



As we enter a new school year with our children, we'll be challenged to adjust once again to the shifting rhythm of life. We'll need to relearn what time to wake up, how to tackle homework on busy evenings, and how to ensure students get to bed on time! This season brings both anxiety and excitement—a fresh opportunity for growth in their lives and in their faith. But it won't always be easy.

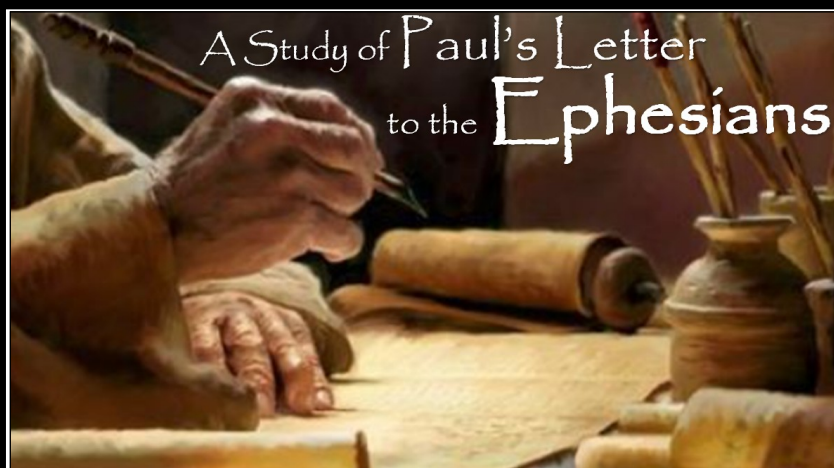
Whether students are starting kindergarten or heading off to college, we must remember that the greatest foundation they need comes from God. This season invites us all to lean into His wisdom and strength. Proverbs 3:1–6 offers a powerful reminder as they step into this new phase of life:

¹My son, do not forget My teaching, but keep My commands in your heart, ²for they will prolong your life many years and bring you peace and prosperity. ³Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. ⁴Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man. ⁵Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; ⁶in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight. (NIV)

So, as they head into new adventures, let's start each day with prayer. Remind them to be kind, encourage them to ask, "What would Jesus do?" and help them remember they are deeply loved and never alone.

Let us hope and pray that everything they do and say reflects God's presence in their hearts. May this year be filled with new friendships, renewed connections, and opportunities to share the love of Christ. And may they be able to set aside fear, embrace excitement, and be blessed by all that God has in store.

Pastor Clint



God's New Society

A Bible Study led by
Rev. Augie Twigg (retired)

Tuesdays at 10:00am and 6:30pm (Church Library)

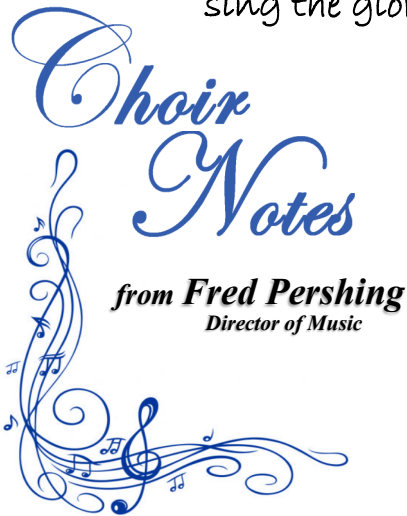
You are invited to join Augie Twigg as he teaches this hour-long Bible study on Paul's Letter to the Ephesians. There will be 12 sessions that begin on September 9. The Tuesday meeting times will be at 10 am and 6:30 pm throughout the fall. The class will meet in the library (or lounge depending on class size). Bring your favorite Bible and a notebook and pen (if you like).

Please register by calling the church office at 724-834-3111. Registration is not required, but it is encouraged, to help ensure proper preparation for the class. This is free and open to everyone!

Depending on your Bible, Ephesians is just five or six pages long. Try to read it in one sitting before our first class.

