



# *First News First*

June 2017

**Monthly News of First United Methodist Church  
of Mechanicsburg**

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

Dear Friends of First Church,

Years ago when I was a young pastor attending the retirement services at annual conference, I felt rather sorry for those clergy who were about to retire. My thinking was they were getting old and didn't have much left to look forward to. Well, as I got closer and closer to my own retirement, my thinking has drastically changed!

For one thing, I will always be in ministry. (And so will you because we are called to serve God all our lives.) Oh, sure, I will no longer get paid for my ministry so I will have to be good for nothing! But, that I am already pretty good at!

I have also had the opportunity to see so many older adults, both clergy and lay, who have had and continue to be vital, productive members of their congregations and communities. Our biological age has very little to do with our enthusiasm and effectiveness.

Diane and I recently attended my Hughesville High School Class of 1967 reunion celebrating 50 years since graduation. While we all may have changed in our appearance, our attitudes toward life were remarkably upbeat. Certainly, we did plenty of reminiscing, but mostly we talked about what we are yet going to do. Now in our retirement years nearly everyone I talked with was looking to the future with hope and excitement.

That is the way it should be in the church. Here at First Church you have a great history and a long list of remarkable accomplishments. It is good to remember all that. And while reminiscing can be fun, it is so much more exciting to plan for the future! You have great leadership, a fine strategic plan, and I expect you to accomplish much in the years ahead. The best is yet to come!

You are a wonderful group of folks and I want to express my sincere appreciation for your care and support of me and my family these past three years. It has truly been a blessing to work with such a talented and loving staff! And I have really enjoyed the opportunity to meet and know so many members of the congregation. Your love and friendship will always mean a great deal to me.

And so, now as I enter my retirement years, I thank God that I have had the wonderful privilege of being in ministry with you. May God continue to bless each one of you and fill you to overflowing with his love.

Blessings always,

Pastor Dave

## Worship

Sunday Morning  
Worship Services  
8:15 am & 10:45 am

Sunday School  
9:30 am



### The 4th Sunday at 4:00...

an interactive and inclusive ministry for those with developmental disAbilities, their families, friends and care givers.

## Holy Communion

	June 4	Loaves and Chalice
	July 2	Pew Service
	August 6	Loaves and Chalice
	September 3	Pew Service
World Communion	October 1	Loaves and Chalice
First Sunday in Advent	November 26	Pew Service
Christmas Eve, 8:00 and 11:00	December 24	Loaves and Chalice

## Staff Parish Relations Committee

### First Church to welcome Rev. John L. Shellenberger as Assistant to Senior Pastor

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) is pleased to advise the congregation that Rev. John L. Shellenberger will be joining the First Church staff as Assistant to the Pastor. As Pastor Keller announced at the May 14 services, and you will have read elsewhere, Pastor Shellenberger will begin part-time work with us in late summer or early fall. He will be filling the vacancy created by Pastor Reed's full-time retirement.

Pastor Shellenberger will focus on visitation, but will also preach, serve as liturgist, lead Bible studies and Sunday School classes, support Access Ministries and Rejoicing Spirits, and assist Pastor Denny and the rest of the staff team as situations require.

Pastor Shellenberger earned a B.A. from Messiah College and a Master of Divinity from Wesley Theological Seminary. He has served a range of congregations in his career, mostly in Central Pennsylvania. He will be retiring from the position of Lead Pastor at Grace United Methodist Church in Lemoyne at the end of June.

He and his wife, Merri, have three children: Jonathan, who died in 1983, Beth, and Megan; and three grandchildren. Merri is a reading specialist in the Shippensburg School District. He and Merri enjoy traveling and spending time with family.

In addition to pastoral activities, Rev. Shellenberger is an avid golfer, woodworker and gardener. His agricultural credentials include the Master Gardening Certificate from Penn State Extension. He feeds the soul with a certificate in the Ministry of Spiritual direction and the body with an interest in cooking.

Pastor John and Merri are as eager to be part the First Church Community as we are to have them. Each conversation strengthens our conviction that once again, God has blessed us with the right people at the right time.

