

Contemporary Worship at 9:30

Jim Ruchalski, Worship Leader
Joseph Anthony, Joey Dastra, Jeremy Graeff, Amanda Newell, Barb St. John, Jonathan Thorbahn - Praise Band

“You Are Good”

“Hosanna (Praise is Rising)”

Welcome

Scripture: 1 Peter 1: 3-9

“Who You Say I Am”

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

Prayer

Scripture: Matthew 5: 1-12

“The Fountain of Happiness”
Pastor Janet Sadel

Offering

“Nothing But the Blood”

Blessing

Greeters: Audrey Butts, David & Lisa Frymyer

Tech Crew: Jeff Butts, Chris Reindollar, Steve St. John

FAMILY BLESSING! Next Sunday, March 24, we will shower the Fountain family (the family who bought the rehabbed Manifest home on Dorwart St) with staples for their pantry as an outreach of Christian love and a housewarming gift from all of us! Please choose an item from the following list and bring it either to your church or the LUMINA office (at Otterbein UMC, 20 E. Clay St) by March 24th at noon. We will also need drivers to transport the items to 122 New Dorwart, where Ms Fountain will receive us at her front porch from 1-3 PM. If you are interested in meeting the family and delivering some of the gifts, please contact Correen Russo (717-808-8633).

List of items: Paper towels, napkins, toilet paper, Lysol or other disinfectant, toilet bowl cleaner, tissues, Clorox, handwipes, Dobie scrubs, Murphy's soap, clumping cat litter, dry cat food (any brand), ground coffee, teabags, almond flour, Organic only snack foods/cereals (no sugar please), & grocery cards

ANCHORAGE BENEFIT YARD SALE! Saturday, March 30 Lancaster Brethren in Christ Church (across from Kmart on Fruitville Pike). Donations may be brought to Lancaster Brethren In Christ Church on: Saturday, March 23; Monday, March 25; Tuesday, March 26; Wednesday, March 27; No donations accepted after Wednesday, March 27. Help is needed for set up during the week of March 23-30. You may sign up to help at www.anchoragebreakfast.org! With questions, please call Patty Eastep (717-682-9976)

Announcements continue on back...



“We're equipped with surround sound!”

Come join the fun!
We provide safe, loving child care for all three worship services! Will you help with this important ministry and give one hour every other month to care for our littlest ones? Please contact Paul Richer (pricher@engagegodfirst.org) or the church office for more information!

SACRED WORTH - In this unsettling time, the Sacred Worth Team invites all those who believe that First UMC should remain welcoming to all—both conservatives, and those whom support the equal treatment of LGBTQ members and their friends and families—to join us in love, prayer, and conversation. We meet at 6:30 PM on the third Tuesday of each month in room 232/234. Our next meeting is this Tuesday, March 19th. If you can't attend a meeting we'd be happy to reach you at another time. Please contact JoAnne Foss (jfoss10@comcast.net, 717-314-6278), Bob Hannum (bhannum@comcast.net, 717-984-2736), or Mark Stoner (mark_thomas59@yahoo.com, 717-808-8488).

APRIL 4TH SPECIAL EVENT: “Beyond A Way Forward: Leadership for the Future United Methodist Church” On Thursday, April 4, First Church is co-sponsoring an event which looks at the future of the United Methodist Church, in the wake of the special General Conference of 2019. The speakers are Bishop Peggy Johnson of EPA Conference, Bishop Mark Webb of Upper New York, and Dr. Scott Kisker of United Seminary (Dayton, Ohio). A day-long session from 8:30 AM – 3 PM, will be held at Hempfield UMC, and an evening session here at First UMC, 7:30-9.

To register for the day-long session (which includes lunch & Continuing Education credits for clergy), see the Evangelical Seminary website (<https://evangelical.edu/events/wesley-forum/>). All are welcome to attend the evening session without charge or pre-registration.

SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP! This is a time for students to connect, have fun together, and have serious discussions about God's Word and what it means to live for Jesus. Tonight we meet early at 5:00PM for “Bring a Friend Night” We'll have dinner, extra fellowship time, and lots of time to worship God through music! We want to welcome new people and give them an opportunity to see our joy in God! Please contact Samuel Longmire (youth@engagegodfirst.org or 717-742-0104) with questions or to be added to the youth email list!

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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

March 17, 2019
Second Sunday in Lent

* please stand if able

Prelude *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart* arr. Karen Buckwalter
Rejoice in the Lord Cynthia Dobrinski
Wesley Handbell Choir
Peter Omundsen, Director

Announcements & Greeting

(10:45) Introit *Come, Thou Almighty King*
Chancel Choir– Jan Betty, Conductor

*Call to Worship

This is the day that the LORD has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!
Sing to God, sing praises to God Almighty, tell of His wonderful works.
O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.
Rejoice in the Lord always! We'll say it again: REJOICE!

