

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE, STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP

ADULT FELLOWSHIP: Meets the third Saturday of each month, Sept. thru May, and invites adults of all ages to join them.

Contact Person: Gail Van Dyke, 856-667-6354

UNITED METHODIST MEN: Meet at 7:45am for breakfast on the third Sunday of each month, September through May.

All men of all generations welcome. Contact person: Contact person: Bob Murray, 856-366-6137

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN: Miriam Circle, Barbara Dapper, Leader, 856-235-1765

MONDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY: 9:30 A.M. in the Heritage Room. Contact Person: Susan Swezey 856-220-1661

TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY: 2pm in the Parlor. All welcome! Contact Person: Charlie Rudolph, 856-235-9206

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: 7:30-9 A.M. at Maritsa's in Maple Shade. Contact Person: Carol Talbot, 856-235-9346

SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: 7:30-9 A.M. in the Parlor. Contact Person: Betsy Heinz, 856-304-4313

SATURDAY MORNING "QUICK PRAYER": 9:30 A.M. in the Prayer Room. Contact Person: Betsy Heinz 856-304-4313

STEPHEN MINISTRY: Contact Persons: Kathy Appleton, 856-234-0089, Suanne Bryan 856-824-0672

Mike Zolty 609-781-7131, Michael Harsche 856-778-3520, Pat Cornell 856-727-9476

SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDIES: See Information Board in Narthex

PRAYER MINISTRY: Prayer Room (varied hours)

Email prayer chain: To add a name to the email prayer chain, contact Church@meetwithGod.com

LIGHT HARBOR MINISTRIES: Second Sunday of each month @ 2:30. Contact person: Linda Wanagas, 856-273-1298

JR. HIGH UMYF (7-8TH GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY) Meets every Sunday evening from 7-8:30, Sept. thru June

Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 866-0285

SR. HIGH UMYF (9-12TH GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY) Meets every Sunday evening from 7-8:30, Sept. thru June

Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 866-0285

C.H.U.M. (2-4th Grade) Meets every Thursday at 4:30 for choir & 5:15 for dinner, fellowship & activity, Sept. - May

Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

CHRISTIAN TRAILBLAZERS (5th-6th Grades) Meets every Thursday, 4:30 for choir & 5:15 for dinner, fellowship & activity

Sept. - May Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

YOUNG FOLLOWERS (K-1<sup>st</sup> Grade) Meets every Thursday at 4:30 in Fell. Hall for dinner and proceed to choir at 5:15

Sept. - May Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

COLLEGE AGE: Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 866-0285

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK (IHN): Contact Person: Allan Hanlon, 802-1100

PRAISE TEAM - MUSIC AND BAND - Meets Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Contact persons: Jay Appleton, 856-234-0089 and Norm Dorrell 609-410-4862

GOSPEL CHOIR - Meets Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor.

CHOIRS AND HANDBELLS - Meets September through May

ADULT CHOIR

Thursday 7:30-9:00 p.m.

YOUTH (7th -12th grade)

Thursday 6:30-7:15 p.m.

WESLEY (5th - 6th grade) Victoria McGrath

Thursday 4:30-5:15 p.m.

JUNIOR (2nd - 4th grade)

Thursday 4:30-5:15 p.m.

PRIMARY (5 yrs. - 1st grade) Joyce Scheyhing

Thursday 5:15-5:45 p.m.

ADULT BELLS

Monday 7:00-8:00 p.m.

YOUTH BELLS (7<sup>th</sup> - 12 grade)

Sunday 6:00-6:50 p.m.

Contact: Donna Banes, 856-222-9369 (Interim Music Ministry Team Coordinator)

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Saturday: 5:30 P.M. Contemporary Worship in the Chapel**

**Sunday: 8:30 A.M. Traditional Worship in the Chapel**

**9:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary**

**11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary**

## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PLEASANT VALLEY AND CAMDEN AVENUES

MOORESTOWN, NEW JERSEY

A community of faith committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ  
with a hurting world through words and actions

SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

Christian Education Sunday

11:00 A.M. Service

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX  
HEARING DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST FROM USHERS**

**PRELUDE**

Morning Prayer

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**INTROIT**

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 173** Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We come seeking Jesus, the Light of the world!

**People: Shine in our hearts Lord Jesus!**

Leader: We believe in the strength of God to illuminate dark places.

**People: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness shall not overcome it.**

Leader: Lord, in this hour of worship, kindle in us the light of your love.

