



First United Methodist Church

15 East 2nd Street, Greensburg PA 15601

A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day

Sunday, November 30, 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

Savior of the Nations, Come ~arr. Timothy Albrecht

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

We gather in a world full of distractions,
yet Christ calls us to be awake and alert.

We come to focus our hearts,

watching for the signs of God's presence among us.

No one knows the day or the hour,
but we live in the promise that Christ is near.

We stand ready, not in fear, but in faith

Let us open our eyes to the work of the Spirit, open our ears to the
call of Jesus, and open our lives to God's kingdom breaking in.

We worship with expectation, with hope, and with joy, for the Lord is coming.

† **HYMN**

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

UMH 203

† **OPENING PRAYER** (*unison*)

Holy God, we come before You this morning seeking Your presence and Your peace. Help us to slow down and listen for Your voice. Make us mindful of the ways You are already at work among us. Strengthen our faith and draw us into worship that awakens our souls. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

† **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!***

LIGHTING of the ADVENT WREATH

Congregational Response: ***O Come, O Come, Emmanuel***

UMH #211 (verse 1)

READING of the WORD

Psalm 122 NRSV

The Word of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God!

MINISTRY in MUSIC

Surely the Time is Near~Lloyd Larson
Chancel Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER HYMN

There's Something About That Name

UMH 171

PASTORAL, SILENT, 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!
(You are invited to come to the rail during this time of prayer)

MINISTRY in MUSIC

E'en So Lord Jesus Come~arr. Martha Thompson
Bonnie Ross Ringers Adult Bell Choir

SHARING of TITHES and OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah~arr. Wayne Wold

†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

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

UMH 196

†HYMN

Soon and Very Soon

UMH 706

†DISMISSAL with BLESSING

†THE POSTLUDE

Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying ~ arr. Wilbur Held

†GOING FORTH to SERVE

Liturgist: Kathy McLay

Acolyte: Elijah Miller

A/V Tech: __?__?__?

It's TODAY! ↩



Crèche Display 2025

You are invited to come and prepare your heart and soul, in this blessed time of Advent, as we joyfully anticipate the birth of the Christ Child.

Sunday, Nov. 30th

Cookie Fellowship for our FUMC Family & Friends

(after worship until 12:30pm)

Crèche Display in North Hall with cookies & refreshments in adjacent Fellowship Hall.

Display Hours:

- Sundays (before & after 10:00 am worship)
- weekdays in December by appointment (please call 724-834-3111)
- Thursday, Dec. 4, 5:00-7:00pm (during Greensburg Luminary Night)



Use the form below

or **YELLOW** order form in Media Rack

Please follow instructions & return to Church Office by Dec. 14

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS 2025

We are purchasing only enough poinsettias to decorate the church and to distribute to our Special Concerns members. If you would like to contribute to the cost of these poinsettias in memory/honor of your loved ones, please fill out the form below. Please enclose your cash or check made to UMW, with "poinsettias" on the memo line. **Deadline for ordering poinsettias and having the names of your loved ones included in our bulletin insert is Sunday, December 14.**

If you wish to pick up a poinsettia, you may do so after the 7:00pm Christmas Eve service (Dec. 24) -OR- Sunday (Dec. 28)
(Church office **CLOSED** Thursday & Friday, Dec. 25 & 26)

Questions? Call the Church Office at 724-834-3111.

Mail to: First United Methodist Church, 15 E. 2nd St., Greensburg, PA 15601, by December 14, 2024.

I wish to order the following poinsettias: (Please circle in memory of or in honor of)

In memory/honor of: _____

By _____

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By _____

Enclosed is my donation \$ _____.

Name _____ Phone _____

I will pick up a poinsettia _____ AFTER the 7:00pm Christmas Eve service (Dec. 24) -OR- Sunday (Dec. 28)

◆◆◆ Church office will be **CLOSED**: Thursday (Dec. 25), Friday (Dec. 26) ◆◆◆



Angel Tree
for Local Children

TODAY is the LAST DAY
to choose your Angel Tag

To participate...

