

# *Mother*

*Her children  
rise up  
and call her  
blessed  
- Proverbs 31:28*



# WARREN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

## Mother's Day

May 12, 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)

"On Eagle's Wings/Be Thou My Vision"  
"Lord I Lift Your Name on High"

arr. Tornquist  
arr. Hayes

### MUSIC OF PREPARATION

(10:00 AM)

"Partita on 'Blessed Name'"  
"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead us"  
"Allegro"

Mary McDonald  
arr. Dale Wood  
Boellman

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Welcome in,

**People: Come on home.**

Leader: Come with your load of troubles,

**People: Carry in your bundle of doubts.**

Leader: Bring them home

**People: To a place of healing,**

Leader: To a community of forgiveness,

**People: We bring them home to God:**

Leader: A God who cares,

**People: Who lightens our load,**

Leader: Who gives us rest,

**People: Who gives us hope for the future, courage for each day, a song to sing!**

### \*HYMN No. 5

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

Mit Freuden Zart

### WELCOME

### ANTHEM

"Goin' to See the King"

arr. Sheldon Curry

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

"Psalm 63:1 - 11"

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### 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**

“Jesus, Be My Shield”

Myers/Mock

**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. 82**

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

Dix

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

**A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Amanda McCord

**SCRIPTURE**

“Matthew 5:5”

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“Matthew 6:25 - 34”

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**MESSAGE**

“Righteousness”

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

(8:00 AM only)

**\*HYMN No. 344**

“When Peace Like a River”

Ville Du Havre

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

(10:00 AM only)

**POSTLUDE**

(8:00 AM)

“Awesome God”

arr. Keveren

**POSTLUDE**

(10:00 AM)

“A Praising”

Gilbert Martin

**\* Indicates Please Stand if Able**

**MUSIC** today is provided by organist and pianist Michele Sandberg, the Chancel Choir, the Madrigals, and flautist Judi Danielson. Hope Punskey is the soprano soloist and Nettie Swart is playing the carillon. Cathy Peterson is the pianist for the 8:00 AM service.

**LITURGIST** today is Bruce Parker.

**ACOLYTES** today are Grady Corey and Gavin Rex.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** today are in loving memory of Benjamin and Mildred Bumbarger, given by Donna Bumbarger.

**USHERS** today are Team 5 - Denny Munksgard, Bob Silzle, Bill Hannold, John Suppa, Laura Suppa, Rebecka Swart, and Kate Conti.

**CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK** ~ Karen Yourchisin, 701 Rouse Ave., Room 108A, Youngsville, PA 16371. Please consider sending her a card.

**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.

**THE WOMEN'S TUESDAY STUDY GROUP** ~ are watching a 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. The next meeting will take place on May 21st, in the Covert Room at 12:30 PM.

**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.

**PRAYING MAKERS GROUP** ~ Our Prayer Shawl Ministry knits, crochets, or crafts shawls, robes, and other items to console those who are grieving, comfort those who are ill, and bring hope to those in despair. We also make items to celebrate life and milestones. Please consider joining us in this ministry by crafting items or providing materials to make them. You can contact Cindy Blodgett at 814-726-1415 or 814-730-7350 if interested.

**PRAYER MOVEMENT** ~ Are you concerned about our community? Miracles happen when God's people pray. Join in a prayer launch, a movement of prayer, on Saturday, May 18, 2024, from 12:00 PM—4:00 PM at The Crossing Café. This event is sponsored by Christian Churches in the Warren County area.

**EVENING OF PRAISE** ~ Sunday, May 19 at 5:00 pm - Thank you to everyone who helped make our Evening of Prayer and Praise a success. We heard great feedback, many asking when our next Sunday evening opportunity would be. This is IT! We'll have communion and an opportunity for prayer again, but we'll also celebrate the Pentecost story since May 19th is Pentecost Sunday. We hope you'll "Come and Bring a Friend."

**DAY OF PENTECOST** ~ Sunday, May 19, 2024, is the Day of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit descended upon The Disciples. We encourage you to celebrate this day by wearing red and placing a red geranium on the Altar. We will then plant the donated geraniums in our lovely memorial gardens, a reminder of the Holy Spirit's fire.

**WARREN GIVES** ~ Warren Gives will take place on May 15, 2024, and is an online day of giving sponsored by the Community Foundation of Warren County. This year, donations are needed at First Methodist Church to refurbish our Hundred-year-old Austin Organ. The work will include re-voicing all the pipes and replacing and redoing all the parts. Monies raised will also help to support local agencies such as The Ruth M. Smith Home, Prison Ministry, The Crary Home, and our newest ministry, Monday Nite Meal. Checks can also be made out to Warren Gives; contact the office for more information.

# CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

**May 12, 2024 - May 18, 2024**

## **SUNDAY**

*Happy Mother's Day*

**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 B; Founder's Hall**

## **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**

**11:30 PM Blue Stocking Luncheon; Covert Room**

**12:00 PM Staff Luncheon; Founder's Hall**

**6:00 PM Girl Scout Meeting; Founder's Hall**

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**1:00 PM Worship Staff Meeting; Mark's Office**

**3:30 PM Scholarship Meeting; Covert Room**

**5:00 PM Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser; Founder's Hall**

**5:15 PM Finance Meeting; Parlor A**

**6:00 PM Chancel Choir; Music Room**

**6:30 PM Youth Group; Everts Room**

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**12:00 PM Senior Citizen Lunch; Founder's Hall**

*Just a few handfuls  
of change  
can help change  
lives!*

# Women's Care Center

## Change For Life

It's in your hands!



Women's Care Center desires to provide an affordable, safe place of comfort, support and health to individuals facing pregnancy, planned and unplanned, youth making lifestyle choices, wounded women in need of healing, and childless couples whose arms ache for a child.

Our Center offers Pregnancy testing, a 24-Hour Helpline, Sonograms, Counseling, STD Testing and Treatment, a Learn to Earn Program, Adoption services, Education programming and much more!

It is only with your help that we are able to keep all of our life-saving services **FREE** of charge!

TAKE AN EMPTY BABY BOTTLE HOME ON MOTHER'S DAY. FILL WITH SPARE CHANGE, CASH OR CHECKS. RETURN IT BY FATHER'S DAY.



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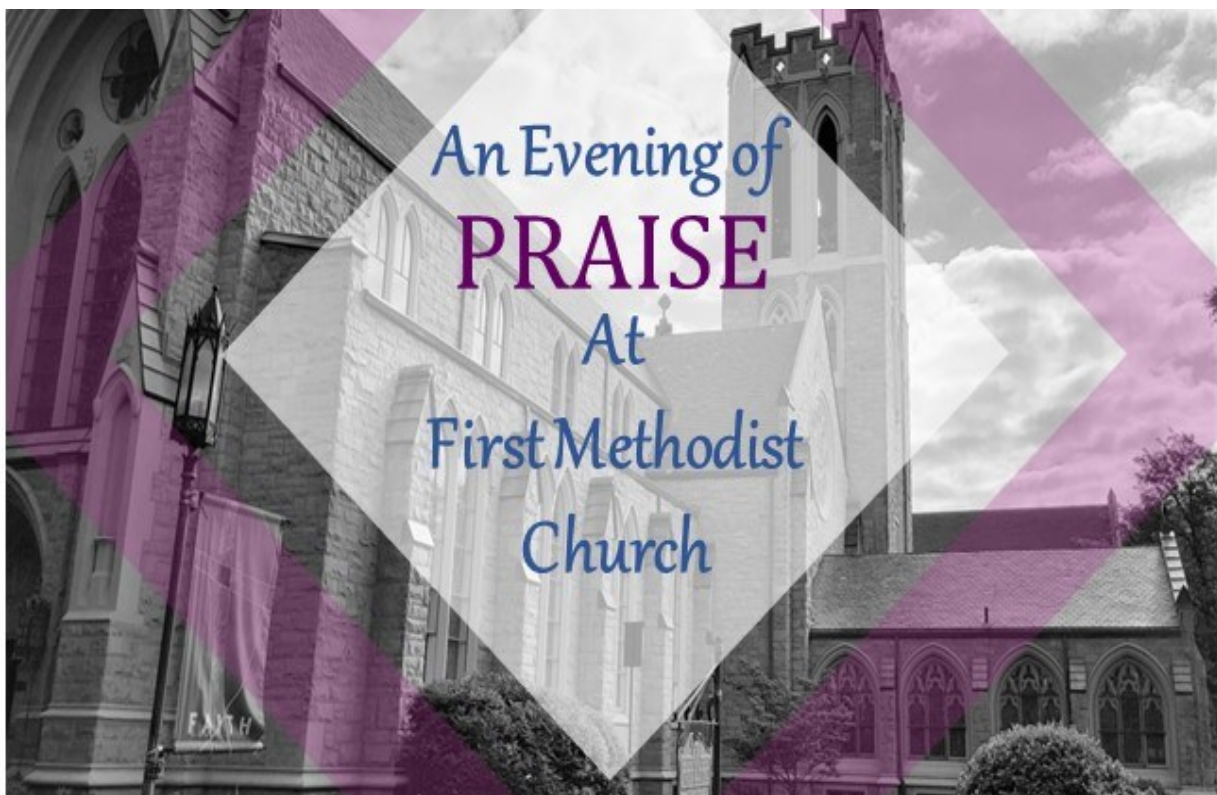
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