Please join us in welcoming them and in making them part of the First Church family. Toward that end, we will put the Appellation Protocol in force and ask you to begin conversations with Pastor John and Merri by telling them your name.

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## Music

### June Ministry of Music Sunday Morning Schedule

June 4	Sounds of Worship (8:15); Sanctuary Choir (10:45)
June 11	Andy Irons; Praise Team (10:45)
June 18	Seth Wickenheiser & Kylee Fisher
June 25	Kaitlyn Mariano; Praise Team (10:45)

### Organist/Pianist

First Church is seeking an organist/pianist. Responsibilities include playing for two Sunday morning and other special services, accompanying two adult choirs, and accompanying services where an electronic keyboard may be preferred. Some of these duties may be shared with another organist/pianist. Send resume, including education and work history, via email to: [office@fumchurch.com](mailto:office@fumchurch.com), or by mail to: First United Methodist Church, 135 West Simpson Street, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

## Finance

### Financial Report—through April 30, 2017 33% of year

#### General Fund

2017 budget	\$ 935,000	
Expected income	\$ 308,550	
Actual income	\$ 327,910	(35% of budget)
Surplus	\$ 19,360	
Actual expenses	\$ 297,402	

Income is higher than expected since several members have paid most or all of their 2017 pledge.

## Missions

### Grocery Bagging for Bethesda Mission

On the third Wednesday evening of every month members of First United Methodist Church gather at Mission Central to bag groceries for Bethesda Mission. All are invited to join and be a part of this mission opportunity. Join us at Mission Central on June 21 at 6 pm. Contact Eric King at [eking@verizon.net](mailto:eking@verizon.net) for more information.



### Penny Report ~ Now Located at the Sierra Leone Display in the Tower Hallway



Help support the Sierra Leone Well Drilling Project by dropping your pennies, or any loose change, into the ***Change for Water*** Bucket. One hundred percent (100%) of your donations are used to provide training and dig wells that supply safe drinking water for schools and communities in Sierra Leone. There were 2,125 pennies contributed this past month for a total to date of \$12,800.69.

**Thank you for another great a month of donations and for your continued prayers and financial support! Let's keep the water flowing.**

### CRU News

Please continue to keep our 4 CRU Missionaries, Matt & LeeAnn Herring, Jenna Mengle and Bethany Robinson, in your prayers.







**Bethany Robinson**  
Missionary in the Susquehanna Valley

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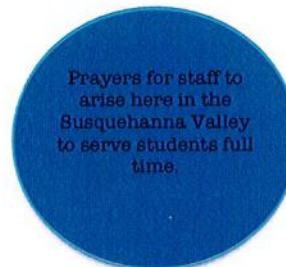
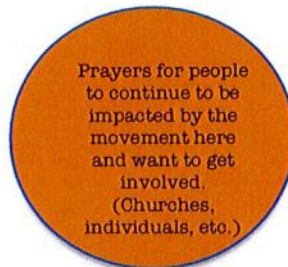
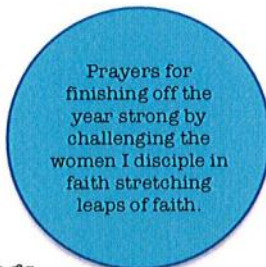
Surrender, patience and control..... those words were constantly on my mind for the past few months. At the beginning of January, I was put in charge of planning what is called a Fellowship Dinner. Cru as a whole organization is very skilled in this, but this was the first time the Susquehanna Valley was pulling one off.

This process stretched my trust in others, allowed me to continue to give full control/ glorify the Lord through the process and gave me many opportunities for my patience to be tested. I also had many opportunities to make executive decisions (I am not always good at that).

I can confidently say that during the process and the night of, the Lord was a part of it. We sometimes fall short of His glory, but this process reminded me that despite our brokenness, He still wants to use us.

The night of the dinner we were all hustling as a team, but continued to love on each other well by making sure we were keeping our focus (Glorifying the Lord and not ourselves). The Lord showed up the night of the dinner in a vast amount of ways! The guests fully enjoyed their time and I truly believe that they caught what the vision and mission of Cru is.

