

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, May 22 6th Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM -Sunday School

10:00 AM -Worship Service

TUESDAY, May 24

7:00 PM -Women's Prayer Group (Zoom)

THURSDAY, May 26

6:30 PM -Cooperative VBS Meeting

7:00 PM -Al-Anon Meeting

FRIDAY, May 27

****Office Closed****

SUNDAY, May 29 7th Sunday of Easter

10:00 AM -Worship Service

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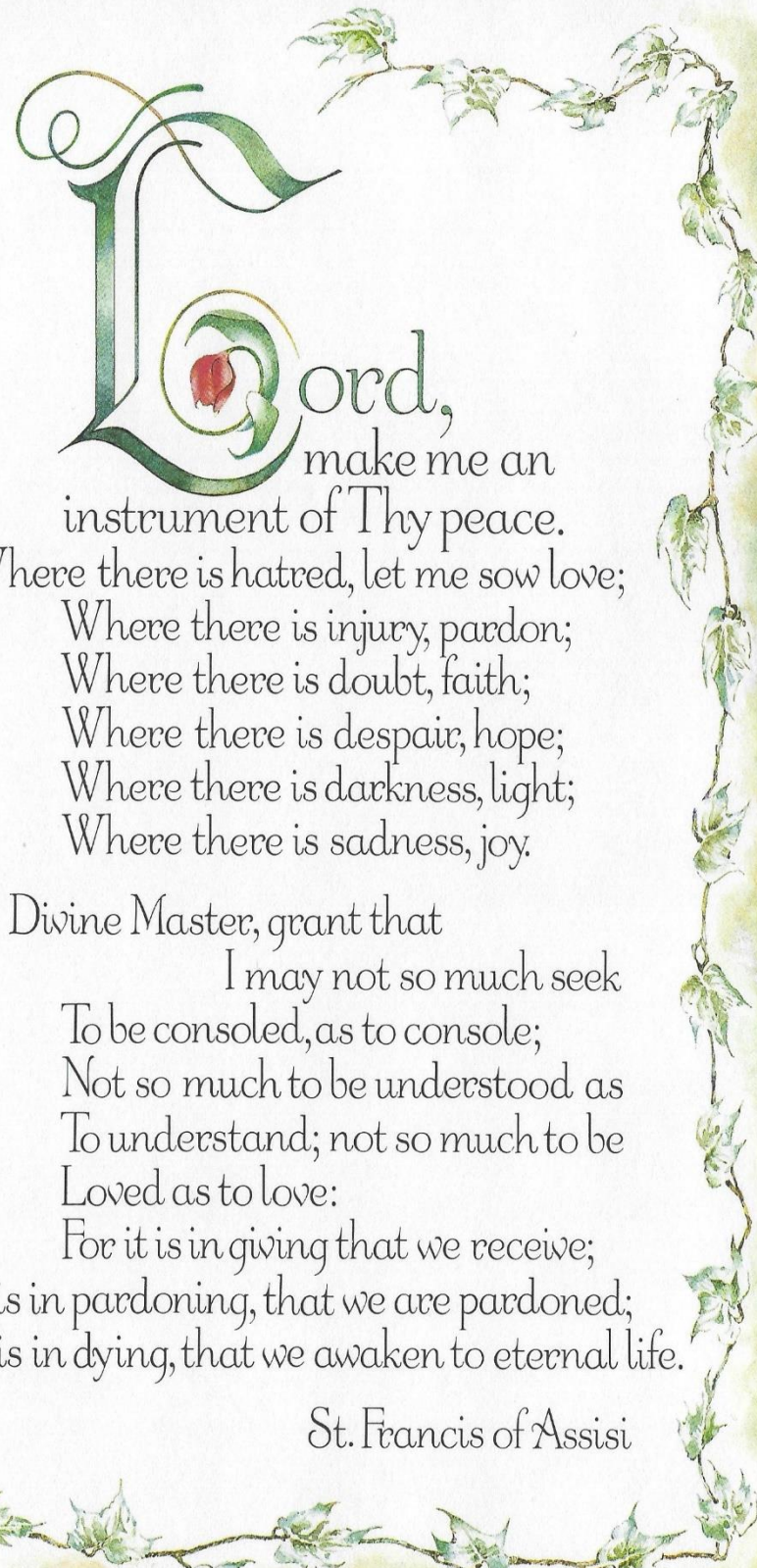
If you have any graduates in your household, please notify the office so they can be recognized during our Graduation Recognition in June.