- choose an angel tag from tree
- list **your name** and contact info on the clipboard
- purchase** the clothing/item listed on the tag
- return it by **Sunday (Dec. 7)** to the box by the tree
(unwrapped & angel tag attached)

Questions? Contact Church Office 724-834-3111



Please be a Blessing to
a few special residents at
Westmoreland Manor.

To participate...

- choose a **STOCKING** from the fireplace mantel
- list **your name** and contact info on the clipboard
- purchase** the clothing/item listed on the stocking
- return it **by Sunday (Dec. 7)** to the box by the fireplace (unwrapped & stocking tag attached)



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday ~ December 1 ~ Psalms 24

6:30 pm **Centering Prayer** (*Prayer Room—Sanctuary level*)

Tuesday ~ December 2 ~ Matthew 24:1-28

6:30 pm **Church Council** (*Church Lounge—lower level*)

Wednesday ~ December 3 ~ Matthew 24:29-51

10:00 am **Worship Committee** (*Library—lower level*)

6:00 pm **UMW Holiday Celebration** (*Fellowship Hall—lower level*)

6:00 pm **Chancel Chanters rehearsal** (*Sanctuary*)

6:30 pm **Bell Choir rehearsal** (*Chapel—Sanctuary level*)

7:30 pm **Chancel Choir** (*Choir Room—Sanctuary level*)

Thursday ~ December 4 ~ Matthew 25:1-30

10 am-1 pm **12-Step** (*Lounge—lower level*)

5:00-7:00 pm **Crèche Display** (*North Hall*)

& light refreshments (*Fellowship Hall*)

6:30-8:30pm **Evening Women's 12-Step** (*Lounge—lower level*)

Friday ~ December 5 ~ Matthew 25:31-46

Saturday ~ December 6 ~ Jeremiah 31:1-14

Sunday ~ December 7 ~ Jeremiah 33:1-11

8:30 am **Coffee Fellowship** (*Sanctuary Hall*)

8:45 am **Children's Chime Choir rehearsal** (*Chapel-Sanctuary level*)

9:00 am **Sunday School:**

Children [PreK-grade 5] (*Nursery-Sanctuary level*)

Youth 180 [grade 6-12] (*Youth Café-3rd floor*)

Adult Sunday School (*Library-lower level*)

10:00 am **Worship** (*Sanctuary*)

Questions?

Call the Church Office at 724-834-3111.

Prayer Requests:

Aidan / Brenda B. / Jason B. / Bob Barone /
 Bill / Isabel Bloom / Ken Bossart / Debbie D. /
 Darlene / Doris / Emily & Christy / Linda F. / Joann Flock / Larry Flock / Julie / Cheryl K. /
 Diane K. / Donna K. / Eric K. / Melanie K. / Shirley Kahler / Katelyn / Ken Keiser /
 Kimberly / Ed Lint / Lori / Cha M. / Donna M. / Dorothy M. / Eugene M. / Jim M. /
 John M. / Ron M. & family / Brian McKinney / John Meffe / Mel & Maxine / Michelle /
 baby Molly / David Nalevanko / Shirley Neill / Kathy P. / Rick P. / Rhonda /
 Robin / baby Sutton / Kerry Thompson / Beth Z. / Zacchetti family /
 Pastor Clint Phillips & family (Karla, Sarah, Isaiah)

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.**

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

Paulette Hood Hempfield Manor (*Greensburg*)

Bill Conrad Ridgecrest (*Pittsburgh*)

Myrna Baer, Shirley Kahler St. Anne Home (*Greensburg*)

Donna Bush Westmoreland Manor (*Greensburg*)

SPECIAL FOCUS

- **Crèche Display Cookie Fellowship TODAY after Worship.** (see page 3 for details)
- **Be an ANGEL to a local child...**see the Angel Tree in the Narthex for details.
TODAY is the LAST DAY to choose your Angel Tag. Please return gifts by Sunday, Dec. 7.
- **Gift Wrapping Fellowship...**join us on Sundays (Nov. 30 & Dec. 7)after worship, to help wrap the gifts for Angel Tree. Meet in the Bell Room on lower level.
- **Be a BLESSING to a few special residents at Westmoreland Manor.**
See the fireplace display in Sanctuary Hall for complete details.
TODAY is the LAST DAY to choose your Stocking. Please return gifts by Sunday, Dec. 7.
- **It's time to order your Christmas Poinsettias!!** Please see order form on page 4 or get a yellow form in the Media Rack. See MaryAnn Herd or call the church office with questions at 724-834-3111. DEADLINE is Sunday, Dec. 14.