The Lord put it on people's hearts to give that night. We ended up receiving around \$28,000 for the students of the Susquehanna Valley. This money will be going towards discipleship tools, retreat/conference/trip scholarships and much more. We as a staff team are here because of the students and it is a blessing to have received gifts to help further the Kingdom here. All praise to the Lord!



Blessings,  
*Bethany Robinson*  
Bethany Robinson



First United Methodist Church, Delanco Camp in Tabernacle, NJ has played a large role in LeeAnn's life. In the summer of 2004 she attended her first week of camp there as a 4<sup>th</sup>

grader. While at Delanco in 2006 she accepted Christ into her life, and in 2014 as a counselor LeeAnn felt the call into full-time ministry for the first time. LeeAnn wanted other women to experience the life change she had experienced at this special place, so she made the decision to hold our Women's Retreat at Delanco Camp at the end of April.

The theme of the retreat was "Fierce", with the weekend aiming to help women understand how to have an intimate and personal relationship with Jesus. Colleen Fraser, Prayer Coordinator for the Mid-Atlantic Region of Cru, spoke about God's fierce love for us, how He pursues and protects us, and how He knows us intimately even if we don't want to know Him. The women were able to experience fellowship with one another through flag football, crafting, a bonfire and more. They were also able to enjoy the delicious cooking of the volunteer head cook for the weekend, LeeAnn's mom Julie.



Earlier in April I helped organize our Men's Retreat which was held in Quakertown, PA. The emphasis of the weekend was to build the community of men within our ministry, while also inviting men outside of the ministry to experience a weekend of Christian community. We camped outdoors, sat around bonfires, went to the famous Quakertown Farmers Market, and were led through a time in the Word by one of my bosses, Tom Flack.

Mike, a senior and soon-to-be graduate, was one of the guys on the retreat. He was a new face, and we spent some time getting to know one another. He told me that he had walked away from his faith in college, and had been partying until recently. A series of difficult personal circumstances occurred, and he was searching for something more than living for the weekend. Since the retreat, Mike has recommitted his life to Christ and will be graduating looking to live out his faith in the workplace. This remarkable life change all took place within the last month of his college career.



As the school year comes to a close, we have begun looking forward to our training this summer to become long-term employees with Cru. During the 6 week training in Fort Collins, Colorado, we will be taking two seminary courses, learning how to sustain our ministry in the long-term, and fellowshipping with 5,000 other full-time Cru staff members during the "Cru17" conference.

This year has confirmed God's calling on our lives, and we recognize that our being here truly could not have happened if it weren't for your generous hearts. Words cannot express our gratitude for the love and support we have received, and it is an honor to have you as a part of what God is doing at West Chester University.

Humbled and thankful,  
Matt and LeeAnn

P.S. I (Matt) will be speaking at First United Methodist Church in Mechanicsburg on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 AM. If you are in the area, I would love to connect with you there!



APRIL, 2017

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## April on campus:

### A FEW HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH..



a group of students at Cru Semi-formal Dance: Derby theme



An answer to prayer: 8 Miami missionaries headed to our partnership campus in Montenegro for 1 year



Our student run overnight women's retreat was a huge success and so encouraging!

# Hello, from Miami Cru



Our senior class was honored for their investment in eternity with dessert and a skit by the staff team!

## Senior send off:

One tough part of this time of year is saying goodbye to such sweet friends. It is a time of mixed emotion. I'm so excited to send this senior class off with joy, because they have done an amazing job leading our movement and investing on campus. On the other hand, it is sad to see them leave because they each add something so special that will be missed. As they transition as leaders into the 'real world' will you join me in praying for their investment in the lives of the hundreds of people they will encounter world-wide?

## Life Change:

Sarah\* is a freshman who never saw herself as the church-going type. Sarah found herself on drugs and involved in a scene that, 'wasn't herself' in order to make friends. Sarah was invited to a weekly meeting by a group of students who are involved in Cru. Sarah wondered into our weekly meetings looking for friends and for a way to change her life. She met one of our staff members, who since has been meeting with her. Two weeks ago, Sarah gave her life to Christ and proclaimed- "I need you to do your job because I need to know what the bible says and how to live by it." It is INCREDIBLE to be a part of what God is doing at Miami in changing lives!

