

Order of Worship

Fourth Sunday of Lent ♦ March 22, 2009

***Gathering**

The people gather and informally greet one another in the name of Christ

Welcome Everyone! *We are delighted to have you worship with us. If you are visiting with us for the first time the ushers have a gift for you. As the registration book is passed during the service, please give us your name, address, phone number and email address. Please contact one of the pastors if you would like to become a member of First Church.*

Chimes

The people are seated in preparation for worship.

Welcome, Announcements, and Joys

Prelude

Bringing in the light.

Acolytes

***Call to Worship**

“Holy Ground”

#2272

***Opening Prayer**

***Opening Hymn**

“To God Be the Glory ”

#98

Old Testament Lesson

Numbers 21:4-9

Children’s Time

Special Music

“Jesus, Name Above All Names”

Chancel Choir

Concerns and Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

895

Offering

Offertory

***Doxology** **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.**

***Hymn of Preparation**

“O Love Divine, What Hast Thou Done”

#287

Gospel Lesson

John 3:14-21

Sermon

“Serpent in the Wilderness”

***Closing Hymn**

“Because He Lives”

#364

Carrying the Light of Christ into the world

Acolytes

***Dismissal with Blessing**

***Organ Postlude**

***Please stand in praise as you are able.**

Serving in Worship this week:

Acolytes

8:30 – Luke & Alina Grzywacz

11:00 – Sami Day & Ryan Seabright

Worship Leader

The Rev Dr.’s Susan and Daniel Garrett

Preacher

The Rev. Doug Sasser

Lectors

8:30 – Janie Dickens-Bowman ♦ 11:00 – Susan Garrett

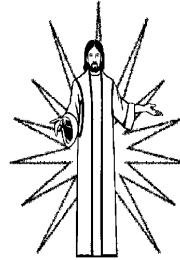
A complete Prayer Concerns List is included in the monthly "First Word" newsletter. Names to be added to that list will appear here in each weekly bulletin insert.



Condolences to the Family of...
The Corbett Family, The Kanatus Family, The Markwood Family

Please remember the following members in your prayers:

Bonnie Keplinger, Larry Cooper & Family, Doris & Ray Harding, Nancy Palmer, Dan Dutchess, Alice Shell, Courtney Lowe, Rose Patton, Hilda Patton, Kathy Dunn, Ray Keplinger, Jr., Velma Ritenour, Boyd & Elsie Ramey, Katherine Dix, Pearl Gaines, Dale Hoffman, Becky Cloud, Edith Anderson, Jennifer Lewis' brother Harry, Margaret Johnson, Robert Spaid.



Please remember to add the following friends and family in your prayers:

Melvin & Virginia Fawcett, Stacey Fritts, Don Smallwood, Mike McKeirnan, Janice Dickerson, Evelyn Harrison, Bill Morris, Des-sie Taylor, Ricky Mitchem, Gary Houck, Jennifer Carper, Paul Carper, Shirley Miller, Sonny Cooper, Kim Bennington, Bob Shields, Geraldine Saville, Ellen Suite's parents, Ralph Miller, Rita Holly, Jeanette Shickle, Lorraine Vann, Rebecca Brennan, Ruby Boyd, Ian Corcoran, Sarah Kingery, Alisha Hudson, Jaime Lee.

Offerings to God

	Received	Budget	52 Wk Avg.
General Fund – Mar. 15	\$5,121.62	\$ 8,737.00	\$ 6,669.57
Year to Date	\$66,210.58	\$ 96,107.00	
APR Property – Mar. 15	\$143.00	\$ 0	
Year to Date	\$2,433.82	\$ 0	
Hunger Offering	\$87.00	N/A	
Year to Date	\$2,790.12	N/A	
Capital Improvements – Mar. 15	\$565.00	N/A	
Project To Date	\$5,141.00	\$ 100,000.00*	

*Maximum Line of Credit Available

Actual expenditures to date:

Air Conditioning	\$54,036.00
Plumbing	\$9,466.00
Electrical	\$1,712.00
Ridge Parsonage	\$13,623.00
Pebblebrook Parsonage	\$1,216.00
Total	\$80,053.00

Donations toward these capital improvements can be made by indicating Capital Improvements on your check or offering envelope.