*Hymn *Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above* No. 96

Common Prayer Liturgist

O God of power and majesty, as the sea roars, your name is praised. Waves pounding the shore remind us of your grandeur. By your creative design birds fly, fish swim, and creatures in the forests and meadows leap and run. All creation chants in praise of your plan for them! As you make our joy complete in the gift of your Son, Christ Jesus our Savior, we worship you with hearts, hands, and voices in songs of glad adoration. All this we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Scripture Reading **1 Peter 1: 3-9** Pew Bibles, NT, p. 218

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

(10:45) Anthem *And Can It Be* from *Testament of Praise* J. Martin
Chancel Choir- Jan Betty, Conductor

Concerns of the People

(10:45) Choral Call to Prayer *Open My Eyes, That I May See (refrain)* No.454

**Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!**

Pastoral Prayer

(10:45) 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.

*Hymn *Rejoice, the Lord is King* No. 715

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading **Matthew 5: 1-12** Pew Bibles, NT, p.4

Sermon *The Fountain of Happiness* Pastor Janet Sattel

*Affirmation of Faith *A Modern Affirmation* No. 885

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:

We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good. We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death. We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need. We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. 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.

8:15 ONLY 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 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.**

* Passing the Peace

Invitation to the Offering

Liturgist

(8:15) Offertory *Allegro Vivace* F. M. Veracini
Lauren Markley, viola; Jill Graybill, piano

(10:45) Offertory *Raise Your Hands* Heather Sorensen
Brenda Greger, messo soprano; Peter Omundsen, piano

Procession of Offerings

*Doxology *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart (stanza 5)* No. 160

Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God forevermore. Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

Prayer of Thanksgiving Acolyte

8:15 ONLY 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.

Communion Anthem *Gigue from Suite I in G Major* J.S. Bach
Lauren Markley, viola

Prayer after Communion

Gracious God, we rejoice in these gifts of bread and wine. As you have cleansed us by your blood, we now ask you to fill us anew with your Holy Spirit, that we might grow ever deeper in our love of you. Thank you for assuring us of your goodness and love. May we know this day the joy of being one with you and one with each other as members of Christ's body. This we pray in the joy of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart* No. 160

*Blessing

Dismissal *As We Part for the Towns and Cities (green hymnal)* No. 3180

As we part for the towns and cities, where you summon us to go, guide us, Lord, give us strength and courage, teach us all we need to know. Keep us humble, fixed on you, forever seeking, born anew. Kindle holy fires within us; may your Holy Spirit glow.

Postlude *Prelude and Fugue in A Minor* J.S. Bach
Peter Omundsen, organ

The Chancel Choir Anthem, "And Can it Be" is a Charles Wesley Text. The setting is from a cantata commissioned by FUMC to celebrate our bicentennial and was written by Joseph Martin.

	8:15	9:30	10:45
Greeters	N: Ron & Shirley Mentch W: Jeff, Kathy, Jarod & Sophia Steed	Audrey Butts, Lisa Frymyer, Dave Frymyer	N: Deborah Szkola W: Kyle McWilliams, Allen Popjoy
Ushers	Don Banzhof, Ben & Thomas Banzhof, Konrad Maerz, Don Palmer, Ryan Trees, Mark Yingling	Audrey Butts, Lisa Frymyer, Dave Frymyer	Tim & Beth O'Brien, Dave & Lois Greene; Ken, Christine, Kate & Carly Kmiecjak; Myron, Pam, Austin & Mark Reth; Nick & Judy Siviglia
Tech Crew	Tim Benton	Jeff Butts Chris Reindollar Steve St. John	Chuck McWilliams
Liturgist	Sophia Steed	-----	Marion Piersol-Miller
Communion Assistant	Pastor Joe	-----	-----
Acolyte	Austin Day	-----	Lauren Markley
Welcome Center	Reginia Karshin	Cathy Doremus	Don & Anne Griswold
Fellowship Time	Deb Richer	-----	Christine Fitzgerald
Security	Steve Shank		

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!



The white carnation on the altar notes the passing of Kathryn Kepner into the arms of Jesus on Thursday, March 7th. She was 102 years old!

The flowers in front of the pulpit are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of Kathryn E. Sloat by her loving family.

EGGS, EGGS EVERYWHERE! That's what our kids will be saying on Saturday, April 13th at our Annual Easter Egg Hunt here at First Church! Registration begins at 12:30 PM and hunting begins at 1:00! This event is open to all children 5th grade and under.

Plastic eggs have been cleaned and placed in bags of 50 in the Gathering Place. Everyone is encouraged to take home a bag or two and fill the eggs with Wrapped, nut-free candy; and return the bags to church by Sunday, April 7th in preparation for the hunt! We also need helpers for hiding eggs, supervision, and registration beginning at noon. You may sign up to help on our website www.engagegodfirst.org under the "Events" tab or by contacting Paul Richer (pricher@engagegodfirst.org).

ISRAEL TRIP IN 2020- We are considering another First UMC pilgrimage to Israel in the early 2020, probably late January for 10 days. If you would be interested in making this life-changing trip to the Holy Land, please contact the office as soon as possible, so we can get a feel for how many may want to join us, and to ask any questions you may have. And please let us know if you would like to do the trip, but if the time-frame does not work for you.