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## What's next?

It is with great joy, some nerves and a lot of excitement that I let all of you know I will be moving to Rome, Italy to serve with Cru for 10 months, September 2017! As I thought about next year, where my gifts lie, and how God could use me in His story, I became aware of a need and opportunity to serve with Cru in Rome, ministering to Italian college students on campus, refugees in the city, and through event planning. At first this opportunity felt incredibly surreal, and now 2 months later I've been chosen to pioneer a position of staff support alongside campus and refugee ministry.



In September I will leave to join a full time team of 14 in Rome to join in what the Lord is doing there. It is estimated that 1 in 200 people know Jesus, which is an incredibly motivating statistic to get me there. I am also excited to join in shepherding the student leaders that are involved in the Cru movement in Rome now!

As I make this transition, I enter into another season of trusting the Lord to provide a team of financial and prayerful partners. I'm asking if you'd join me in this transition to Rome through giving and prayer. **Will you come to Rome with me through continuing with your prayer and monthly support as I move overseas and take part in the great commission in Italy?** In the coming weeks, I will contact you to see if you will be continuing on the Lord's journey with me. I would also love to get together in person to share stories of what the Lord has done and what I am trusting Him to do in Rome.

## A note from the seniors.....

"Thank you so much for partnering with Jenna!! Because of Jenna, as well as the staff at Miami, I was able to begin my personal relationship with God and grow in my faith in college. I love how Cru is so centered around students, relationships and Jesus. Cru gave me somewhere to belong and Cru taught me how to be focused on the one thing that matters, Jesus. I am beyond thankful for Jenna and the staff at Miami- they have impacted my life in such a huge way."

- Katherine Shoals: Missionary sent to Oxford, OH to teach kindergarten & Associate Director of Kids Ministry at Cobblestone Community church

"Throughout this year, Jenna has been an integral part of my growth as a person coming up on 'the real world' and as a Christian. She has been there to hear my worries, joys, and sadness with openness. I am incredibly thankful for her and I'm thankful that through your giving she is about to work for Cru."

- Sarah Yeo: Christ Centered Laborer sent to Jeffersonville, IN as an Architect

Thank you for your eternal investment whether it be through prayer and/or finances. I am amazed by your faithfulness in giving! In terms of prayer, I can't thank you enough for interceding in the battle with me.

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## Praise the Lord:

- This semester we had at least 27 students accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior!!!! Many of these were with students who are multiplying their life! It's an incredible privilege to see life change first hand, and I hope you feel a part of the faithfulness of God!
- This year was so sweet, it's making it a lot harder to leave. Praise God that I had a successful year on campus of personal growth and multiplication.
- The women I had weekly contact with through discipleship or bible studies!- Katherine, Sarah, Leah G, Lyndsey, Leah M, Arden, Sally, Kara, Molly, Carrie, Macarena, Kristi, & Jamie

## Prayer requests:

- Prayers for safety, team unity, fruitful ministry, growth, and of course some fun for the Montenegro summer mission trip leaving May 31st- taking 18 students and 5 staff
- closure for our seniors moving forward as well as transition for our staff that are moving
- summers can be really hard on students, praying for their growth and community wherever they are would be

*blessings, Jenna*

## **Senior Fellowship** – Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> -- 1-3 p.m.

All senior members are invited to come for a casual time of fellowship and light refreshments in the Guyer class space just beyond the church library. This month's gathering will feature Carlisle musician, Janet Spahr, and her handpans.

If you've never heard a handpan, come hear how Janet's music will not only relax you, but captivate you as well. Janet frequently tours up and down the east coast. You won't want to miss this enchanting presentation!

Please contact Janice Bowen (766-4611 x112 or [wecare@fumchurch.com](mailto:wecare@fumchurch.com)) for more information.