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| Sept. 9 | "Import and Impact of Ephesians" |
| 16 | "Christ's Action and Our Response" (Eph. 1) |
| 23 | "Wanted Dead or Alive?" (Eph. 2) |
| 30 | "O Magnum Mysterium" (Eph. 3) |
| Oct. 7 | "One Body Ethics" (Eph. 4) |
| 14 | "Department 102" (Eph. 5:1-20) |
| 21 | "All Around Submission" (Eph. 5:21-6:9) |
| 28 | "Spirit Wars:
May the Force Be with You!" (Eph. 6) |
| Nov. 4 | "Belt & Breastplate" (Eph. 6:14) |
| 11 | "Sandals & Shield" (Eph. 6:15-16) |
| 18 | "Helmet & Sword" (Eph. 6:17) |
| 25 | "Prayer, Always Prayer" (Eph. 6:18-20) |

"Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;
sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise." Psalm 66:1-2



Hip, Hip, Hooray! Our choirs will be singing and our bells will be ringing with the joyous return in September. Rehearsals for adult choirs begin Thursday, Sept. 4, and children's choirs on Sunday, Sept. 7. A special thanks goes out to Emily Miller and Terry Lasut for their planning of our youth and children's activities. God has blessed our congregation, and we remain ever faithful.

THURSDAYS 6:00pm **Chancel Chanters** (Sanctuary)
6:30pm **Bonnie Ross Ringers Bell Choir** (Bell Room)
7:30pm **Chancel Choir** (Choir Room)

Back to Church Sunday Sept 7

Our choir will be singing for us and prayers will be offered for our teachers and students. Invite a friend and let's worship together.

**Church isn't
perfect.**

**(Spoiler alert:
neither are we.)**

**LIFE IS BETTER
TOGETHER**

Welcome back to church and Sunday School everyone!

You are cordially invited to classes where people of all ages can learn about God and His Word.

How much do you know and study the Bible? Do you need a regular time to discuss the lessons of the Bible? The Youth and Adult Sunday School classes deepen participants' knowledge of the Bible and the meaning of His teachings for our lives.

Meet us in the Sanctuary Hall at 8:30 AM for a special "**Fresh Start to Sunday School**" breakfast and coffee or hot cocoa, before heading upstairs at 9:00 AM for the Elementary (grades PK-5) and Youth classes (grades 6-12) or downstairs to the Library for the Adult Sunday School class.

Family Devotions

At Home With God: Family Devotions for the School Year by Anne Broyles

With the beginning of a new school year, it is a good time to rekindle our walk with God. We can begin again to study His Word; begin again to notice His blessings and to recognize His lessons for us; and begin again to seek ways to reflect Him more fully in the world.

Let us begin with Ecclesiastes 3:1-8. Light a candle to begin. Let one family member read the verses aloud, or even switch off, verse to verse to give everyone a chance.

In these verses, God tells us there is a time for everything. Perhaps devotional time is a new beginning for your family. What are some important beginnings in your family's history? (marriages, births, jobs, moves, activities, school, etc.) Share memories with one another. What are everyone's hopes and goals for the school year, for work, for activities, for understanding God's Word? Write down each person's hopes and goals, and keep them in a special place to review throughout the year.

Family Litany: Ask one person to read the litany and signal for everyone to respond with *Be with our family as we begin*.

Reader: Dear God,

All: Be with our family as we begin.

Reader: Help us to feel Your loving presence with us

All: Be with our family as we begin.

Reader: Give us the desire to spend time with You every day.

All: Be with our family as we begin.

Reader: Fill us with love and thankfulness for You and one another.

All: Be with our family as we begin.

Reader: Be with our family throughout all the times in our lives.

All: Amen.

*extinguish the candle when you are ready.

Greensburg First United Methodist Church

Sunday School Registration Form

School Year _____

Name of Student _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth _____ Grade Entering in Fall _____

Home Phone Number _____ Cell _____

Emergency Contact Phone Number _____

Indoor/Outdoor Allergies, Restrictions, Special Needs _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____

Names and grades of siblings who attend Sunday School: _____

Please help us prepare...fill out Sunday School registration form

Centering Prayer

Continues to meet in the prayer room
MONDAY evenings at 6:30



Questions?
 Contact the church office
 at 724-834-3111

“Pocket Change for a Purpose”

August TOTAL: \$323.92
 benefitting **Wesley Woods (Church Camp)**



Next Collection Date:

September 21st
 to benefit

Food Pantry (Holiday Gift Cards)

**Thank
 You!!!**



**United
 Methodist
 Women**

FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION

Thanks to all who attended the welcome picnic for Pastor Clint, his wife (Karla), and their children (Sarah & Isaiah). We are thankful we could get it in between the rain drops. It was a pleasure to welcome them to our church family.

