## WARREN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH March 10, 2024

Welcome to First Methodist Church.

Please us the Music of Preparation as an opportunity to prepare your hearts for worship.

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.

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

"Amazed"

arr. Tornquist

(8:00 AM)

"Holy Ground"

arr. Hayes

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

(10:00 AM)

"Prelude on Southwell" "Sortie in F minor" "Amazing Grace"

arr. Edward Landin Leon Boellman arr. Hal Hopson

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Looking to the mountains, we recall the source of our hope. Leader:

Our help comes from the Lord. God is Maker of heaven and earth People:

On the paths we walk, the way can be treacherous, the footing unsure. Leader: People: God will not let our foot slip. God watches over us with care.

Our concerns can be given to our faithful God. God loves us and will deliver us Leader:

from harm.

People: We rest in the Lord as we might recline under a tree on a summer

day. Wherever we go, the Lord watches over us and keeps us safe.

\*HYMN No. 67

"Blessed Be the Name"

WELCOME

"Thank you, God, for My Family" **ANTHEM** 

Terry Taylor

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 103:1 - 12

Pew Bible Page 542 - 543

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

"It Causes Me to Tremble"

Joel Raney

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(10:00 AM only)

\*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 SING No. 160

"I Love to Tell the Story"

Hankey

No. 237 No. 263 No. 260

"The Power of the Cross" "O Praise the Name"

Anastasis

"Resurrection Hymn'

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

A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Bud Fickley

**SCRIPTURE** 

"Mark 2:1 - 12"

Pew Bible Page 911

MESSAGE

"The Paralyzed Man"

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(8:00 AM only)

\*HYMN No. 457

"Rescue the Perishing"

BENEDICTION

BEARING OF LIGHT

(10:00 AM only)

**POSTLUDE** 

"Blessed Be the Name"

arr. Courtney

(8:00 AM)

**POSTLUDE** 

"Variations On CWM Rhondda"

arr. Hal Hopson

(10:00 AM)

\* Indicates Please Stand if Able

MUSIC today is provided by organist Michele Sandberg, Chancel Choir, and the Wesleyan Choir. Cathy Peterson is the pianist for 8:00 AM. The carillon is played by Caroline Čurren.

**LITURGIST** today is Mary Schall.

**ACOLYTES** today are Gavin Rex and Tage Wyman.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** today are in loving memory of Kara Donaldson, given by Her Family.

**USHERS** today are Team 4— Rusty Blodgett, Jim Reynolds, Larry Sutton, Ron Casteel, Tom Lobdell, and Bob White.

CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK ~ Jane Culver, 615 Rouse Ave., Room 149, Youngsville, PA 16371. Please consider sending her a card.

WEDNESDAY SOUP AND STUDY "Signs" ~ How can I follow the signs that lead to God's will? The road to God's will is marked with signposts to direct us. During this six week study, you will be challenged to recognize those signposts and encouraged to follow. The class will be offered on Wednesday evenings at 5:30 PM until March 27th. Soup will be served starting at 5:15 PM. A sign-up sheet for attendance is on the bulletin board across from the office.

**EVENING OF PRAYER AND PRAISE** ~ We invite you to join Rev. Bud Fickley and the prayer ministry of First Methodist Church for an evening of prayer and praise on Sunday, April 14th, at 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary. The evening will include corporate and personal prayer, scripture reading, intercessory prayer, and music by members of our congregation. Come lift your voices to God as we hold each other, our community, and our world before God in prayer.

**CHILDCARE PROVIDER NEEDED** ~ We are looking for a dedicated individual to provide childcare in the nursery on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month for the Mom's of Minis program. The childcare provider would need clearances or be willing for us to get them for you. If you're interested, please contact Heidi Ketzko. Thank you!

**SAMARITAN MEALS** ~ A program that provides and delivers meals to congregation members with temporary health needs is looking for cooks to help carry out this caring ministry. If you want to join our team, please call Cindy Blodgett at 814-726-1415 or 814-730-7350.

**BLUE BAG SUNDAY** ~ We will collect non-perishable food items for the Ruth M. Smith Home. The bags can be returned to our collection box across from the Dunham Parlors. If you cannot pick up one of the provided blue bags, items may still be dropped off in any type of bag available to you. The collection of bags will take place on March 17<sup>th</sup>.

**H.O.C.** ~ (Helping Our Children) has received a request to help restock the student food pantry at Warren Area High School. Needed are "grab and go" items. If you wish to help with this, please leave your items in the bin labeled WAHS in the Covert Room by March 10th. Needed foods are Pop Tarts, granola bars and breakfast bars, single bags of chips, applesauce pouches, and prepackaged sandwich crackers. Thank you for your help.

HOUSE OF HOPE OF WARREN COUNTY ~ The House of Hope of Warren County is offering a unique and professional volunteer experience. Can you offer consistency, record keeping, confidentiality and God's grace? We offer rent free housing, a separate area in the House with bedroom living room, kitchen, bathroom, and dining room. This is a live in position with some flexibility with hours. The House of Hope of Warren County is a non-profit, faith-based home open to women who are newly released from prison, providing a safe Christian residence as they continue their journey to remain clean from drugs/alcohol. Please submit a resume or any questions to houseofhope@atlanticbb.net

**FRIDAY SENIOR LUNCH** ~ The number of people attending the Friday Senior Lunch have increased considerably and additional help is needed. If you are interested in this ministry and could serve on a team 1 or 2 Fridays a month, please contact the office (814-723-4930) and someone will get back to you.

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK March 10, 2024 - March 16, 2024

**SUNDAY** Blue Bag Distribution

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 - Team A; Founder's Hall 6:30 Silver Winds Flute Choir Rehearsal; Sanctuary

TUESDAY 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

12:00 PM Blue Stocking Luncheon; Covert Room 1:00 PM Program Staff Meeting; Rev. Hecht's Office

3:30 PM Youth Music Program; Music Room 5:00 PM Warren High School Soccer; Gym 6:00 PM Girl Scout Meeting; Founder's Hall

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8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours

5:15 PM Soup and Study Group; Covert Room

6:00 PM Youth Group; Everts Room 6:00 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 3:30 PM 4th Grade Soccer; Gym

4:15 PM Hospitality Meeting; Covert Room 4:30 PM Discipleship Meeting; Parlor B

6:30 PM Warren Philharmonic Rehearsal; Founder's Hall

FRIDAY 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours

12:00 PM Senior Citizen Lunch; Founder's Hall

SATURDAY Allegheny West Provisional Conference; Reynoldsburg