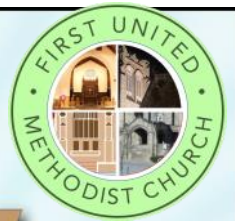


A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day

Sunday, May 21, 2023

8:30 and 10:45 am

(Livestream 10:45)



† *Indicates a time to stand, if you are able*

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE

“Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise” ~ Johann Pachelbel

† **CALL to WORSHIP** *(responsively)*

In the beginning, God made the heavens and the earth.

**O Lord, early on that first morning, when the world was young,
You created life in all its beauty and splendor.**

God saw all that He had made, and it was very good.

**O Lord, early on that first Easter morning, when the world was sad,
You brought back to life Your Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ!**

† **HYMN of PRAISE**

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

UMH 160

† **OPENING PRAYER for PEACE** *(unison)*

O Lord of life, by the mighty resurrection of Your Son, You overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in Him. The stone that had been rolled away, along with the empty tomb, told us that we would never again have an empty life... but that we can be filled with Your hope and grace.

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Grant that we who celebrate with joy Christ's rising from the dead, may also be raised from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through Him who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever! Hear us now as we silently pray for peace in our world and in our lives...

†SILENT PRAYERS for PEACE

†WORDS of ASSURANCE

†GLORIA PATRI ~means "Glory be to the Father" (*sung in unison*) **UMH 70**

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!

A READING from the NEW TESTAMENT **Philippians 2:5-8** NRSV

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

MINISTRY in MUSIC

Chancel Choir

"Ascension Prayer" ~Thomas Keesecker

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pocket Change for a Purpose

to benefit Christ's Cupboard (Helping Hands Across Westmoreland)

MINISTRY in MUSIC

Fred & Karen Pershing (duet)

"At The Name of Jesus" ~Lloyd Larson

Congregation...please join in singing, when directed

All hail the power of Jesus' name, let angels prostrate fall!

Bring for the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all!

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PASTORAL and LORD'S PRAYER (*unison*)

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!

†HYMN of PRAYER ***"Now the Green Blade Riseth"*** **UMH 311**

A READING from the GOSPELS

Mark 16:1-8^{NIV}

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

THE MESSAGE **“Going, Going, Gone!”** **Pastor Kevin Haley**

Spring theme: “EMPTY TOMB = NO MORE EMPTY LIFE!”

SHARING of HIS TITHES and OUR GIFTS

THE OFFERTORY **“What God Ordains Is Always Good”** ~Paul Manz

†**THE DOXOLOGY** ~means “Praise be to God” (*sung in unison*) **UMH 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**

†**HYMN of COMMITMENT** **“Christ is Alive”** **UMH 318**

†**DISMISSAL with BLESSING**

†**THE POSTLUDE** **“All Glory Be to God on High”** ~Timothy Albrecht

†**GOING FORTH to SERVE**

LITURGIST: Dennis Kennedy
TECH TEAM: Nevaeh Hirst, Cheyanne Miller
ACOLYTE: Ethan Miller

Welcome home to First United Methodist Church!

Sunday morning Worship Services at 8:30 and 10:45 in the Sanctuary

(Livestream worship continues at 10:45)

We are glad that you are with us in worship today! Greensburg:First is a church where you can come to learn that God loves you just the way you are, but that God also loves you too much to let you stay this way. God wants you to become more like Jesus! If you do not have a church home of your own, we hope that you might prayerfully consider becoming a part of our church family, as we reach out with love and in the name of Jesus Christ! **Also, please help us get to know you,**

or to be able to contact you in the case of an emergency/cancellation,
by filling out an Attendance Information Card (inserted in this bulletin).

Adult Bible Study

Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. *(Library)*

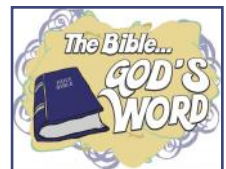
Join Pastor Kevin as he leads us in a 12-week study that will help you stand on the definitive declarations of our mighty and loving God, who governs the world according to His great and precious promises.

This world has a tremble to it, for there are things that seem unsteady in this life. But when we follow Jesus, choosing to be people of the promise, that allows us to filter our problems through and build our lives on these promises of God, not the circumstances of life.



Session Topics

7. Jesus is praying for you (May 23)
8. Death has been defeated (May 30)
9. Joy is coming soon (June 6)
10. You will have power (June 13)
11. There is no condemnation in Christ (June 20)



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