



**A Service of Worship
for the Lord's Day
Sunday, June 30, 2024
10:00 am**



† Indicates a time to stand, if you are able

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE

To God Be the Glory ~Wm. H. Doane

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

Let there be no gap between us and Christ.
For if there is any gap, immediately we perish.
Let us not then merely keep hold of Christ, but let us be cemented to Him.

Let us cleave to Jesus by our works.

He is the head, and we are the body.
He is the foundation, and we are the building.
He is the vine, and we are the branches.
He is the shepherd, and we are the sheep.
He is the way, truth, and the life;

**we walk in Him, we find purpose for life in Him,
and we find life itself in Him!**

† **HYMN of PRAISE** *“Christ is Made the Sure Foundation”* **UMH 559**
(sung to the tune of *“Angels from the Realms of Glory”* UMH 220)

- 1. Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone;
chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one;
holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.*

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2. *To this temple, where we call Thee, come, O Lord of Hosts, today!
With Thy faithful loving-kindness hear Thy people as they pray,
and Thy fullest benediction shed within its walls always.*
3. *Here vouchsafe to all Thy servants what they ask of Thee to gain;
what they gain from Thee forever with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in Thy glory evermore with Thee to reign.*
4. *Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One;
One in might and One in glory, while unending ages run!*

† **PRAYER of INTERCESSION** *(responsively)*

Eternal God, we thank You for calling us by name. In You, we live and move and grow. We pray for churches and Christians throughout the world. Remind us of our common foundation in Christ. May we grow together in faith and in love, until we attain that unity which is Your will.

Build us together in Christ; make us Your dwelling place.

Send down Your Holy Spirit so that we may know Jesus and bear witness to our life in Him. May we know the mind of Christ in order to speak God's hope and wisdom everywhere.

Build us together in Christ; make us Your dwelling place.

We pray for all churches which are experiencing change – growth or struggle, reconciliation or conflict. Inspire and strengthen them in works of witness and service.

Build us together in Christ; make us Your dwelling place.

May we be faithful to our calling and live a long life on earth that gives You the praise and the glory! May we give our whole life to Jesus Christ, for we belong to Him.

Hear these our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen!

† **SHARING the PEACE of CHRIST**

† **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 GOSPELS

Matthew 7:24-29 NIV

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

MINISTRY in MUSIC

“Blessing” ~Natalie Sleeth

*Chancel Choir
Accompanied by Mary Heberling, flute*

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

MINISTRY in MUSIC

*Tom Watkins, solo
“God Bless America” ~Irving Berlin*

PASTORAL PRAYER

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!

SHARING of HIS TITHES and OUR GIFTS

THE OFFERTORY *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* ~F. C. Atkinson

†**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 PRAYER**

“Seek Ye First”

UMH 405

- 1. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, Alleluia!*
- 2. Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and you shall find. knock, and the door shall be opened unto you Allelu, Alleluia!*

A READING from the NEW TESTAMENT **I Corinthians 3:9-15** NIV

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

THE MESSAGE **“Strong, Safe, and Secure!”** **Pastor Kevin Haley**

Worship theme: “Storm Proof—Securing Your Biblical Foundations”

THE CELEBRATION of AN APPOINTMENT

The Lay Leader speaks to the congregation...

Leader: Brothers and sisters in Christ, today we recognize Pastor Kevin, who has been reappointed to serve as our pastor for his sixth year. He has been prayerfully reappointed by our Bishop and by the cabinet of the Western Pennsylvania Annual Conference.

The Lay Leader speaks to the Pastor...

Leader: Pastor Kevin, you have been sent to live among us as a bearer of the Word of God; as a minister of the Sacraments; and as a sustainer of the love, order, service, and discipleship of the people of God.

Pastor: I reaffirm my commitment to Jesus Christ and this congregation!

The Lay Leader speaks to the congregation...

Leader: As a people committed to participate in the ministries of the church by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness, will you support and uphold Pastor Kevin and Amy in all of these ministries?

People: We reaffirm our commitment to support you with our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.

Leader: Let us pray together:

People: Almighty God, You continue to call all of us to go into Your service and spread the message of the salvation of Your Son. Bless richly, we pray, your servants, Pastor Kevin and Amy, as they continue as a part of our community of faith. Fill them with the power of Your Holy Spirit, and let them continue to find us to be an open door for Your Word. All this we pray—for You are to us the Father of mercy and the God of all grace; You are the Son, Christ the Savior, and our Redeemer; and You are the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Helper, and the Giver of life. Amen!

†HYMN of COMMITMENT “*My Hope is Built*” UMH 368

1. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.

I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

**Refrain: On Christ the solid rock I stand,
all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.**

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2. *When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.*
Repeat Refrain:
3. *His oath, His covenant, His blood supports me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.*
Repeat Refrain:
4. *When He shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in Him be found!*
Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne!
Repeat Refrain:

†DISMISSAL with BLESSING

†THE POSTLUDE

Lead On, O King Eternal ~Henry T. Smart

†GOING FORTH to SERVE

Lay Leader: **Judy Molter**
Tech Team: **Nevaeh Hirst**

POTLUCK SALAD LUNCHEON TODAY!!!



Please join your church family TODAY in our Fellowship Hall
for our Potluck Salad Luncheon at 11:00 am.

Also, enjoy an ice cream sundae bar, provided by Youth 180



The **Happy Feet shoe banks** are in our Sanctuary!

From now through mid-August, the shoe banks
will remind you that there are local children
who need help buying school shoes.