Our Business Meeting and Potluck Dinner will be Tuesday, September 2, at 6:00 pm in our Fellowship Hall. Plan to join us and bring a dish to share.

School supplies were purchased and delivered to Nicely and Hutchinson Elementary Schools to support the students there. To all who donated specially to this effort, thanks so much!

Sunday School Classes & Locations

Elementary (preK-grade 5) 3rd floor, room 305

Youth (grades 6-12) 3rd floor, Youth Cafe

Adult (Genesis) Library, lower level



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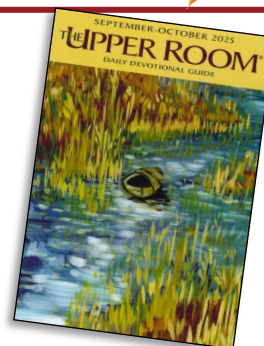
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Terry Lasut	Director of Youth	alasuterry@gmail.com
Ruth K. Hughes	Organist	ruthkhughes@gmail.com
Bob Coder	Treasurer	

The Upper Room

Daily Devotional for
Sept./Oct.

is NOW available in the
 media rack in Sanctuary Hall.



Find us on FACEBOOK:

First United Methodist Church – Greensburg

Regular Church Office Hours:
Monday-Friday 8am-4pm

(May change without notice...thank you
 for your understanding & patience)



Thursday, Sept. 25th
at 8:30 am
 (Church Office)

The *Circuit Rider*
 Assembly Team meets to
 prepare the **October**
 monthly newsletter
 for mailing.



“To know Christ and make Him known.”

**This is our Church Mission,
grounded in Biblical principles.**



**Men/Boys
Prayer Breakfast**

**Saturday, Sept. 13th
@ 9:00am**

A home-cooked breakfast
& time of devotions/prayer.

Please **RSVP** to church office
by Wednesday, Sept. 10th at
churchsecretary@greensburgfirst.org
or 724-834-3111

Welcome! Today's Date: ____/____/____

Your name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone(s): _____

☐ 1ST time ☐ 2ND time ☐ Regular visitor ☐ Member

I would like more information on the following:

<input type="checkbox"/> Becoming a Christian	<input type="checkbox"/> Children's Ministry
<input type="checkbox"/> Baptism	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Ministry
<input type="checkbox"/> Church Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Bible Studies/small groups
<input type="checkbox"/> Serving Opportunities	<input type="checkbox"/> Contacted by the Pastor

Prayer Request: _____

☐ Please add this request to the Bulletin Prayer list

☐ Please add this request to the Email Prayer Chain

☐ Please keep this request **CONFIDENTIAL** with the Pastor

Please place this card in the Offering Plate or hand to Usher

Keep the lines of communication open!

Let us know you were here...
changes in your address / email / phone number.

How can we pray for you?
Looking for Serving Opportunities?

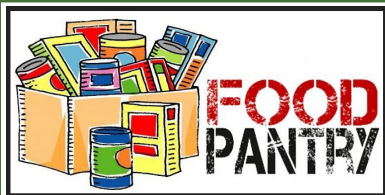
Share encouragement!

Autumn

Let the fields be jubilant, and
everything in them; let all the trees
of the forest sing for joy.

Psalm 96:12





*Next Distribution:
Friday, Sept. 12th @ 10:00am*

Distribution-Day Instructions

All activity will STILL be outside

- Pull in and PARK in the lot adjacent to YMCA on S. Maple. There will be designated parking spots for Food Pantry. **Look for volunteers in yellow/green vests for directions.**
- Stay in your car, register with the volunteer that has a computer.
 - Once registered, continue across street, in front of glass doors, and your car will be loaded.

We ask for your patience, as we all work together to make this operation run as smoothly and safely as possible.

Food Pantry Ministry Contact:
Mallory Baker
570-765-0781
mallory.n.baker@gmail.com

Thursday Afternoon "Set-up Team" Sept. 11th

- Arrive 1:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall to help prepare boxes & bags on tables.

Friday Morning "Distribution Team" Sept. 12th

- (arrive 8:00 a.m. - or whenever you can - at glass doors on S. Maple)
- We need to unload the truck, pack boxes & bags in Fellowship Hall, & distribute at 10:00.

