



A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day

Sunday, May 5, 2024 8:30 & 10:45am

† *Indicates a time to stand, if you are able*

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE

“Draw Nigh and Take the Body of Our Lord”

Genevan Psalter/R. Warner

†CALL to WORSHIP *(responsively)*

We have come together as one:

one people, gathered in the name of the one true God.

We will worship together as one:

one community, giving praise and honor to the Righteous One.

We are being empowered as one by One:

one body and one Spirit, called to the hope of one calling,

one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

one God and Father of all who is above all and through all and in all.

Now, in the name of the Three-in-One, we act as one:

one people, giving witness to the power of One!

†HYMN of PRAISE

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

UMH 92

†AFFIRMATION of FAITH: Apostles' Creed *(unison)*

UMH 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

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**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen!**

†**SHARING the PEACE of CHRIST**

†**GLORIA PATRI** ~means “Glory be to the Father” (*sung in unison*) **UMH 70**
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost!
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end! Amen! Amen!

A READING from the OLD TESTAMENT **Deuteronomy 6:4-9** NIV
The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

MINISTRY in MUSIC (10:45) **Chancel Choir**
“One Bread, One Body” ~ arr. Mark Hayes

REAFFIRMATION of the BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Brothers and sisters in Christ: through the sacrament of baptism, God's Holy Spirit has been poured out upon water, flowing freely for all who will receive it, from streams of God's saving power, bringing hope to all who thirst for righteousness.

Today we come to the waters, to renew our commitments in each other's presence to Christ who has raised us, the Holy Spirit who has birthed us, and the Creator who is making all things new.

And so I ask you, will you turn away from the powers of sin and death?

**We renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness,
reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of our sin!**

Will you let the Holy Spirit use you as prophets to the powers that be?

**We accept the freedom and power God gives us to resist evil, injustice,
and oppression, in whatever forms they present themselves!**

Will you proclaim the good news and live as disciples of Jesus, His body on earth?

**We confess Jesus Christ as our Savior, put our whole trust in His
grace, and promise to serve Him as our Lord, in union with the church
which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races!**

Will you be living witnesses to the gospel, individually and together,
wherever you are, and in all that you do?

**We will remain faithful members of Christ's holy church,
and serve as Christ's representatives in the world.**

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Will you receive and profess the Christian faith
as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

**We affirm and teach the faith of the whole church as we put our
trust in God the Father Almighty, in Jesus Christ, His only Son,
and in the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever!**

The Pastor pours the water into the baptismal font...

The Spirit of the Lord is with us!

Even so, come Lord Jesus!

Let us pray: Almighty God, the life You gave us by baptism into Jesus Christ
will never die. Your justice never fails. Your mercy is everlasting.

Your healing river flows. Your Spirit blows where You will.

We cannot stop You, O God!

But sometimes we try. We try to block the flow, we attempt to redirect
the winds of the Holy Spirit, or we walk so far away from the life-giving
stream that we do not hear its sound, and we forget its power.

We are dry and thirsty, O God. Come, refresh us!

Let these waters be to us drops of Your mercy. Let these waters remind us
of Your righteousness and justice. Let these waters renew in us the resurrection
power of Jesus. Let these waters make us long for Your coming reign.

Most Holy God, our Abba Father—all glory be to You!

**Jesus Christ, Savior, Lord—all glory be to You! Holy Spirit of fire,
Spirit over the waters, Spirit of holiness—all glory be to You!**

Eternal God, One-in-Three and Three-in-One!

All glory is Yours, now and forever! Amen!

The Pastor touches with water from the font, thus reaffirming our baptism...

Remember that you are baptized, and rejoice!

