



GREENSBURG *First*
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 27, 2018

8:30 - 10:45 AM Worship

Trinity Sunday

Representing Christ as a Light within the City



**Indicates where you may stand if you are able.*

***Four-digit hymns are from The Faith We Sing hymnal.*

THE CHURCH GATHERS

PRELUDE

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

arr. Charles Callahan

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please sign the welcome tablets, pass them across your pew and back to the outside aisle where they will be collected during the Children's Message.)

INTROIT (10:45)

Pentecost

G. F. Pershing

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 6, Romans 8, John 3

Jesus calls inviting us in.

Holy, holy, holy God, we gather as your children.

The Spirit calls us, inviting us to listen.

Holy, holy, holy Christ, we sit at your feet.

The Father calls us, adopting us as family.

Holy, holy, holy Spirit, we come to worship.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Holy, Holy, Holy

No. 64

Welcoming the Light of Christ into our midst

*OPENING PRAYER

Holy Spirit, as we gather in your presence, blow through this space and through our lives, that we may sense your presence in and among us. As we sing your praise, reveal your glory to us, that we may discover the gift of humility in our time of worship. As we listen for your word, speak to our hearts, that we may hear your call. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

*THE PEACE

Born of the Spirit, share signs of the Spirit,
as we pass Christ's peace and share God's love.

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 71

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.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

No. 881

*MINISTRY IN MUSIC (8:30 & 10:45)

It is Well With My Soul
Laura Cronin, Soloist

Philip Bliss

CALL TO PRAYER

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

No. 2193

**Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.**
(You are invited to come forward and kneel or stand at the altar rail.)

MORNING PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

TO HEAR THE WORD

*HYMN OF INVITATION

Of the Father's Love Begotten

No. 184

(Children are invited to come forward during the last stanza.)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:45)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 6:1-8

MINISTRY IN MUSIC (10:45)

Spirit Trilogy
Chancel Choir

Sandy Wilkinson

GOSPEL LESSON

John 3:1-17

(Page 93 New Testament Pew Bible)

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Anette V. Gerber

TO RESPOND TO THE WORD

SHARING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

The Offertory

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

arr. Wilbur Held

*DOXOLOGY

No. 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

AND DEPART FOR SERVICE

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

I'm Goin' a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing

No. 333

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION

Holy Spirit, Come, Confirm Us
(stanza 3)

No. 331

**Holy Spirit, come, renew us, come yourself to make us live;
holy through your loving presence, holy through the gifts you give.**

*POSTLUDE

America

arr. Charles Callahan

The Meeting is Over, Let the Service Begin

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory of God and in memory of *our brother, Thomas Garris, and parents, William & Ethel Garris,* by Bob & Kay Garris, and Cathy & Tim Willcox.

THE BULLETIN is given to the glory of God.

WE THANK THOSE WHO ARE SERVING TODAY:

ACOLYTE:	- Callysta Fontanazza	
ALTAR GUILD:	- Brandie Hirst	
COFFEE HOUR:	- Pam Swank	NEXT WEEK: Carole Beam
GREETERS:	- Carol Jean Albaugh	NEXT WEEK: Bruce Blackson
LITURGIST:	- Sam Detar	
NURSERY:	- Jean Faust	NEXT WEEK: Kristin Labian
SOUND SYSTEM:	- Riley Hirst	
TECH TEAM:	- (8:30) Kelly Fullman	(10:45) Tracy Barr
USHERS:	- (8:30) Bill Conrad & George Fagert	
	- (10:45) Ryan Barr, Callysta Fontanazza, Chloe Fontanazza,, Adian Hartman, Kevin Savage, Angel Sinick, Kasey Storkel	

Please lift our friends and church family in prayer: Our shut-ins, those in military service and all with special needs: (Please write prayer concerns on the cards in the pews and place them in the offering plate—requests left on for three weeks, unless renewed.)

Prayer & Health Concerns: Mary & Frank Stillman, Ginny Grandey; Kim; Carol; Randy K. and family; Ken Keiser; Tammy Hay and family

Please continue to pray for our homebound, nursing home and care center members:

Brookdale Latrobe:	Allan Pierce, Dorothy Rutter
Greensburg Care Center:	Pearl Crowell, Alice Murphy
Westmoreland Manor:	Norma Gump, Charlotte Sonafelt
Home:	Art Faust

LISTENING DEVICES AND LARGE PRINT COPIES OF THE SERVICE MATERIALS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE USHERS. IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE, PLEASE ASK AN USHER.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8 AM-12:00 PM and 12:30-4:00 PM

- Sun. 5/27 **Read - Acts 7:23-43**
8:30 & 10:45 AM - Worship - Sanctuary
9:30 AM Adult Sunday School
9:30 AM Coffee Hour - Sanctuary Hall
- Mon. 5/28 **Read - Acts 7:44-8.3**
Memorial Day
Church Closed 
- Tues. 5/29 **Read - Acts 8:4-25**
1:00 PM SPHS Support Group - Lounge
- Wed. 5/30 **Read - Acts 8:26-40**
5:00 PM SPHS Support Group - Lounge
- Thurs. 5/31 **Read - Acts 19:1-10**
8:30 AM Circuit Rider Assembly - Fellowship Hall
11:00 AM 12 Step Meeting - Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Bonnie Ross Ringers - Bell Room
7:30 PM Chancel Choir - Choir Room
- Fri. 6/1 **Read - Acts 20:17-38**
- Sat. 6/2 **Read - Acts 21:1-16**
7:00 PM Ekklesia Worship-Sanctuary



EKKLESIA -- A COMMUNION SERVICE OF WORD & SONG

SATURDAY - 7 PM - June 2, 2018

FEATURES: FORREST MOORE, *ORGAN*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THERE IS NO SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH TODAY AND THROUGH THE SUMMER. Classes will resume on Sunday, September 9.