## **Homeland Hospice Casserole Program for Families**

Since 2014, we have been supporting Homeland Hospice's casserole program by donating pre-made casseroles in the month of June as a gift to area families who are receiving hospice care. This is a wonderful way to connect with a need in our community for home-cooked comfort. Please contact Janice Bowen ([wecare@fumchurch.com](mailto:wecare@fumchurch.com) or 766-4611 x 112) if you would like to prepare and donate a casserole. (You will be given a disposable pan and more specific directions.) Thank you!

## **Library**

I know it will come as a surprise to many of you to learn that the library will celebrate its twenty year anniversary in October 2018. During that blink of an eye Pam and I (and let's not forget Fran Davis's hard work) have tried to keep the library up-to-date and fresh with current fiction and meaningful non-fiction to enrich your life. Now, we are integrating the children's library into our space.

The children's library was packed with books, so we decided we would have to pare it down to fit it into the space available in the library. We went back to our original mission—to offer the best in Christian literature. While there are many wholesome children's books, we will offer only Christian based books. So with that in mind, we sorted and are now cataloging the children's books in a similar fashion to the public library so that they will be easy to find. Books will be checked out under the parents' account and will have the usual two week check out. When a parent is using the library to read or browse, now their child can do the same. We are also updating the children's collection as our budget allows. Having grandchildren that ask questions that are sometimes hard to answer, we chose many of the new books that address topics like worry, anxiety, grief or simply what is heaven like? Pam and I are very excited about this new opportunity to serve you and your family, and we welcome your feedback and title suggestions!

Back in the adult section, we have some new June books that you won't want to miss. Dee Henderson has continued her Evie Blackwell Cold Case series with *Threads of Suspicion*. Being the top investigator in the Illinois State Police has landed Evie as head of the governor's newly formed task force to find missing persons. With so much press, the task force is expected to provide quick and dramatic results. With her new partner, David Marshall, they take very different cases. Evie looks into a missing college student, while David tries to locate a missing private investigator. Keeping to their missions statement—Justice for All—they are unrelenting in their hunt for answers. Don't miss this page turner!!

There are many readers who can't wait for the next Amish book in their favorite series. This month *The Beloved Hope Chest* by Amy Clipston, *The Farmer's Market Mishap* by Wanda Brunstetter, and a novella of four stories called *The Amish Home* will all be available. And, of course, many of you are waiting for the newest chapter in the Baxter family that Karen Kingsbury has featured in several series. *Love Story* should be on the shelf by mid-June. And that, my friends, is the tip of the fiction iceberg! Stop by to get the full scoop. We always have someone on hand to help you find just what you are looking for!

Finally, we are always accepting gently used books, DVDs and CDs for the August 19th book sale. There will be many children's books for sale from the children's library that we are not retaining for our library. It's going to be a great book sale.

See you in the library!

Pam and Donna

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## Adult Discipleship

### Summer Bible Study

All are invited to join us for a 6-week summer Bible study beginning June 7. ***The Rewritten Life: When God Changes Your Story***, by Jessica LaGrone, explores the transformational power of God through the stories of people in the Bible whose lives were changed forever by Him. In six lessons you will meet Abraham and Sarah, Jacob, Naomi, Daniel, Peter and an unnamed woman, and discover how God rewrote their stories, giving them new identities that were in line with God's call on their lives.

LaGrone connects the biblical stories to our own lives, showing us that God wants to be just as intimately involved in rewriting our stories so that we may become all that God has planned for us.

Class will be held from 6:45-8:00 pm in room B004. Books are \$10.00. See the sign-up sheet at the display in the main lobby or contact Tina Eaton.

### Summer Men's Group

Our *Men of First Church* group will begin a new 5-session study on June 7 entitled ***The Me I Want to Be: Becoming God's Best Version of You***, by John Ortberg. There is a me each one of us wants to be - more kind, generous, patient, and loving, but there is a gap between the me I am and the me I want to be. This powerful study will help you to move toward becoming God's best version of YOU in four specific areas: your mind, your time, your relationships and your experiences, so that you can become the unique, fully alive, flourishing person God intended.

Class will be held every other week beginning June 7 in room B005 for just one hour from 8:00 – 9:00 pm through the summer (the DVD is only about 12 minutes, then the group will engage in discussion).

