, 2020 for the annual Men's Retreat at Wesley Forest.

Generous Giver

Handbell **Chicken BBQ tickets** are on sale now. See a bell choir member or sign up at the Information Desk. Date is Saturday, October 12. Cost is \$9 again this year.

Pharmacist David Nesmith will offer **Free Flu Shots** in the multi-purpose room Sunday, October 6 from 9-11 am for anyone age 9 and up. While offered at no cost, please bring your insurance information with you if you have it. Flu shots will also be offered by Sandy Leister on Sunday, November 17th.

CHILDREN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

BOOMERANG! – Sunday, October 13th, 4 - 5 pm. All kids 3rd through 5th grade welcome! We will be meeting here at the church for a time of fun, fellowship and bringing it back to God!!

Children's Department Newsletter- Are you receiving the awesome Children's Department Newsletter by email? If not, email Dawn Fisher and Anna Harris at kidscount@fumchurch.com to provide your email so you can receive this information packed and super cool Newsletter!

Wonderful Wednesday - Begins October 16th, 4:45 - 7:00 pm. Join us for another super-awesome year of Wonderful Wednesday fun!! Registrations are available now by the children's department bulletin board. Register Today! Questions? Email Dawn Fisher or Anna Harris at kidscount@fumchurch.com.

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 Information".

Keep your Sunday evenings clear this fall and join us for 4G! 6th-12th graders are invited to meet in the youth lounge on Sunday evenings from 6:15-8:15 as we GATHER together to GAIN from the Bible as we GROW into more committed followers of Jesus and GIVE ourselves to His kingdom purposes. (4G will be

hosting a worship night tonight @ 7:00; parents encouraged to join us then)

Bethesda Mobile Mission - volunteering opportunity on October 12 at their new earlier time. Sign up at timetosignup.com/kidscount. (Parents and youth both needed; clearances required for parents).

Confirmation - if you are currently in or plan on being in the confirmation process there is an informational meeting during Sunday school 9:30 on Sept 29. Parents will meet in B002 and students will meet in B003. Our first confirmation retreat of the year will be Oct 4-5. Please fill out a permission form by Sept 29.

Battle Ball: forms are now available for the Battle ball tournament and worship night on November 3 and are due Oct 6. Interested in designing the T-shirt? Turn in a design idea by Sept 29.

Dates to Keep in Mind: SleepOut (Nov 22-23), winter Retreat (Dec 6-8), Cookie Walk (Dec 14).



Salt'nLight
YOUTH MINISTRY, INC.

CELEBRATE THE LIGHT

October 13, 2019 – 4:30 Silent Auction; 6:00 Dinner; 7:15 Program
Radisson Hotel Harrisburg, 1150 Camp Hill Bypass, Camp Hill

We invite you to join us to celebrate Salt 'n Light's ongoing transformational ministry among teenagers. Our evening together will explore several integral parts of Salt 'n Light including, worship, creative arts and testimonies from those impacted by the ministry. Come experience first-hand the work that inspires thousands of teenagers in their relationship with Christ each year.

For more information about registration or how you can support Salt 'n Light contact Ryan Murphy at rmurphy@snlm.com or 717-610-1300.
Learn more at: Snlym.com/celebrate

Important Church Safety/Security Update:

As the church continues to discern and establish safety/security procedures to protect our preschool children, First Church staff and all those who access the church during weekday hours, we are asking for your help in abiding by a new sign-in procedure during weekday hours.

For now, only the office entrance door (by the flagpole) will be unlocked when there are things scheduled in the building during the daytime. In addition, every person entering the building between the hours of 9:00 am and 6:00 pm Monday through Friday will need to sign-in/sign-out at the church office.

You do not need to sign-in/sign-out for evening or weekend activities, and this procedure does not apply to our schedule on Sunday mornings. Thank you for helping us in providing safety and security for our preschool children, staff, and all those who access the church during weekday hours.