DONATIONS FOR OUR HAPPY FEET MINISTRY will be collected during the months of June, July and August. Thank you in advance for your generous donations to this project.

JUMONVILLE is hiring for summer camp help. They are looking for young people to fill positions of snack shop worker, office help, cabin counselor, nurse, and food service helper. Some positions require that you be at least sixteen years of age and others eighteen years of age. These are live-in positions for ten to twelve weeks in the summer with one day off during the week and a week off for vacation. For more information go to www.applyatjville.com or call 724-439-4912.

SUMMER SCHEDULE: Please note the *Halo Choir, Youth Bible Study, Transformer Choir* and *Kids Rock* will not meet on Thursday evenings during the months of May, June, July and August. They will resume meeting after Labor Day.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY begins Wednesday, June 13, at 7:00 PM. For more information or to register please contact Pastor Jill at 724-420-4154 or jcroushore@greensburgfirst.org.

HISTORIC HANNA'S TOWN PRESENTS FRONTIER COURT REENACTMENT:

Saturday, June 23, and Sunday, June 24, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Admission: Adults \$10.00 Children \$5.00 Under 5 Free

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR SUNDAY, JULY 22, which will be the All-Church Picnic at Mt. Odin Park in the Heather Lund Pavilion. Watch for details.

2018 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, mark your calendars for Sunday, July 29, through Thursday, August 2. Kids age 3 through 5th grade, **register NOW!** Just fill out the registration form found in the media rack and return it to the church office.

***THIS MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND, WE GIVE THANKS TO
THOSE WHO GAVE THEIR ALL FOR OUR FREEDOM.***

Welcome to First United Methodist Church of Greensburg

We are so glad that you chose to worship at Greensburg First UMC. Greensburg First is a place for real people with real lives to develop and nurture a real faith. We have authentic relationships, relevant messages, and are committed to raising up the next generation as disciples of Jesus Christ. We want you to know that you are loved and accepted here. Feel free to worship with us regularly and to fully participate in all our activities. If you are new to our community or are looking for a church home, please make it a point to meet one of the pastors before you leave the building. Also, help us get to know you by signing the welcome tablet. We will be happy to help you learn more about Greensburg First UMC.

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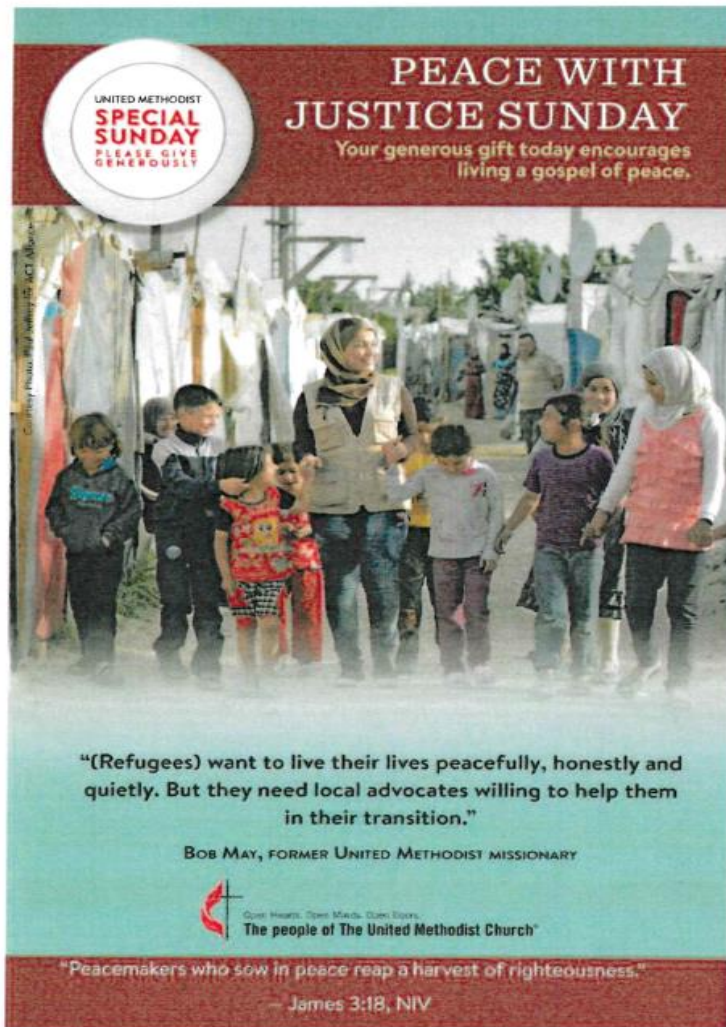


**ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2018
is scheduled for June 6-9
at Grove City College**

Pastor Net as well as Pastor Jill, Judy Molter, Jim Caffrey, Jr., & Janet Craig will be attending.

Please pray for their safety and guidance as decisions are made to further the work of God's Kingdom.

**PEACE WITH JUSTICE SUNDAY
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BOB MAY, FORMER UNITED METHODIST MISSIONARY

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“Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.”
James 3:18, NIV

Your gifts to the Peace with Justice Sunday offering strengthen ministries like refugee resettlement and other justice ministries in your annual conference and around the world.