



*The Cup of
Living Water*



DRINK FROM THE

Fountain of Grace

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

March 1, 2026
8:15 & 10:45 AM

Prelude “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” (arr. Marianne Kim)
Peter Omundsen, organ

Announcements & Greeting Pastors Jason Ríos & Laura Sambrick

(10:45 AM) Introit “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” (John Goss)
Chancel Choir– Brian Norcross, Director

*Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus, quench our soul’s thirst! Give us Living Water!

People: We open our eyes to see the unlikely people who give us Living Water.

Leader: We open our ears to hear the testimonies from unlikely people who give us Living Water.

People: Jesus, we open our hearts today to receive your Spirit and Truth from unlikely people and in unlikely places.

All: Jesus, ready us every day to carry our testimonies of what you’ve done for us to others whose souls need to be quenched by you.

*Hymn No. 64 “Holy, Holy Holy! Lord God Almighty”

Common Prayer

Loving God, we bless your name forever. You have looked deep into our hearts, and you know all about us and still, you love us. Today, we surrender all aspects of our lives to you, even our shame, weaknesses, and doubts. Lord, fill us with your Spirit. Help us to receive, hold, and to share your gift of living water with a thirsty world. Amen.

Scripture Psalm 121 (pew Bible, OT, p. 539)

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

(8:15 AM) Anthem “Fill My Cup, Lord” (Richard Blanchard)
Chapel Choir– Peter Omundsen, Director
Judy Williams, piano

(10:45 AM) Anthem “Peace Fills the Grateful Heart” (Pepper Choplin)
Chancel Choir– Brian Norcross, Director

Preparation for Prayer, No. 133 “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” (stanza 1)

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms; leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Laura Sambrick

** * Children ages 3-5th grade are dismissed to Jr. Church * **

*Hymn No. 479

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

Scripture

John 4:7-29, 39

(pew Bible, NT, p. 89)

Message

Drinking from the Fountain of Grace
Week 2: “The Cup of Living Water”

Pastor Jason Ríos

Affirmation of Faith

“Apostle’s Creed”

Hymnal No. 881

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Song of Praise, No. 70

“Glory Be to the Father”

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.

Invitation to The Lord’s Supper

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 not heard 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.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord’s Prayer

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.

Sharing the Sacrament

*You may bring your gifts of tithes and offerings
to the Lord as you move forward for Communion*

Congregational Prayer

Infinite Love, heart of all life, you loved this word into being with such love as to birth yourself among us, Love begotten as the Beloved. Your presence does not separate but unites; love does not push away, but embraces; you do not condemn, but save. Trusting this, we know we are loved, never rejected. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Hymn No. 127

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Response, No. 127

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” (stanza 1)

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.

Postlude

“Festive Postlude on ‘CWM RHONDDA’”
Peter Omundsen, organ

(Franklin Ashdown)

8:15 AM Worship

Usher Chief - Jim Herr
Acolyte - Paul DeLong
Liturgist - Marc Russo
Sound Tech - Roselyn Ovalles

10:45 AM Worship

Usher Chief - David & Lois Greene
Acolyte - Jeff Fisher
Liturgist - Correen Russo
Sound Tech - Roselyn Ovalles

Pastors– Jason Ríos & Laura Sambrick
Ministers– First Church Congregation

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The rose bud on the altar celebrates the birth of a daughter, Rosie James Steed, to Jarod & Torie Steed on February 25, 2026. The happy and grateful grandparents are Jeff & Kathy Steed.



COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE
FRIDAY, APRIL 3
Reservoir Park (Tentative)

2-4 PM Journey Through Christ's Passion, 3 PM Worship
Sponsored by the United Methodist Churches
of Lancaster City and Lancaster Optimist Club

Join us this **Good Friday** for a meaningful, self-guided community experience from 2:00–4:00 PM, featuring interactive stations throughout the park where people of all ages can reflect, pray, and engage with the story of Christ's passion in a personal and powerful way. Come at any time and move at your own pace, and then gather with us at 3:00 PM in the pavilion for a worship service as we remember the depth of Christ's love and sacrifice. All are welcome—bring your family and friends to enter into this sacred story together.

You can help by:

- Hanging door hanger invitations:
Sun, March 29th, 12:30 PM (meet at Covenant UMC)
- Greeting at the event
- Light setup or cleanup day of event

UPDATED COLLEGE STUDENT ADDRESSES NEEDED! College care package boxes will be available Sunday March 22 for congregation members to take home and fill with treats and well wishes and then mail to our college students. **Parents - please send your student's address, allergy info, treat preferences, and gift card ideas** to Karen Senkowski (717-380-1970, ksenkowski@comcast.net)

A NEW MEMBER CLASS IS APPROACHING! On Saturday, March 21, Pastors Jason & Laura will meet with those desiring membership at First UMC. Beliefs of a United Methodist Christian and opportunities for serving Him will be highlighted. Lunch is included. Please contact the office (kgs.130@gmail.com) to be part of this engaging experience!

HANG DOOR HANGERS- INVITE SOMEONE TO EASTER!
Sunday March 15, 12 PM First Church Fellowship Hall, lunch included

Looking for an easy way to share the hope of Easter? Join us in hanging door hanger invitations in the immediate neighborhood around the church. We'll go out **two by two, like the disciples**—no knocking on doors, just hanging invitations.

We'll gather for **lunch, instructions, and prayer in Fellowship Hall immediately following the 10:45 service**, and then head out. It's simple. It's meaningful. And it's a great way to invite our community to join us for Easter!

COMMUNITY EVENT

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
INVITES YOU TO AN

EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, MARCH 28
AT 1:00 PM

MUSSER PARK

135 N LIME ST., LANCASTER, PA

- RAIN OR SHINE -

Ages 2-
5th Grade

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717-725-6559

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