

WARREN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Law Enforcement Appreciation

January 14, 2024

We are glad that you are worshipping at First Methodist Church this morning. Please SIGN AND PASS the attendance pad at the end of the pew. If you are visiting with us, we would especially appreciate having your name, address, and phone number because we would like to thank you for being with us.

ORGAN PRELUDE

“O Perfect Love”
“Prelude and Fugue in A Minor”
“Trumpet Tune”

arr. Hal Hopson
J.S. Bach
John Stanley

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let justice roll down like water.

People: Let mercy bloom like a flower.

Leader: Let all God’s people join hands

People: And none be excluded.

Leader: Let differences be like presents to open.

People: Let strangers turn into our best friends.

Leader: Raise your voice against injustice;

People: Sing a new song of hope.

Leader: Let God fill you with love;

People: Let God chase away fear.

Leader: Walk with Jesus on the paths of peace

People: And being in the promised day.

*HYMN No. 212 “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise” St. George’s Windsor

WELCOME

ANTHEM

“Carol of the Kings”

Ruth Schram

OLD TESTAMENT READING

“Psalm 29”

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CONCERNS AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

THE LORD’S PRAYER (using sins)

*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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.*

OFFERTORY MUSIC

“Blessed are They”

Crane and Klein

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Doxology No. 682

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.

*Offertory Prayer

***HYMN No. 401**

“Jesus, United by Thy Grace”

St. Agnes

(Children are welcome to come forward for the Children’s Message during the last verse.)

A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Bud Fickley

SCRIPTURE

“Acts 9:7, 15- 19”

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MESSAGE

“Be the Light”

Chief Todd Mineweaser

***HYMN No. 405**

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

Dennis

BENEDICTION**BEARING OF LIGHT****POSTLUDE**

“Marching to Zion”

Robert Lowry

*** Indicates Please Stand if Able**

MUSIC today is provided by organist Judd Demers, our Chancel Choir, and soloist Barbara Young. Judd is a sophomore at Grove City College, and Barbara is our church receptionist. The carillon is played today by Nettie Swart.

LITURGIST today is Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht.

ACOLYTES today are Holden Demers and Collin Ellis.

ALTAR FLOWERS today are in loving memory of Christine Kintner, given by her Family.

PEDESTAL FLOWERS today are in loving memory of Mr. Roger Siggins, given by Nancy Siggins and Tracey & Brandon Westmoreland.

USHERS today are George Lilja, Michael Giambrone, Nicholas Giambrone, Henry Dahl, and Morrie Kintner.

CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK ~ Ed and Marilyn Derby, 615 Rouse Ave., Room 112, Youngsville, PA 16371. Please consider sending them a card.

LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION DAY ~ Today is local law enforcement appreciation. We will have fellowship time in the parlors afterward, and we hope you will consider staying after to thank them for all they do for us.

WINTER LUNCH FELLOWSHIP ~ Our Hospitality ministry will be hosting a Winter Lunch Fellowship on January 28th, February 25th, and March 17th. These lunches will take place immediately following the 10:00 AM worship service.

VALENTINES FOR SHUT-INS ~ We welcome you to make hand-made Valentines to share with the residents of local nursing homes as well as our shut-ins. The Valentines will be delivered on February 11, 2024. If you are in need of supplies, please see Heidi or email her at hketzko@firstmwarren.org. Please consider joining us in this wonderful ministry.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD ~ Throughout the year, we will continue to collect items to pack shoeboxes for **Operation Christmas Child**. A list of items we are collecting is on the bulletin board across from the main office. Please mark your items for the Shoebox ministry and deliver them to Visitation Pastor's office, across from the main church office. The cost of Operation Christmas Child, which includes processing, transportation, etc., is \$9.00. Monies can be turned into the office or put into the collection plate. If it's in the form of a check, please mark OCC shoebox in the memo line. **Reminder:** **Please DO NOT** include the following items: Candy, toothpaste, gum, used or damaged items, war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures, chocolate or food, seeds, fruit rolls or other fruit snacks, drink mixes (powdered or liquid), liquids or lotions, medications or vitamins, breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers, aerosol cans. What a wonderful way to share the love and hope of Jesus Christ with a needy child in another country. Your help is greatly appreciated.

CHANCEL CHOIR CANTATA ~ Chancel Choir is beginning rehearsals for a cantata which will be shared on Palm Sunday, March 24th. If you would like to join the Chancel Choir for this, please call Ruth Nelson at 814-688-8238.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

January 14, 2024 - January 20, 2024

SUNDAY

Law Enforcement Appreciation
8:00 AM Service of Word and Sacrament; Crary Chapel
8:45 AM Fellowship; Covert Room
9:00 AM Class Meeting; Parlors
9:45 AM Prayer; Crary Chapel
10:00 AM Worship Service; Sanctuary

MONDAY

6:45 AM Christian Men's Accountability Group
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours
4:30 PM Monday Nite Meal; Founder's Hall
6:00 PM Incarceration Support Group; Everts Room
6:00 PM Trustees Meeting; Covert Room

TUESDAY

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours
1:00 PM Program Staff Meeting; Mark's Office
1:45 PM Peals of Praise; Sanctuary
3:30 PM Youth Music Program; Music Room
5:00 PM Warren High School Soccer; Gym
6:00 PM Protestant Church History; Covert Room
6:30 PM Epworth Bells; Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY

8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3 Year Old Preschool
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours
8:45 AM Moms of Minis; Covert Room
9:30 AM Protestant Church History; Covert Room
1:00 PM Worship Staff Meeting; Mark's Office
5:30 PM Finance Committee; Parlor B
6:00 PM Youth Group; Everts Room
6:30 PM Chancel Choir; Music Room

THURSDAY

8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3 Year Old Preschool
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours
5:00 PM 4th Grade Soccer; Gym
6:00 PM DivorceCare; Covert Room
6:30 PM SPRC Meeting

FRIDAY

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours
12:00 PM Senior Citizen Lunch; Founder's Hall

SATURDAY

9:30 AM - 4:00 PM Private Event; Founder's Hall