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**WELCOME TO**

**First United  
Methodist Church**

**MECHANICSBURG, PA**

A rustic still life photograph featuring a large round loaf of bread, several stalks of wheat, a small bowl of nuts, and some bread rolls on a dark wooden surface. The text "SUPPER IN THE upper room" is overlaid in a serif font.

SUPPER IN THE  
**upper room**

**Apr. 13, 2025**

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## **FOUNDATION SERVICE** **(8:30 A.M.)**

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

*"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" #278*

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Choir Anthem  
*"The Palms"*

Scripture Reading  
*Luke 22:14-20*

Sermon  
*Supper in the Upper Room*

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Announcements

Offering

*"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" #301*

Benediction

Postlude

## **THE GATHERING SERVICE** **(11 A.M.)**

Countdown Video

Welcome

*"Hosanna"*

*"Joy (What the World Calls Foolish)"*

Kids Moment

Wee & Kids Worship Dismissal

Scripture Reading  
*Luke 22:14-20*

*"Revelation Song"*

Sermon  
*Supper in the Upper Room*

Pastoral Prayer

Announcements

Offering

*"Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me"*

Benediction

Postlude

# LEADING IN WORSHIP

## **Preaching**

Pastor Mira Hewlett

## **Liturgist**

Pastor Lisa Aronson

## **Accompanist (8:30 a.m.)**

Brandon Rhody

## **Special Music (8:30 a.m.)**

Sounds of Worship

## **Worship Leader (11 a.m.)**

Sarah Pugh

## **Worship Band (11 a.m.)**

Janice Bowen, George Canonizado,  
John Gross, Allison Ometz, Sarah  
Pugh, Tracy Wertz

## **Sound and Media**

Michael Garman, Ron Nichols, Bill  
Richie (8:30a), Ken Rapp (11)

## ALTAR FLOWERS

This week's flowers are given to the glory of  
God and in loving memory of Lonnie and  
Bonnie Schrade by Melody Small and family.

# KIDS

## **NEWBORN-GRADE 5**

### **Kid Worship**

8:30 am - WeeWorship for infant-Pre K, 1st  
floor kids wing; drop off before worship or  
anytime during

11 am - WeeWorship for infant-Pre K & Kid  
Worship K-5th; leave after Kids Message or  
drop off before worship, 1st floor kids wing  
\*\*Kids Activity bags at entrances anytime, see  
an Usher

### **Coming up**

VBS July 14-18, more information and details  
on church center!

### **Stay Connected!**

Learn more about our programs and  
upcoming events on our website (fumchurch.  
com) and on the Church Center app. Contact  
Director of Children and Family Ministry Katie  
Knorr ([kidscount@fumchurch.com](mailto:kidscount@fumchurch.com)) with  
questions.

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# YOUTH

## **GRADES 6-12**

**Service project: Egg filling I TODAY, 2:00-4:00** Students not participating in the passion play can help fill eggs for our fundraiser.

### **Coming Up:**

**-April 27th - Sign up for Battleball ASAP.**

### **Keep in Touch!**

Join our Remind text list (text @4Gyo to 81010)

Follow our instagram (@fourgyouthministry)

Visit our webpage (link on Church Center)

Contact Pastor of Discipleship Lisa Aronson ([uthrock@fumchurch.com](mailto:uthrock@fumchurch.com)) to receive email updates.

The Trustees have opened their scholarships for the 2025/2026 school year. See Church Center for information on applying.

## **April 13-19 Holy Week**

### **Prayer of the Week**

Savior of the world, what have you done to deserve this?  
And what have we done to deserve you?  
Strung up between criminals,  
Cursed and spat upon,  
You wait for death,  
And look for us,  
For us whose sin has crucified you.  
To the mystery of undeserved suffering,  
You bring the deeper mystery of unmerited love.  
Forgive us for not knowing what we have done;  
Open our eyes to what we are doing now,  
As, through wood and nails,  
You disempower our depravity  
and transform us by your grace.  
Amen.

-Stages on the Way by Iona Community Wild Goose Worship Group, pg 141

**Monday: Luke 22:7-30** An expanded Passover

**Tuesday: Luke 21:5 – 22:6** In terrible times...

**Wednesday: Luke 22:31-62** The storm broke, Peter cringed

**Thursday: Luke 22:63-23:12** Jesus' judges condemn themselves

**Friday: Luke 23:13-46** "Darkness covered the earth"

**Saturday: Luke 23:47-56** Mourning before morning

# NOTES

**The church office will be closed on Friday, April 18 and Monday, April 21.**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## LIFELONG LEARNER

### Next Step: New Members' Class | Apr. 27-May 25

Are you looking to become a member of First Church, or want to explore the foundations of our faith? There will be a 5-week class April 27- May 25 during the Sunday school hour (9:45-10:45). A confirmation class for students will be offered during the same time. Registration and information can be found on Church Center.

### Wednesday Men's Group | 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 8:00 p.m.

This group enjoys great fellowship while focusing on discussion-based Bible studies. Contact the church office, John Bowen or Bob Wertz, Jr. if interested in more information.



## PRAYING FOLLOWER

### Good Friday Prayer Walk, Friday, Apr. 18

The annual Community Good Friday Prayer Walk will be held on Friday, April 18 starting at 11:00 a.m. Led by local pastors, prayer walkers will start at one of the prayer sites and then cover the surrounding area in prayer. Participants are then invited to join together at noon at Mechanicsburg First Church of God on the square (28 East Main Street) for closing prayer and worship. All are welcome! The starting prayer sites are: Mechanicsburg Area Senior High, First United Methodist Church, St. Mark Lutheran Church, Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Park, and Turning Point Church. Watch for more details and updates on our website and on Church Center. Please contact Lori Hoffnagle at [l\\_hoffnagle@yahoo.com](mailto:l_hoffnagle@yahoo.com) for more info.



