
WELCOME TO

First United
Methodist Church

MECHANICSBURG, PA



Disciples
Formed
by Christ



April 12, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

"Christ is Alive" #318

Affirmation of Faith

Praise Chorus:

"Majesty, Worship His Majesty" #176

Mission Moment

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Ministry of Music:

"Shall We Gather at the River?"

Scripture Reading:

"Luke 5:1-11"

Sermon: *"Disciples Formed By Christ" - Rev. Jason Mackey*

Announcements

Offering

"Here I Am Lord" #593

Benediction

Postlude

FOUNDATION SERVICE **11:00 A.M**

Countdown Video

Welcome

"In Christ Alone"

"Good, Good Father"

Kids Moment

Wee & Worship Dismissal

Mission Moment

Pastoral Prayer

"Christ to Every Nation"

Scripture Reading

"Luke 5:1-11"

Sermon: *"Disciples Formed By Christ" - Rev. Jason Mackey*

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"The Blood"

Benediction

Postlude

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Preaching

Rev. Jason Mackey

Liturgist

Lisa Aronson

Accompanist (830)

Brandon Rhody

Special Music

Sounds of Worship

Worship Band

George Canonizado, John McHenry,
Geri Nuss, Lauren Sanker, Allison
Shield, Tracy Wertz

Sound and Media

Michael Garman, Bill Richie, Holly
Kurten (8:30a), Jim Murdoch (8:30),
Violet Sanker (11), Fred Espenshade
(11)

ALTAR FLOWERS

This week's altar
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

11am - 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

Keep in Touch!

We have a **new** Youth Ministry texting platform.

To get the most up-to-date and real time messages please text "fumyouthmin" to 717-722-4800 to opt into receiving texts.

Contact Lisa Aronson at discipleship@fumchurch.com to receive email updates.

NOTES

Sunday Morning Enrichment | 9:45-10:45 | Sunday Mornings



Sunday School: Sunday mornings are a wonderful opportunity to find consistency and accountability in your faith journey and to encourage your studying of God's Word. Here is a list of enrichment opportunities during the Sunday School hour (9:45-10:45 AM). We look forward to growing together!

- **Growing in Christ, B006**

A welcoming group that enjoys digging deeper into the Scriptures to seek the knowledge and wisdom to apply Scriptural truths in our everyday lives. The class generally consists of prayer, a video, and a group discussion. Drop in for a single class, or a specific study, or stay as long as you like! If interested, contact Marjorie Snyder at 57masnyder@gmail.com.

- **Christian Fellowship, Room B003**

A friendly and caring group of adults, eager to apply God's Word to life's challenges. The class generally explores scripture and faith themes through book or video-based series. If interested, contact Wayne Leister at waydeleister@outlook.com.

- **Helping Hands, Room B004**

A group of active seniors who focus on encouraging instructions for faithful living, and who enjoy fellowship activities together outside of class. If interested, contact Bob Wertz, Sr., at robert_wertz@plantsitelogistics.com.

- **Guyer Class, Room 123**

This class, comprised of a wonderful group of seniors who are young at heart, is taught by a variety of church leaders. Lessons follow the Adult Bible Study series which includes daily devotions. If interested, contact Steve and Deb Noss at sdppp@msn.com.

Small Groups: There are also Small Groups that regularly meet during the Sunday School hour and strive to not only support each other through faith growth in a classroom space, but also through fellowship and connection as they navigate similar stages of life:

- **Faithful Families**

Contact: Bob and Tracy Wertz at wertzfive@gmail.com.

An active group of parents with college-aged and young adult children who study Scripture, encourage one another and celebrate life together in and out of the classroom.

- **Faith in Everyday Life**

Contact: Amy at amyerno@gmail.com or Jenell at jparis@messiah.edu.

A group for adults of all ages focused on fellowship and friendship/mutual support in and outside the classroom

ANNOUNCEMENTS



LIFELONG LEARNER

New Member Class | Begins April 19

Ready to become a member of First Church? Just want to explore the foundations of our faith? Join us for a four-week study beginning April 19th, "A Disciple's Path." Together with Pastor Mira, you'll explore what it means to faithfully participate in the life of the Church through your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. If you are a student wishing to join as well, we will be offering a confirmation class at the same time led by Lisa Aronson. Confirmation is best suited for those 6th grade and older. Older high school can choose to attend the adult class if preferred. Additionally, there is a conference wide confirmation retreat happening on April 18th that you can register for as well. Sign up in the main lobby or on Church Center, contact Pastor Mira with any questions.



