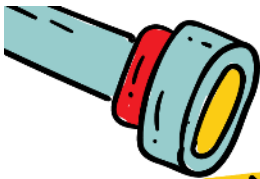

WELCOME TO
First United
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MECHANICSBURG, PA



**CAMP
SUNDAY**



“Words of Life”

FOUNDATION SERVICE

APRIL 21, 2024

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude
Welcome
Call to Worship

Hymn
"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" - No. 140

Opening Prayer

Choir Anthem
"The Gift of Love"

Scripture
1 Kings 4:29-34; John 1:1-5, 14

Sermon
"Words of Life"

Hymn
"Wonderful Words of Life" - No. 600

Pastoral Prayer
The Lord's Prayer
Announcements
Doxology
Offering Prayer

Closing Hymn
"Pass It On" - No. 572

Benediction
Postlude

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Preaching.....Rev. Kevin Witt

Liturgist.....Pastor Dennis Keller

Accompanist..... Brandon Rhody

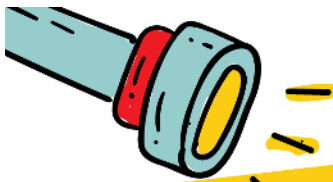
Special Music.....Sounds of Worship, Handbell Choir

Sound and Media.....Fred Espenshade, Ron Nichols, Ken Rapp, Bill Richie

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CAMP SUNDAY



**Real Summer Fun,
New Experiences,
Expand Your Faith**

**THE GATHERING SERVICE
APRIL 21, 2024**

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Camp Songs

"Give Me Oil in My Lamp"

"River of Life"

Wee Worship Dismissal

Real Summer Fun Testimony

Jeff Hoffnagle

New Experiences Testimony

Matt Ortiz

"Sanctuary"

Expand Your Faith Testimony

Bob & Tracy Wertz

Announcements and Offering

"Ha Ha Hallelujah"

Benediction

Postlude

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Pastor.....Rev. Kevin Witt

Worship Leader.....Pastor Dennis Keller

Worship Team.....Nate Erno, Katie McKenney, Max Paris, RJ Wertz, Tracy Wertz-

Sound and Media..... Fred Espenshade, Ron Nichols, Ken Rapp, Bill Richie

COMING UP AT FIRST CHURCH

WEEK OF APRIL 21

Moms In Prayer

Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Bible Study

Wednesday, 6:45 p.m.

Handbells Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday, 4 - 7 p.m.

WEEK OF APRIL 28

Pickleball in the Park (Off Site)

Tuesday, 5 p.m.

Men's Group (Off Site)

Wednesday, 8 p.m.

Men's Breakfast (Off Site)

Saturday, 7:30 a.m.

***Scan here or
visit our website at
fumchurch.com for
more details on all
of our upcoming
events!***



WEEKLY BIBLE READINGS

WEEK OF APRIL 21

Sunday

Worship

Monday

Acts 8:26-40

Tuesday

Psalms 22:25-31

Wednesday

I John 4:7-16

Thursday

I John 4:17-21

Friday

John 15:1-8

Saturday

Rest and Reflect

ALTAR FLOWERS

This week's flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Paul E. Nesmith by Liz Nesmith and family.

NOTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIFELONG LEARNER

Next Step Class | Sundays starting April 21, 9:45-10:45 a.m.

Ready to be baptized, thinking about becoming a member of First Church, or just want to explore the foundations of our faith? Join us for a four-week study, led by Pastor Denny, to dive into what it means to faithfully participate in the life of the church. This class meets in room 207 and child care will be provided. Sign up at fumchurch.com, on the Church Center app or by contacting Pastor Denny (pastordenny@fumchurch.com or 717-766-4611, ext. 103).

Wednesday Night Men's Group | First and Third Wednesdays, 8 p.m.

This group meets at Bob Wertz, Jr.'s home and enjoys great fellowship while focusing on discussion-based Bible studies. In a new three-session study, sportscaster James Brown and former NFL coach Tony Dungy explore how to live for God and serve him well. God has a purpose for you – are you ready to get on the field? Contact John Bowen for more information.

PRAYING FOLLOWER

Share Your Joys and Prayer Concerns With Us!

Green prayer cards are located in the pews and at the prayer station under the balcony. Fill one out during worship and place it in the offering basket or Janice Bowen's mailbox. You can also contact Janice directly (wecare@fumchurch.com or 717-766-4611, ext. 112).

Moms in Prayer | Mondays, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Join us as we unite with women around the world in praying for our children and grandchildren through Moms in Prayer International. Our prayer group meets in room 105, and all mothers and grandmothers are invited! All prayers remain confidential within the group. Please contact Deb Noss if you have questions or want to join this group.

PASSIONATE WORSHIPPER

Online Worship

Worship with us and invite others to join any time of the week! Check out our livestream at 8:30 a.m. on Sundays or watch recorded messages on our YouTube and Facebook pages 24/7. If you're unable to access online worship services, contact Janice Bowen (wecare@fumchurch.com) for other ways to connect to First Church.