We have been washed anew by water and the Holy Spirit. Amen!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MINISTRY in MUSIC

Chancel Chanters

“You are God (Te Deum Laudamus)” ~Slavonic chant

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER *(unison)*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom,
and the power, and the glory forever. Amen!**

SHARING of HIS TITHES and OUR GIFTS

THE OFFERTORY

“O Living Bread from Heaven” ~Hans Leo Hassler

†THE DOXOLOGY ~means “Praise be to God” (*sung in unison*)

UMH 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Praise God all creatures here below! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

†PRAYER of DEDICATION

†HYMN of PRAYER *“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”* UMH 430

A READING from the NEW TESTAMENT

Ephesians 4:1-6^{NIV}

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

THE MESSAGE

“One Bread, One Body”

Pastor Kevin Haley

SACRAMENT of HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you!

And also with you!

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him our thanks and praise.

With joy we give You thanks and praise, Almighty God, Source of all life and love, that we live in Your world, that You are always creating and sustaining it by Your power, and that You have so made us that we can know and love You, we can trust and serve You. We give You thanks that You loved the world so much that You gave Your only Son, so that everyone who has faith in Him may not die but have eternal life. We thank You that Jesus is always present with us through Your Holy Spirit. We thank You that we can live by faith, that Your Kingdom will come, and that in life, in death, and beyond, You are with us.

Therefore, with all the company of heaven, and with all Your people of all times and places, we proclaim Your greatness and sing Your praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might!

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory!

Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He

who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!

Holy and Gracious God, in Your infinite love, You made us for Yourself, and when we had fallen into sin and became subject to evil and death, You, in Your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, Your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to You. He stretched out His arms upon the cross, and offered Himself, in obedience to Your will, as a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night He was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus took bread; and when He had given thanks to You, He broke it, and gave it to His disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." After supper, He took the cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is My blood of the new covenant, shed for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of Me." Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

We celebrate as we remember our redemption, O Lord, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling His death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer You these gifts. Sanctify them by Your Holy Spirit, to be for Your people the body and blood of Your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Him. Sanctify us also, that we may faithfully receive this holy sacrament, and serve you in unity, faithfulness, and peace; and at the last day, bring us with all Your saints into the joy of Your eternal Kingdom. All this we ask through Your Son, Jesus Christ: By Him, and with Him, and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is Yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

Amen!

GIVING the BREAD and CUP

The ushers will distribute communion where you are seated. Please take a piece of (gluten-free) bread and hold it until the Pastor directs us to eat together; please do the same with the cups of juice...

PRAYER after COMMUNION

The Pastor will offer a prayer after all have received communion...

†HYMN of COMMITMENT

UMH 545

"The Church's One Foundation"

†DISMISSAL with BLESSING

†THE POSTLUDE

"O Lord, We Praise You" ~Samuel Scheidt

†GOING FORTH to SERVE

Liturgist: **Jim Caffrey**
Acolyte: **Cheyenne Miller**
Tech Team: **Nevaeh Hirst, Cheyenne Miller**

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday ~ May 5 ~ Read 1 Kings 12-13; Luke 24:36-53

- 8:30am Worship (*Sanctuary*)
- 9:00am Children's Chimes rehearsal (*Bell Room*)
- 9:30am Coffee/Fellowship (*Sanctuary Hall*)
- 9:40am Sunday School →
- 10:45am Worship (*Sanctuary*)
- 5:30pm Youth Halo Choir (*Choir Room*)
- 6:00pm Youth 180...Cinco de Mayo theme (*Youth Café*)

Elementary age 4-grade 5

(rm. 305 - upper level)

Youth grades 6-12

(rm. 302 - upper level)

Genesis Adults

(library - lower level)

Monday ~ May 6 ~ Read 1 Kings 14-15; John 1:1-28

- 5:30pm Girl Scouts (*Fellowship Hall*)
- 6:30pm Centering Prayer (*Prayer Room*)
- 6:30pm Board of Trustees (*Parsonage; 1142 McKenna Way, Greensburg*)

Tuesday ~ May 7 ~ Read 1 Kings 16-18; John 1:29-51

- 9:30am Adult Bible Study on ^{The}Gospel of John w/ Pastor Kevin (*Library*)
- 6-8:00pm Master Gardener's Seed to Supper Program (*Fellowship Hall*)