More men will make this a much more meaningful and enlightening discussion, so please sign up today! See the sign-up sheet at the display in the main lobby or contact Barry Eaton.

### Summer Sunday School

Each Sunday this summer from July 2 through September 3 a combined Sunday School class will be offered for adults and youth in the Multipurpose room. We will be studying ***Change the World: Recovering the Message and Mission of Jesus*** by Mike Slaughter. Each week we will dig into Scripture, explore Jesus' life and teachings, and discuss what our response should be to similar problems in our world today. We will look at our calling to:

- Follow Jesus
- Welcome the stranger
- Feed the hungry
- Heal the sick
- Rescue those in distress
- Go boldly out into the world

We will also hear from some of the missionaries that we support, learn about ways that we can become involved and be given the opportunity to engage in missional service. Every Christian is a missionary - Join us as we take action together!

Please contact Tina Eaton if you have questions or would like more detailed information.

### New Ministries

As a part of our vision to "open doors with Christ, one another and our neighbors", we have been prayerfully studying what the needs of our community are, what ministries other local churches/organizations are already offering, and where there might be holes in which community needs are not being met.

As a result of this, we are exploring the possibility of beginning a few new ministries at First Church this year. If you have a heart for any of the following, would like more information or would consider using your

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gifts and talents to help in some way, please reach out to the contact person listed below:

Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPs) – We have registered First Church with this organization and would like to begin a MOPs group this fall. Please contact Tina Eaton at [adultministry@fumchurch.com](mailto:adultministry@fumchurch.com) or call 766-4611, extension 104, if you are interested in participating in this group or helping with leadership in some way.

Marriage Ministry – We are interested in providing a class or seminar geared toward building strong, healthy, lasting marriages. Please contact Tina Eaton if you are interested in participating in such a class or would like to help plan it.

Spiritual Formation Groups – We would like to begin creating small mentoring groups for the purpose of nurturing Christian growth in a mentor/mentee relationship setting. If you are interested in participating in such a group/relationship or would like to help organize this ministry please contact Tina Eaton.

“First Connections” – In an effort to reach adults who may be spending a significant amount of time at home, perhaps feeling lonely and hoping for a chance to spend time in the company of others from church, we are creating a gathering place in the newly renovated Tower Meeting Room (formerly the Children’s Library). While the intention is to offer a comfortable place to simply spend time visiting, simple activities will also be available for those who enjoy playing cards, working on puzzles, adult coloring, etc. Interested in learning more or helping to plan for this new ministry? Contact Janice Bowen at [wecare@fumchurch.com](mailto:wecare@fumchurch.com) or call 766-4611 x112.



## FUM Circles

*New Members are always welcome!*

### DEBORAH CIRCLE

Sandy Walton ~ 790-9131 or [swalton54@comcast.net](mailto:swalton54@comcast.net)  
meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month

### MARTHA CIRCLE

Marley Ann Schmick ~ 697-2233  
meets the 1st Tuesday of the month

### MARY CIRCLE

Janice Bowen ~ 796-0809 or [jjgbowen@yahoo.com](mailto:jjgbowen@yahoo.com)  
meets the 4th Monday of the month

### RUTH CIRCLE

Beryl Morgan ~ 697-3554  
meets the 1st Wednesday of the month

### COVERED IN LOVE

Sandy Bennetch ~ [dsebennetch@comcast.net](mailto:dsebennetch@comcast.net)  
meets Wednesday mornings, 9:30 to 11:30 in Fellowship Hall

### SQUARES AND PRAYERS

Tammy Snyder ~ 439-0355 or [tamsnyde@gmail.com](mailto:tamsnyde@gmail.com)  
meets Mondays, 9-11 am in Fellowship Hall

### KNIT AT NIGHT ~ ALL LEVELS OF KNITTERS WELCOME

Mary Helm ~ [mthelm4@yahoo.com](mailto:mthelm4@yahoo.com)  
meets the 3rd Thursday at 6:30 pm in Room B002

## 2017 Events:

**July 6-8**

Mission U - Three day mission education conference at Bucknell University (scholarships available)