The Trustees are looking for sponsors to help defray the Lawn Mowing service cost for the season. A suggested donation of \$200 would cover one month service or \$100 for ½ month service. If you would like to donate to this, include the amount with your weekly donation.

Any questions, see Chris Kalmar.

Thank You for your support! The Trustees.



Lord,

make me an instrument of Thy peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
Where there is injury, pardon;  
Where there is doubt, faith;  
Where there is despair, hope;  
Where there is darkness, light;  
Where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that

I may not so much seek  
To be consoled, as to console;  
Not so much to be understood as  
To understand; not so much to be  
Loved as to love:

For it is in giving that we receive;  
It is in pardoning, that we are pardoned;  
It is in dying, that we awaken to eternal life.

St. Francis of Assisi

# First United Methodist Church

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## 6th Sunday of Easter

❖ Congregation please stand, (if you are able)

### Prelude

*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.*

❖ Centering Chorus "Up from the Grave He Arose" (Refrain) #322

❖ Call to Worship

Let the peoples praise you, let all the peoples praise you,  
O God.

**We praise you, O God, for your mighty acts; we praise  
you for your saving power among all nations.**

Let the peoples praise you, let all the peoples praise you,  
O God.

**We praise you, O God, for your loving kindness;  
we praise you for unending mercy.**

We your people praise you, we your people praise you,  
O God.

**We lift our hands to praise you; we lift our voices  
to sing for joy!**

❖ Hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory" #577

❖ Opening Prayer (in unison)

**Maker of all things, Ruler of all peoples of the earth,  
we bring our prayers of thanksgiving and praise. You  
have provided the water of life for our baptism. You  
have fed us with the fruits of the earth and nourished  
us through your Word. Meet us again in the joyous  
encounter of worship, lest we forget the source of all**

**we have and all that we are. Let the peoples praise  
you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! Amen.**

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (in unison)

❖ Gloria Patri #70

Anthem "Our God Saves Medley"

Children's Moment Pastor Sara

Sung Prayer of Illumination "Thy Word Is A Lamp" (Ref.x2) #601

New Testament Lesson Acts 16:9-15 #963

❖ Hymn "Shall We Gather" #383

❖ Gospel Lesson John 14:23-29 #939

Message "A Promise Made" Rev. Sara J. Wrona

Offertory Reflection

❖ Doxology #95

Prayer of Dedication

❖ Hymn "Standing on the Promises" #374

Greetings & Announcements

❖ Benediction

❖ Community Blessing "He Lives" (Refrain) #310

Postlude

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For Father's Day we would like to share pictures of your fathers on the power point. Please email a digital copy with names to the office (by Monday, June 13th) or bring in a physical copy to be scanned (by Friday, June 10th). If anyone is interested in singing on Father's Day please contact Lori. Thank you!

VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We will be doing cooperative VBS with Hebron Lutheran & First Evangelical Lutheran in the mornings of June 20-24. We need volunteers to help with: decorating, leading crafts/science, games, snacks, and other stuff! Let Pastor Sara know if you have any questions or want to get involved with VBS this summer. :)



There will be a Cooperative VBS Meeting on Thursday, May 26th at 6:30PM. All volunteers are encouraged to come.



The choir will not practice Monday evenings for the remainder of May. Please meet for practice at 9:30am in the sanctuary on Sunday, May 22nd and June 5th.



The choir will be taking the summer off. If you would like to do special music please contact Lori or Lisa at the church office. There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule.



Please take a moment to thank our choir for their sweet music these last four months. We are so blessed to have a wonderful choir and a piano accompanist. Thank you for sharing your God given talents! Love and Blessings from your favorite choir director.



There will be an S/PPRC Meeting Monday, June 6th at 6:00 PM.



The Diner's Club will meet on Thursday, June 9 at 11:30 a.m. at Elena's/Rudy's Table. Please call in reservations to Janice 724-448-8159 or the church office.



