
WELCOME TO

First United
Methodist Church

MECHANICSBURG, PA

A large black circle containing the text 'MOVING AWAY STONES' in a bold, sans-serif font. Below the main title is the text 'EASTER SUNDAY' in a smaller, bold, sans-serif font. Two circular inset images of flowers are positioned on the circle's perimeter: one with orange flowers on the left and one with green leaves and yellow flowers on the right.

**MOVING
AWAY
STONES**

EASTER SUNDAY

April 5, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today" #302

Kids Moment

Pastoral Prayer

Sounds Of Worship
"Alleluia No. 1"

Scripture Reading:
Mark 16:1-8

Sermon:
"Moving Away Stones"

Handbell Anthem
"Joy in The Morning"

Offering
Announcements

"He Lives" #310

Benediction

Postlude - Handbells
"Lift High The Cross"

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

Countdown Video

Welcome

"Agnus Dei/King of Kings"

"Great Things"

Kids Moment
Wee & Worship Dismissal

Pastoral Prayer

"Revelation Song"

Scripture Reading
Mark 16:1-8

Sermon:
Moving Away Stones

Offering

Announcements

"The Blood"

Benediction

Postlude

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Preaching

Pastor Mira

Liturgist

Sarah Pugh

Accompanist (830)

Brandon Rhody

Special Music

Sounds of Worship

Worship Band

Emily Hammaker, Sarah Pugh,
Cynthia Smith, Abigail Wertz, RJ
Wertz, Tracy Wertz

Sound and Media

Ken Rapp, Fred Espenshade (8:30),
Michael Garman (8:30), Jim Murdoch
(11), Jim Robinson

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

ALTAR FLOWERS

This week's altar flowers are given to the Glory of God placed by The Guyer Class.

Last week's mache basket was placed in loving memory of Karen Marr Philp by The Philp and Fugate Families and Patricia Marr.

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

Reminder:

The Church office will be closed Monday, April 6th.

EASTER FLOWERS



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

L. Gene Adams & Rose A. Myers.....
Anthony Perno
William Ortiz, John & Mary Miller, Maxine & Warren Ogden..
Glen & Betsy Kurtz, & Dolores Walker.....
Harold & Doris Zimmerman.....
Merle & Della Zimmerman.....
Joseph Moomaw.....
Donald McHale & Jane McHale.....
Ralph, Edna, Edwin Barclay & Sharon Vollert.....
Our Family.....
The Guyer & Crowl Families.....
Jim Mariano.....
Charlie Ryder.....
Earl W. Sollenberger.....
Karen M. Philp & her Father, John A. Marr.....
Murph Zimmerman.....

PLACED BY

Jean Adams & Family
Mary Juson
Matthew & Amy Ortiz
John & Denise Kurtz
Steven Zimmerman
Steven Zimmerman
Mike & Karin McHale
Mike & Karin McHale
Kurt, Gloria & Alex Vollert
The Buddenbaums & Spencers
Bonnie Guyer
Flossie Ryder
Flossie Ryder
Jody Sollenberger
Jeff & Gayle Fugate
Lela Zimmerman, & Children's
Families

IN HONOR OF

Ben Miller's 90th Birthday

PLACED BY

Bonnie Guyer

Donation to the restoration of stained glass windows is given in loving memory of
Marilyn Seig by Jean Adams

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 multi-purpose room during the Sunday School hour for the Spring Health and Wellness presentation: "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 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 | Tuesday, 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.

Trustees Spring Work Day | April 18

Our annual spring work day is coming up April 18th, Help always needed. If interested, feel free to show up at 8am at the church to help volunteer and beautify our church outside!

Spring Garden Tea Party | May 2, 11am-1pm, Register by April 19

For those who love tea, and plants-- come to the Praise Ringers Spring Garden Tea Party at First Church on Saturday, May 2nd from 11am to 1pm. Space is limited so reserve your seat early. \$45 per person includes a delicious tea party prepared by the Praise Ringers and all the supplies to make a tea cup succulent garden to take home with you. Sign up on Church Center or contact a Ringer you know to make reservations. The deadline to register is Sunday, April 19.



GENEROUS GIVER

Spaghetti Dinner | April 11, 4-6:30pm

Support the First Church Praise Ringers at their annual All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti Dinner! The dinner will be Saturday April 11th, come anytime between 4-6:30pm. Prices are \$12 for adults, \$5 for kids ages 4-10, kids under 3 eat free. To register and for more information, visit Church Center, the handbell hub table, or see a handbell member.

Panera Fundraiser: Join us 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, Mechanicsburg.

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:



Rev. Mira Hewlett, Senior Pastor | pastormira@fumchurch.com

Kelsey Goll, Office Manager & Communications | communications@fumchurch.com

Lisa Aronson, Youth & Adult Discipleship | discipleship@fumchurch.com

Katie Knorr, Kids & Family Ministry | kidscount@fumchurch.com

Sarah Pugh, Worship Arts | worship@fumchurch.com

Janice Bowen, Congregational Care | wecare@fumchurch.com

Paul Zito, Facilities Manager | facilities@fumchurch.com

Lori Hoffnagle, Administration & Outreach | outreach@fumchurch.com

Amy Erno, Finance Director | financedirector@fumchurch.com

Janet Rice, Director of Little Friends Preschool | director@littlefriendspreschool.org

"Love Boldly, Serve Joyfully, Lead Courageously"

135 W. Simpson St., Mechanicsburg PA 17055
office@fumchurch.com | 717-766-4611 | fumchurch.com | [@fumchurch](https://www.instagram.com/fumchurch)