



**GREENSBURG** *First*  
 UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

June 17, 2018

8:30 - 10:45 AM Worship

4th Sunday after Pentecost - Father's Day  
*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

Come, Ye Faithful People, Come  
 We Gather Together

arr. Charles Callahan  
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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

This is the day that the Lord has made!

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

This is a day of new beginnings.

**This is a time for growing into disciples of Jesus Christ.**

Come, let us prepare ourselves for worship.

**Let us be prepared for service to God.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

**God of Grace and God of Glory**  
*Welcoming the Light of Christ into our midst*

No. 577

\*OPENING PRAYER

**Lord, we come this day, having seen the miracles of everyday creation in our world. We have enjoyed both the bright sunshine and the gentle rains. We have marveled over the beauty of flowers and the complexity of your creation. Make our hearts ready to receive your word for us, that we may go forth from this place ready to joyfully serve you all of our days. Amen.**

\*THE PEACE

Look at one another from God's perspective. Each person here is a new creation, planted by God and rooted in Christ. As we share signs of peace and love, let's really look at one another and rejoice in the new life all around us.

\*GLORIA PATRI

No. 71

**Glorify 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

Our Parent, by Whose Name  
Charlotte Long, Soloist

Tucker/Edwards

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

**Hymn of Promise**

No. 707

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:45)

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.**

EPISTLE LESSON

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

MINISTRY IN MUSIC

Offertory  
Women's Ensemble

John Ness Beck

GOSPEL LESSON

(Pew Bible: Page 38, New Testament)

Mark 4:26-34

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

Father, We Thank You

arr. David N. Johnson

\*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

**Faith of Our Fathers**

No. 710

\*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

Hail to the Lord's Anointed  
*The Meeting is Over, Let the Service Begin*

arr. Michael Burkhardt

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God and  
in memory of *Edwin Mason* by Betty Daverse.

**THE BULLETIN** is given to the glory of God.

**WE THANK THOSE WHO ARE SERVING TODAY:**

ACOLYTE:	- Regan Lennert	
ALTAR GUILD:	- Alice Croushore	
LEMONADE ON THE PORCH:	- Winnie Jo Wilson	NEXT WEEK: Patti Hartman
GREETERS:	- Michelle Savage	NEXT WEEK: Brian Kleber
LITURGIST:	- Helen Turkalj	
SOUND SYSTEM:	- Tim Willcox	
TECH TEAM:	- (8:30) Jan Stewart	(10:45) Cheryl Lennert
USHERS:	- (8:30 ) Bill Conrad & George Fagert	
	- (10:45) Carol Jean Albaugh, Barb Tucci, Cathy Willcox, Michelle Savage, Marsha Zabrosky	



WE WISH ALL THE FATHERS AND GENTLEMEN  
A BLESSED FATHER'S DAY.  
Be sure to get your small token of appreciation for all you do!

**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:** Kathy Barber; 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:**

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

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

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

Sun. 6/17      **Read - Hebrews 8:1-13 - Father's Day**  
8:30 & 10:45 AM    Worship - Sanctuary  
9:30 AM    Adult Sunday School  
12:00 PM    Lemonade on the Porch

Mon. 6/18      **Read - Hebrews 9:1-22**  
9:30 AM    Zumba - Fellowship Hall  
6:30 PM    Healing Hearts - Lounge  
7:00 PM    Centering Prayer - Prayer Room

Tues. 6/19      **Read - Hebrews 9:23-10:18**  
1:00 PM    SPHS Support Group - Lounge

Wed. 6/20      **Read - Hebrews 10:19-39**  
9:30 AM    Zumba - Fellowship Hall  
5:00 PM    SPHS Support Group - Lounge  
7:00 PM    Financial Peace University Class 1 - North Hall

Thurs. 6/21      **Read - Daniel 1:1-21**  
11:00 AM    12 Step Meeting - Fellowship Hall

Fri. 6/22      **Read - Haggai 1:1-15**  
Office Closed

Sat. 6/23      **Read - Haggai 2:1-23**  
7:00 PM    Ekklesia Worship-Sanctuary



**EKKLESIA -- A COMMUNION SERVICE OF WORD & SONG**  
**SATURDAY - 7 PM - June 23, 2018**  
**FEATURES: REVS. AIMÉE & AUGIE TWIGG, *GUITAR & VOICE***

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**POCKET CHANGE FOR A PURPOSE** for June will benefit the Westmoreland/Fayette County Animal Response Team (CART). CART helps local animals affected by fire disasters by providing equipment and training to fire departments and emergency first responders. Our donation will be used by CART to purchase pet oxygen masks.

**STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL:** June 22 from 5 PM to 8 PM at Circleville United Methodist Church, 11699 Parkway Drive, North Huntingdon. Strawberry shortcake and ice cream - \$6.00, children age 6-12 - \$3.00, and children under 5 - free.

**REACHING NEW PEOPLE WORKSHOP** is Saturday, June 30 from 9 am to 4 pm at FUMC Greensburg. All 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](http://wpaumc.org/register). There is no charge for the workshop and lunch from Dominick's BBQ 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](mailto: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 am to 5 pm. (Admission: Adults \$10.00 - Children \$5.00 - Under 5 Free.)

**HEALING SERVICE: HURTS, HABITS, HANG-UPS AND ADDICTIONS:** All are invited to attend a healing service at Arona United Methodist Church (2037 Main St., Arona PA 15617) on Thursday, July 12, 2018, at 7:00 PM. For additional information, please contact Pastor Bruce Anthony by cell phone (412) 610-5485 or email [Apollos22@comcast.net](mailto:Apollos22@comcast.net).

**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. The 8:30 am worship will be held in the Sanctuary as usual.

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

## 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.

### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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### OPEN DATES FOR ALTAR FLOWERS AND BULLETIN SPONSORS

There are open dates for both Altar Flowers and Bulletin sponsors. If you would like to sign up for a particular date, please check the clipboard in the sanctuary hall.

Cost is \$30 for altar flowers and \$20 to sponsor the bulletin.

Please fill out the form and return it to the office or drop it in the offering plate.

Thank you!

## **FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY SUMMER CLASS**

Join the *Financial Peace University* summer class at First UMC. Memberships may be purchased at a discounted rate of \$45 per family through the church. For additional information, please contact Pastor Jill at [jcroushore@greensburgfirst.org](mailto:jcroushore@greensburgfirst.org) or 724-420-4154. Register online at: [greensburgfirst.org](http://greensburgfirst.org).

Classes meet Wednesday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30 PM.

June 20 **Lesson 1: Super Saving**



SATURDAY • 9 am - 4 pm

**June 30**

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Registration  
fee waived  
for FUMC  
Greensburg



# REACHING NEW PEOPLE

WORKSHOP



Church pastors and lay persons are invited to attend this strategic planning workshop designed to help churches grow their membership.

The Reaching New People Workshop will be led by Rev. Kim Griffith, United Methodist Pastor, new church planter, and coach at Griffith Coaching.

- Learn the strategic differences between 1955 and today
- Discover how to reintroduce your church to the community
- Define your pastor's role in reaching new people
- Define your congregation's role in reaching new people
- Network with other teams for ideas and techniques
- Teams will develop an action plan to take home

Pastors, gather your team and register at:

[wpaumc.org/register](http://wpaumc.org/register)