

June 3, 2018

8:30 - 10:45 AM Worship

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Representing Christ as a Light within the City

But we have this treasure in jars of clay,
to show that the surpassing power
belongs to God
and not to us.

—2 Corinthians 4:7



*Indicates where you may stand if you are able.

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

THE CHURCH GATHERS

PRELUDE

Gift of Finest Wheat

arr. Ron Schmoltze

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.)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 139:1-6, adapted

We've come to worship God,
who loved us before we were yet born,
who knows us better than we know ourselves,
who never leaves us,
and whose love for us never ceases.
This is our God.
Let us worship together.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Welcoming the Light of Christ into our midst

No. 400

*OPENING PRAYER

Mold us today, O God, we pray. Sculpt us as your jars of clay, brimming with the Spirit, alive and new, visible bearers of life, of you. Amen.

*THE PEACE

Scripture tells us that the life of Jesus is visible in us, even in our very bodies. Let us see the face of Jesus in the faces around us as we share signs of God's peace.

*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 (10:45)

Take and Eat
Chancel Choir

Michael Joncas

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

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

No. 206

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:45)

MINISTRY IN MUSIC

God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens
Bonnie Ross Ringers

arr. Cathy Moglebust

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Your words and your word come to us in many forms, O God. We need them all. At-tune us to them now, that we may see your vision and hear your call. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON (Pew Bible: Page 93, New Testament) 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Anette V. Gerber

TO RESPOND TO THE WORD

RECOGNITION OF OUR GRADUATES

HOLY COMMUNION

SHARING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

The Offertory Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service arr. David Cherwien

*DOXOLOGY No. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alle-luia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose pow-er uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

AND DEPART FOR SERVICE

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT **For the Bread Which You Have Broken** No. 614

*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 Pomp and Circumstance Edward Elgar

The Meeting is Over, Let the Service Begin

*GRADUATE RECEPTION

THE BULLETIN is given to the glory of God and in honor of Pastor Jill
by her parents, Don and Alice.

WE THANK THOSE WHO ARE SERVING TODAY:

ACOLYTE:	- Chloe Fontanazza	
ALTAR GUILD:	- Alice Croushore	
LEMONADE ON THE PORCH	- Pam Swank	NEXT WEEK: Carole Beam
GREETERS:	- Bruce Blackson	NEXT WEEK: Ginny & Dave Grandey
LITURGIST:	- Br. James Caffrey, Jr., OSL	
NURSERY:	- Kristin Labian	NEXT WEEK: Brandi Jurkiewicz
SOUND SYSTEM:	- Jordan Hirst	
TECH TEAM:	- (8:30) Jan Stewart	(10:45) Cheryl Lennert
USHERS:	- (8:30) Bill Conrad & George Fagert	
	- (10:45) Bob Bloom, Sam Detar, Harry Fox, Tim Willcox	

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; Kim; Carol; Lee Malloy; Ken Keiser; Tammy Hay and family; Mike Olbeter; thanksgiving for answered prayers

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. 6/3 **Read - Acts 21:17-26**
8:30 & 10:45 AM Worship - Sanctuary
9:30 AM Adult Sunday School
12:00 PM Graduate Reception - Front Porch
- Mon. 6/4 **Read - Acts 21:27-22:5**
7:00 PM Trustees Meeting - Library
6:00 PM Boy Scouts - Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM Daisies/Brownies - North Hall
- Tues. 6/5 **Read - Acts 22:6-29**
1:00 PM SPHS Support Group - Lounge
- Wed. 6/6 **Read - Acts 22:30-23:11**
Annual Conference - Grove City, PA
5:00 PM SPHS Support Group - Lounge
- Thurs. 6/7 **Read - Acts 23:12-35**
Annual Conference - Grove City, PA
11:00 AM 12 Step Meeting - Fellowship Hall
5:30 PM Food Bank Set-up - Fellowship Hall
- Fri. 6/8 **Read - Acts 24:1-27**
Annual Conference - Grove City, PA
8:00 AM Food Bank - Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- Sat. 6/9 **Read - Acts 25:1-12**
Annual Conference - Grove City, PA
9 AM - 12 PM Kinderhook Mile and Block Party
2:00 PM Wedding - Sanctuary
7:00 PM Ekklesia Worship-Sanctuary



EKKLESIA -- A COMMUNION SERVICE OF WORD & SONG

SATURDAY - 7 PM - June 9, 2018

FEATURES: VALERIE STIPCAK, *ORGAN & PIANO*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HAPPY FEET MINISTRY DONATIONS will be collected during the months of June, July and August. This ministry provides new shoes to children in the Greensburg community who are in need.

THE KINDERHOOK MILE & BLOCK PARTY is Saturday, June 9 from 9 am to 12 pm. Volunteers, runners and walkers are needed. Please contact Pastor Jill at 724-420-4154 or email jcroushore@greensburgfirst.org to volunteer and to be a presence in our community.

REACHING NEW PEOPLE WORKSHOP is Saturday, June 30 from 9 am to 4 pm at FUMC Greensburg. Church pastors and lay persons are invited to attend this strategic planning workshop designed to help churches grow their membership. The workshop will be led by the Rev. Dr. Kim Griffith. To register, please contact Pastor Jill or visit wpaumc.org/register. There is no charge for the workshop and lunch is included.

HELP NEEDED AT WESTMORELAND COUNTY FAIR: The Greensburg District will be serving the community by hosting the Hospitality Center (old country store in the center of the fairgrounds). Please call or email Pastor John Gerber, Westmoreland Fair Hospitality Coordinator, at 814-688-4124 or by email at jegerber55@gmail.com if there are any questions, concerns, or to sign up.

HISTORIC HANNA'S TOWN presents Frontier Court Reenactment Saturday, June 23 and Sunday, June 24 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. (Admission: Adults \$10.00 - Children \$5.00 - Under 5 Free.)


ALL-CHURCH PICNIC is Sunday July 22 at Mt. Odin Park in the Heather Lund Pavilion beginning with worship at 10:45 and followed by our picnic and time of fellowship. 8:30 am worship will be held in the Sanctuary as usual.

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

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



FINANCIAL *Peace* UNIVERSITY
 The money class that will **CHANGE YOUR LIFE**

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Free preview class:
 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.

GRADUATE SUNDAY • JUNE 3RD 2018



CLASS OF 2018

Jordan Hirst (son of Sean and Brandie Hirst)

Greensburg Salem High School • High School Diploma

Future plans: Emergency Medical Technician; Classes at Mutual Aid Ambulance

Michelle Savage (granddaughter of Richard & Suzanne Danks)

Saint Vincent College • Bearcat B.E.S.T Transition Program

Future plans: Working part time

Rachel Brosky (daughter of Greg & Tracy Barr)

Slippery Rock University • Bachelor of Science in Safety Management

Future plans: Internship at Flatiron Construction in North Carolina;

Career in safety management in Jacksonville, Florida

Laramie Cowan (daughter of Laurie Cowan & the late Eugene Cowan Jr.)

Seton Hill University • Bachelor of Arts in Journalism New Media

Future plans: Career in news publishing

Stephanie Duncan (daughter of Amy Duncan; granddaughter of Shirley Kahler)

**Indiana University of Pennsylvania • Dual degree: Bachelor of Science
in Early Childhood Education and Special Education**

Future plans: First grade teacher, Charles County Schools, Maryland

Danielle McLay (daughter of Bryce & Kathy McLay)

University of Pittsburgh • Bachelor of Science in Accounting, Minor in Actuarial Science

Future plans: Tax associate, BDO Pittsburgh