



**GREENSBURG** *First*  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 12, 2018

8:30 - 10:45 AM Worship

12th 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

Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness  
*Welcoming the Light of Christ into our midst*

Johannes Brahms

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

We cry out to you, O Lord.

**Hear our voices and heed our prayers.**

We wait for the fulfillment of your promises, O God.

**Renew our hope and restore our joy.**

We gather to receive your strength, O Christ.

**Feed us with the bread of eternal life.**

Come, let us worship the Lord.

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

Glorify Thy Name

No. 2016

\*OPENING PRAYER

**O Bread of Heaven, come down. Come down and fill us with your Spirit—for your Spirit satisfies like no other. We hunger and thirst for you this morning and longed to be nurtured in your love and forgiveness. So we come to this sacred place and time where our hungers are finally and fully satisfied as only your bread can do. We will wait and listen for your leading in this hour. Amen.**

\*THE PEACE

Putting aside our egos and making room for grace,  
let us share signs of forgiving peace and gracious love with one another.

\*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

CALL TO PRAYER

**Open My Eyes, That I May See** (refrain)

No. 454

**Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.**

**Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!**

(You are invited to come forward and kneel or stand at the altar rail.)

MORNING PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Chelsea Ritenour

**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 Love thy Kingdom, Lord**

No. 540

(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.**

GOSPEL LESSON

John 6:35, 41-51

MINISTRY IN MUSIC

The Lamb  
Chelsea Ritenour, Soloist

Blake/Chandler

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

(Pew Bible: Page 194 New Testament)

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. Anette Gerber

**TO RESPOND TO THE WORD**

SHARING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

The Offertory

Out of the Depths

arr. Timothy Albrecht

\*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

**Let There Be Peace on Earth**

No. 431

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

\*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION **Sent Forth by God's Blessing** (stanza 1) No. 664  
**Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,  
the people of God from this dwelling take leave.**

**The service is ended, O now be extended the fruits of our worship in all who believe.**

**The seed of the teaching, receptive souls reaching, shall blossom in action for God and for all.**

**God's grace did invite us, and love shall unite us to work for God's kingdom and answer the call.**

\*POSTLUDE

Son of God, Eternal Savior

arr. Gordon Young

*The Meeting is Over, Let the Service Begin*

We express our heartfelt condolences to the family of Alice Murphy, who went to be with the Lord on July 29, 2018, and to Ann Weber whose mother, Evelyn T. Heffner, age 96 1/2, also went to be with the Lord on July 29, 2018.

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Rev. John and Rev. Annette Gerber in honor of their 40th wedding anniversary on August 16.

**THE BULLETIN** is given to the glory of God by Rev. John and Rev. Anette Gerber.

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

ACOLYTE:	- Luke Flock	
ALTAR GUILD:	- Tracy Barr	
LEMONADE ON THE PORCH	- Judy Molter	NEXT WEEK: Carol Jean Albaugh
GREETER:	-	NEXT WEEK: Bob & Peg Wilson
LITURGIST:	- Sam Detar	
NURSERY:	- Mallory Baker	NEXT WEEK: Marlene Skiavo
SOUND SYSTEM:	- Aidan 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., Rick 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:**

**Please continue to pray for our homebound, nursing home and care center members:** Dorcus B., Mike Olbeter, and Dave and Ginny Grandey.

<b>Brookdale Latrobe:</b>	Allan Pierce, Dorothy Rutter
<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. 8/12      **Read - 1 Corinthians 16:1-24**  
8:30 & 10:45 AM    Worship - Sanctuary  
9:30 AM      Adult Sunday School  
12:00 PM      Lemonade on the Porch
- Mon. 8/13      **Read - 2 Corinthians 1:1-24**  
9:30 AM      Zumba - Fellowship Hall  
7:00 PM      Centering Prayer - Prayer Room
- Tues. 8/14      **Read - 2 Corinthians 2:1-17**  
1:00 PM      SPHS- Lounge  
7:00 PM      Nominations & Lay Leadership - Library
- Wed. 8/15      **Read - 2 Corinthians 3:1-18**  
9:30 AM      Zumba - Fellowship Hall  
5:00 PM      SPHS - Lounge  
7:00 PM      FPU Class 8 - Library  
7:00 PM      Finance and Stewardship - Lounge
- Thurs. 8/16      **Read - 2 Corinthians 4:1-15**  
11:00 AM      12 Step Meeting - Fellowship Hall
- Fri. 8/17      **Read - 2 Corinthians 4:16-5:10**
- Sat. 8/18      **Read - 2 Corinthians 5:11-21**  
8:30 AM      DCoM  
7:00 PM      Ekklesia Worship - Sanctuary



**EKKLESIA -- A COMMUNION SERVICE OF WORD & SONG**  
**SATURDAY - 7 PM - August 18, 2018**  
**FEATURES: CHIZ RIDER, TRUMPET**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**REMINDER: SEPTEMBER CIRCUIT RIDER ARTICLES** are due on Wednesday, August 15.

**BIBLE STUDY CLASSES** will begin on Tuesday, September 4, at 9:30 AM and Wednesday, September 5, at 6:00 PM in the Library. All are welcome to attend.

**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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**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!

# **A WALK WITH WESLEY: Every Person in Ministry**



**Fall Retreat at Olmsted Manor, Ludlow, Pennsylvania, September 16-18, 2018  
First United Methodist Church of Greensburg, Pennsylvania**

This retreat is about getting in touch with our Wesleyan Heritage through vigorous searching for ways in which to fulfill our mission of “making disciples for Jesus Christ.”

Wesley and the early Methodists were particularly concerned about inviting people to experience God’s grace and to grow in their knowledge and love of God through disciplined Christian living. They placed primary emphasis on Christian living, on putting faith and love into action. This emphasis on what Wesley referred to as “practical divinity” has continued to be a hallmark of United Methodism today.

The distinctive shape of our theological heritage can be seen not only in this emphasis on Christian living, but also in Wesley’s distinctive understanding of God’s saving grace. Although Wesley shared with many other Christians a belief in salvation by grace, he combined them in a powerful way to create distinctive emphases for living the full Christian life.

Come away with friends of the First United Methodist Church of Greensburg to experience Wesley’s “practical divinity” in this most beautiful and worshipful space. We leave Greensburg at 1:00 PM on September 16 and arrive in Greensburg at 5:30 PM on September 18.

Total package (includes bus, meals, private room and all gratuities) is \$265 person. Space is limited.

Please return Registration Form (available in office) by Wednesday, August 15, 2018, to:  
RETREAT, FUMC, 15 E SECOND STREET, GREENSBURG, PA 15601

Checks should be made payable to FUMC with “Olmsted Retreat” entered on the memo line