PRAYING FOLLOWER

VBS 2026 | July 13-17th

Vacation Bible School is gearing up! Registration is now open for kids, as well as teen and adult volunteers to join us July 13-17th from 9am-noon. Kids will Join Activities Director Miss Katie and Ollie the Arctic Seal on an epic adventure filled with games, music, crafts, snacks and amazing Bible stories. Sign up today at Church Center or at fumchurch.com/vbs and receive a free gift if you register before June 1st.

Health and Wellness Presentation | April 12th, 9:45 a.m.

Please join us in the gym during the Sunday School hour for the next Health and Wellness presentation titled: "Resources for Caregivers of Loved Ones with Dementia: A Panel Presentation." The panel will consist of Sandy Leister, RN; John Bowen, MSW; and both Serenity Hoch and Marina Bardsley from Artis Senior Living. Each will share thoughts and ideas about support and resources for caregivers from their individual experience and expertise. The panel will happily receive questions from those in attendance.



PASSIONATE WORSHIPPER

Isaiah 61 Homeless Ministry | April 15, 6:30 pm

First Church is pleased to support Isaiah 61 Ministries, a local organization that serves the needs of the homeless in Dauphin County. They provide a variety of services including a soup kitchen, clothing bank and Life groups. Specifically, First Church members help serve meals to the homeless in downtown Harrisburg on the third Wednesday of each month. The next volunteer opportunity is April 15 at 6:30 p.m. To find out how to get involved, contact Tiffany Holland at tholland1967@gmail.com. We can always use desserts for meals, specifically Brownies and Rice Krispy Treats. Please contact Tiffany to provide a treat for the upcoming meal.

Susquehanna UMC Camping & Retreat Ministry | Sign up for Church 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 to register and see a complete list of camps and retreats. You can forward your camp registrations and/or questions to Deb Noss sdppp@msn.com or to mattandamyortiz@gmail.com.



DEDICATED MISSIONARY

Ushers and Greeters

We are reaching out again to ask for a few more volunteers! We mostly need help at the 8:30 service. If you would be interested in being an usher or greeter, please reach out to Judi Buddenbaum at 717-805-2296 or ljcbuddenbaum@verizon.net. Thank you!



RELATIONSHIP BUILDER

Solo Seniors Fellowship | April 14th at 11:30am

The Solo Seniors Fellowship will dine at Dalicia's Ristorante and Bakery on Tuesday, April 14th at 11:30 a.m. If you plan on attending, please call Bonnie Guyer at 717-766-0145. Transportation will be provided upon request. Address: 105 S. Market St, Mechanicsburg.

Disability Community Resource Fair | May 2, 10am-1pm at Mechanicsburg Middle School

Join us for a free day for information, games, and activities. Event hosted by Mechanicsburg Area School District. A free photo opportunity with "Rascal" the Harrisburg Senators Mascot from 11:30am-12:30pm. For a list of participating resources go to www.disabilityfair.org

Senators Baseball Game/Picnic | June 7, 1pm, Register by May 17

Invite your family and friends to join us at FNB Field on City Island for a picnic and a Harrisburg Senators baseball game! The buffet-style picnic starts at noon and includes hamburgers, hot dogs, BBQ chicken, baked beans, pasta salad, chips, cookies, soda, and water. The Senators game starts at 1 p.m. Discounted Picnic/Ballgame tickets are just \$26.50 for adults (age 19 and older), \$15 for children/youth (age 4-18) and free for children 3 and under! Must register and pay by May 17th. Contact Jeff Hoffnagle for more info or for questions at jeffrey.hoffnagle@yahoo.com.



GENEROUS GIVER

Handbells Panera Fundraiser | April 14, 4-8 pm

Support the First Church Praise Ringers on Tuesday April 14th from 4-8 p.m. at Panera for another dine-in fundraiser! Must present flyer (flyers are located on Church Center's Handbell fundraiser event, and at the Handbell Hub table in the church). Location: 6391 Carlisle Pike, Mech.

Handbell Spring Concert | May 3, 7pm in Sanctuary

Our annual spring concert, "Make Me an Instrument" will be Sunday, May 3rd. Come enjoy beautiful handbell music as we take a look back on some of Kathie's favorite handbell pieces over the years. Concert is free to attend, donations are welcomed. Light reception will follow in the MPR.

Mission Central Spring Plant & Seed Fair | May 2, 8-12pm

We hope to see you at Mission Central on May 2 to check out their annual fundraiser selling plants/seeds, makers and thrifters, food and music, tours, and kid's activities. Rain or shine, come shop, learn, connect and support Mission Central.

***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 for current studies, fundraisers, events, and more.

Church Center

FUMC app to sign up for classes, donate, and request access to the church directory. Scan QR code:



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