



First United Methodist Church

15 East 2nd Street, Greensburg PA 15601

A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day

Sunday, September 21, 2025 ♦ 10:00am

Our Mission: TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN

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

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE

Where True Love and Charity Are Found~arr. Gerald Near

† **CALL to WORSHIP** *(Responsively)*

Come, people of God. Not with divided hearts, but with undivided purpose.

We cannot serve two masters. We choose to serve the Living God.

Come, stewards of grace. Entrusted with gifts both great and small.

We will be faithful with what we've been given

so that we may be entrusted with more.

Come, seekers of wisdom. In a world of shifting values and clever schemes.

We seek the wisdom of Christ,

who calls us to integrity, generosity, and trust.

Come, beloved of God, to worship the One

who sees our hearts and calls us by name.

We come to worship with joy

and to offer our lives in service and praise.

† **HYMN**

Jesus Calls Us

UMH 398

† **OPENING PRAYER** *(Unison)*

Gracious and Holy God, You are the giver of every good gift. You are the One who entrusts us with time, talents, and treasures so that we may serve You. In a world that tempts us to split our loyalties, You call us to choose You and to be faithful in the small things. So we come, Lord, not with perfect records, but with open hands and willing hearts. Teach us to be wise stewards, to live with integrity, and to serve You alone. May this time of worship renew our trust in You. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

† **SILENT PRAYERS of CONFESSION**

†**WORDS of ASSURANCE:** *(Responsively)*

In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

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†**SHARING the PEACE of CHRIST**

†**GLORIA PATRI** *(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!

READING of the WORD

Psalm 79:1-9^{NRSV}

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pocket Change for a Purpose

~ to benefit our Food Pantry Holiday Gift Cards

MINISTRY in MUSIC

There Is a Balm ~William Dawson

Chancel Choir w/ Karen Pershing (soloist)

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE 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!**

MINISTRY in MUSIC

How Can I Keep From Singing ~arr. R. Dilworth

Tom Watkins (soloist)

READING of the WORD

Psalm 113^{NRSV}

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

SHARING of HIS TITHES and OUR GIFTS

THE OFFERTORY

Give Me Jesus ~arr. Richard Billingham

†**THE DOXOLOGY** *(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 *Take My Life, and Let It Be* UMH 399

THE MESSAGE **Greedy?** **Pastor Clint Phillips**
Luke 16:1-13^{NRSV}

†HYMN *I Surrender All* UMH 354

✠DISMISSAL with BLESSING

†THE POSTLUDE *In God, My Faithful God* ~ Dietrich Buxtehude

✦GOING FORTH to SERVE

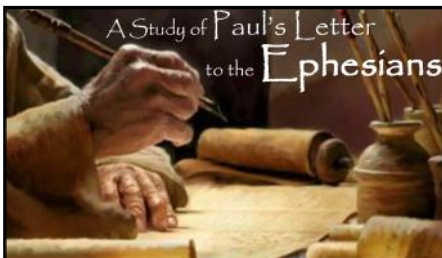
Welcome home to First United Methodist Church!

Sunday morning Worship Service at 10:00 in the Sanctuary

(Livestream worship continues at 10:00)

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).



You are invited to join Augie Twigg as he teaches this hour-long, 12-session Bible study on Paul's Letter to the Ephesians.

Tuesdays at 10:00 am or 6:30 pm *(Library)*
Bring a friend & your Bible.

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!

God's New Society

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

Sept. 23 "Wanted Dead or Alive?" (Eph. 2)

30 "O Magnum Mysterium" (Eph. 3)

Oct. 7 "One Body Ethics" (Eph. 4)

14 "Deportment 102" (Eph. 5:1-20)

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

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

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