

Contemporary Worship at 9:30

Jim Ruchalski, Worship Leader
& First Church Praise Band

“You Are Good”

“One Thing Remains”

Welcome

“Come Thou Fount”

“Who You Say I Am”

Prayer

Scripture: Jeremiah 1: 1-10

“Called by God”
Pastor Joe DiPaolo

Offering

Holy Communion

“Good, Good Father”

Blessing



Starting today, middle & high school students will meet in the back section of the 9:30 AM Worship Service to participate with the rest of the congregation in worship songs, and then will head down together to their classes toward the end of the songs. This change will be in effect through the spring, as a trial in improving the Sunday morning youth hour.

COLLEGE CARE BOXES

have been labeled and prepared by the Congregational Care Committee and are ready for you in the Gathering Place today. Please take a box, fill with goodies and warm wishes and send it out. This is a wonderful reminder for our college students they are a vital member of our congregation. Thank you!

LULAROE POP UP EVENT!

Anchorage is hosting a Lularoe Fundraiser at First Church this Tuesday, February 5th & Wednesday, February 6th from 9:30-11 AM; and again on Saturday, February 9th from 10 AM - 1 PM (on Saturday, there will be 3 consultants available to help you shop!). A portion of all sales will benefit the Anchorage Breakfast Program!

Lord, hear our prayers

IN OUR CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays

Feb. 1 - Michael Deckman
Feb. 14 - Lorraine Cunningham
Feb. 17 - Bill Coakley
Feb. 18 - Fred Smith
Feb. 20 - Joan Masten
Feb. 23 - Doris Biehler
Feb. 25 - Ellen Cassaday
Feb. 27 - Maryella Sanders

Anniversaries

Feb. 11 - Robert and Letty Geiger - 52 yrs.
Feb. 27 - Jim and Anne Brown - 59 yrs.

FOR COMFORT

Dr. Henry Wentz and family

One year anniversary of passing

Jan. 24 - Barbara Buchholz
Jan. 25 - Thomas Leeper
Jan. 29 - Margaret Alexander
Feb. 1 - Shirley McCreary

MEMORIAL SERVICE for Evelyn (Evie) Lowry is set for Friday, February 22, 2019 at 10:00 AM at the Johnson Auditorium at Willow Valley Communities.

FIBER ART EXPERIENCE at FIRST CHURCH- A new group of art classes will start on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays in March, April and May and run from 6:30 – 8:00 PM in the art studio. Both experienced and inexperienced participants are welcome! No special skills are needed to engage in these diverse and surprising processes. We will explore a different process each night so that missed sessions will not affect progress. The following schedule details each learning experience: March 6 – Weaving; March 20 – Surface design (Shabori); April 3 – Surface design (printing & painting); April 17 – Surface design (hand stitching); May 1 – Felting (wet process); May 15 – Felting (dry, needle felting). Participants 12 and over are welcome and asked to cover supply cost with a single \$15 fee. Please contact Brian Lehman (brian_lehman@hempfieldsd.org) to get your name on the list!

ATTENTION: ALL CONTRIBUTORS!

- 2018 Contribution Statements were distributed on January 22, the majority being sent via email. Some have reported difficulty opening their statements. Please note that Internet Explorer cannot open these statements. Chrome, Firefox, or Safari will all work just fine. If you have not received your giving summary, or are unable to print it, please contact Matthew at the church office immediately (msuter@engagegodfirst.org or 717-394-7231 ext 3305).
- Electronic givers should check their bank statements to verify that their automatic gifts were processed as intended in January 2019. Changing your pledge amount on your pledge card does not make the change in your electronic recurring gift from the bank. First UMC has recently changed the company that handles our electronic giving. It is possible that your recurring gift, if started with one of the previous systems, has simply ceased. If your electronic giving does not match your expectations, please contact Matthew immediately.

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First United Methodist Church

Our Vision
To be a central hub of Christian ministry in Lancaster County & beyond

Our Mission:
Connect people to Jesus Christ & the church, grow Christian disciples, & relieve suffering

February 3, 2019 Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

* please stand if able

Prelude *Prelude on Psalm 23:2* Charles Callahan
Dot Lippart, flute; Peter Omundsen, organ

Announcements & Greeting

(10:45) Introit *Come Christians Join to Sing*
Chancel Choir- Brian Norcross, Director

*Call to Worship

With what shall we come before the Lord?
Shall we come with vast offerings and make great sacrifices?
The Lord has told you what is good:
To do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God!
(Based on Micah 6:6-8)

*Hymn *Jesus Shall Reign* No. 157

Common Prayer Liturgist

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading **Luke 4: 21-30** Pew Bibles, NT, p. 57

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

(8:15) Anthem *Pathway of Hope* Joseph M. Martin
Chapel Choir– Peter Omundsen, Director
Judy Williams, piano

(10:45) Anthem *Call of God*
Chancel Choir- Brian Norcross, Director

Concerns of the People

Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn *Lord, Speak to Me* No. 463

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading **Jeremiah 1:1-10** Pew Bibles, OT, p. 656

Sermon *Called by God* Pastor Joe DiPaolo

*Affirmation of Faith *A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada* No.883

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Gloria Patri *His Name is Wonderful* No. 174

His name is wonderful, his name is wonderful, his name is wonderful, Jesus, my Lord. He is the mighty King, Master of everything; his name is wonderful, Jesus, my Lord. He's the great Shepherd, the Rock of all ages, almighty God is he; bow down before him, love and adore him, his name is wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.

