

# Welcome to First United Methodist Church!

**Sunday morning Worship Service at 10:00 in the Sanctuary**

*(Livestream worship continues at 10:00)*

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.

**Let's be safe...** Please consult the three local news networks for **Greensburg FUMC**, or check our church Facebook page at **First United Methodist Church-Greensburg** to check for cancellations of any of our services due to weather.

**Weekday office hours & activity cancellations...** If Greensburg Salem school district has a 2-hour delay or cancels school because of snow or ice, the church office hours and all activities would also be delayed or cancelled.



# First United Methodist Church

15 East 2nd Street, Greensburg PA 15601

A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day

Sunday, December 28, 2025 ♦ 10:00 am

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

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE PRELUDE

***When in Our Music God Is Glorified*** ~arr. Robert J. Powell

### †CALL to WORSHIP (Responsively)

We come from many places, carrying many things,  
**yet we come with open hearts, ready to meet God.**

We come seeking rest, hope, and direction,  
**and we trust that God will meet us here.**

We come to listen for God's voice,  
to be shaped by grace and strengthened by love.

**Come, let us worship the Lord,  
with gratitude, with reverence, and with joy!**

### †HYMN

***Praise to the Lord, the Almighty***

UMH 139

### †OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

**Gracious and faithful God, we come into this place seeking Your presence.  
Quiet our hearts, still our distractions, and turn our attention toward You.  
As we worship, remind us that we are not here by accident, but by Your  
invitation. Shape us through Your Word, lift us through prayer and song,  
and renew us by Your Spirit. May all that we offer today, our praise, our  
listening, and our lives, be pleasing to You. We ask this in the name of  
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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

### Find us on FACEBOOK:

First United Methodist  
Church—Greensburg

**Wi-Fi Network:**  
Name: Greensburg First  
Password:  
Jeremiah2911

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**†GLORIA PATRI (Sung in Unison)**

*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,  
word without end. Amen, Amen.*

UMH 70

**READING of the WORD**

The Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God!

Psalm 137 NRSV

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE****PRAYER HYMN***Near to the Heart of God*

UMH 472 (verse 1)

**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)

**SHARING of Our TITHES and Our OFFERINGS****THE OFFERTORY***Oh Sing to the Lord* ~arr. Timothy Albrecht**†THE DOXOLOGY (Sung in Unison)**

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***I Love to Tell the Story*

UMH 156

**MESSAGE in the HYMNS**

<i>O Little Town of Bethlehem</i>	230	(verses 1 + 4)
<i>Hark! the Herald Angels Sing</i>	240	(verses 1 + 3)
<i>Go, Tell It on the Mountain</i>	251	(verses 2 + 3)
<i>He Lives</i>	310	(verses 1 + 2)
<i>In the Garden</i>	314	(verses 1 + 3)
<i>Because He Lives</i>	364	(verses 1 + 3)

Pastor Clint Phillips

**†HYMN***Wonderful Words of Life*

UMH 600 (verses 1 + 2)

**†DISMISSAL with BLESSING****†POSTLUDE***Let Everything that Has Breath Praise the Lord* (Psalm 150:6) ~Douglas E. Wagner**†GO FORTH TO SERVE***The Chancel Flowers*

on the left are given in loving memory of Win Garland,  
by Holly & Jim Kauffman.

*The Chancel Flowers*

on the right are given by Barb Bloom,  
in loving memory of Bob Bloom's Dec. 29 birthday.

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