Egg Hunt for Kids

The Junior High Youth will be organizing the Children's Easter Egg Hunt this year. It will be held Saturday, April 11 at 2:00 pm at the Apple Pie Ridge Campus rain or shine!

We will have lots of fun hunting eggs, playing games; and you can get your picture taken with the Easter Bunny!!! Keep this date open and plan on coming out with your children or grandchild-

ren. We are asking for donations of lots of taped, candy filled eggs. Eggs can be dropped off at the church office or in the parlor. If you have any questions please contact the church office.

Missed Church last week?

Bulletins from previous worship services are located in the back of the sanctuary so you don't miss out on what's happening! If you have any questions please contact the church office.

The **Upper Room Daily Devotional Guides** for May-June 2009 are available in the back of the sanctuary. They are .75 cents each.

Worshiping God Last Sunday

8:30 a.m.	112
Sunday School	82
11:00 a.m.	95

Pancake Breakfast Bake Sale

Proceeds	1,838.25
Schenck's	(121.01)
Sausage	(304.86)
Wal Mart	(23.67)
Newspaper Ad	(63.00)
Net Profit	1,325.71

3-F Menu

Hot Hamburger Sandwiches, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Salad & Dessert.
 Come and enjoy a great meal and fellowship with your friends and family.

Boarding Dates & Times March 22– March 29, 2009

Today	8:30 am	Worship Service	
	9:45 am	Sunday School	
	9:45 am	Children's Choir (9:45 to 10:00 am in the Choir Room)	
	10:00 am	Confirmation Class	
	11:00 am	Worship Service	
Wednesday	4:00 pm	Bulletin & Newsletter Deadline	
	5:15 pm	3-F Dinner	
	6:00 pm	Ignite Music Practice	
	6:00 pm	Hand Bell Choir	
	6:15 pm	Upper Room Devotional Bible Study-Parlor	
Friday		No School for Discovery Preschool	
	6:30 pm	Financial Peace University Class	
	Saturday	8:00 am	Family & Friends CPR Class
		8:30 am	Confirmation Trip
		March 29	8:30 am
March 29	9:45 am	Sunday School	
	9:45 am	Children's Choir (9:45 to 10:00 am in the Choir Room)	
	10:00 am	Confirmation Class	
	11:00 am	Worship Service	
	12:15 pm	Children's Ministry Meeting	
	4:30 pm	Sunday Night Youth	

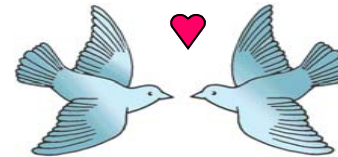
**Please note the next
Church Council
Meeting will be Monday,
March 30th at 7:00 pm in
the Chapel.**



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

GET ON BOARD!

MARCH 22, 2009

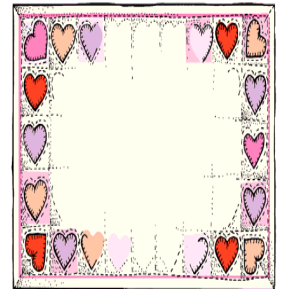


The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Jesse & Lois Wismer's 56th Wedding Anniversary.

Hosanna! Easter Flower order forms are available in the back of the sanctuary. Please have all orders in by Sunday, April 5th. Any questions contact Mary McGaffick.

Calling all Quilt makers! The preschool is in need of anyone who can make a simple quilt. If you are able to quilt or know someone who can please contact Debbie Macknight. The preschool children have made quilt squares, which will be put together to donate to Project Linus and to auction off to our families as a fundraiser for the preschool.

We need the quilts we are using for the fundraiser to be completed by the first week in May. The Project Linus quilts can be completed at a later date. Please contact Debbie Macknight at 665-1696 or 678-4189 if you are able to help out.



Thank you,
Debbie Macknight

Easter Egg Order Forms are available in the back of the sanctuary. Place your orders and enjoy some yummy eggs. Proceeds benefit the Youth on their summer Mission Trips. Questions contact Mary Vorous.

Shickle/Omps Scholarship

High School Seniors interested in applying for the Shickle/Omps Scholarship, may pick up the application forms in the church office. Application forms must be returned to the church office no later than March 31st.. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.



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Youth News



Regular Youth Tonight 4:30-6:30

Tonight junior high youth will be lead by Mary and we will finish stuffing Easter Eggs and making the posters for the Easter Egg hunt. Senior high will be led by Danielle Brown.

