

OPENING PRAYER

Surprising, sustaining Giver of grace, you make us part of your holy body, awakening us with glimpses of your glory. You allow us to see shadows of your astonishing beauty in the deep, bright blue of the winter sky. Your frosty breath leaves sheets of shimmering ice on windshields and doorsteps. You make our words write trails of steam in the crisp morning air. You invite us into your very breath – as the Holy Spirit breathes us into awareness of your loving presence. In our prayers, in our songs, and in our silence, teach us how to be Your holy body, to bring good news to a world that longs for you. Amen.

THE PEACE: Please greet one another with “Peace be with you.”
And respond to each other with “And also with you.”

*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 (Chancel Choir 10:45)

Jubilate!

Carolee R. Curtright

CALL TO PRAYER

(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.)

PASTORAL 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

Many Gifts, One Spirit

No. 114

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

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE (8:30 & 10:45)

“Pocket Change for a Purpose”
to benefit rebuilding efforts of Jean Faust, due to a recent fire.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul.
Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding
that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen.**

EPISTLE READING (Pew Bible: Page 174 New Testament) 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Anette V. Gerber

TO RESPOND TO THE WORD

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

Fantasy on Hyfrydol
Bonnie Ross Ringers

arr. Hal H. Hopson

SHARING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

The Offertory

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

arr. David N. Johnson

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

No. 94

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

Jesus Shall Reign

No. 157

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION

(stanza 1) No. 671

Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing;

Fill our hearts with joy and peace;

Let us each, thy love possessing,

Triumph in redeeming grace.

O refresh us, O refresh us,

traveling through this wilderness.

*POSTLUDE

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

arr. Robert A. Hobby

The meeting is over. Let the service begin.

The white carnations on the altar were placed in loving memory of those who have joined the Church Eternal and Triumphant:

- ◆ Robert Lee Rundy (January 10, 2019), father of Lisa Peila
- ◆ Ted Herrington (January 19, 2019)

The Chancel flowers and bulletins are given to the Glory of God by Carolyn & Don Schleicher and David & Cindy Long in memory of the 40th anniversary of the passing of William T. Long and in honor of E. Gerry Long's 90th birthday.

We Thank Those Who Are Serving Today

ACOLYTE:	Anthony Peila
ALTAR GUILD (January):	Mary Lou Fitzgerald
ALTAR GUILD (February):	Pat Ebert
COFFEE HOUR:	Lisa Kennedy
COFFEE HOUR (next week):	Cindy Yenerall
GREETERS:	(8:30) Marilyn McSparrin, Ed Meadows, Laurel Sedlacko (10:45) Anthony McKenna
LITURGIST:	Dennis Kennedy
NURSERY:	Carole Beam
NURSERY (next week):	Kristin Labian
SOUND SYSTEM:	Riley Hirst
TECH TEAM:	(8:30) Jan Stewart (10:45) Tracy Barr
USHERS:	(8:30) Bill Conrad, George Fagert (10:45) Aidan Hartman, Kasey Storkel

Please lift up 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 pink cards in the pews, check the box(es) and place them in the offering plate. Requests are left on for three weeks unless renewed.

Prayer & Health Concerns: Dave Grandey, Tracy, Nancy Yeskey

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

Brookdale Latrobe:	Allan Pierce, Dorothy Rutter, Marge Trumbetta
Westmoreland Manor:	Norma Gump, Christine Shank, Charlotte Sonafelt
Home:	Art Faust

PLEASE NOTE...Hospitals and care centers no longer contact churches to let us know that members may be a patient there. **Please contact the church office with information.**

WEEKLY CALENDAR

<u>Sunday, January 27</u>	<u>Read - Colossians 1:1-23</u>	“3rd Sunday after the Epiphany”
8:30 a.m.	Worship (Sanctuary)	
(following 8:30 service)	Soup sales (Sanctuary Hall)	
9:30 a.m.	Preschool (Nursery), Children’s Sunday School (3rd floor), Youth (3rd floor), Genesis/Vanguard class (Library)	
9:30 a.m.	Coffee hour (Sanctuary Hall)	
10:45 a.m.	Worship (Sanctuary)	
(following 10:45 service)	Soup sales (Sanctuary Hall)	
12:15 p.m.	SPRC (Library)	
6:00 p.m.	Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)	“A Way Forward”
6:00 p.m.	Youth	(CANCELLED)
<u>Monday, January 28</u>	<u>Read - Colossians 1:24-2:5</u>	
6:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts (North Hall & 3rd floor)	
6:15 p.m.	Boy Scouts (Fellowship Hall)	
7:00 p.m.	Centering Prayer (Prayer Room)	
<u>Tuesday, January 29</u>	<u>Read - Colossians 2:6-19</u>	
1:00 p.m.	SPHS (Lounge)	
7:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministry meeting (Library)	
<u>Wednesday, January 30</u>	<u>Read - Colossians 2:20-3:17</u>	
5:00 p.m.	SPHS (Lounge)	
7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee meeting (Library)	
<u>Thursday, January 31</u>	<u>Read - Colossians 4:2-18</u>	
8:30 a.m.	Circuit Rider assembly (Fellowship Hall)	
11:00 a.m.	12 Step Meeting (Fellowship Hall)	
6:00 p.m.	Children’s Chimes (Chapel), Youth Leadership Training (NH), Chancel Chanters (Sanctuary)	
6:20 p.m.	Halo Choir (Choir Room), Transformer Choir (North Hall)	
6:30 p.m.	Bonnie Ross Ringers (Bell Room)	
6:40 p.m.	Kids Rock (North Hall), Youth assist with Kids Rock (NH)	
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir (Choir Room)	
<u>Friday, February 1</u>	<u>Read - Leviticus 19:1-18</u>	
<u>Saturday, February 2</u>	<u>Read - Luke 10:25-37</u>	
7:00 p.m.	Ekklesia Worship (Sanctuary)	



