
WELCOME TO

**First United
Methodist Church**

MECHANICSBURG, PA



**MOUNTAIN OF
PROMISE**

August 3, 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP

FOUNDATION SERVICE **8:30 A.M**

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

"Hymn of Promise"
#707

Affirmation of Faith

Scripture Reading:
Genesis 6:9-10, 7:6-10, 8:13-17, 20-22

Sermon:
"Mountain of Promise"

Communion

Announcements

Offering

"Standing on the Promises"
#374

Benediction

Postlude

THE GATHERING SERVICE **11 A.M.**

Countdown Video

Welcome

"King of My Heart"

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Kids Moment

Wee Worship Dismissal

Scripture Reading:
Genesis 6:9-10, 7:6-10, 8:13-17, 20-22

Sermon:
"Mountain of Promise"

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"Wonder"

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LEADING IN WORSHIP

Preaching
Pastor Mira

Liturgist
Sarah Pugh

Accompanist
Brandon Rhody

Worship Leader (11a)
Sarah Pugh

Worship Band
George Canonizado, Nate Erno, Geri Nuss, Sarah Pugh

Sound and Media
Michael Garman, Holly Kurten (8:30a), Jim Murdoch (8:30a), Ken Rapp (11a), Jim Robinson (11a)

ALTAR FLOWERS

This week's flowers are given to the glory of God.

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

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) with questions.

YOUTH

GRADES 6-12

Grab a summer calendar to see summer youth opportunities (behind the couches in the small lobby)

Coming Up:

TONIGHT: Community Youth Worship Night with Salt 'n Light (7:00 pm)

Aug 10: Operation Warm Hearts activity during Sunday School in fellowship hall.

Keep In Touch!

Join our Remind text list (text @4Gyo to 81010). Must download app to receive messages & turn on push notifications (no longer sends to texts). Follow our instagram (@fouryouthministry) Visit our webpage (link on Church Center). Contact Lisa Aronson (uthrock@fumchurch.com) to receive email updates.

NOTES

Camp | Thank You

As the Summer Camp season winds to a close, we as Camp Coordinators would like to extend to you our thanks and appreciation for making this year's camping season memorable and successful. It seems like only yesterday when we had Camp Sunday in February to kick off the year with the camping theme: ***"Building authentic connections in Christ, community, and creation."***

So, we would like to thank:

- Parents who made it a priority to register and take their children to camp this year;
- Campers who went into less familiar places yet willing to explore creation in search of fun, friends and fellowship;
- Volunteers (Deans, Nurses, Counselors, Special Guests, etc.) who took time away from their regular lives to provide programming and a safe and fun environment for campers to make new and lasting friendships with others and with Christ;
- Prayer Partners who prayed for individual campers, others attending camp and all the volunteers/permanent camp staff - for safety, fun and to grow relationships with the Lord;
- Members of First Church who support this ministry through your willingness to help pay half of camper registrations – this is a huge blessing to our camp families;
- Individuals who gave special scholarship gifts to help cover additional fees and expenses; and You for undergirding this vital program!

This year, there were **41** First Church campers/volunteers, **54** who were covered in pray by multiple partners, and **44** who received financial assistance.

FUMC (you) also offered a special partnership with ***The Journey*** church in Harrisburg to support their initiative to send **14** children from their church to camp for the very first time.

How has being a member of FUMC who in some way supported camp this year helped to connect you to Christ, community, and/or creation?

We would love to hear from you as our partners in the Camping Ministry.

Your Sisters and Brother in Christ,
Amy Ortiz, Deb Noss and Steve Noss

ANNOUNCEMENTS



LIFELONG LEARNER

Summer Sunday School | Operation Warm Hearts, Aug. 10, 9:45-10:45a.m.

Operation Warm Hearts is a local grassroots organization that aims to provide handmade items for those encountering homeless situations. All ages are welcome to help us make no-throw blankets in the Fellowship Hall during Sunday school on Aug. 10.

