

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, September 23

- 9:30 AM - New Members Class (Upstairs Chapel)
- 9:30 AM - Adult Sunday School (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 AM - Sunday School (Upstairs Classrooms)
- 11:00 AM - Worship Service

MONDAY, September 24

- 5:30 PM - Outreach / Missions Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

TUESDAY, September 25

- 11:00 AM - Volunteers pack for Food Bank
- 6:30 PM - Women's Prayer Group (Upstairs Chapel)
- 7:15 PM - Finance Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

WEDNESDAY, September 26

- 10-11:00 AM - Food Bank Distribution
- 3:30 PM - Mandatory Safe Sanctuary Training (Sanctuary)
- 6:45 PM - Choir Practice (Fellowship Hall)

THURSDAY, September 27

- 10:30 AM - Bible Study (Upstairs Chapel)
- 2:30 PM - Bible Study (at Friendship Apts., Social Room)
- 6:30 PM - Bible Study (Upstairs Chapel)
- 7:00 PM - Al-Anon Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

FRIDAY, September 28

- 10:00 AM - Make Sandwiches for Pittsburgh Homeless

SATURDAY, September 29 ~ Distribution (Tracy Albert)

SUNDAY, September 30 ~ 19th Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:30 AM - Early Service
- 9:30 AM - New Members Class (Upstairs Chapel)
- 9:30 AM - Adult Sunday School (Fellowship Hall)
- 9:30 AM - Sunday School (Upstairs Classrooms)

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

September 16, 2018

8:30 AM Early Service..... 26	Current Exp..... \$ 1,789.00
11:00 AM Worship Service..... 65	Connectional Appt. <u>85.00</u>
Sunday School att 46	\$ 1,874.00
Weekly Avg..... 103	Sunday School Avg 34
Bldg. & Repair 470.00	Renovation..... 35.00
Outreach 120.00	Nurture 5.00



The **ALTAR FLOWERS** and **BULLETINS** are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my husband, Bob, by Pat West.



When you produce much fruit, you are my true disciples.
This brings great glory to my Father.

John 15:8

September 23, 2018

8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

First United Methodist Church

"Growing, Loving & Serving in Christ's Name"

Rev. Beverly A. Spore, Pastor **Lori A. Klingensmith, Choir Director**
Marilyn R. Oldfield, Pianist **Gail E. Varine, Organist**
8:30 a.m. **11:00 a.m.**
Chris Steele, Reader **Erin McCormick, Reader**
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As the music begins, be silent, be thoughtful, and be reverent, for this is the House of the Lord. Before the service, speak to the Lord. During the service, let the Lord speak to you. After the service, speak to one another.

- **PRAYER REQUEST CARDS** are in the pew racks and will be collected during the opening hymn.
- The **NURSERY** is available upstairs in the Educational Building for parents who feel the need to take their children there.
- **ACTIVITY BAGS** are available in the Overflow Area for those children who wish to remain in the service.
- **EVERYONE** – Please sign the attendance pads at the end of each pew and pass to your neighbor. If the LAST person at the end of the row would PLEASE pass it back to where it originally started, it will be greatly appreciated.
- **VISITORS** – We hope you will join us again!

❖ Congregation please stand, if able ~ ❖ Denotes for 8:30am service

September Sermon Series: Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations

❖ Welcome and Announcements

- ❖❖ **Call to Worship** Colossians 1:10
The way you live will always honor and please the Lord, and your lives will produce every kind of good fruit. All the while, you will grow as you learn to know God better and better.
Let us Worship the Lord!

- ❖❖ **Opening Prayer (in unison)** John 15:8
Holy God, the bearing of much fruit proves us to be true disciples of Jesus and glorifies your Name. Strengthen and equip us by your Holy Spirit to labor tirelessly for your kingdom, so that we may continue to bear fruit while we grow in discipleship, and may your Name be glorified throughout our land, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

- ❖❖ **Opening Praise** "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" # 57

❖ Greet One Another

Children's Message Rev. Beverly A. Spore
Anthem "We'll Be There"

❖ Old Testament Reading Isaiah 55:10-11

"The rain and snow come down from the heavens and stay on the ground to water the earth. They cause the grain to grow, producing seed for the farmer and bread for the hungry. It is the same with my word. I send it out, and it always produces fruit. It will accomplish all I want it to, and it will prosper everywhere I send it. (NLT)

❖ Morning Prayer

❖ Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 11:24-33

❖ **Message** "Risk Taking Mission and Service"
Rev. Beverly A. Spore

Hymn of Response "My Tribute" (twice) # 99

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in one God, who is Creator, Maker of all we see and all we don't see; Who is Ruler of the universe: Source of all creation!

We believe in one God, who is Jesus Christ, God from God, Light from Light, true God and true human. He is one with the Creator; the Word made flesh, or Messiah: Savior of all creation!

We believe in one God, who is Holy Spirit, Breath of God moving among us. Who is one with the Creator; one with the Christ; our Comforter and our Guide: Mentor of all creation!

Offering

❖ Doxology

❖ Prayer of Thanksgiving

❖ The Lord's Prayer

❖❖ **Closing Hymn** "Here I Am, Lord" # 593

❖❖ Benediction

❖❖ **Community Blessing** "His Name Is Wonderful" # 174

Postlude

