

WARREN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

August 18, 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 “Revive Us Again” arr. Berry
(8:00 AM) “They’ll Know We Are Christians” arr. Hayes

MUSIC OF PREPARATION “Partita on Est 1st Ein Ros” Anthony Giamanco
(10:00 AM)

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Whom do you seek here in this place?

People: We seek God, the Creator, who brought us to life.

Leader: Who has told you of God?

People: Jesus Christ, God’s Son, has shown us the love of God through his life.

Leader: Discipleship is difficult. Are you ready?

People: We want to be ready. Lord, strengthen and sustain us this day. Amen.

*HYMN No. 591 “I Am Thine, O Lord”

OLD TESTAMENT READING “Psalm 107:1 - 9” Pew Bible Page 548

SPECIAL MUSIC “Jesus is the Answer/Seek Ye First” arr. Benjamin Harlan

MISSION MOMENT Molly Loughlin

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 Am God’s Child” Robert Lau

COLLEGE STUDENTS ~ Remember to complete your Church Mouse surveys and return them to the office ASAP so you can be assigned a Church Mouse. If you need a survey, you can fill out the form on our website at firstmwarren.org under the outreach ministries tab.

CHURCH-WIDE DISCIPLESHIP ~ A Sunday Sermon Series will be offered this fall: September 8th through the week of November 24th.

We, as a congregation, will participate in a twelve week emphasis entitled "Christian to the Core."

Christian to the Core is a journey to becoming a deeper disciple by increasing your intimacy with God, increasing your love for people, and discovering God's greater purposes for your life.

It is our goal to get as many people as possible to participate in these ONE HOUR studies. At the present time, we have set aside two optional times to meet for our study opportunities:

Monday Evenings from 6:15 to 7:15 (Beginning September 9)
Tuesday Afternoon from 12:30-1:30 (Beginning September 10)

If more times are needed for meetings, we will gladly add them as well. Everyone is encouraged to consider committing one hour a week to this next step for our congregation. There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board across from the office.

REFUGEE HOUSING ASSISTANCE NEEDED ~ A Ukrainian mother and her son need temporary or permanent housing in the Warren area in order to come to the United States. If you know of any housing available or would like to share your home, please contact Richard or Mary Schall in person or by phone at 814 755-4908.

KITCHEN HELP ~ The Monday Nite Meal Ministry is looking for extra help in the kitchen. If you feel a calling to assist with the Monday Nite Meals, please contact John Swart at 814-757-5716 or Heidi Ketzko at hketzko@firstmwarren.org.

YOU ARE SO VERY GENEROUS! ~ Thank you for supplying sneakers, food, and personal items for our Warren City Schools. The children at Warren Area Elementary Center will "shop" this week and be so excited with sneakers, snacks, and new clothes. The middle and high school students will access these items through the guidance departments. So thank you for your help. Blessings, Ruth Nelson

MUSICAL VOICES ~ Our Chancel Choir will resume helping to lead worship on Sunday, September 8th. We are always looking for new voices. No pressure and no solos required! If you are interested in joining us, we will begin with a light supper on Wednesday, September 4th, at 5:30 PM in the Covert room followed by rehearsal in the music room. No need to bring anything except yourself, an appetite, and your family. Please contact Ruth Nelson (814-688-8238) if you have any questions or plan to come to the supper.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK
August 18, 2024 - August 24, 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 C; 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**

WEDNESDAY **8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours**
1:00 PM - 4:30 PM Chosen Ministry; Garage
5:15 PM Finance Meeting; Covert Room

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

SATURDAY **11:00 AM Private Event; Founder’s Hall**

Pastor	Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht		
Visitation Pastor	Rev. Mike Rutenber		
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	Anna McCord and Abby McCord		
Liturgist	Tawni Betts		
Usher Captain Team 2	Rusty Blodgett		
Ushers	Jim Reynolds	Larry Sutton	Ron Casteel
	Tom Lobdell		Bob White
Address	200 Market Street, Warren, PA 16365		
Phone Number	814-723-4930		
Email Address	info@firstmwarren.org		
Website	www.firstmwarren.org		

Back to School Prayer WALK

**Tuesday, August 20, 2024
6:00 PM**

Let's come together as a community to pray over our schools, students, parents, teachers, administration, faculty & bus drivers for the 2024-2025 school year!

Please visit the www.firstmwarren.org home page and follow the link to sign up to meet at the location of your choosing.

Participants will meet at the main parking lot of the one of the locations listed.

- Johnson Bus Garage
- Tidioute Charter School
- St. Joe's Catholic School
- Warren Area Elementary
- Youngsville Elementary School
- Warren County Christian School
- Sheffield Elementary/Middle/Senior High School
- Eisenhower Elementary/ Middle/Senior High School
- Youngsville Free Methodist Church (Homeschool & Cyber School Students)
- Beaty Middle School
- Warren Area High School
- Warren Bus Lines
- WCSD Central Office
- Youngsville Middle/Senior High School

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LAY EQUIPPING WEEKEND
Allegheny West Annual Conference

September 6-7

Friday 6-9 PM &
Saturday 8:30AM-4:30 PM

\$50

Snacks, Breakfast, and Lunch included

Cornerstone Global Methodist Church

207 S. Court Street
Marysville, Ohio



*Register using the QR code or at
www.alleghenywestgmc.org/awaken*

Do you feel a nudge to follow God more closely as a disciple?
Sign up for **Awaken!** This event will focus on:

- What it means to be shaped as a leader in the Global Methodist Church
- How we can grow through abiding in God & means of grace
- Ways God calls us to serve through our unique spiritual gifts and experiences

Join us as we gather with other disciples from the Allegheny West Conference of the Global Methodist Church as we worship, learn, and grow together.

This event is designed for individuals and teams who want to grow in their spiritual leadership, and Awaken is also the first component of our certified lay ministry training. The rest of the training will be completed through four day-long equipping sessions focused on congregational care, teaching the Bible, being Global Methodist, and missions/evangelism. At our September Awaken event, we will share dates for these sessions. If anyone in your church is interested in certified lay ministry or feeling any sort of "call", this is a perfect place to invite them to learn more.

Questions? Email Kathy Rohrs at kathy.rohrs@gmail.com