

Welcome to
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Opening Doors with Christ, One Another, and Our Neighbors
July 25, 2021



JUST A LITTLE

TALK WITH JESUS

REV. MARIAN HARTMAN

“Just a Little Talk with Jesus”

135 West Simpson Street, Mechanicsburg

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FOUNDATION SERVICE ~ 8:15 AM

Prelude

"The Gift of Love" - Emma Lou Diemer

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn

"Come and Find the Quiet Center" - TFWA No. 2128

Unison Prayer

Ministry of Music

"Menuetto" - Erkki Melartin

The Gospel

Matthew 6: 5-8 (NIV)

Hymn

"Jesus Loves Me" - No. 191

Sermon

"Just a Little Talk with Jesus" - Rev. Marian Hartman

Hymn of Response

"O How I Love Jesus" - No. 170

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Offering & Announcements

Closing Hymn

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" - No. 133

Benediction

Postlude

"Listen God is Calling" - Anne Krentz Organ

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Preaching..... Rev. Marian Hartman

Worship Leader Pastor Lisa Aronson

Worship Team Janice Bowen, Caleb Flick, Karen Philp, Sarah Pugh, Cynthia Smith

Sound & Media Fred Espenshade, Holly Kurten, Jim Murdoch



THE GATHERING SERVICE ~ 11:00 AM

Welcome & Prayer

Praise and Worship

"Living God"

"Come and Tear Down the Walls"

The Gospel

Matthew 6: 5-8 (NIV)

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Weekly Bible Readings

Week of July 25



Sunday

“Just a Little Talk with Jesus”

Monday

2 Samuel 11: 26 - 12:13

Tuesday

Psalms 51: 1-12

Wednesday

Ephesians 4: 1-16

Thursday

Ephesians 4: 17-24

Friday

John 6: 24-35

Saturday

Rest and Reflect



First News First

Weekly Edition

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The **altar flowers** are given to the glory of God and in memory of Russell Baker, placed by Janet Baker and family.

Lifelong Learner

Looking for new ways to grow closer to Christ? Check out our weekly Bible reading plan or join one of the ongoing groups/studies listed below. All groups listed below welcome new class members to join any time!



- **Combined Adult Summer Sunday School** – Adults all ages ready to meet in person are invited to a series of lessons centered around the theme **Respond**. Runs through September 5 and meets in room 123 from 9:40 - 10:40 am. Lessons taught by First Church pastors and leaders, readings from Proverbs, the Book of Ruth, Mark's Gospel, the Book of Job and more. Questions? Contact Tina Eaton at adultministry@fumchurch.com.
- **Wednesday Men's Group** – Enjoy great fellowship and short-term Bible studies on various men's topics. Beginning a new study July 7 - now is the perfect time to join! Meets in person outside at the home of Barry Eaton at 8:00 pm on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. Contact Barry at 1785eaton@gmail.com if interested.
- **Women's Summer Book Club** – Love to read? Interested in reading together with First Church friends? Pick up a copy of **No One Ever Asked** by award-winning author Katie Ganshert. Inspired by real-world events, this story explores the way we see one another, the lies we tell ourselves and the results of blindness to the truth. Contact Tina Eaton to let her know you are reading, and we will pick some dates in August to gather for fellowship and book discussion.
- **Interested in starting a new group?** It can be a group gathered around a common activity, interest or life stage. Contact Tina Eaton to talk about your idea, receive resources and tips, and get started today!

Praying Follower

Hospitalized: Morris Barr, Tammy Dougherty

Recovering at Home: Richard Hayworth

Join us for **10 Minutes with God**, our prayer challenge for July! Simply choose a time and place that you can make your 10-minute appointment with God every day, and stick with it for the 31 days of July! This is not so much of a challenge in learning how to pray, but is more about the discipline of sticking with it and making a habit of prayer for a life with God. Use the prompts below during your 10-minute appointment... if your appointment gets cut short or something in your day causes it to be delayed, that's ok, but make sure to fit it in your day somewhere. The intention is to build a habit that will deepen your relationship with God. Happy praying!