**People: Let your light shine through us, now and forever.**

**\*OPENING PRAYER** - (Colossians 1:10)

Gracious God, this day, you will again call us together as a congregation to worship you. Thank you for the incredible privilege we have each week of gathering as one family in your holy presence. Thank you for calling us into dialogue with you: You speak words of life to us, and we respond in praise, gratitude, and obedience. Let us be renewed in Christ this and every moment as we worship you, that we may live lives that please you in every way, and that the light of Christ may shine ever more brightly in our homes, workplaces, community, and anywhere in the world you may send us.

**\*RESPONSIVE READING 828**

Psalms 105:1-11

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 881** The Apostles' Creed

**\*GLORIA PATRI 70**

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

**CALL TO PRAYER ON EAGLE'S WINGS** (by Michael Joncas)

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of God's hand.

(1979 North American Liturgy Resources)

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**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.

**CHORAL AMEN**

**WE CELEBRATE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST**

We welcome all who are worshiping with us this morning. Please fill out the Friendship Pad and pass it along to the person next to you and then pass back to the center aisle. Write any special prayer requests on the sheets provided in the pew racks and place in the offering plate.

**PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES**

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC**

Grace Hayes  
Adult Choir

**\*DOXOLOGY 95**

**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.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION 206** I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

**FAITH SHARING:** Linda Toepel

**SCRIPTURE READING** Acts 20:24 & 28, Matthew 5:16

**MESSAGE** Jesus Gives New Life Karen Murray, Dir. Christian Ed.

**COMMISSIONING OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH STAFF (See insert for Litany)**

**\*RECESSIONAL HYMN 664** Sent Forth by God's Blessing

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

\*The People Stand

**PLEASE JOIN YOUR FRIENDS** and your 1<sup>st</sup> UMC family in Fellowship Hall every Sunday morning before this service. Come for coffee, tea, lemonade and continental breakfast from 10:30-11:00. Just follow the path outside Fellowship Hall or wind your way inside the Education Building, to get to the Sanctuary for the 11:00 service.

**A NOTE TO PARENTS:** Child care is available in Room E101 for children up to age four. We love children and little ones are welcome in our worship service. On those days when your child is fussy, the parlor located behind the sanctuary provides an excellent place to care for your children and still participate in the worship service. There is a powder room right outside the parlor that can be used for changing diapers.

**USHERS:** Jack Feeley, John Halligan, Peg Marcinek, Dave Shinn, Rick Young

**GREETERS:** Craig and Peggy Koenitzer **SCRIPTURE READER:** Pattie Gritzan

**ACOLYTES:** Anna Youse, Carson Binegar

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** Worship: 374 Sunday School: 93

**PLEASE LET US KNOW...** If you or someone you know is ill or in the hospital, please let the church office know so that we can help in the healing process through our prayers, visits, food preparation, etc. Thank you!

**THE CHANCEL BOUQUET HAS BEEN GIVEN BY:** Gail Moyer, to the glory of God and in memory of her father, Ernest Moyer.  
**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Carolyn Emme, Rick Loring (son of Dick Loring), Laura Gould (sister of Ed Youse), Doug Nemeth (son of Dot & Zollie Nemeth), Karen Pearce (mother of William Pearce), Jane Mertz, Barbara Lobe, Tom Bintliff, Jr. (friend of Doug Hamilton), Norman Adams (husband of Betty Adams), Ron Griffith, Rebekah Patton (friend of Carol Taylor), Rev. Richard Thawley, Sam Wang (cousin of Elite Law), Lynda Rodriguez (daughter of Bob Rodriguez), Mary Schick (friend of Linda Wanagas), Doug Carty, Robb Murray, Ed Davis (friend of Alice Brenner), Joe DeCesare (friend of Joyce Scheyhing), Gary Graham (father of Brad Graham), Mike Pilenza (friend of Greg Bryan & Dick Loring), Mary Kate Canal (sister of Brian O'Donnell), Joanne Doto (friend of Gail Van Dyke), Carol LaFon, Carolyn Kinnard, Deanne Czeiner, Marie Newman (friend of Doug Hamilton), Lucy Townsend, Ken Kunzman (friend of Dick Loring), Jane Emely-Roach, Linda Albert, Steve Murray (brother of Bob Murray), Matt Fasbinder (friend of Mary Raroha), Mary Raroha, Tyler Wilson and parents Mark & Karleen (relatives of Linda Wanagas), Raelee and Janet Shaw (relatives of Pattie Gritzan).

**The Staff of First United Methodist Church**

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