A COMMUNION SERVICE OF WORD & SONG

Saturday ~ Feb. 2, 2019 ~ 7 p.m.

Featured Musician: Forrest Moore, Piano
Worship Leader: Rev. Anette Gerber

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Soup Sale Fundraiser TODAY...Our Christian Ed committee will be selling a variety of soups after both services in Sanctuary Hall. Proceeds from this sale will be used to provide camperships for children & youth. Suggested donation is \$7/quart or \$20/3 quarts. Questions? Please contact Kathy Griffith at 412-613-8569. **THANKS to all** who donated supplies and their precious time! Mark your calendars for the next soup making and sale weekend on February 15, 16 & 17.

“Pocket Change for a Purpose” will be collected TODAY during the Children's Message time during both services. It will benefit rebuilding efforts of Jean Faust due to a recent fire that destroyed her entire kitchen.

SPRC will meet TODAY at 12:15 p.m. in the Library.

Congregational Meeting TONIGHT at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Topic will be “A Way Forward” with regard to General Conference.

Regular weekly Youth Group WILL NOT meet on Sunday evenings until further notice. Watch for special monthly activities coming up!

Centering Prayer will meet on Monday, Jan. 28, at 7:00 p.m. in the Prayer Room.

Stephen Ministry will meet Tuesday, Jan. 29, in the Library at 7:00 p.m.

Worship Committee will meet Wednesday, Jan. 30, in the Library at 7:00 p.m.

Circuit Rider monthly newsletter assembly will be Thursday, Jan. 31, in the Fellowship Hall. Many hands make light work. We need to fold, tab & label almost 600 newsletters.

The 2019 Offering Envelopes that were not picked up were mailed out Jan. 15.

If you didn't receive them and would like to, in order to make giving easier, please contact the church office.

Thanks for your 100% participation in the 2019 Food Bank “Truck of the Month” sponsorship drive! We still need to know who sponsored the **July, November & December** food trucks so we can recognize you when the time comes. Please return your forms.

Please review the clipboards in the Sanctuary Hall and **sign up for chancel flowers, bulletin sponsorship, 2nd service greeters or providing Coffee Hour treats.**

Kay Guy turned 96 on Jan. 26. If you'd like to send birthday greetings, her address is 748 Sidney Street, Greensburg, PA 15601.

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



In January, in keeping with the winter weather, we ask that if you can do so, **please donate canned soup for our Food Pantry share table.** Our Food Pantry clients appreciate soup during the winter months and we do not generally receive soup on the food truck. As always, toiletry items are also appreciated as these are not provided or able to be purchased with the ACCESS cards.

Please remember...ALL DONATIONS are very important and greatly appreciated.
Thanks for placing all items in the wagon in the Sanctuary Hall or in the Fellowship Hall.

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 the pastor 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.

This Week's Scriptures (1/27/19)

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10
 Psalm 19
 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
 Luke 4:14-21

Next Week's Scriptures (2/3/19)

Jeremiah 1:4-10
 Psalm 71:1-6
 1 Corinthians 13:1-13
 Luke 4:21-30

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Christian Education Fundraiser Soup Sales

January 26 & 27 / February 16 & 17 / March 16 & 17

The Christian Education committee will, once again, be selling a variety of soups following each of the three weekend services on the above dates. Proceeds will help provide camperships for children and youth next summer.

Suggested Donation: \$7/quart or \$20/3 quarts



Help Needed



Calling All Soup Chefs!!!

January 25 & 26 / February 15 & 16 / March 15 & 16

We need your help with the soup-making process.

Can you cut or chop or cook or clean?

Friday and/or Saturday morning

8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Questions? Please call Kathy Griffith at 412-613-8569.

All helpers will be most welcome!