

WARREN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

June 9, 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)

“Thy Word”
“He is exalted”

arr. Keveren
arr. Hayes

MUSIC OF PREPARATION
(10:00 AM)

“Fugue in C Major”
“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Buxtehude
arr. K. Ford

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Lift Praises to the name of our God; bless God’s name forever!

People: **How great is our God!**

Leader: From generation to generation we will sing your praises and speak of your goodness!

People: **Great is our God and worthy of praise!**

Leader: God, you are just and kind in all your doings!

People: **Great is our God and worthy of praise!**

Leader: God, you watch over us in love and hear the desperate cries of those who call to you!

People: **How great is our God! How great is our God! Bless God’s name forever!**

***HYMN No. 88**

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Beecher

WELCOME

ANTHEM

“No, No, No, Nothin”

Mark Hayes

READING

“Not One Falls”

ANTHEM

“Not One Falls”

Heather Sorenson

Not one sparrow falls, not one child calls, that the Father does not know.
Not one voice is silenced, not one act of violence, without heaven bowing low.
And not one falls, and not one calls, big or small without a name.
Not one lonely outcast, the one who’s chosen last, without worth beyond the stars.
Not one scarred survivor, young innocent, now wiser, who isn’t held in Jesus’ arms.
And not one falls, and not one calls, big or small without a name.
Broken prayers can still be heard; hope can spread with just one word.
Heaven is not careless with our grief; grace is running out to those in need.
Every soul forgotten, every life unwanted, all cradled in the hands of God.
And not one falls, not one calls, big or small without a name.

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

“Only God”

Mary McDonald

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

ANTHEM

“I know He Watches Me”

Joel Raney

(Children are welcome to come forward for the Children's Message at the end of the anthem.)

A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Amanda McCord

SCRIPTURE

“Matthew 5:10”
“Philippians 4:10 - 14”

Pew Bible Page 880
Pew Bible Page 1071

MESSAGE

“Persecuted”

Rev. Mark E. Hecht

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(8:00 AM only)

*HYMN No. 402

“When in Our Music God is Glorified”

Engelberg

BENEDICTION

BEARING OF LIGHT

(10:00 AM only)

POSTLUDE

(8:00 AM)

“He's Got the Whole World”

arr. Courtney

POSTLUDE

(10:00 AM)

“The Trumpets Shall Sound”

Mansfield

***Indicates Please Stand if Able**

ALTAR FLOWERS today are in loving memory of Robert and Elizabeth Jones, given by Brent Jones.

MUSIC today is provided by organist and pianist Michele Sandberg, our Chancel Choir, and percussionist Tracy Brieger. Cathy Peterson is the pianist for the 8:00 AM service. The anthems shared today were selected by our choir members as favorites from this choir season. We thank the choir for their faithfulness in sharing their gifts and talents during this past year.

LITURGIST today is Kayla Giambrone

ACOLYTES today are Ian Montour and Anna McCord.

USHERS today are Team 2— George Lilja, Mike Giambrone, Nick Giambrone, Henry Dahl, Morrie Kintner, and Harold Hice.

CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK ~ Ed and Marilyn Derby, 615 Rouse Ave., Room 112, Youngsville, PA 16371. Please consider sending her a card.

BABY BOTTLES ~ Don't forget to return your baby bottles on Sunday, June 16th, in support of the Women's Care Center. We still have empty baby bottles if you would like to take one. Any contribution you are able to give, helps.

NEW MEMBER FELLOWSHIP CLASS ~ For those considering joining First Methodist Church, we invite you to our New Member Fellowship Class starting in the near future. Please call the church at 814-723-4930 if you are interested in joining First Methodist Church.

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.

GARDENING VOLUNTEERS ~ The Gardening Committee is excited to welcome new volunteers! We are looking for people who may be willing to help water throughout the summer and fall months. Your contribution will help make our church beautiful during these months. You can contact the church office or Molly Loughlin if interested. Thank you!

THE CROSSING ~ The Crossing needs to fill the treasurer position. The following describes what the position involves. Please feel free to contact Dawn Larson with any questions. Thank you. Dawn Larson email: rdlarson79@gmail.com. Approximately 1 hour each week entering deposits, debit charges, and paying bills; Every other week, another 1 hour preparing payroll and submitting the payroll taxes; Monthly, 1/2 hour reviewing QuickBooks and preparing the monthly reports for the board; Quarterly, 1 hour preparing the quarterly payroll tax returns.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS ~ Community VBS will take place at First Lutheran Church, 109 W. Third Ave., from July 28th to August 1st. VBS will run from 6:00 PM to 8:15 PM each day. Registration forms are available via the weekly newsletter, the website at www.firstmwarren.org, and the First Methodist Facebook Page at <https://facebook.com/firstmwarren>.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

June 9, 2024 - June 15, 2024

SUNDAY

Blue Bag Distribution

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 Group; Covert Room

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours

4:30 PM Monday Night Meal—Team A; Founder's Hall

TUESDAY

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours

1:00 PM Program Staff Meeting; Mark's Office

WEDNESDAY

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours

1:00 PM - 4:30 PM Chosen Ministry; Garage

THURSDAY

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours

FRIDAY

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours

9:00 AM—12:30 PM Chosen Ministry; Garage

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



Blue Bag Sunday

**June 9th & June 16th
Blue Bag Distribution**

June 23rd Blue Bag Collection

Until June 23rd, we will collect non-perishable food items for the Salvation Army. Bags will be distributed at the end of service on June 9th and June 16th. The bags can be returned to our collection box across from the Dunham Parlors. If you cannot pick up one of the provided blue bags, items may still be dropped off in any type of bag available to you.

The collection of the bags will take place on June 23rd.



Ideas For Food Items

- Hamburger or Tuna Helper
- Canned Tuna or Chicken
- Boxed Stuffing
- Dry Pasta
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Muffin Mixes
- Juice Boxes
- Alfredo Sauce
- Powdered Milk
- Powdered Potatoes
- Canned Fruit
- Beans
- Granola Bars
- Canned Vegetables
- Jellies or Jams
- Jell-O Boxes



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WHAT WE BELIEVE

Over the past year, First Methodist Church has begun to “live in to” a new expression of the Christian faith as we have endeavored to more fully embrace what it means to be Global Methodists. Some of this has occurred through messages delivered from the pulpit, from “new” and “old” hymns we sing with our new hymnal and from our involvement in our new Annual Conference.

Perhaps the most useful tool to help us understand and then articulate to others what it is exactly we believe is the establishment of “The Catechism of the Global Methodist Church.” A catechism is a list of what we believe as a denomination. It provides both a faith and learning tool for those who wish to join the church and a formal way for those who are the church to express their beliefs to others. Therefore, learning the catechism is a very important responsibility for all of those who call themselves Global Methodists. In fact, we believe it is so important that we want each family in the life of our church to receive a copy of the catechism for their own personal use. These will be available in worship beginning **JUNE 23rd**. Beginning that day our pastors will share a 10-week series over the summer months highlighting key aspects of this faith document. And following worship each week our pastors will be available in our church parlor to meet with and answer questions you may have regarding the points of doctrine being shared that day.

Please consider committing to participating in this worship and study experience.

June 23	We Believe in God...
June 30	We Believe in Jesus Christ...
July 7	We Believe in the Resurrection...
July 14	We Believe in the Holy Spirit...
July 21	We Believe in One Church...
July 28	We Believe in the Word revealed...
August 4	We Believe in the Sacraments...
August 11	We Believe in God’s Grace...
August 18	We Believe in Transformation...
August 25	We Believe in the Life to Come...