

# WARREN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 8, 2023

Epiphany Sunday

Law Enforcement Appreciation

**PRELUDE**

(8:00 AM)

“We Three Kings”

“Brightest and Best”

arr. Keveren

arr. Hayes

**PRELUDE**

(10:00 AM)

“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”

“Adagio in A flat”

Bach

Mendelssohn

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are glad that you are worshipping at First United 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.

**\*HYMN No. 254**

“We Three Kings”

Kings of Orient

**ANTHEM**

(10:00 am only)

“Carol of the Kings”

Ruth Schram

**A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Jon Swart

**\*PSALTER**

Psalm 29

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**\*GLORIA PATRI No. 71**

**OFFICER**

(10:00 am only)

Charlie Anderson

**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 ANTHEM** “The Work of Christmas Begins”  
(10:00 AM only)

Vicki Courtney

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

(10:00 AM only)

\*Doxology No. 95

\*Offertory Prayer

**SCRIPTURE**

“Matthew 2:1-12”

Pew Bible Pages 877 - 878

**MESSAGE**

“Gifts”

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

(8:00 AM only)

\***HYMN No. 245**

“The First Noel”

**BENEDICTION**

**BEARING OF LIGHT**

(10:00 AM only)

**POSTLUDE**

(8:00 AM)

“In Christ Alone”

arr. Tornquist

**POSTLUDE**

(10:00 AM)

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

**\* Indicates Please Stand if Able**

**MUSIC** today is provided by our Chancel Choir, the Madrigals, pianist Ruth Nelson, and percussionist Tracy Brieger. We welcome Judd Demers to the organ. Judd is the son of David and Laura Demers and grandson of Dean and Delores Berry. He is a member of our church and a freshman at Grove City College. While there, he plays in the community, school, and church handbell choirs as well as serving as an occasional organist for the Chapel. The 8:00 AM pianist is Cathy Peterson.

**LITURGIST** today is Tawni Betts.

**ACOLYTES** today are Madalyn Nobles and Annika Wyman.

**USHERS** today are Team 5- Captain Erik Fincher.

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

**FELLOWSHIP TIME** ~ Following today's 10:00 AM service, we will be having fellowship time in the parlors. We hope you will consider staying after the service to thank the law enforcement officials and their families for all they do to keep us safe. The parlors are located across from the hallway that leads to the Sanctuary.

**CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK** ~ Darla Peterson, 205 Water Street, Warren, PA 16365. - Please consider sending her a card.

**STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN** ~ Our stewardship campaign for 2023 is well underway. Please remember to *return your pledge* card to the church. If you have yet received a pledge card, you may pick one up at the office or visit our website at [firstumwarren.com](http://firstumwarren.com).

**NEW MEMBER FELLOWSHIP CLASS** ~ There will be a New Member Fellowship Class starting next Sunday, January 15, 2023 at 6:00 PM. A light meal will be offered for this class.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES** ~ The offering envelopes for 2023 are now available and can be found in the side hall just outside the church office.

**COLLEGE STUDENTS** ~ Please remember to submit your first semester grades to the church office so you can receive the second disbursement of your scholarship.

**BOOKS NEEDED** ~ The Warren County Jail is in need of reading material. We are collecting books over the next several Sundays to help meet this need. Please limit your contributions to the following categories; Romance, Self-Help, Mystery, Crime, Word Searches, and Crosswords. Books must be soft-covered. A tote is available outside Pastor Hecht's office. Thank you in advance for helping.

**DE-HANGING OF THE GREENS** ~ The de-hanging of the greens will take place after church on Sunday, January 15th. Grab a cup of coffee and a snack in the Covert Room and get a location assignment to pack away the Christmas decorations. Everyone's help will make light work for all.

**YOUTH BOWLING EVENT** ~ All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to come out for a fun afternoon of bowling and fellowship. This event will be held on Saturday, February 18th from 2:00 - 4:30PM at the Youngsville Bowling Alley. Pizza and snacks will be provided. Transportation to and from the church is available if needed. Please call the church office at 814-723-4930 or contact Mary Jo Zubrod at 814-779-1448 to sign up. Hope to see you there!

### **Are you looking for others to join with you in prayer?**

First UMC has a prayer chain that is activated when a prayer request is received. Each member of the prayer chain has signed a Covenant in which s/he commits to keep the requests confidential and to pray for a minimum of one month for the request.

You can submit a request (activate the prayer chain) by marking "prayer chain" on the prayer cards on Sunday mornings or by contacting Barbara, at the church office via email at [byoung@firstumwarren.com](mailto:byoung@firstumwarren.com) or 814-723-7930, or contacting prayer coordinator, Mary Schall at [rschall.mschall@gmail.com](mailto:rschall.mschall@gmail.com).

If you would like to become one of these faithful prayer warriors, please email Mary, [rschall.mschall@gmail.com](mailto:rschall.mschall@gmail.com), to request that a Covenant be sent to you. When you have signed and returned it to the church office and Mary is notified, you will be added to the email list to begin receiving requests.

# **CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF**

## **January 8, 2023 – January 14, 2023**

### **SUNDAY**

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

### **MONDAY**

**6:45 AM Christian Men's Accountability Group**  
**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours**  
**4:00 PM Hospitality Meeting; Covert Room**  
**7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Troop 9 Boy Scouts; Downstairs**

### **TUESDAY**

**8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours**  
**8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3 Year Old Preschool**  
**8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class**  
**1:00 PM Staff Meeting; Covert Room**  
**1:45 PM Peals of Praise Handbells; Sanctuary**  
**3:30 PM Youth Music Program; Music Room**  
**5:15 PM WHS Soccer; Gym**  
**6:00 PM Girl Scout Leader's Meeting; Founder's Hall**  
**6:30 PM Epworth Bells; Sanctuary**

### **WEDNESDAY**

**8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours**  
**8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3 Year Old Preschool**  
**8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class**  
**8:30 AM Covenant Discipleship Group; Mark's Office**  
**3:30 PM LOGOS—Pajama Night**

### **THURSDAY**

**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours**  
**8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3 Year Old Preschool**  
**8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class**  
**1:00 PM Covenant Discipleship Group; Covert Room**  
**5:30 PM Covenant Discipleship Group; Parlor B**  
**6:00 PM Divorce Care; Covert Room**

### **FRIDAY**

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