

# WARREN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

## July 14, 2024

*Welcome to First Methodist Church.*

*Please use 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** "Be Thou My Vision" arr. Larson  
(8:00 AM) "I Stand in Awe" arr. Hayes

**MUSIC OF PREPARATION** "Peace Like a River" arr. C. E. Watz  
(10:00 AM) "All Creatures of Our God and King" arr. Mark Hayes  
"Go-Down, Moses" arr. Mark Hayes

### WELCOME

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

**Leader:** Like the people of Ezekiel's day, we have grown apart from God.

**People:** **We want what we want, ignoring God's desires for us.**

**Leader:** We have made our dreams and our desires more important to us than God.

**People:** **We have drifted away from the faith of our forebears. And now we wander blindly in a valley of dry, dusty bones, seeking refreshment for our thirsting souls.**

**Leader:** Answer the deep longing of our hearts with the fullness of your love, so that once again we will know the sufficiency of life with you.

**People:** **Let the fire of the Holy Spirit rest on us, as it did on the faithful at Pentecost. Touch us, Lord, set our souls on fire with a burning that cannot be quenched.**

\*HYMN No. 385 "Count Your Blessings" Blessings

STATEMENT OF FAITH "The Nicene Creed" Hymnal No. 693

ANTHEM "I Am Not Alone" arr. Roger Thornhill

### 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**

"I Prepare a Place"

arr. Diane Hannibal

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

(10:00 AM only)

\*Doxology No. 682

\*Offertory Prayer

**\*HYMN No. 304**

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

Trentham

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

**A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES****SCRIPTURE**

"Acts 2:14- 36"

Pew Bible Pages 992 - 993

**MESSAGE**

"We Believe in the Holy Spirit"

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

(8:00 AM only)

**\*HYMN No. 89**

"Love Lifted Me"

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

(10:00 AM only)

**POSTLUDE**

(8:00 AM)

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

arr. Hayes

**POSTLUDE**

(10:00 AM)

"Lead On, O King Eternal"

arr. Ralph Long

**\*Indicates Please Stand if Able**

This week, the organ pipes from the Great Chamber were returned and placed back into the chamber. Next week, the pipes in the Swell and Choir Chambers will be removed. We hope to have part of our organ functional again for next week's service. Today we are enjoying piano music on the Steinway Grand.

**MUSIC** today is provided by vocalists Melissa and Doug McCracken and flutist Pat Murphy. We thank them for sharing their gifts and talents.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** today are in loving memory of Clara Dunham, given by Mr. & Mrs. M. B. Dunham.

**THE ROSE ON THE ALTAR** today is in celebration of the birth of Walter Terrence Breindel, born June 29, 2024, to David and Katie Breindel, his big sister Annie, and grandparents Allen and Jo Ann Breindel.

**CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK** ~ Janet Whipple, 55 Highland Dr. Apt. #A2, Warren, PA 16365. Please consider sending her a card.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS** ~ Community VBS will take place at First Lutheran Church, 109 W. Third Ave., from July 28th to August 1st. VBS will run from 6:00 PM to 8:15 PM each day. Registration forms are available via the weekly newsletter, the website at [www.firstmwarren.org](http://www.firstmwarren.org), and the First Methodist Facebook Page at <https://facebook.com/firstmwarren.org>

**EVENING OF PRAISE** ~ In July and August, we will be offering communion and an opportunity for prayer at our Sunday Evening of Praise events. We hope you'll "Come and Bring a Friend." Make sure to mark your calendars for our upcoming Sunday praise events on Sunday, July 21st and Sunday, August 18th. If weather permits, these events will take place outdoors.

**WHAT WE BELIEVE** ~ Our pastors will be sharing a series over the summer months highlighting key aspects of "The Catechism of the Global Methodist Church." following worship each week, our pastors will be available in the Covert Room to meet with and answer questions you may have regarding the points of doctrine being shared that day. Please consider committing to participating in this worship and study experience.

**DONATIONS NEEDED** ~ The Warren County Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) needs snacks for the children who utilize its services. They are looking for donations of individually wrapped fruit snacks, gold fish, animal crackers, Capri Sun drinks, or any other snacks that would appeal to children. Donations can be dropped off in the Covert Room, the office, or to Heidi Ketzko. Any donation would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

**ALL CHURCH PICNIC** ~ Mark your calendars for August 4, 2024, All Church Picnic from 6:00 PM—8:00 PM at the Brokenstraw Valley Swimming Pool on Thatchers Lane in Youngsville. Please take special note of the change of location for our picnic.

**PLEASE NOTE SPECIAL SERVICE TIME** ~ On August 4, 2024, due to the community service at the Struthers Library Theatre, we will have one service at 9:00 AM, in the Sanctuary.

**COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE** ~ There will be a multidenominational Community Worship Service on Sunday, August 4, 2024 at the Struthers Library Theatre at 10:30 AM.

**NEW MEMBER FELLOWSHIP CLASS** ~ For those considering joining First Methodist Church, we invite you to our New Member Fellowship Class, which will start soon. Please call the church at 814-723-4930 if you are interested in joining First Methodist Church.

**SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP** ~ There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for those interested in providing snacks and/or goodies for our Sunday fellowship time.

# CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

## July 14, 2024 - July 20, 2024

**SUNDAY**  
**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**  
**11:00 AM What We Believe; Covert Room**

**MONDAY**  
**6:45 AM Christian Men’s Group; Covert Room**  
**8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours**  
**1:00 PM—4:30 PM Chosen Ministry; Garage**  
**4:30 PM Monday Night Meal—Team B; Founder’s Hall**  
**6:00 PM Incarceration Support Group; Everts Room**  
**6:00 PM Trustees Meeting; Covert Room**  
**7:00 PM Security Committee Meeting; Covert Room**

**TUESDAY**  
**8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours**  
**4:00 PM Rehearsal; Sanctuary**

**WEDNESDAY**  
**8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours**  
**1:00 PM - 4:30 PM Chosen Ministry; Garage**

**THURSDAY**  
**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours**

**FRIDAY**  
**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours**  
**9:00 PM - 12:30 PM Chosen Ministry; Garage**  
**12:00 PM Senior Lunch; Founder’s Hall**

Pastor	Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht
Visitation Pastor	Rev. Mike Rutenber
Associate Pastor	Rev. Bud Fickley
Director of Music	Ruth Nelson
Organist/Pianist	Michele Sandberg
Pianist	Cathy Peterson
Office Manager	Debbie Giambrone
Office Assistant/Streaming Tech	Barbara Young
Coordinator of Community Programs	Heidi Ketzko
Custodian	Bob Confer
Acolytes	Aiden Zawacki and Aiden Ellis
Liturgist	Mary Schall
Usher Captain Team 2	George Lilja
Ushers	Ila Wilson Patti Rublee
	Carla Johnson
	Nick Johnson
	Mark Nelson
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# HOC (Helping Our Children)

While we are in the midst of summer, it's not too early to start planning ahead to the next school year. The HOC (Helping Our Children) committee recently met and needs were identified for the coming school year for students attending Warren Area Elementary Center, Beaty Warren Middle School, and Warren Area High School. There are paper sneakers on the bulletin board in the office hallway with sizes that we hope our church can supply. If able, please take a sneaker, sign your name beside the corresponding number from the sneaker toe, shop, and return to the box on the windowsill in the Covert Room by Sunday, August 4th. In addition, there are other needs besides sneakers this year.

We will be collecting the following items:

**Boys Boxer Briefs sizes 4/5, 6-8, and 10/12**

**Girls underwear sizes 4T/5T, 6/6x, and 7/8**

**Leggings for Girls - all sizes from x-small to women's x-large**

**Boys Athletic Pants or sweatpants sizes 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10-12**

**Men's Athletic Pants sizes medium - X Large**

**Socks for BWMS - sizes men 6-12 and women 5-9**

**Personal Care Items - shampoo**

**conditioner**

**deodorant**

**small containers of laundry detergent**

**body wash**

**Food Items - mac and cheese**

**microwave pastas ( not perishable)**

**ramen noodles,**

**cereal (any size)**

**granola bars**

**pop tarts**

**fruit rollups**

**snack crackers with cheese or peanut butter**

**individual containers of fruit, applesauce, and puddings**

**breakfast bars**

**shelf stable milk**

**Backpacks - heavy duty for BWMS**

**Adult CROCS - any size and color for BWMS**

Items can be donated any time before August 4th. Please know that while we appreciate new sneakers and underwear, we also welcome "hand me downs" for the clothing. Feel free to watch for garage sales this summer as recycled clothing is wonderful. If you have any questions, please contact Ruth Nelson at 814-688-8238. Thanks for your support.

**ALL  
ages  
are  
welcome!!!**

# **ALL CHURCH PICNIC**

**Sunday  
August 4, 2024  
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

**Brokenstraw Valley Swimming Pool  
Located on Thatchers Lane, Youngsville, PA, 16371**

**Please bring  
a  
Covered Dish  
to share**

**Chicken  
&  
Drinks  
provided**

**Bring your  
friends  
and  
family!**



**Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend.  
Let us know what you plan to bring for the potluck  
and if you will need transportation!**