If you have anything to submit for the July/August Newsletter please submit it by Wednesday, June 15th.



Summer Book Study

This summer Pastor Sara will be leading a book study that falls under the area of Dismantling Racism. The book she has chosen is: *Be the Bridge, Pursuing God's Heart for Racial Reconciliation* by Latasha Morrison. ISBN 978-0-525-65288-5

Our meeting dates will be June 8th, 15th, and 29th. These are Wednesdays and we will meet at 11:00 A.M. in the church fellowship hall.

Each participant is responsible for purchasing their own book. Please let Pastor Sara know if you will be participating in the book study.



Donuts for Dads & Dudes

Calling all men! On Father's Day, June 19th, come enjoy a donut (or 2) and coffee before church! They will be brought fresh at 9:30am and will be available until church service begins, or while supplies last 😊 Thank you for everything you do!!



Saturday July 9, 2022

Kiski River Kayak / Canoe Paddle Trip. The plan is to paddle from Avonmore to Roaring Run. We will be on the water for 3 -4 hours. You can bring your own boat or rent one for the day. There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule.



Just a Friendly Reminder...

Snacks are allowed in the sanctuary, but please clean up after yourselves. Thank you!



Announcements from the Mission/Outreach Team

- We will be making bag lunches for the local businesses on Tuesday, June 14th at 9:30 a.m., please mark your calendars if you would like to help.
- We will not have a meeting on Tuesday, June 14th at 10:30 am. Our next meeting will be August 9th.
- We will be making sandwiches for the community this summer on June 14th, July 12th, and August 9th at 9:30am. If you would like to join us, we would love to have your help! We look forward to seeing you as we continue to be God's hands and feet!

Thank you for your continued support in all of our outreach projects!



The First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Leechburg is in need of gently used children's clothing donations for their clothing closet. All other clothing, shoes, and handbag donations are welcome. Please wash all clothes before donating. If you have any questions please call their church office 724-845-7518.



The Vandergrift Area Meals on Wheels is looking to expand service to Leechburg. This will only be possible if they have additional drivers. If you would be interested in helping them expand this vital and needed ministry, please contact Sarabeth Stopansky at 724-831-8112.



First United Methodist Church, Leechburg Prayer List

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 4:6-7

Please be in prayer for Family and Friends:

Margie Anto, Anne Cherry, Abigail Claytor, Delores (Gail's Mom), Ed Haberchak, Joan (Linda Sarver's MIL), Sue Harwick, Laurel Klingensmith, Sally Lanzarotti (Carla Shaffer's mother), Sandy (Linda Sarver's Mother), Terry Snyder, Helen Weaver, and Jim Wright.

Our Church Leadership

Greensburg District Superintendent Rev. Paul Ritchey

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A Member of the UMCOR
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nationally. EMB collects, packages, verifies, and ships two different types of kits. The cleaning buckets and hygiene kits are distributed to many counties in Western Pennsylvania as well as other states in the U.S. to aid in flood clean up.

EMB also has a modular ramp ministry in which units are built on site at the barn and then assembled into ramps at residential sites for people who have accessibility issues to their homes.

On Thursday, June 16th, we will be taking a group of folks to the Eastbrook Mission Barn. We will meet at 8:00 a.m. at the church to depart for the mission barn (near New Castle). Each volunteer must bring their own bagged lunch. We will be there from 10:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. Pastor Sara will be driving and we will need 2 other driver volunteers. We will be verifying UMCOR kits and if possible assisting with the ramp ministry.

A sign-up sheet is located in the vestibule. Please indicate if you are willing to drive and whether you would prefer to verify kits or work in the ramp ministry.

The Eastbrook Mission Barn (EMB) is one of a system of Satellite Relief Supply Networks in the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) Relief Supply Network. As a member of the Relief Supply Network, EMB shares its inventory with the national UMCOR coordinators, ships to national depots, coordinates disaster response



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It's time for fun in the sun!

Vacation Bible School in Leechburg!

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
251 MAIN STREET

Monday, June 20–Friday, June 24
8:30 am – 11:30 am
Ages Pre-K through 5th Grade

Register now: servinggodgracefully.net/vbs

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