



**GREENSBURG** *First*  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

July 8, 2018

8:30 - 10:45 AM Worship

7th Sunday after Pentecost

*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, Thou Fount

arr. Diane Bish

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

Holy is our God, who calls us to worship in holiness.

**Mighty is our God, who calls us to lead courageously and to follow faithfully.**

Loving is our God, who, calls us to live lives of service and love.

**We will worship the Lord.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

**Heralds of Christ**

No. 567

*Welcoming the Light of Christ into our midst*

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

**Shepherding God, lead us in the way you would have us go. Lead us into your presence this day. Guide us in our time of worship, that we might hear your Word and answer your call. In your light and your truth, we pray. Amen.**

**\*THE PEACE**

God makes peace within us, let us claim it. God makes peace between us. Let us share it.

**\*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**

**We believe in God, Creator of all that is and all that is to come. In God's house are many rooms, and God prepares a place for us, so that where God is we may be also. We believe in God; we believe also in Christ who is our Way, our Truth and our Life. Through him we have seen God, who lived and worked through him. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who lives and works in us, so that we may do the works Jesus does and even greater works, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son, through the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**CALL TO PRAYER**

**Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart** (stanza 1)

No. 500

**Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth; through all its pulses move; stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art, and make me love thee as I ought to love.**

(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**

**Into My Heart**

No. 2160

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

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:45)**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Since we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth, O God, make us hunger for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

MINISTRY IN MUSIC

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)  
Arr. James Koert

Karen and Fred Pershing

GOSPEL LESSON

(Pew Bible: Page 40 New Testament)

Mark 6:1-13

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, Spirit of Gentleness

James K. Manley

\*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

We've A Story to Tell to the Nations

No. 569

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

\*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION

**Go, Make of All Disciples** (stanza 4)

No. 571

**“Go, make of all disciples.” We welcome thy command.**

**“Lo, I am with you always.” We take thy guiding hand.**

**The task looms large before us; we follow without fear;  
in heaven and earth thy power shall bring God's kingdom here.**

\*POSTLUDE

Lord, You Give the Great Commission  
*The Meeting is Over, Let the Service Begin*

Rowthorn/Taylor

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God.

**THE BULLETIN** is given to the glory of God and in honor of Kerry Thompson's birthday.

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

ACOLYTE:	- Anthony Peila	
ALTAR GUILD:	- Ellen Briggs	
LEMONADE ON THE PORCH	- Rebecca Slyman	NEXT WEEK: Ed Meadows
GREETERS:	- Jean Faust	NEXT WEEK: Laurel Sedlacko
LITURGIST:	- Sam Detar	
NURSERY:	- Kristen Labian	NEXT WEEK:
SOUND SYSTEM:	- Aiden Hartman	
TECH TEAM:	- (8:30) Kelly Fullman	(10:45) Tracy Barr
USHERS:	- (8:30) Bill Conrad & George Fagert	
	- (10:45) Bruce Blackson, Ken Keiser, Bill Shope Jr., Rich Shula, Kerry Thompson	

**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:** The Yeskey family; Melanie Marody; Mike Olbeter; Shaun Eutsey; John; Elaine; Doris B., and Sue Meadows

**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

***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. 7/8      **Read - Jeremiah 7.1-15**  
8:30 & 10:45 AM    Worship - Sanctuary  
9:30 AM      Adult Sunday School  
12:00 PM     Lemonade on the Porch
- Mon. 7/9      **Read - Lamentations 1.1-22**  
9:30 AM      Zumba - Fellowship Hall  
7:00 PM      Centering Prayer - Prayer Room
- Tues. 7/10    **Read - Lamentations 3.1-24**  
1:00 PM      SPHS -Lounge
- Wed. 7/11    **Read - Lamentations 3.25-57**  
9:30 AM      Zumba - Fellowship Hall  
5:00 PM      SPHS - Lounge  
7:00 PM      FPU Class 3 - Lounge  
                  VBS Meting - Library
- Thurs. 7/12   **Read - Lamentations 5.1-22**  
11:00 AM    12 Step Meeting - Fellowship Hall  
5:00 PM      Food Bank Setup - Fellowship Hall
- Fri. 7/13      **Read - Psalm 17**  
8:00 AM      Food Bank - Fellowship Hall
- Sat. 7/14      **Read - Psalm 23**  
7:00 PM      Ekklesia Worship - Sanctuary



**EKKLESIA -- A COMMUNION SERVICE OF WORD & SONG**  
**SATURDAY - 7 PM - July 14, 2018**  
**FEATURES: JILL AND JOY PROCIDA, SAXOPHONE & TRUMPET**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN** will meet on Tuesday, July 24, at 7:00 PM in the Library, to discuss funeral meals. Team leaders will be identified and team members put on a list for the leaders to call when the need arises. No cooking is necessary. The meals will be catered, but set up, serving and clean up will be needed. We encourage anyone who would like to be a part of this ministry of the church to attend.

**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).

**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). Greensburg First United Methodist Church's day will be Tuesday, August 21. Please call Pastor Net at 724-834-3111 or email [pastor-net@greensburgfirst.org](mailto:pastor-net@greensburgfirst.org), if you are able to work a two to four hour shift.

**HAPPY FEET--**The Outreach Committee is participating in the Happy Feet Project again this year. Look for the "shoes" in the back of the sanctuary each Sunday in July and August. All donations go toward purchasing new school shoes for needy children in our school districts.

**CHRISTMAS IN JULY--**It's that time of year again! Please look for the Christmas Tree in the Narthex. The Outreach Committee is asking that you take an ornament with the donation amount you desire, place the ornament and donation in an envelope and place in the offering plate. Contributions go toward holiday dinners for those in need. Thank you.

**FOOD BANK DISTRIBUTION FOR JULY** is on Friday, July 13. Time to clean out your kitchen cupboards and find any items near expiration or those BOGOs that you have too many of are greatly appreciated by our pantry clients. Just drop your items off any time this week. Thanks for your continued generosity.

## 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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## INTERIM CHURCH SECRETARY

Jackie Tepper is serving as interim secretary and will be in the office Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8:00 AM until Noon until July 31. If you have information that needs to be in the weekly bulletin, please submit it before 10:00 AM on Tuesdays. 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.

July 11 **Lesson 3:** Cash Flow Planning





# CodeRED – Keeping Citizens Informed

*Sign-up for  
Emergency and Non-emergency  
Alerts at County Website*

Westmoreland County Department of Public Safety is encouraging all residents to sign up for a new mass notification system known as CodeRED that allows county officials to quickly deliver alert messages regarding emergency situations and/or severe weather.

All can sign up for the notification system through the county's website at:

**[www.co.westmoreland.pa.us/CodeRED](http://www.co.westmoreland.pa.us/CodeRED)**

The notifications can be sent to a cell phone, landline, or email address.

**If you would like assistance to sign up for CodeRED, please complete the following information and return this form to the church office or place in the offering plate.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## ALL-CHURCH PICNIC

Join us on 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.



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