GRATITUDE: Begin by thinking about what you are most grateful for today. Is there a word or attribute of God that comes to mind? Take a moment to focus on that and thank God for who he is and what he's done that makes you feel this way.

AWARENESS: Now that you've entered this quiet, reflective state, revisit the times in the past 24 hours when you were or were not your best self. Talk to God and listen to what He is teaching you about these things.

SIGNIFICANT MOMENT: Did you have any special moments in the past 24 hours? It could have been an event or interaction with a person. Take time to sit in the silence and listen for what God might be trying to say to you through these significant moments.

PEACE: Ask God to forgive you for any wrong-doings (it could be against God, another person or even yourself). Ask him to show you if there is any relationship repairing needed, then ask him to fill you with his peace about these things.

OTHERS: Lift up to God anyone that you feel called to pray for today, asking Him to bless and guide them.

THE LORD'S PRAYER: Close your 10-minute appointment with God using the prayer that Jesus taught us to pray.



Green Prayer Cards are available at each sanctuary entrance upon arrival for worship. We invite you to take a card to share your joys and concerns with us. Please place them in the designated basket (along with the pen) as you leave worship. You can also use this [google link](#) to share your joys and concerns with us, or share your prayer requests by contacting Janice Bowen at wecare@fumchurch.com or 717-766-4611 x112.

[Passionate Worshipper](#)

The July **Rejoicing Spirits worship service** is TODAY, Sunday, July 25 at 4 p.m. This service is in-person service and will also be livestreamed. Please contact Karin McHale at karinmch@comcast.net for more information about this service or to receive the livestream link.

Current Sermon Series — “All Day Every Day”: There are 168 hours in a week. The typical follower of Jesus spends one hour a week in church. What about the other 167 hours? The New Testament Book of James has been called the handbook of practical Christianity. In this 12-week journey through James, we will discover how to follow Christ humbly, obediently, and with an open heart all day every day! Join us for the next set of sermons in August:

- **TODAY:** Guest Preacher: Rev. Marian Hartman
- August 1: Guest Preachers: Rev. Marian Hartman and Rev. Pat Woolever
- August 8: "Expressing Faith In Acts of Love" (James 1:22-27)
- August 15: "Loving People I Don't Want and Don't See" (James 2:1-13)
- August 22: "Choosing God's Wisdom" (James 3:13-18)
- August 29: "Waging Peace In Conflict" (James 4:1-10)



Join us and invite others to worship from home with us any day of the week! All worship services are posted on our church website, fumchurch.com. Sing, pray, hear the message proclaimed and respond through your weekly giving. If you, or someone you know, are unable to access the online worship service, please contact Janice Bowen at wecare@fumchurch.com or 717-766-4611 x112 for other ways to connect with our worship.

Dedicated Missionary



Change for Water - Water is the foundation of our very lives; yet, according to CDC estimates, only 2% of the population in Sierra Leone has access to clean, readily available drinking water! Help us to support the **Well Drilling Fund for Sierra Leone** by dropping your loose change, or even bills, into the blue "Change for Water" bucket located at our Sierra Leone display in the Tower hallway. 100% of your donations will be used to provide training and dig wells for schools and communities in need.

Thanks for your support of the **Little Free Pantry** on our property. Please consider helping to stock our pantry during this difficult time for families. If you or your group would like to sign up, see the available months [here](#). Please be sure to place items that are not expired or near expiration. A list of suggestions for the spring/summer months can be found [here](#). Thanks for sharing and caring for our community! Questions about the Little Free Pantry, contact Lori Hoffnagle at outreach@fumchurch.com.

FUMC Ministry and Employment Opportunity

First United Methodist Church, Mechanicsburg is seeking a full-time Director of Children and Family Ministry. This person will be responsible for the overall vision and implementation of the faith development of children (birth through 5th grade), in partnership with their families. Education related to children and/or family ministry, or applicable experience is required. To view the full job description, visit the church website at fumchurch.com or <https://fumchurch.com/director-of-children-and-family-ministry/>. Please submit resumes to office@fumchurch.com or to Ellen Hill, Office Manager, at 135 W. Simpson St., Mechanicsburg, PA 17055.