Invitation to the Lord's Supper Acolyte

*Confession and Pardon

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(All pray in silence.)

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.

*Passing the Peace

Invitation to the Offering Liturgist

Offertory *Prelude on Psalm 96* Charles Callahan
Dot Lippart, flute; Peter Omundsen, organ

*Procession of Offerings

*Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Thanksgiving Acolyte

The Great Thanksgiving *with sung responses, Musical Setting A, Hymnal p.17*

The Lord's Prayer No. 895

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

Communion Hymns *(Please sing one stanza for each kneeling table)*

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee No. 623
Let Us Break Bread Together No. 618
For the Bread Which You Have Broken No. 614

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, we give thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we will go into the world renewed in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn *O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee* No. 430

*Blessing

Dismissal *Lord Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing* No. 671

Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

Postlude *Trompette Jubilante* Craig A. Penfield
Peter Omundsen, organ

We welcome all to worship today!

To help us stay connected with you, please fill out the "Connect Card" that is found in your bulletin. This card helps the church track changes in email, phone, address, and more. On the card you can tell us your areas of interest by checking all that apply. Be sure to share your prayer requests with the staff by writing them on the card and placing it in the offering plate. Staff members pray for each request on Wednesday afternoon. Thank you for helping us get to know and stay connected with you!

	8:15	9:30	10:45
Greeters	N: Peggy Schneebeli W: Jim & Maureen Herr	Brenda Troop, Wendy Thorbahn, Hollis Thorbahn	N: Nick & Judy Siviglia W: Polly Pearce
Ushers	Blair Hoey, Don Banzhof III, Karen Hoey, Kathy Steed, Art Williams	Brenda Troop, Wendy Thorbahn, Hollis Thorbahn	Barbara Hill, Tim Benton, Doug Cherry, Craig Lehman, Ginny May, Polly Pearce, Nick Taylor, Jeff & Vivian Wolfe, Chuck & Jean Yrigoyen
Sound Tech	Tim Benton	Chris Reindollar	Chuck McWilliams
Liturgist	Pastor Janet	----	Pastor Janet
Acolyte	Madhuri Sakrudkar	----	Zara Paisley
Welcome Center	Dottie Reidlinger	Don & Anne Griswold	Deb Richer
Fellowship Time	Don & Ann Banzhof	----	Susan Seavey
Security	Wayne Betty		

The flowers in front of the pulpit are presented by the Paul Richer II family in loving memory of mom, grandma & great-grandma, Shirley Richer.

The red rose on the altar celebrates the birth of Lucille Ruth Fouche Turner on January 24, 2019. The happy parents are Stuart & Jennifer Emert Turner. Grateful grandparents, Kit & Pam Emert, rejoice as does sister Emma Colyer and Uncle Paul & Aunt Georgia.

WEATHER DELAYS- In case of snow or severe winter weather, please check WGAL [website](#) for closure information. Church closings/delays are not included on the scrolling TV banner. We will also post delay/closing information on our website & Facebook page, and send out a churchwide email. If you would like to receive email communication from the church, please contact Sharon in the church office (717-394-7231 or secretary@engagegodfirst.org) and you'll be added to the list.

SUB SALE PICK UP TODAY!

For those who ordered subs, today is the day to pick them up in the Gathering Place! There might be a few extra too, in case you want a snack while watching the Super Bowl tonight. Stop by the table and see what's available! Thank you!

CAN YOU HOST A LENTEN SMALL GROUP? During this Lenten Season, we will again form short-term small groups to focus on a church wide-wide study. Our study this year will be "Five Marks of a Methodist," based on John Wesley's outline of the character of a Methodist follower of Jesus. Sunday messages will be coordinated with a 6-week study, around a book and video series by Steve Harper, to address the question, "How should United Methodists live?" Methodists, Wesley insisted, are people who Love God, Rejoice in God, Give thanks, Pray always, and Love others. We will explore each of those character traits together. Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 6, and we hope to have people hosting groups in their homes all around the county. If you are willing to do so, please contact Laura Meisl as soon as possible.(717-394-7231 ext 3311 or facilities@engagegodfirst.org)

LUMINA - FEBRUARY HELP NEEDED! Adult help is needed with LUMINA's Kids' Night program on Monday nights in February from 5:50-7:45pm at New Creation UMC (Feb. 4th, 11th, & 25th—NOT 18th). First Church youth are serving on those nights, but more adult volunteers are needed to help prepare dinner and spend time with the children. Kids' Night provides a healthy environment for children in Lancaster City to experience God's love, enjoy positive relationships with each other and volunteers over food and games, and learn about God and Christian character. But we need more help to make next month happen! If you are willing to help with food and/or interacting with children on any of these evenings, please contact Samuel Longmire at (717) 742-0104 as soon as possible. Thank you!

GROCERY CARD UPDATE: Beginning today, Grocery Cards will be available for purchase only in the Gathering Place. Our upstairs table will no longer be open. Thank you to everyone who faithfully buys these cards because First Church has benefitted by over \$95,500 to date! And the great part is it doesn't cost the buyer anything extra! For each card you buy to do your regular grocery shopping, the church receives a percentage. How easy is that?? If you would like to purchase a card or learn more about this ministry, please stop at the Welcome Center today!