In addition: Please see the Relationship Builder section of the announcements for more information regarding an upcoming ALICE (active shooter) Training opportunity.

Weekly Bible Readings:

Week of September 30



Monday	Lamentations 1: 1-6
Tuesday	Psalms 137
Wednesday	Luke 17: 5-10
Thursday	2 Timothy 1: 1-6
Friday	2 Timothy 1: 7-14
Saturday	Rest and Reflect
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>“Be Connected”</i>

LEADING IN TODAY’S MORNING WORSHIP

Preaching Pastor Dennis Keller
Worship Leader Lisa Aronson
Acolytes TBD
Organist Frank Heberlig
Sound & Media Jim Murdoch and Roger Walton

SERVING OUR CHILDREN DURING MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday School Greeter Marilyn Knott
Worship Greeter TBD (8:15); Susanna Brill (10:45)
Crib/Toddlers: TBD, Flossie Ryder (8:15); TBD (10:45)
Wee Worship (10:45) Lori McKenney, TBD
Kids Worship (10:45) Dan Wertz, Norma Bingham

This Week at First Church

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

- 8:15 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am "Sleep" Presentation (MP)
- 9:30 am Various Sunday School Classes
- 9:30 am Confirmation Meeting (B002)
- 10:45 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 5:00 pm Youth Worship Practice
(B024/Sanctuary/Youth Lounge)
- 6:00 pm 4G Youth Group (Youth Lounge)
- 6:15 pm Men's Bible Study (207)
- 7:00 pm Service of Praise & Prayer
(Sanctuary)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

- 8:00 am LFPS
- 9:00 am Squares and Prayers Quilting (FH)
- 11:30 am LFPS Lunch Bunch (120/MP)
- 6:30 pm Handbells (Music Room)
- 6:30 pm Monday night basketball (MP)
- 7:00 pm Nominations Committee (207)
- 7:00 pm Moms in Prayer (Prayer Room)
- 7:00 pm Al-Anon (216)
- 8:00 pm Youth Monday night football (Off-site)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

- 8:00 am LFPS
- 11:30 am LFPS Lunch Bunch (120/MP)
- 1:00 pm Zumba (MP)
- 4:30 pm Independent Living Class
(FH/B002/B003)
- 7:00 pm Sound Media Team (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 pm Mission Committee Mtg (B002)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

- 8:00 am LFPS
- 9:00 am Staff Meeting (207)
- 9:30 am Covered in Love (FH Café)
- 11:00 am Lunch & Learn Bible Study (125)
- 12:00 pm LFPS Lunch Bunch (120/MP)
- 6:45 pm Evening Bible Study (B004)
- 7:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous (FH)
- 8:00 pm Sanctuary Choir (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

- 8:00 am LFPS
- 9:00 am Morning Bible Study (FH)
- 11:00 am LFPS Soccer Shots (MP)
- 11:30 am LFPS Lunch Bunch (MP/120)
- 1:00 pm Zumba (MP)
- 2:30 pm Studio 1 Percussion (Sanctuary)
- 5:30 pm Guitar Lessons (123)
- 6:00 pm Worship Band Practice (Sanctuary)
- 6:30 pm Worship Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 6:30 pm Evening Bible Study (FH)
- 7:00 pm SOW Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
- 7:00 pm Access Ministry Meeting (207)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

- 8:00 am LFPS
- 12:00 pm Al-Anon (216)
- 6:00 pm Confirmation Retreat (off-site)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

- Confirmation Retreat continues (off-site)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

- 8:15 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am Various Sunday School Classes
- 9:30 am Flu Shots (MP)
- 10:45 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 12:00 pm Children's Dept. Volunteer Training
and Lunch (FH/Kitchen)
- 5:00 pm Youth Worship Practice
(B024/Sanctuary/Youth Lounge)
- 6:00 pm 4G Youth Group (Youth Lounge)
- 6:15 pm Men's Bible Study (207)

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