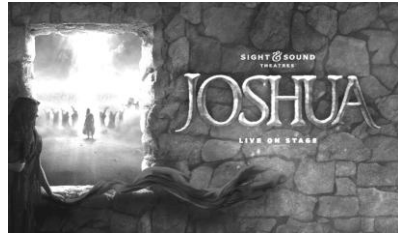


Welcome to First United Methodist Church!

Sunday morning Worship Service at 10:00 in the Sanctuary

(Livestream worship continues at 10:00 via YouTube)

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.



Sight and Sound "Joshua" Bus Trip

We are offering a great opportunity to see the Biblical story of Joshua at the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA. Join us for a one-day bus trip to Lancaster to experience Sight & Sound's brand-new production of Joshua—a vivid retelling of Israel's journey from the Jordan River to the walls of Jericho. This family-friendly show brings the story

to life with powerful music, staging, and storytelling. Our day includes travel on a comfortable motorcoach, time to explore Kitchen Kettle Village for lunch and shopping, the afternoon performance of Joshua, and a family-style meal at an Amish home after the show. The trip includes transportation, show ticket, Amish meal, and driver tip. Pick up a flyer in media rack in Sanctuary Hall for full details including cost, itinerary, and sign-up information.

Deadline for reserving your spot is Sunday, June 14.

Questions can be directed to the church office.

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

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First United Methodist Church

15 East 2nd Street, Greensburg PA 15601

A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day

2nd Sunday of Easter ♦ April 12, 2026 ♦ 10:00am

TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN

† Indicates a time to stand in your heart and physically as you are able.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Now the Silence, Now the Peace ~arr. Robert J. Powell

†CALL to WORSHIP (Responsively)

John of Damascus ~ Hymn 315 ~ Verse 5

Alleluia! Alleluia! Now we cry to our King immortal!

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Who, triumphant,
burst the bars of the tomb's dark portal.**

Alleluia! With the Son, God the Father praising.

Alleluia! Yet again to the Spirit raising!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen!

†HYMN

Alleluia, Alleluia

UMH 162 (with guitar)

OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

O Almighty God, One Who conquers death and restores life, give us Easter hearts and minds, for Easter is not only a day or only a season, but is life in You eternally. Help us to be Easter people wherever we go, whatever we say or do or think, and especially whenever we encounter the dark places of this world. By Your Grace make us people who walk in Your Easter light and life. In the Name of the risen Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS of CONFESSION

WORDS of ASSURANCE (Responsively)

Hear the Good News: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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Glory to God! Amen!

†**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Responsively) from I Cor. 15:1-6 & Col. 1:15-20 **UMH 888**

This is the good news which we received,
in which we stand, and by which we are saved.

**Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day,
and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve,
and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe Jesus is the Christ,
the Anointed one of God, the Firstborn of all creation, the Firstborn
of the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness
of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit. Christ is the
Head of the body, the Church, and by the blood of the Cross
reconciles all things to God. Amen.**

†**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 **1 Peter 1:3-9** NRSV

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

MINISTRY in MUSIC *This Joyful Eastertide* ~arr. Parker/Shaw **Chancel Choir**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER HYMN *Saranam, Saranam* (refrain & vs. 1 only) **UMH 523**
(You are invited to come to the rail during this time of prayer)

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!**

SHARING of HIS TITHES and OUR GIFTS

THE OFFERTORY *We Know that Christ Is Raised* ~arr. Allan Mahnke

†**THE DOXOLOGY** (Unison) **UMH 95**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

† **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

†**HYMN** *Easter in Twenty/Twenty* (see insert)

MESSAGE **Easter Peace** **Pastor Aimée W. Twigg**
John 20:19-31 NRSV

†**HYMN** *Crown Him with Many Crowns* **UMH 327**

†**DISMISSAL with BLESSING**

†**POSTLUDE** *The Head that Once Was Crowned in Thorns* ~arr. Charles Callahan

†**GO FORTH TO SERVE**

Acolyte: Elijah Miller
Liturgist: Carol Jean Albaugh

*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:

Becky B. / Bobbie B. / Isabel B. / Nancy B. / Becky / Judy Bitzer / Bob / Cassie & family /
Janet & John Craig / Debbie D. / Emily & Christy / Geary family / Nancy Gilpatrick /
Ginny / Dave Grandey / Kathy Gustafson / Rick H. / Hall family / Hirst family /
Joe Hixson & family / Donna K. / Ken Keiser / Carol L. / Larry & Cindy / Cha M. /
Diane M. / Dorothy M. / Jimmy M. / John M. / Ron M. / Marody family / Mary /
Marilyn McSparrin / Octavia / Melanie P. / Kathy Poole & family /
Roxane / Barry S. / Laurel Sedlacko / Kerry Thompson /
Pastor Clint & Karla Phillips and their children (Sarah, Isaiah)

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

Paulette Hood Hempfield Manor (Greensburg)
Ken Keiser Redstone (Greensburg)
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Myrna Baer St. Anne Home (Greensburg)