DEDICATED MISSIONARY

April Mission Focus: Camp and Retreat Ministry

The Susquehanna Conference Camp and Retreat Ministry provides a space for people to encounter God and His creation in a Christ-centered community. The CRM offers camp programs for people of a variety of ages, interests, and abilities. On top of going as a camper, First Church offers ample opportunities to support this ministry as a volunteer, donor or prayer partner. Learn more at the display in the main entrance hallway or at suscrm.org.

RELATIONSHIP BUILDER

Retirement Celebration for Pastor Denny and Betsy | Sunday, June 9, 4:30-7 p.m.

Join us to honor Pastor Denny and Betsy Keller for their many years of faithful service and joyfully celebrate their retirement! We will begin with a potluck dinner at 4:30 p.m. Please bring a side dish to share (we'll provide chicken, dessert and beverages). After dinner, a brief program will be held from about 5:30-6 p.m., followed by fun, fellowship and games until 7 p.m. Space will be limited so if you plan to attend, please register by May 19 at fumchurch.com or on the Church Center app. You can also register by contacting the church office (office@fumchurch.com or 717-766-4611).

GENEROUS GIVER

Mission Central's Grow with Us | Saturday, May 4, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Support Mission Central at its first plant and vendor fair. Enjoy shopping for seeds, plants, flowers, baked goods and handmade crafts from local artisans. The event will also feature music, activities for kids and tours of the Mission Central warehouse. Learn more at missioncentral.org.

Handbell Choir Spaghetti Dinner | Saturday, April 27, 4-6:30 p.m.

Support the First Church Praise Ringers at their annual Spaghetti Dinner in Fellowship Hall. See a handbell choir member or sign up outside of the sanctuary entrances to reserve your tickets. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Giving to First Church

We're so grateful for all the ways you support First Church – through your prayers, time, talents and resources. Everything you give to First Church helps us build disciples and love our neighbors. You can place tithes or offerings in the baskets as you exit the sanctuary, send them into the church office, or give online at fumchurch.com or in the Church Center app.

KIDS

Stay Connected!

Want to know more about First Church Kids? Check out our landing page or contact Director of Children and Family Ministries Katie Knorr (kidscount@fumchurch.com).

Wee Worship and Kids Worship

Every Sunday these special worship programs are held (for kids through fifth grade) at the 11 a.m. service.

**Vacation Bible School |
July 15-19**

YOUTH

Keep in Touch!

Help us connect with you so that you don't miss any of the fun!

- Join our Remind text list (text @4Gyo to 81010).
- Follow our Instagram (@fourgyouthministry).
- Like us on Facebook (4G — First United Methodist Youth Group).
- Email Lisa to receive emails about all things First Church Youth.

Coming Up

Battlaball Tournament | TODAY

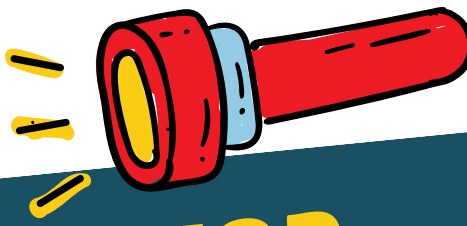
Mission Trip | June 30-July 6

Thanks for joining us in worship!

8:30 a.m.	FOUNDATION SERVICE (Traditional)
9:45 a.m.	SUNDAY SCHOOL (View classes at fumchurch.com)
11 a.m.	THE GATHERING SERVICE (Modern)
4 p.m.	REJOICING SPIRITS (Fourth Sunday of each month)

Opening Doors with Christ, One Another and Our Neighbors

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REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP!

GROW IN FAITH // MAKE LIFELONG FRIENDS
ENJOY NATURE // HAVE FUN



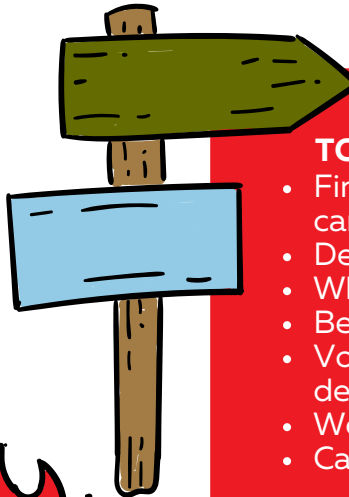
SPECIAL OFFERS:

Early Bird Discount - Save \$25 if you register by May 1.

Sibling Discount - Register the one camper at full price, and additional siblings receive a \$25 discount.

Invite-a-Friend Gift - Invite a friend who has never been to camp and receive \$50 off the cost of camp.

Financial Assistance - First Church will pay half of your camp fees!



TO LEARN ABOUT:

- Financial assistance for campers
- Details on discounts
- What to expect at camp
- Becoming a prayer partner
- Volunteering as a camp dean, nurse or counselor
- Working at camp
- Camp site workdays

**CONTACT OUR FIRST CHURCH
CAMP COORDINATORS!**



DEB NOSS: SDPPP@MSN.COM
AMY ORTIZ: AMY.OGDEN7@GMAIL.COM

Visit [suscrm.org](https://www.suscrm.org) to register and see a complete list of 2024 camps!

PASTOR DENNY AND BETSY'S



Retirement Celebration

SUNDAY, JUNE 9 | 4:30-7 P.M.

PLEASE RSVP BY MAY 19

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