Called to Journey, Called to Welcome: A Biblical Perspective on Immigration ZOOM Study

Come check out this 6-week online study every Tuesday from Sept. 2-Oct. 7 from 7-8 p.m. presented by Rev. Lenore Hosier, Immigration Response Team for SUSUMC. This event is sponsored by The Peace with Justice Commission of SUSUMC in coordination with The Conference Board of Global Ministries (CBGM). To register & receive the ZOOM link please email Rev. Hosier at lhosier@susumc.org.



PRAYING FOLLOWER

Community Youth Worship Night | TONIGHT, 7 p.m.

Join us at 7:00 pm TONIGHT in the green space outside FUMC for a worship night. Our students have been blessed by the worship offerings of Salt 'n Light Youth Ministry, and we are excited to partner with McBic to invite Salt 'n Light to the Mechanicsburg for the evening. Please bring a bag chair, and come ready for a night of worship. (Inclement weather will move us into the sanctuary.)



PASSIONATE WORSHIPPER

Introducing the New First Church Service Shirts!

We're excited to announce our brand-new First Church Service Shirts — designed to unite and identify us as we serve together in our community. Whether you're volunteering at an outreach event, helping with church ministries, or participating in a mission project, these shirts are a simple and powerful way to represent First Church with love and purpose. Wearing a service shirt not only helps others recognize who we are, but it also shows that we're working together as the hands and feet of Christ. Shirts are available for \$10.00 and can be ordered at the registration table or on Church Center. Participation Discount: If you participate in one of the Summer Sunday school activities you can get a shirt for \$5.00 (Checks made out to FUMC, t-shirt in the memo, and given attention of Lisa Aronson).



DEDICATED MISSIONARY

VIM Adult Mission Trip - Oct 19-25 2025

A team of adults will travel to Plymouth NC to work with Carolina Rebuilding ministry on homes in flood areas in need of repairs and for accessibility. Work could include drywall, painting, flooring, ramps, etc. No experience necessary, ages 18+ only. Cost is \$350 that includes housing, food on site, supplies and travel. Pastor Mira will lead the team; contact pastormira@fumchurch.com with questions or to sign up. **Deadline to sign up Aug 17th.**



RELATIONSHIP BUILDER

Solo Seniors Fellowship | Tuesday, Aug. 12

The Solo Senior Fellowship will dine at the Pizza Grill in Camp Hill on Tuesday, August 12 at 11:30 a.m. If you plan on attending, please call Bonnie Guyer at 717-766-0145. Transportation will be provided upon request.

Camp Fancy Gala | Saturday, Sept. 13, 4-8 p.m.

Everyone who values the power of our Camp and Retreat Ministry experiences is invited to enjoy an evening of inspiration, fun, and generosity. This annual fundraising event takes place at the Central Penn College Conference Center (600 College Hill Road, Summerdale) and features a catered meal, special music, a silent auction and the chance to honor long-time camp volunteer Rev. Beth Jones. Buy tickets, make a donation and learn about sponsorship opportunities at suscrm.org/gala. If you have questions, want to volunteer, or want to donate an auction item, please contact Steve Noss (sdppp@msn.com).



GENEROUS GIVER

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.

Yard, Book and Bake Sale | Saturday, Aug. 16

We are looking forward to the annual United Women in Faith Yard, Book and Bake Sale in our church parking lot on Saturday, August 16 from 8:00 a.m. to noon. At this time there are no more spots available. If interested in being on waitlist, please reach out to Donna Nichols at djnichols43@hotmail.com

Yard Sale Donations and Book Collections

The Yard Sale Collection begins on Monday, August 4 through Thursday, August 14 from 9:00 am to Noon only in the multipurpose room. We will have evening collections on August 6 and 13 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Also, we are looking for your books, CD, DVDs and puzzles for the Church Book Sale. Those donations can be brought on Sunday mornings to the church library or during yard sale collection times. Thanks for supporting this event! Questions, contact Lori Hoffnagle at l_hoffnagle@yahoo.com.

Volunteers Needed

We are looking for some volunteers to help with prepping and painting for the front doors of the church. We need to have the surround and the doors scraped and painted. This can be done on your own schedule. If you can assist with this project contact Paul Zito at facilities@fumchurch.com

***Scan here or visit 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**

**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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