THIS WEEK

- **Centering Prayer** continues to meet on Monday evenings, at 6:30 in the Prayer Room.
It's a time to come together in quiet reverence and prayer.
- **Church Council meets on Tuesday, Dec. 2, at 6:30pm in the Church Lounge.**
- **Worship Committee** will meet on Wednesday, Dec. 3, at 10:00am in the Church Library.
- **United Methodist Women's Holiday Celebration** takes place in Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, Dec. 3, at 6:00 pm. All ladies attending are asked to bring a big batch of cookies and help us prepare cookies trays to soon be delivered to some of our church members that are shut in or in nursing care homes. See Sherry Miller with questions or for further details.
- **Join the weekly fellowship of our Music Ministry** at Thursday rehearsals:
PLEASE NOTE DECEMBER DATE CHANGES...
Wednesday, Dec. 3 (not 4) and Wednesday, Dec. 10 (not 11)
 - 6:00pm **Chancel Chanters** rehearsal (Sanctuary)
 - 6:30pm **Bell Choir** rehearsal (Chapel)
 - 7:30pm **Chancel Choir** rehearsal (Choir Room—Sanctuary level)
- **2025 Crèche NIGHT Display...SPECIAL NIGHT...Thursday, Dec. 4, from 5 -7:00pm** (to coincide with Greensburg Luminary Night) Enter at glass doors on the lower level, along S. Maple Avenue and stroll through the display of nearly 100 Nativities in North Hall. Then, enjoy light refreshments in Fellowship Hall.
- **Sunday Morning Coffee Fellowship** begins every Sunday at 8:30 am, in Sanctuary Hall. *It's a time to get a coffee, tea, or hot cocoa and share a treat and some fellowship.*
- **Children's Chime Choir rehearsal** at 8:45 am in Chapel/Sanctuary level
- **Sunday School at 9:00 am:Children** [PreK-grade 5] Nursery/Sanctuary level
Youth 180 [grades 6-12] Youth Café/3rd floor
Adult Sunday School class in Library/lower level
- **Sunday Morning Worship at 10:00 am in our Sanctuary**

LOOKING AHEAD & THINGS TO KNOW

- **Board of Trustees** ~ Monday, Dec. 8 **NOT the 1st** ~ 6:30 pm (Trustee Room)
- **Fella0Ship Men/Boys Prayer Breakfast** ~ Saturday, Dec. 13 ~ 9am (Fellowship Hall)

Welcome to First United Methodist Church!

Sunday morning Worship Service at 10:00 in the Sanctuary

(Livestream worship continues at 10:00)

We're so glad you're here!

Whether it's your first visit or you've been with us for years, know that you are loved. If you don't have a church home, we invite you to consider joining our family as we learn, grow, and share Christ's love together. Please take a moment to fill out the Welcome Card in your bulletin—we'd love to connect with you.

Greensburg First United Methodist Church



Thursday, Dec. 4, from 5:00-7:00pm
(Greensburg Luminary Night)

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15 E. 2nd Street, Greensburg, PA 15601
(North Hall lower level...enter through glass doors along S. Maple Ave.)

You are invited to wander through
the display of nearly 100 Nativities
from around the world.

Then, enjoy free refreshments
in the adjacent Fellowship Hall.

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

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

Find us on FACEBOOK:

First United Methodist
Church—Greensburg

Wi-Fi Network:

Name: Greensburg First
Password: Jeremiah2911

Church Website:
greensburgfirst.org



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