**July 29**

Mission U Sampler Day at Chambers Hill UMC, Harrisburg

**August 19**

UMW Yard, Book and Bake Sale to benefit local missions

**October 7**

First Church hosts the Harrisburg District UMW Annual Day

**October 14**

Susquehanna Conference Annual Day, Camp Hill UMC

**November 19**

World Thank Offering and Mission Meal

Contact Lori Hoffnagle at 732-6430 with questions about any of these above UMW events

**Mission U** – three day mission education conference at Bucknell University (scholarships available). See link for registration information: [http://susumc.org/files/ministries/special\\_connection/mission\\_u/Mission\\_u\\_2017\\_Reg-Mailer.pdf](http://susumc.org/files/ministries/special_connection/mission_u/Mission_u_2017_Reg-Mailer.pdf).



## Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who attended and provided baby items for the Baby Shower for Capital Area Pregnancy Center on April 29. We had a great time playing games, learning about the ministry of the Pregnancy Center and enjoyed wonderful snacks! Thanks to Mary Circle for their efforts in organizing the event. See the church Facebook page at First United Methodist Church of Mechanicsburg, PA to see the 'Minute to Win It' video, lots of fun!

## Annual Yard/Bake/Book Sale

UMW Sale is Just Around the Corner: Mark your calendars for the annual UMW yard and rummage sale on August 19th. Sign ups for a spot at the sale will begin July 1 and will still be that low price of \$10 per very roomy space (2 parking spaces). The UMW will be collecting treasures to sell beginning August 14th, so you have plenty of time to clean out the closets and basement to get ready. Not only is this a fun day of selling your treasures, but also a day of camaraderie. All that aside is the money raised will help women and children locally and world wide. Start emailing me (Donna) at [djnichols43@hotmail.com](mailto:djnichols43@hotmail.com) on July 1st for your spot. I will keep you up to date each step of the way. Oh yes, I hold you each responsible for praying for good weather starting. . . NOW!

## Donations Needed

We will once again be collecting school supplies to be handed out at the upcoming UMW Yard Sale on August 19th. Please start looking for the following items: pencils, glue sticks, crayons, blunt scissors and erasers. The hand made pencil kits have already been donated by the Squares and Prayers Sewing and Quilting Circle. The collection bin will be located outside the multi purpose room early in July. If you already have items, you can give them to Lori Hoffnagle. Thanks for helping our children in the community!

## Church News and Notes

### Love & sympathy...

to the family upon the death of Larry Buddenbaum's aunt, Alice Lee Walker, on May 7.

### Special Birthdays

Bill Morland..... June 6  
 Thomas Hartsock ..... June 14  
 Joe Moomaw ..... June 14  
 Dolly Scholl ..... June 16  
 Caroline Brown..... June 21  
 Joanne Reed ..... June 23  
 Beryl Morgan ..... June 30  
 Bill Kelly..... July 3  
 Gladys Peck ..... July 4  
 Millie Neagley ..... July 6  
 Veloice Washburn..... July 6  
 Glenn Heller..... July 7  
 George Snoke..... July 16  
 Jack Koser..... July 22  
 Harry Woods..... July 27  
 Jean Adams ..... July 28  
 Lincoln Washburn..... July 29  
 Dave Leinhos ..... July 30

### Special Anniversaries

♥ Bob & Cheryl Erikson  
 married 50 years on June 2  
 ♥ Gerry & Darlis Aumiller  
 married 59 years on June 7  
 ♥ David & Sandra Coover  
 married 59 years on June 14  
 ♥ Paul & Liz Nesmith  
 married 62 years on June 19  
 ♥ Jack & Grace Koser  
 married 64 years on June 20  
 ♥ Larry & Judi Buddenbaum  
 married 50 years on July 1  
 ♥ Marlin & Kay Simmons  
 married 51 years on July 2  
 ♥ Ron & Jane Handwerk  
 married 56 years on July 8  
 ♥ Ben & Carol Miller  
 married 59 years on July 20  
 ♥ Gary & Bonnie Klinger  
 married 52 years on July 24

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