Thank you to the White Family for our meal tonight!



Summer Mission Trip News: You can still sign up for the mission trips if you are interested. Please sign up on the youth board downstairs ASAP. Senior High is June 20th-26th and Junior High is July 11th– July 17th. A \$100.00 deposit is needed to hold your spot. It will be refundable if we raise enough on our fundraiser projects. Watch for more details.

The Junior High youth will be organizing the children's Easter Egg hunt, if you would like to donate filled plastic eggs we would love the help.



Easter Egg Hunt

Don't forget to order your Chocolate, Coconut and Peanut Butter Easter Eggs. Order blanks are in the back of the sanctuary and in this week's bulletin. Youth and parents that would like to help out making Easter Eggs on the 5th of April please sign up on the youth board. We need to borrow heavy-duty mixers for this project.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS OPPORTUNITIES SPRING QUARTER STUDIES FOR ALL AGES

Preschool to 5th grade

These classes are currently using the Hands-On Bible series from Group Publishing; teaching lessons about the Christian life, the resurrection of Jesus, and becoming part of God's family. They meet in classrooms on the 2nd floor of the education building. For more information, please contact Jennifer White (723-0289).

Youth/Teens

The Jr. High and Sr. High classes are studying scriptures from the Lectionary. They meet in classrooms on the ground floor below the sanctuary. Please contact Kathy Dick (888-3934) for more information.

Adult Classes

Young Adult Class: Studying the book of Proverbs and meeting on the 2nd floor of the sanctuary overflow area. Call Doug Sasser (662-3151) for more information.

Men's Class: Meets in the Chapel and presently studying the book of Genesis. For more information contact Bobby Dick (667-6645).

Florence Nightingale and Golden Link Women's Classes: Currently studying Ezekiel, Luke, Acts and Ephesians. The classes meet in the sanctuary overflow area. Please contact Bev Malik (542-1602) for more information.

Living Faith class: Currently studying a book by Max Lucado "3:16". Meeting on the ground floor of the education building in the fellowship hall. Contact Kristen Grzywacz (662-3151) for more information.

Maverick class: Meets in the parlor on the 1st floor of the education building. Currently studying the book of Daniel. For more information contact Brenda Dick (667-6645).

Adult Class: Beginning a new book March 15th called "The Jesus Prescription for A Healthy Life" by Leonard Sweet. The class meets on the 2nd floor of education building in 1st classroom from the Braddock Street education entrance. Contact Jack or Robbin Wilfong (662-2348).



Upcoming Events To Make Note Of

CPR Class Saturday, March 28 at 8:00 am

Confirmation Trip Saturday, March 28th at 8:30 am

Potato cutting April 1st after 3-F Meal

Potato Planting at the APR Campus Saturday, April 4th at 10:00 am

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 11 at 2:00 pm

Serving in Worship Next Week Sunday, March 29

Lectors: 8:30 available

11:00 Sam Torian

Flowers: available

Acolytes: 8:30 Olivia Dickens-Bowman & Spencer Corbett

11:00 Ryan Seabright & Connor Foulds

Church Staff

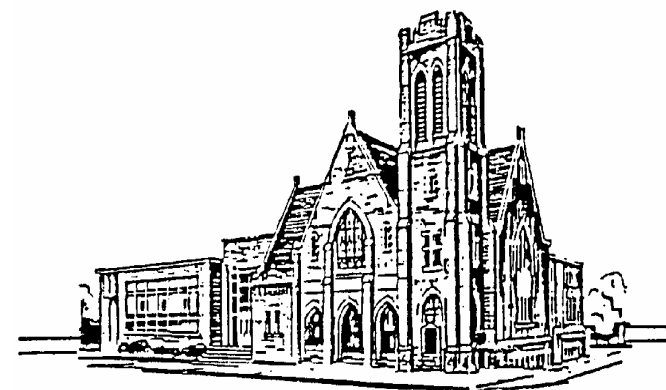
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Music Ministry

Wayne Corbett, Music Director & Organist
Melinda Russell, Hand Bell Choir Director
Gary Fisher, Choir Director
Wayne Corbett & Melinda Russell Children's Choir Directors
Amy Wilfong, Ignite Music

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

March 22, 2009



Mission Statement

*“God is calling us to grow in Christ as Christ grows in us
through discipleship, service, unity and love.”*

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