

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: 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 MEN'S SMALL GROUP: 7:30-9:00 A.M. in the Prayer Room. Contact Person: Greg Scott, 609-280-9539

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-1st 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 (7th - 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 AVENUE

MOORESTOWN, NEW JERSEY

A community of faith committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ

with a hurting world through words and actions

OCTOBER 8, 2017

8:30 A.M. Service

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

During these moments before worship we encourage you to greet those around you and to extend a warm and friendly welcome to those whom you may not know. When the music begins, please join in silent prayer and preparation to worship God.

PRELUDE

GREETING

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (written by Beth Neel)

Leader: We come to you, O God, to thank you for what is good.

People: We come to you, O God, to cry out for what is wrong.

Leader: We come to you, O God, to ask for help and restoration.

People: We come to you, O God, with aching hearts and glad souls.

Let us worship God.

***OPENING SONG BLESSED BE YOUR NAME** (by Matt & Beth Redman)

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,
where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,
though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name.

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise. When the darkness closes in, Lord,
still I will say, Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me,
when the world's all as it should be blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering,
though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name.

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise. When the darkness closes in, Lord,
still I will say, Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name, Blessed be the name of the
Lord, blessed be Your glorious name. You give and take away, You give and take away.

My heart will choose to say, Lord, Blessed be Your name. You give and take away,

You give and take away, My heart will choose to say, Lord, Blessed be Your name.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name. (2002Thanyou Music)

***OPENING PRAYER** – Gracious God, as your Son wept with Mary and Martha at the tomb of Lazarus, look with compassion on those who grieve. Grant them the assurance of your presence now and faith in your eternal goodness, that in them may be fulfilled the promise that those who mourn shall be comforted; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE 140** Great Is Thy Faithfulness

***RESPONSIVE READING 777-778** Psalm 42

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER RESPONSE: BLEST ARE THEY Verse 1 *(by David Haas)*

Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God.

Blest are they, full of sorrow; they shall be consoled.

Refrain: Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you.

Rejoice and be glad! Yours in the kingdom of God! (©1985 GIA Publications, Inc.)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

WORSHIP IN GIVING TITHES AND OFFERINGS

We welcome all who are worshipping with us this morning. Please fill out the green colored card, including any special prayer requests and place them in the offering plate.

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 61:1-11, Matthew 5:4

MESSAGE The Beatitudes – Blessed are Those Who Mourn Meg Gaston

***CLOSING HYMN 707** Hymn of Promise

*GOING FORTH

***POSTLUDE**
*The People Stand

CHILD CARE IS AVAILABLE in Room E101 for children up to age four.

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: Worship: 355 Sunday School: 86

SCRIPTURE READER: Hazel Edwards

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 their healing process through our prayers, visits, food preparation, etc. Thank you!

THE CHANCEL BOUQUET HAS BEEN GIVEN BY: Marilyn Arbittier, to the glory of God and in honor of granddaughter Samantha Rose's third birthday on October 9th.

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, 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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