Wednesday ~ May 8 ~ Read 1 Kings 19-20; John 2

~ ~ ~ **RSVP due for Fella•Ship** ~ ~ ~

Thursday ~ May 9 ~ Read 1 Kings 21-22; John 3:1-21

- 10:00am Staff Meeting (*Church Office*)
- 10am-1pm 12-Step (*Fellowship Hall*)
- 1:30pm Food Pantry Set-up Team (*Fellowship Hall*)
- 6:00pm Chancel Chanters rehearsal (*Sanctuary*)
- 6:30pm Bonnie Ross Ringers Adult Bell Choir rehearsal (*Sanctuary*)
- 6:30-8:30pm Evening Women's 12-Step (*Fellowship Hall*)
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir rehearsal (*Choir Room*)

Friday ~ May 10 ~ Read 2 Kings 1-3; John 3:22-36

- 8:00am Food Pantry truck unloading (*S. Maple glass doors/Fellowship Hall*)
- 10:00am Food Pantry Distribution (*S. Maple glass doors*)

Saturday ~ May 11 ~ Read 2 Kings 4-5; John 4:1-30

- 9:00am Fella•Ship Men/Boys Prayer Breakfast (*Fellowship Hall*)

Please write prayer concerns on attendance cards in the bulletin, **check the box(es)** and place them in offering. **Requests are listed in the bulletin for 3 weeks, unless renewed.**

Prayer Requests:

Alice / Bob B. / Gloria B. / Ken B. / Paul Carnes / David (brother of Pastor Kevin) / Linda & Marty F. / Marlene G. / Ginny & Dave Grandey / Pastor Kevin & Amy / Steven Long / Evelyn Makarsky / Ron McCutcheon / Melanie Marody / Mary Nickole / Allan Pierce / Don Riggle / Robin & John / Darlene S. / Sam S. / Don Sedlacko / Shelby / Shirley / Kerry Thompson / Brian U. / Vivian / Julie Watts / Ed White / families of...Barry Greenawalt, Robert McHenry, Maria Tobacci

Those who
wish to...
but cannot
be among us.

Allan Pierce, Marge Trumbetta Brookdale Latrobe

Paulette Hood Hempfield Manor Greensburg

Vivian Engel Loyalhanna Care Sr. Suites Latrobe

Donna Bush, Norma Gump, Charlotte Sonafelt
Westmoreland Manor Greensburg

TODAY

- **CWS Blanket Sponsorship Envelopes** are in your bulletin, or visit display table next week.
- **Children's Chimes** will meet at 9:00am in the Bell Room on the Lower Level.
Contact Fred Pershing at 724-836-2955 for details or with any questions.
- **Sunday Morning Coffee/Fellowship Hour** continues every Sunday morning, between Worship services, at the tables in Sanctuary Hall.
- **Sunday School** classes for **ALL** ages at 9:40am (*see calendar page for locations*)
- **Youth Halo Choir** will meet at 5:30pm in the Choir Room.
Contact Karen Pershing at 724-836-2955 with any questions.
- **Youth 180** will meet at 6:00pm in the Youth Café on the 3rd floor...Cinco de Mayo theme!
Call/Text Terry Lasut, Director of Youth, at 814-691-4308 for details/questions.

