WARREN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH April 14, 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

"Amazing Grace"

arr. Mier

(8:00 AM)

"I Will Sing the Wondrous Story" "Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer"

arr. Sanborn arr. Tornquist

MUSIC OF PREPARATION "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

arr. Hamlin Wayne Wold

(10:00 AM)

"Area in E flat" "Ride the Chariot"

arr. Hart Morris

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good!

People: His faithful love endures forever!

The stone rejected by the builders has now become the cornerstone. Leader:

People: This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous to see!

This is the day the Lord has made! Leader:

We will rejoice and be glad in it! People:

*HYMN No. 258

"Sing with All the Saints in Glory"

Hymn to Joy

WELCOME

ANTHEM

"Glory to His Blessed Name"

arr. Mark Hayes

OLD TESTAMENT READING

"Isaiah 6:1 - 13"

Pew Bible Pages 622 - 623

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

"I Am He!"

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

*HYMN SING No. 48

"Like a River Glorious"

Wye Valley

No. 289

"Spirit of Faith, Come Down"

Diademata

No. 288

"Old Time Power"

Leominster

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

A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Dee Dee Tucker

SCRIPTURE

"Matthew 28:16 - 20"

Pew Bible Page 909

MESSAGE

"Helping Others Encounter Jesus"

Rev. Bud Fickley

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(8:00 AM only)

*HYMN No. 595

"Living for Jesus"

BENEDICTION

BEARING OF LIGHT

(10:00 AM only)

POSTLUDE

(8:00 AM)

POSTLUDE (10:00 AM)

"Epilogue on "Lobe den Herren"

arr. Lani Smith

* Indicates Please Stand if Able

MUSIC today is provided by organist Michele Sandberg, Epworth Bellringers, and our Chancel Choir. The pianist for the 8:00 AM service is Cathy Peterson.

LITURGIST today is Pam Lewis.

ACOLYTES today are Holden Demers and Collin Ellis.

ALTAR FLOWERS today are in loving memory of parents and grandparents, given by Larry & Molly Loughlin and Kari, Drew, and Evan Swanson.

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

- CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK ~ Helen Whitten, 205 Water Street, Room 548, Warren, PA 16365. Please consider sending her a card.
- **SAMARITAN MEALS** ~ A program that provides and delivers meals to congregation members with temporary health needs is looking for cooks to help carry out this caring ministry. If you want to join our team, please call Cindy Blodgett at 814-726-1415 or 814-730-7350.
- **EVENING OF PRAYER AND PRAISE** ~ We invite you to join Rev. Bud Fickley and the prayer ministry of First Methodist Church for an evening of prayer and praise tonight at 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary. The evening will include corporate and personal prayer, scripture reading, intercessory prayer, and music by members of our congregation. Come lift your voices to God as we hold each other, our community, and our world before God in prayer.
- **NEW MEMBER FELLOWSHIP CLASS** ~ For those interested in joining First Methodist Church, we will have a New Member Fellowship Class starting in mid-April.
- **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.
- **RUMMAGE SALE** ~ The Annual Rummage Sale will be held April 26th and 27th. The Daughter's Banquet will be 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 on 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.
- **LADIES** -~ An important part of the Rummage Sale is the Daughter's Banquet on Thursday, April 25, at 6:30 PM, in Founders Hall. 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.
- **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 at 12:30 PM on Tuesdays, beginning April 16, in the Covert Room.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK April 14, 2024 - April 20, 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

6:00 PM Evening of Prayer and Praise; 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 6:00 PM Incarceration Support Group; Everts Room

6:00 PM Trustees Meeting; 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

12:30 PM Tuesday Study Group; Covert Room

1:45 PM Peals of Praise; Sanctuary

3:30 PM Youth Music Program; Music Room

5:00 PM Madrigals; Music Room 6:30 PM Epworth Bells; Sanctuary

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8:45 AM Mom's of Minis; Covert Room

1:00 PM Worship Staff Meeting; Rev. Hecht's Office

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

5:15 Worship Meeting; Covert Room 6:30 PM Youth Group; Everts Room 6:00 PM Chancel Choir; Music Room

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