## PASSIONATE WORSHIPPER

### Passion Play | Apr. 17, 6:30 pm

For over thirty years, First Church has performed a Passion Play where children, youth and adults share the story of Jesus leading up to his death and resurrection. The Passion Play will take the audience on the journey with Jesus from Palm Sunday to Easter. There's no need to pre-register for this free, all-ages event. Be sure to invite friends and family!

### Isaiah 61 Homeless Ministry | Apr. 16, 6:30 p.m.

Isaiah 61 Ministries serves the needs of the homeless in Dauphin County through a variety of services including a soup kitchen, clothing bank and life groups. First Church members help serve meals to the homeless in downtown Harrisburg on the third Wednesday of each month. To find out how you can help or if you would like to carpool, please contact Tiffany Holland [tholland1967@gmail.com](mailto:tholland1967@gmail.com)



## DEDICATED MISSIONARY

### Summer Mission Trip

The youth and other interested individuals are serving in Western North Carolina from June 29-July 4 to aid in disaster relief with Praying Pelican Missions. Register and learn more about the trip on Church Center.



## RELATIONSHIP BUILDER

### Easter Sunrise

If you plan to attend the Easter Sunrise Breakfast and can bring a dish to share, please sign up at [www.timetosignup.com/fumchurch](http://www.timetosignup.com/fumchurch) (information is also on Church Center).

### **Sign up for Church Summer Camp!**

Register by May 1st for the "Early Bird" discount. FUMC will pay half (50% OFF) of all camp fees. The conference provides additional discounts for "Siblings" as well as "Inviting-a-Friend" who has never been to camp. Visit [suscrm.org](http://suscrm.org) to register and see a complete list of camps and retreats. Forward your camp confirmations/questions to Deb Noss [sdppp@msn.com](mailto:sdppp@msn.com) or to [kidscount@fumchurch.com](mailto:kidscount@fumchurch.com).

### **Senator's Game | Jun. 8**

Mark your calendar for our annual summer church outing to see the Harrisburg Senators play baseball on City Island. Sign up on Church Center. Ticket prices include a picnic lunch and seats for the game. Register and pay by May 18th. Please reach out to Jeff Honagle with questions.

### **Friday Food Trucks at First, Save the Dates!**

The Food Trucks are back for another season starting May 16! New this year, we are excited to offer additional activities alongside the food truck events. In May, we will partner with the Simpson Library for a kick off to the Summer Reading Program, along with music on the patio from RJ Wertz. On July 18, we welcome Jazz 4 on the patio and a family-friendly movie. For our last event on September 19, we will partner with Sadler Health for a Fun and Fit Fair in the multipurpose room and music on the patio with Scott Hallman. The food trucks are a great way to meet our neighbors in a fun and casual atmosphere. We look forward to offering these events to our church family and our community. The food trucks serve from 4:30 to 8:00 p.m. We can always use volunteers to help with parking, set up or tear down. Please contact Lori Hoffnagle at [l\\_hoffnagle@yahoo.com](mailto:l_hoffnagle@yahoo.com) to volunteer or learn more. Hope to see you there!

### **Handbell Choir Spaghetti Dinner | Apr. 26, 4-6:30 p.m.**

Support the First Church Praise Ringers at their annual Spaghetti Dinner in Fellowship Hall. To purchase tickets, see the sign up sheet at the registratrion table in lobby, or you can contact Deb Canonizado at [Deb.Canonizado@verizon.net](mailto:Deb.Canonizado@verizon.net) or call/text [717-497-5580](tel:717-497-5580). Tickets will also be available at the door. Although this is a fundraiser, it's purpose to our church family is focused on fellowship. It is a sit down all-you-can-eat meal at a very reasonable price where fellowship hall is transformed into an Italian Bistro atmosphere. Tickets for adults are \$10, kids ages 4-10 are \$5, and kids under age 3 are free.



### **GENEROUS GIVER**

### **Egging of the Yards**

The youth group will not be hiding eggs this year, but we are responding to the request to provide filled eggs that you can have fun hiding. If you'd like to support the youth mission trip and need some eggs for a hunt, contact Lisa Aronson for more information.

### **April 27th Worship**

Dwayne and Julia Johnson founders of One80 Ministries will share in the message about how Jesus has transformed lives through this local ministry that reaches out to those struggling with housing and basic needs. We will also bless them with our Lenten Peanut Butter collection which we are still collecting until Apr. 20th.

***Scan here or visit [fumchurch.com](http://fumchurch.com)  
for more details on upcoming  
events and opportunities!***



# First UMC Worship

8:30 am - Traditional Worship with choir  
WeeWorship for infant-Pre K  
Kids Activity bags at entrance for K-5th graders

11am - Contemporary Worship with Worship Band  
WeeWorship for infant-PreK & Kids Worship for K-5th graders  
Kids Activity bags at entrance for K-5th graders

**\*Both services also streamed live or view later at**  
[www.youtube.com/@FUMCMechanicsburg](https://www.youtube.com/@FUMCMechanicsburg)

**Looking for a Sign-Up? In the Main Lobby is the Registration Table where you can register for current studies, fundraisers, events, and more.**



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