

# WARREN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## October 23, 2022

### PRELUDE

(8:00 AM)

“God Will Take Care of You”  
“The Prayer”

arr. Cindy Berry  
arr. Sharon Wilson

### PRELUDE

(10:00 AM)

“Meditation”  
“Epilogue on Lobe den Herren”  
“This Is My Father’s World”

Robert Rushton  
arr. Smith  
arr. Ashdown

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*HYMN No. 337

“Only Trust Him”

Stockton

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Holy, Holy, Holy! We gather seeking the Holy!

**People: Alleluia! For we are in sore need of the Holy!**

Leader: Let us make ourselves present in the presence of our Holy God, who is delighted that we have arrived.

**People: We are here, Holy God, and glad of it!**

Leader: May the prayers enlighten us and the praise enliven us—so that others see your holiness in us.

**People: May our lives be made more holy by this worship today. Amen.**

### ANTHEM

(10:00 am only)

“Precious Lord, What a Friend”

arr. Patsy Simms

#### \*PSALTER

Psalm 3

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#### \*GLORIA PATRI No. 71

### RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Pastor: Do you, as Christ’s body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

**People: We do.**

Pastor: Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons now before you in your care?

**People:** With God's help, we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

**Pastor:** Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

**People:** We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness through Jesus Christ.

## **CONCERNS AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER (using sins)**

*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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.*

### **PASTOR APPRECIATION**

Melissa McCracken

### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM "God Is So Good/Where He Leads Me"**

arr. John Coates

(10:00 AM only)

### **PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

(10:00 AM only)

\*Doxology

\*Offertory Prayer

### **SCRIPTURE**

"Matthew 25"  
"Ephesians 2:14-22"

Pew Bible Pages 903 - 905  
Pew Bible Page 1065

### **MESSAGE**

"The Strangers"

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

## **SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

(8:00 AM only)

**\*HYMN No. 560**

“Help Us Accept Each Other”

## **BENEDICTION**

## **BEARING OF LIGHT**

(10:00 AM only)

## **POSTLUDE**

(8:00 AM)

“To God Be The Glory”

arr. Cindy Berry

## **POSTLUDE**

(10:00 AM)

“March”

arr. George Blake

**\* Indicates Please Stand if Able**

**MUSIC** today is provided by organist Michele Sandberg and our Chancel Choir. The 8:00 AM pianist is Ruth Nelson.

**LITURGIST** today is Tawni Betts.

**ACOLYTES** today are Grant Newton and Lilly Newton.

**USHERS** today are Team 2- Captain George Lilja.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** today are in loving memory of Jane Betts, given by Rod Betts & Family.

**PEDESTAL FLOWERS** today are in loving memory of Debbie Zaiko’s birthday, given by her Family.

## **JOINING OUR CHURCH TODAY**

Debra Anderson

Annie Barrick

Chad Barrick

Aaron Hecht

Joshua Hecht

Karen Hecht

Laura Hecht

Lawrence Loughlin

Amanda McCord

John Suppa

Barbara Young

## **BEING BAPTISED TODAY**

Chad Barrick

Amanda McCord

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF**  
**October 23, 2022 – October 29, 2022**

**SUNDAY**

**8:00 AM Service of Word and Sacrament; Crary Chapel**  
**8:45 AM Fellowship; Covert Room**  
**9:00 AM - 9:45 AM Information Fellowship; Parlor B**  
**9:45 AM Prayer; Crary Chapel**  
**10:00 AM Worship Service; Sanctuary**  
**11:00 AM New Member Reception and  
Pastor Appreciation Reception; Parlors**

**MONDAY**

**6:45 AM Christian Men's Accountability Group**  
**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours**  
**5:30 PM Finance Meeting; Parlor A**  
**6:30 PM Silver Winds; Sanctuary**  
**6:30 PM Corporation Meeting/Church Council; Covert Room**  
**7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Troop 9 Boy Scouts; Downstairs**

**TUESDAY**

**8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours**  
**8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3 yr. Old Preschool**  
**8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class**  
**12:00 PM Staff Lunch; Covert Room**  
**12:00 PM Staff Lunch and Meeting; Covert Room**  
**12:30 PM Tuesday Study Group; Parlor B**  
**1:45 PM Peals of Praise; Sanctuary**  
**3:30 PM Youth Music Program; Music Room**  
**4:30 PM Nurture Meeting; Covert Room**  
**5:30 PM Worship Committee Meeting; Parlor B**  
**5:30 PM Outreach Meeting; Covert Room**  
**6:30 PM Epworth Bells; Sanctuary**

**WEDNESDAY**

**8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours**  
**8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3 yr. Old Preschool**  
**8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class**  
**8:30 AM Covenant Discipleship Group; Mark's Office**  
**3:30 PM LOGOS—Harvest Night; Founder's Hall**  
**6:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal; Music Room**