THIS WEEK

- We are **READY TO RECEIVE YOUR STUFF!!!** **NOW thru May 17.** Please place in the left-Library door, on the lower level, call office 724-834-3111 to request drop off times.
- **Centering Prayer** meets weekly Monday evenings, at 6:30pm in the Prayer Room.
- **Board of Trustees** will meet at the Parsonage (1142 McKenna Way, Greensburg) on Monday, May 6, at 6:30, for their annual inspection.
- **Tuesday morning Adult Bible Study w/ Pastor Kevin...**continues on May 7, at 9:30am in the Church Library, continuing the series titled **The Gospel of John**, and the second session "New Life—Living Water." See back page for further details and more session titles.
- **RSVP for FellaShip is due** on Wednesday, May 8...contact Pastor Kevin or the Church office.
- **Staff will meet** on Thursday, May 9, at 10:00am in the Church Office.
- **Food Pantry "Set-Up" Team** will meet Thursday, May 9, at 1:30pm in Fellowship Hall, to prepare for Friday distribution.
- **Adult Music Ministries...Chanters, Bells, Chancel Choir...**continue on Thursday evenings (See calendar page for details) and contact Fred Pershing or Jim Caffrey with questions.
- **Food Pantry "Distribution" Team** will meet Friday, May 10. The delivery truck arrives at 8:00am when we unload, organize, and prepare the supplies in the Fellowship Hall, with actual distribution at 10:00am at the glass doors on S. Maple. **Please step forward**, if you can help.
- **FellaShip Men/Boys Prayer Breakfast** will meet on Saturday, May 11, at 9:00am in the Fellowship Hall. Please RSVP to the Church Office or Pastor Kevin by Wednesday, May 8.

LOOKING AHEAD

- **Youth 180 will NOT meet** ~ Sunday, May 12
- **SPRC** (Staff/Parish Relations Committee) ~ Monday, May 13 ~ 6:30pm (Lounge)
- **Tuesday Morning Bible Study will NOT meet** ~ May 14, 21, and 28 ~ resumes June 4
- **Circuit Rider DEADLINE** ~ Wednesday, May 15 ~ for June issue
- **Rummage Sale Set-Up** ~ Friday, May 17 ~ 9:00am (Fellowship Hall)
- **Rummage Sale** ~ Saturday, May 18 ~ 8:30am-12:30pm (Fellowship Hall)
- **Rummage Sale Pack-Up** ~ Saturday, May 18 ~ 12:30pm ~ **Contact: Sherry 724-537-9366**
- **Pentecost Sunday, May 19** ~ Pocket Change for a Purpose to benefit Vacation Bible School
(Wear RED) ~ **KidsROCK & Youth 180** join together for Fun Activity Night
- **Healing Hearts** ~ Monday, May 20 ~ 6:30pm (Church Lounge)
- **Finance & Stewardship** ~ Tuesday, May 21 ~ 6:00pm (Library)
- **Church Council** ~ Wednesday, May 22 ~ 6:30pm (Fellowship Hall)

The **Chancel Flowers** are given to the Glory of God and in
Loving Memory of Kathy McLay's father, **Samuel Leccia, Sr.**

Welcome home to First United Methodist Church!

Sunday morning Worship Services at 8:30 and 10:45 in the Sanctuary

(Livestream worship continues at 10:45)

We are glad that you are with us in worship today! Greensburg:First is a church where you can come to learn that God loves you just the way you are, but that God also loves you too much to let you stay this way. God wants you to become more like Jesus! If you do not have a church home of your own, we hope that you might prayerfully consider becoming a part of our church family, as we reach out with love and in the name of Jesus Christ! **Also, please help us get to know you,**

or to be able to contact you in the case of an emergency/cancellation,
by filling out a Welcome Information Card (inserted in this bulletin).

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JOHN
an eyewitness account
of the Son of God

Adult Bible Study w/ Pastor Kevin Tuesdays ~ 9:30am ~ Library

What would it have been like to witness Christ's life on earth? The apostle John wrote about Jesus' earthly ministry, from the perspective of one who was there. He saw Jesus teach, heal, pray, die, and live again. In this Bible study, we will be brought face-to-face with the Son of God—who He is and what it means to follow Him.

May 7 Session Two: New Life—Living Water!

May 14, 21, 28 — NO Bible studies

June 4 Session Three: Bread of Life—Who is This Jesus?

June 11 Session Four: Light in the Darkness—Good Shepherd

June 18 Session Five: Life and Death—Perfume and Praise

June 25 Session Six: Comfort and Challenge—Jesus' Farewell

Then...Bible study will be on summer break...resuming Aug. 6

Find us on FACEBOOK:

First United Methodist Church—Greensburg

Regular Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8am-4pm

*(may change without notice... thank you
for your understanding & patience)*

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