Relationship Builder

Are you involved in our church's **Hospitality** Ministry? Yes, you are! While you may not "officially" be on the Welcoming Ministry Committee, you are most definitely a part of our hospitality ministry! This ministry is the church's first effort of friendliness and kindness. It has a simple, yet important, goal ~ to serve the Lord by making everyone who attends a service feel welcome and important from the moment they drive or walk on to the church property! There are many ways to do this...through courteous manners, warm smiles, kind words. This ministry requires a sincerity and genuineness. A genuine love for God. An honest desire to please the Lord. A sincere love for the church. A heart for people to grow in Christ. Yes, we are ALL called to offer Christ's hospitality to others...we are ALL called to be a part of our hospitality ministry!



Summer Church Camp is a GO! The Camp and Retreat Ministry is excited to share details and registration information about summer camps! Visit the camping website <https://www.susumcamps.org> to see all the offerings for camp this summer in the 2021 Camp Retreat Brochure along with related registration/medical forms. Periodically review the COVID-19 safety guidelines and updates as part of your camp registration and preparation process. In order to provide the BEST camping experience, please send camping registration confirmations to our Camp Coordinators (Deb Noss or Amy Ortiz) so that we can pair you with a prayer partner and offer financial assistance (First Church will pay for one half of the camping fees!). There are

also **Sibling Discounts** as well as a special **Invite-a-Friend Gift** (*a custom logo hammock*). See the brochure for details. If you have any questions about Summer Church Camp or are unable to access the website and need a brochure, feel free to contact Deb Noss at sdppp@msn.com or 717-697- 5982 or Amy Ortiz at amy.ogden7@gmail.com. You may also contact the church office at office@fumchurch.com or 717-766-4611. **Again, register early and keep in close contact with the Camping Coordinator team!**

P.S. Not a camper, no problem! You can support our campers in several ways! You can sign up to be a Prayer Partner (**now needed since camp has officially started!**), make a financial contribution to help fund a camper or sign up for a one-day work camp! Contact one of our Camp Coordinators for more details.

Ministry Safe Training- All volunteers who help in the children or youth areas should be watching their email for the new online Safe Sanctuary training. You will receive an email with a link to the training. The email will appear as it is coming from Pastor Denny. Anyone working with children or youth in any capacity is required to complete this valuable online training. Questions can be directed to Dawn Fisher at kidscount@fumchurch.com.

Generous Giver

New Hope Ministries needs your help! They are seeking volunteers at the Mechanicsburg Center, see details here: <https://nhm-pa.org/volunteer-needs/>. They are also asking for donations at the Mechanicsburg Center, specific needs are: canned fruit, canned tuna and chicken, shampoo/conditioner, bath soap, toothpaste and pasta. They are also asking for diapers sizes 4, 5 and 6. Questions about New Hope Ministries or donations, contact Debbie Karns at deborahkarns1@gmail.com. Thanks for your support!

We encourage you to continue to respond through your weekly giving. **Offerings** can be mailed in to the church office. Now is also a great time to sign up for electronic giving! Please contact the church office at office@fumchurch.com with any questions or for more information.



CHILDREN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

VBS- We want to say a HUGE THANK YOU to all the volunteers who helped make our VBS evenings happen! They showed up in the extreme heat and crazy weather to make sure all the VBS kids had a wonderful time and none of it would have happened without them! THANK YOU!!! =)

Sunday Childcare Help Needed!!- Help is needed to provide childcare during the 11:00am service. Please visit <https://www.timetosignup.com/kidscount/sheet/1314143> to sign up for a Sunday this summer to help! Clearances are required. Any questions email Dawn at kidscount@fumchurch.com.

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Help us **connect** with you! Watch these platforms and your emails for **opportunities to connect and learn** with others!

Instagram: fourgyouthministry

FB page: 4G - First United Methodist Youth Group

Remind text list - Text @4Gyo to 81010



*Summer Camp is NOW
UNDERWAY!*

*Please keep campers and
the camp staff in your
prayers this week.*

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