Donate as much as you want, as often as you can!

Your Outreach Ministry THANKS YOU!!!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

5th Sunday ~ June 30 ~ Read Job 21-22; Acts 10:1-23

9:00am Adult Sunday School (*Library*)

10:00am Combined Worship (*Sanctuary or Fellowship Hall*)

11:00am Church Salad Luncheon & Sundae Bar (*Fellowship Hall*)

1:00pm Vacation Bible School Weekend (*Fellowship Hall & Outside*)

Monday ~ July 1 ~ Read Job 23-25; Acts 10:24-48

6:30pm Centering Prayer (*Prayer Room*)

-- NO Trustees Meeting (*resumes Sept. 9*)

Tuesday ~ July 2 ~ Read Job 26-28; Acts 11

-- NO Adult Bible Study w/ Pastor Kevin (*resumes Aug. 6*)

Wednesday ~ July 3 ~ Read Job 29-30; Acts 12

10:00am Staff Meeting (*Church Office*)

Thursday ~ July 4 ~ Read Job 31-32; Acts 13:1-23 Church Office CLOSED

Friday ~ July 5 ~ Read Job 33-34; Acts 13:24-52 Church Office CLOSED

Saturday ~ July 6 ~ Read Job 35-37; Acts 14

*Please write prayer concerns on attendance cards in the bulletin, **check the box(es)** and place them in offering. **Requests are listed in the bulletin for 3 weeks, unless renewed.***

Prayer Requests:

Matt A. / Bob / Ken B. / Sue B. /

Connie Barone / Dave Berlin / Bill / Bob Bloom / Paul Carnes /

David / Darlene Erney / Frank / Nancy G. / Leigh Gorman /

Dave & Ginny Grandey / Pastor Kevin & Amy Haley /

Diane & Michael Hall / Pat Handlin / Jimmy / Carol K. /

Shirley Kahler / Kelly / Steven Long / Evelyn Makarsky /

Melanie Marody / Dorothy Medved / Carole "Penny" Minerva / Rose P. /

Nan Peshel / Allan Pierce / Mary R. / Robin & John / Mark S. / Kerry

Thompson / Tracey / Louisa Tylka / Edward W. /

Betty & Clarence White / Doreen Zalakar / Sisco & Christofano families

Those who wish to... but cannot be among us.

Allan Pierce, Marge Trumbetta Brookdale Latrobe

Paulette Hood Hempfield Manor Greensburg

Vivian Engel Loyalhanna Care Sr. Suites Latrobe

Donna Bush, Norma Gump Westmoreland Manor Greensburg

TODAY “Fabulous 5th Sunday Schedule”

- **Adult Sunday School** meets at 9:00am in the Church Library.
- **One Combined Worship** will meet in the Sanctuary or Fellowship Hall, if too hot.
- **Church Salad Luncheon & Sundae Bar** takes place in Fellowship Hall...JOIN US!!!
- **Vacation Bible School Weekend** continues at 1:00pm in Fellowship Hall and outside!

THIS WEEK

- **Centering Prayer** meets weekly on Monday evenings, at 6:30pm in the Prayer Room.
- **Trustees** will NOT meet in July or August. They will resume September 9.
- **Tuesday morning Adult Bible Study** is on summer break. It will resume August 6.
- **Staff** will meet on Wednesday, July 3, at 10:00am in the Church Office.
Staff, please note the special day change.
- **Church & Office will be CLOSED** on Thursday & Friday, July 4 & 5, in observance of Independence day. No regular activities will take place.

LOOKING AHEAD

- **RSVPs due for Fella•ship** ~ Wednesday, July 10
- **Food Pantry Set-up Team** ~ Thursday, July 11 ~ 1:30pm (*Fellowship Hall*)
- **Food Pantry Distribution Team** ~ Friday, July 12 ~ (*Fellowship Hall & S. Maple entrance*)
~ 8:00am Truck arrives
~ 10:00am Distribution begins
- **Fella•Ship Men/Boys Prayer Breakfast** ~ Saturday, July 13 ~ 9:00am (*Fellowship Hall*)
- **Church Picnic** ~ Sunday, July 14 ~ 12:30pm (*Mt. Odin Park*) ... see page 5 for details
- **Circuit Rider Deadline** ~ Monday, July 15 ~ for August edition articles and announcements
- **Healing Hearts** ~ meets off site all summer ~ contact Sherry Miller for info 412-932-5309
- **Finance & Stewardship will NOT meet in July** ~ resumes August 20
- **Church Council/Congregational Meeting** ~ Wednesday, July 24 ~ 6:30pm (*Fellowship Hall*)



Beginning Sunday, July 7, a Christmas tree will be staged in the Narthex, by the 2nd Street entrance. Please help support our **Holiday Dinner Project.**

To participate: choose an ornament with monetary amount listed you would like to donate. Then, place your donation and ornament (*using the special envelope near the tree*) and mark your check (payable to FUMC) with “Holiday Dinner” and return it in any offering or to the church office. Proceeds will be used to get food vouchers for families at local elementary schools. It’s a very simple & special way to support our community.

Sponsored by your Outreach Ministry



We will gather on Sunday, July 14 at 12:30 pm for our annual Church Picnic.

We will be at Mt. Odin Park in the Heather Lund Pavilion.

Our own United Methodist Women will be providing chicken, hot dogs, drinks, and paper goods. If you would like to bring a side dish to share, the UM Women would appreciate it! Looking forward to seeing you there!!!

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 a Welcome Card (inserted in this bulletin).



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)*

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