Truck of the Month



Sponsored by
Pat & Gary Ebert
in Loving Memory
of their parents



FOCUS
of the month

Paper Goods

(paper towels, toilet paper, paper plates)

it's things they can't get with Access/EBT cards



The total for our summertime **Happy Feet** collection project was \$710 which will be divided between the Nicely and Hutchinson Elementary Schools, to help their families purchase new shoes for school or sports activities.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to this worthy cause!!



Christmas in



Our Christmas in July project is completed and our total is \$690!

Please remember, you can continue to make donations until mid November when the money will be used to purchase cash certificates to be used at the 66 Shop-n-Save. This is a great way to support our friends and neighbors so they can have a special Thanksgiving dinner.

*In Our Thoughts
& Prayers*
as listed in recent
weekly bulletins

Dee Altman ~ Jean B. ~ Justin B. ~ Nancy B. ~ Barb & Bob Bloom ~ Becky ~ Bette ~ Bill ~ Bob
~ Ken Bosart ~ Denny C. ~ Diane C. ~ Carol ~ Christy ~ Bill Conrad ~ Debbie D. ~ Denny D. ~
Debbi ~ Debbie ~ Doris ~ Emily ~ Ernest ~ Linda Fitzmaurice ~ Harry Fox ~ Kay Garris ~ Ginny
~ Dave & Ginny Grandey ~ Michelle H. ~ Diane & Michael Hall ~ Jack ~ Jason ~ Jeannie ~ Jen-
nifer ~ Jenny ~ Jerry & Zachary ~ Jimmy ~ Justin ~ Shirley Kahler ~ Karen ~ Katelyn ~ Kathi ~
Ken Keiser ~ Kennedy ~ Kaylee Kiss ~ Kyle ~ Carol L. ~ Larry ~ Steven Long ~ Lori ~ Cheryl M.
~ Maria ~ Marody family ~ Joanne McLay ~ baby Molly ~ Donna Montz ~ Nancy ~ Mary Nicole ~ Peggy
~ Rhonda ~ Rodney ~ Rosalie ~ Ruth ~ Shawn ~ Kerry Thompson ~ Tim ~ Bill W. ~ Scott W. ~ John
Weaver ~ our Church Staff & our Church Family ~ Pastor Clint Phillips & family (Karla, Sarah, Isaiah)

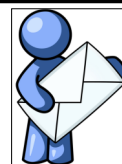
Remembering
those who
wish to,
but cannot
be among us.

Paulette Hood Hempfield Manor (1118 Woodward Drive, Greensburg, PA 15601)

Myrna Baer, Shirley Kahler St. Anne Home (685 Angela Drive, Greensburg, PA 15601)

Marge Trumbetta Walden's View (7990 Lincoln Hwy E, Irwin, PA 15642)

Donna Bush Westmoreland Manor (2480 S. Grande Blvd., Greensburg, PA 15601)



Mail a
Note of
Encouragement

Prayer Chain Partners

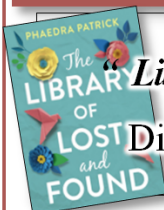


Contact the church office at 724-834-3111
or make note on Sunday on your Welcome Card,
to get the prayer chain going...or send an email to
churchsecretary@greensburgfirst.org



Relaxed Readers

Join us on the 1st Wednesday of every month,
at the Greensburg Eat'n Park at 12 noon.



September 3rd

"Library of Lost and Found"

by Phaedra Patrick
Discussion to be led by
Olivia Graham

October 1st

"The Reading List"

by Sara Nisha Adams
Discussion to be led by
Diane Miller



If interested in joining us, please contact
Olivia Graham at 724-420-5614.

Healing Hearts

Support Group

Monday, September 15, 6:00 pm (Church Lounge)

Moving on after the loss of a loved one is difficult.

We have been where you are and would be happy to have you join us.

You are NOT alone.

Questions/Details??? Contact: Sherry Miller 412-932-5309



Find Encouragement with us... Be an Encouragement to us.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<div>1</div> <div></div> <div>Church / Office CLOSED NO evening activities</div>	<div>2</div> <div>6:00pm UMW Gathering Business Meeting & Potluck Dinner (Fellowship Hall)</div>	<div>3</div>	<div>4</div> <div>10am-1pm 12-Step (library) 6pm Chancel Chanters 6:30 Bells Practice 6:30-8:30pm Women's 12-Step (FH) 7:30pm Chancel Choir</div>	<div>5</div>	<div>6</div>
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