

# WARREN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 23, 2023

**PRELUDE**  
(8:00 AM)

“Be Thou My Vision”  
“Forever/Great is Thy Faithfulness”

arr. Leonard  
arr. Tornquist

**PRELUDE**  
(10:00 AM)

“Reflections on Pange Lingua”  
“Satisfied”  
“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”  
“This Is My Father’s World”

arr. Norris  
arr. Hamlin  
arr. Bob Burroughs  
arr. Barry Beaman

## 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. 463**

Lord, Speak to Me

Canonbury

## **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
**People: for his steadfast love endures forever!**  
Leader: Let Israel say,  
**People: His steadfast love endures forever.**  
Leader: Let the house of Aaron say,  
**People: His steadfast love endures forever.**  
Leader: Let those who fear the Lord say,  
**People: His steadfast love endures forever.**

**ANTHEM**  
(10:00 am only)

“Amazing Grace”

arr. Fettke

## **A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Mary Jo Zubrod

**\* PSALTER**

Psalm 10

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**\*GLORIA PATRI No. 71**

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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

**FAITH TESTIMONY**

Kari Swanson

**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** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”  
(10:00 AM only)

arr. Mier

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

(10:00 AM only)

\*Doxology No. 95

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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

**SCRIPTURE**

“Luke 24:13—27”

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**MESSAGE**

“Hope Heals Hurts”

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

\***HYMN No. 382**

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord”

Adelaide

**BENEDICTION**

**BEARING OF LIGHT**

(10:00 AM only)

**POSTLUDE**  
(8:00 AM)

“I Will Follow”

arr. Koertz

**POSTLUDE**  
(10:00 AM)

“I Will Praise You”

arr. Hamlin

**\* Indicates Please Stand if Able**

**MUSIC** today is provided by pianist Cathy Peterson, Chancel Choir, Peals Bell Choir and organist Michele Sandberg. The 8:00 AM pianist is Cathy Peterson.

**LITURGIST** today is Mary Jo Zubrod.

**ACOLYTES** today are Abby McCord and Anna McCord.

**USHERS** today are Team 3, Captain Larry Loughlin.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** today are in loving memory of John Crone, given by Family.

**BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER:** God, pour out your Spirit to empower us to listen to new ideas to equip your disciples. As we seek to do your will in this changing world, work through us to seek and to save the lost. AMEN.

**CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK** ~ Shirley Witherell, 418 East Street, Warren, PA 16365. - Please consider sending her a card.

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION** ~ Applications for the Mary F. & Melvin G. Keller Scholarship through the First United Methodist Higher Education Fund are now available. Applications must be received before April 30, 2023, for the 2023—2024 school year and can be printed off from the church website at [www.firstumwarren.com](http://www.firstumwarren.com) or a link on the weekly newsletter. Applications are also available at the church office.

**HYMNALS** ~ **We are halfway to our goal** to purchase the new hymnals the Worship Committee recommends, "Our Great Redeemer's Praise." Seedbed, Inc. publishes it and represents the full scope of John and Charles Wesley's theological heritage. We accept orders for hymnals in honor or memory of someone close to you. The cost is \$30.00, and order forms are available in the office or can be picked up outside the office doors. Checks should be made out to First United Methodist Church and returned to the office with the order form at the bottom. A plaque will be placed inside each hymnal with your information.

**ANNOUNCEMENT** ~ We will be conducting baptisms on April 30th. If you are interested in being baptized or having children or grandchildren baptized, please contact the office at 814 - 723 - 4930.

**NEW MEMBERS CLASS** ~ The next new member's class will be held Tuesdays, May 2, 9, 16, and 23, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. This will cover the beliefs of the Methodist faith in the Wesleyan tradition, Spiritual gifts, and discipleship. Dr. Hecht and Tawni Betts will lead the class. An additional session (date TBA) covering the Methodist denomination's past, present, and future will be open to all church members after the class has been completed.

**HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE GRADUATES** – We will recognize College/High School graduates on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, during our 10:00am worship service. If you have a graduate to be recognized, please contact Heidi Ketzko through the church office at 814-723-4930 so we can put the information into our bulletin and recognize your student. Thank You.

**YOUTH HIKE** ~ Sunday, April 30, youth from First Methodist are invited to join Chad and Tawni Betts and Bruce and Hope Punskey for a hike in the Allegheny National Forest to Hector Falls. The hike is just over two miles roundtrip. We'll meet at the church at 1 p.m. and drive to the trail. Please wear sturdy shoes, and dress for the weather. We plan to stop at Dairy Delite on the way back to church, and anticipate that to be around 4 p.m. There is no cost for this event. Please let the church office (814-723-4930) or Tawni Betts (814-730-3861) know if you will be attending by April 26.

**COMMUNITY VBS** ~ First Methodist Church at 200 Market Street will host this year's Community VBS, scheduled to take place Sunday, July 16th — Wednesday, July 19th, from 6:00 PM—8:15 PM. Sunday, July 16th, VBS will begin at 5:30 PM.

**VBS VOLUNTEERS** ~ We are in need of volunteers for this year's Vacation Bible School. There is a sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board across from the office. - Thank you

**SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP HOUR** ~ There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board across from the office for those who would like to supply snacks for the Sunday Fellowship Hour on Sundays, starting May 7th through July 23rd.

# CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF

## April 23, 2023 – April 29, 2023

### SUNDAY

**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**  
**11:00 AM Light Lunch Fellowship; Founder's Hall**  
**(Last Light Lunch Fellowship until Further Notice)**

### MONDAY

**6:45 AM Christian Men's Accountability Group**  
**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours**  
**10:00 AM Monday Meal Meeting; Rev. Hecht's Office**  
**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**  
**12:30 PM Tuesday Afternoon Study; Covert Room**  
**1:00 PM Staff Meeting; Parlor B**

### 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**  
**10:00 AM Praying Maker's Group; Covert Room**  
**6:30 PM Chancel Choir; Music Room**

### 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 A**  
**6:00 PM SPRC Meeting; Covert Room**  
**6:30 PM Warren Philharmonic; Founder's Hall**

### FRIDAY

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



## PRAYER AT FIRST UM CHURCH-Warren

As Christians, a relationship with Jesus is at the core of our faith, and at the core of every (good) relationship is communication. Both parties talk to one another and both parties listen to one another. In our Christian journey we accomplish that through prayer. Scripture records throughout the Old and New Testaments patriarchs, matriarchs, prophets, disciples, as well as our LORD Jesus himself, praying. We are to follow their example.

Here are ways that we are standing together in prayer currently, and we invite you to take part in them:

- (1) Pray the breakthrough prayer as part of your prayer time through September 2023.
- (2) Share a joy or an answer to prayer or a request for prayer for yourself or others with the prayer warriors who are part of the prayer chain and/or the congregation. [We love to hear how God has answered those prayers too!]
- (3) Join the prayer chain to pray for others.
- (4) Use the weekly prayer to serve as a springboard to your devotional time. [Found at <https://www.firstumwarren.com/weekly-prayer>]
- (5) Place a request on the prayer cross and/or pray for the requests placed there when you have the opportunity.
- (6) Pray for students as you receive their names throughout a school year.
- (7) Pray for one month for the requests posted on the prayer cross when they are placed on the altar rail.

For more information, please contact Mary Schall at 814-755-4908 or [rschall.mschall@gmail.com](mailto:rschall.mschall@gmail.com) .