**THURSDAY**

**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours**  
**8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3 yr. Old Preschool Halloween Program**  
**8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class Halloween Program**  
**1:00 PM Covenant Discipleship Group; Covert Room**  
**5:30 PM Covenant Discipleship Group; Parlor B**  
**6:00 PM Divorce Care; Covert Room**  
**6:30 PM Warren Philharmonic Rehearsal; Founder's Hall**

**FRIDAY**

**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours**  
**12:00 PM Senior Lunch; Founder's Hall**

**PRAYER CONCERNS** can be found in our weekly email Newsletter.

**IN SYMPATHY** ~ We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Bonita “Bonnie” Casey, who passed away on October 4, 2022.

We also extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Gloria Thomas, who passed away on October 15, 2022.

**CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK** ~ Marty Campbell, 615 Rouse Ave., Memory Care, Youngsville, PA 16371. - Please consider sending her a card.

**INFORMATION FELLOWSHIP** ~ There will be an information fellowship directly following the 8:00 AM service. The fellowship will be located in Parlor B and will last 45 minutes. All are welcome to attend.

**CHILDREN’S BOOKS** ~ Warren Area Elementary Center has reached out to our HOC (Helping Our Children) committee to see if we would partner with the PTO to ensure that each child will be able to receive a book at the upcoming fall Book Fair. \$1.00 will provide a book to a child. If you are willing to participate in this effort, please place your donation in the container marked “Children’s Books” on the table at the end of the office hallway. The container will be there each Sunday in October.

In addition, we have been made aware of children in great need who live in the hills of Kentucky. Our connection is through Aiden Neiport, child of Susie and Jim Spangler, who attends the First Presbyterian Church. Aiden has already taken clothing made by our sewing ladies to them and will send additional clothing in November. In addition, we hope to be able to send school supplies (notebooks, crayons, markers, colored pencils, glue sticks, etc.) with the clothing. If you would like to contribute to this effort, please place school items in the box marked Kentucky Children, which will also be at the end of the office hallway during October. Thank you for your support.

**TRICK OR TREAT ~ Come Trick-or-Treat at the First United Methodist Church for some goodies and fun!** If you would like to participate in this event, helping with the fun activities, please sign up on the bulletin board across from the church office. **We especially would like our youth to be a part of this event.** You will need to be in front of our church before 5:30 to prepare for the event. **We also will need donations of bags of candy to hand out.** Please drop the candy off in the Covert Room. Please contact Heidi Ketzko through the church office (814-723-4930) for more information. **Let’s make this a fun night for the children & youth of our church and community!!**

**PROGRESSIVE DINNER** ~ We will have a **Progressive Dinner** for youth in Grades 6-12 on **Sunday, November 13th**, from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM. We will meet at the church and walk to the homes hosting us. We will be having appetizers, the main meal, and dessert. Come hungry and bring your friends. **Please RSVP by Monday, Nov. 7th, to Heidi Ketzko** at the church office at 814-723-4930 so that we can ensure enough food is provided.

**THANK YOU** ~ Trustees thank John Anderson and his work crew for their work in the replacement of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue sidewalk. The repairs look great, but more importantly it makes wheelchair access much easier into the elevator entrance.



## **Discover Your Higher Power**

Weekly Meetings at

The Crossing Café

350 Pennsylvania Ave W, Warren PA

**Every Thursday, 1:30 PM Call: 814-723-4930**

A Ministry of First United Methodist Church—Warren, PA

### **Harbor of Hope: Discovering our Higher Power as revealed in the Christian Bible**

The **Harbor of Hope**'s mission is to provide a safe gathering for all people, including those with addiction, to explore the writings of the Holy Bible and pursue a relationship with Jesus Christ.

The Harbor of Hope's vision is to see a weekly gathering of persons with diverse biblical training (extensive to none) come together in mutual respect and curiosity, embrace the teachings of the Holy Bible, acknowledge Jesus Christ as the Higher Power, be transformed from brokenness to wholeness, and to belong.

Harbor of Hope is a simple, straightforward Bible study that explores basic theology and doctrines of the Church in a relational, conversational and, accountable small group setting. The study intentionally acquires its topics based upon the spiritual guiding principles of the well-known 12-step addiction recovery program, designating two weeks of study for each step.

It is a weekly small group gathering of 2-12 persons served by a facilitator. Following the study time, the group will divide into male/female smaller groups for concentrated prayer.

#### **Details on Date/Time**

Thursdays, beginning *October 27, 2022*, from 1:30-3:00 p.m. at The Crossing, 350 Pennsylvania Ave W. The Harbor of Hope workbook and a Life Recovery Bible will be provided to participants at no cost.