

# WARREN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

## April 21, 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**

(8:00 AM) "Praise the Name of Jesus/All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" arr. Hayes  
"Glorify Thy Name" arr. Hayes

### **MUSIC OF PREPARATION**

(10:00 AM) "St. Columba" arr. Peter Stearns  
"Pastorale in C" Krititel Kuchar  
"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" arr. Hopson

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: What does the Lord require of us?

**People: To do Justice;**

Leader: 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.'

**People: To love kindness;**

Leader: 'Blessed are the meek and humble, for they will inherit the earth.'

**People: To walk humbly with our God;**

Leader: 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.'

**People: We come to learn, to praise, to pray; We come to worship our God.**

### **\*HYMN No. 48**

"Like a River Glorious"

Wye Valley

### **WELCOME**

### **ANTHEM**

"Noah and the Ark"

Tammy Waldrop

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

"Isaiah 58:1 - 9"

Pew Bible Pages 674 - 675

### **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**

"Great Is the Lord"

arr. Ed Lojeski

## **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 No. 73**

“He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought”  
(Children are dismissed to attend the Children’s Church)

**SCRIPTURE**

“Matthew 25:34”  
“Matthew 5:1–11”

Pew Bible Page 904  
Pew Bible Page 880

**MESSAGE**

“Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit”

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

## **SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

(8:00 AM only)

\***HYMN No. 368**

“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”

Sojourner

**BENEDICTION**

**BEARING OF LIGHT**

(10:00 AM only)

**POSTLUDE**

(8:00 AM)

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

arr. Courtney

**POSTLUDE**

(10:00 AM)

“Chant Heroique”

**\* Indicates Please Stand if Able**

**MUSIC** today is provided by organist Michele Sandberg, the Chancel Choir, and the Wesleyan Choir. The narrator for the first anthem is Aiden Zawacki. Caroline Curren is playing the carillon. The pianist for the 8:00 AM service is Cathy Peterson.

**LITURGIST** today is Kayla Giambrone.

**ACOLYTES** today are Lilly Newton and Attie Corey.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** today are in loving memory of Michael and Nathan Park, given by the Jack Park Family.

**USHERS** today are Team 5-Erik Fincher, Susie Zimmerman, Tom Giegerich, Matt McCord, Brent Jones, Stephanie Tannler and Rebecka Swart.

**CONGRATULATIONS** ~ A boy, Cooper Jamieson, was born to Gabrielle and Mitchell Dorunda and grandparents, John and Susan Montour.

**CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK** ~ Darla Peterson, 701 Rouse Ave., Room 603A, Youngsville, PA 16371. Please consider sending her a card.

**SAMARITAN MEALS** ~ A program that provides and delivers meals to congregation members with temporary health needs, needs dedicated cooks to help carry out this caring ministry. If you're interested in joining our team, please reach out to Cindy Blodgett at 814-726-1415 or 814-730-7350.

**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.

**BOY SCOUTS** ~ In support of the Chief Cornplanter Council, BSA's four-day Cub Scouts camp this June 13th—June 16th, we are asking for paper plates, napkins, forks, ketchup, and mayonnaise donations. A collection box for donated items is located by the nursery. Thank you for your support.

**SCHOLARSHIP** ~ Applications for The Mary F. & Melvin G. Keller Scholarship of The First Methodist Higher Education Fund for the 2024—2025 school year are being accepted until April 30, 2024. Applications can be picked up in the office or online at [www.firstmwarren.org](http://www.firstmwarren.org).

**RUMMAGE SALE** ~ The Annual Rummage Sale will be held April 26th and 27th. The Daughter's Banquet will be at 5:30 on the evening of Thursday, April 25th. Items for the sale may be brought to the upper areas of the Gym beginning Monday, April 15th. Work on the Rummage Sale will begin Wednesday, April 17th. To avoid confusion with the Preschool hours, working hours for the sale will be after noon on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Other working hours will be mornings on Fridays and Mondays.

We are requesting good, clean items, no encyclopedias. Furniture and garden items may be brought to the garage during church office hours. This is an annual event much anticipated by the community. Help us make this year's sale another big success.

**THE WOMEN'S TUESDAY STUDY GROUP** ~ will begin a new series entitled "If You Want to Walk on Water You've Got to Get Out of the Boat" narrated by John Ortberg. Bring a sandwich and come enjoy the fellowship of other women and the presentation by John Ortberg. We will meet in the Covert Room at 12:30 PM, on Tuesdays.

**LADIES** ~ An essential part of the Rummage Sale is the Daughter's Banquet in Founders Hall on Thursday, April 25, at 5:30 PM. This is the night for the famous Style Show featuring all the lovely clothes found in the Rummage Sale. Please make your reservation by calling the church office by Sunday, April 21.

**SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP HOUR** ~ If you enjoy Sunday fellowship and would like to donate snacks and goodies, there is a new volunteer sign-up sheet on the bulletin board across from the church office.

# CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

## April 21, 2024 - April 27, 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

**MONDAY**                    6:45 AM Christian Men's Accountability Group  
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours  
1:00 PM - 4:30 PM Chosen Ministry; Garage  
4:30 PM Monday Nite Meal - Team C; Founder's Hall  
6:30 Church Council; Covert Room

**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 Peals of Praise; Sanctuary  
12:30 Tuesday Afternoon Study; Covert Room  
1:00 PM Staff Meeting; Parlor B  
2:00 PM Peals of Praise; Kinzua Valley  
3:15 PM Peals of Praise; Rouse Home  
4:00 PM Peals of Praise; Rouse Suites

**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  
1:00 PM - 4:30 PM Chosen Ministry; Garage  
6:00 PM Chancel Choir; Music Room  
6:30 PM Youth Group; Everts 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  
5:30 PM Daughter's Banquet; Covert Room & Parlor B  
6:30 PM Warren Philharmonic; Founder's Hall

**FRIDAY**                    8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours  
9:00 AM—12:30 PM Chosen Ministry; Garage  
9:00 AM Rummage Sale; Gym and Garage  
12:00 PM Senior Citizen Lunch; Founder's Hall

**SATURDAY**                    9:00 AM Rummage Sale