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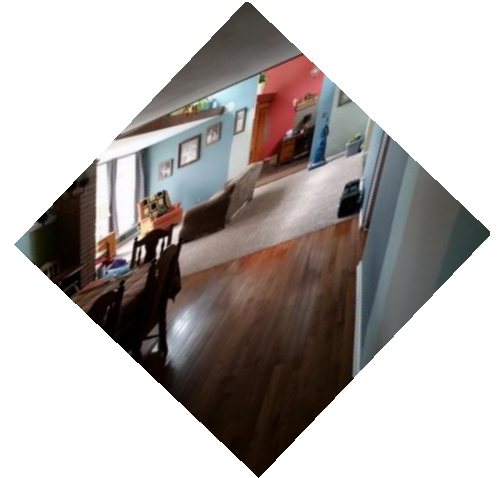
‘A Blessing’

November 2015



Hello Friends,
Security is a wonderful feeling.
Knowing our family has been
cared for and measures have been
taken to welcome us provide a
meaningful time of transition. We
are truly blessed to have been

called to lead Lewistown First UMC!



Here are a few things you have offered to us as pastor and family.
A new hardwood floor in our dining area is beautiful. New carpet
in the living room has brought a fresh look and smell to enjoy.
The grandchildren especially love this play space!



We have taken responsibility to repair and beautify
the outside of our home and your parsonage.

Remember to welcome the stranger and the orphan
in the same way you have welcomed us.

‘Come to the Banquet’ is one way to express

hospitality, and this event continues to grow in importance and spiritual
flavor. Thank you for supporting this outreach to our town and providing
security to those who seek it.

Continue to be a blessing wherever you go!

Peace,

PR

p.s. Join us for a Parsonage Open House Sat., Nov. 7, 1-4 PM!





HOMESPUN XXIX

CRAFT BAZAAR

FEATURING

- *SWEET N' TREATS
- *FRESH FROM THE OVEN
- *CHRISTMAS SHOP
- *WOOD SHOP
- *QUILTERS BOOTH

Thursday, November 5th
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
3rd & Dorcas Street
Lewistown, PA

JOIN US IN OUR DINING ROOM

Advance Ticket Only

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2015

Roast Turkey & all the Trimmings 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Adults - \$8.00 Children (6-11) \$3.50 Children under 5 - free

SORRY, NO CARRY OUT





November 1

8:00/10:30 AM Worship

9:10 Sunday School

8:00 Liturgist: Karen

10:30 Liturgist: Karen

November 8

8:00/10:30 AM Worship

9:10 Sunday School

8:00 Liturgist: Randy Fluke

10:30 Liturgist: Sandy Matthews

November 15

8:00/10:30 AM Worship

9:10 Sunday School

8:00 Liturgist: Karen

10:30 Liturgist: Sandy Matthews

November 22

8:00/10:30 AM Worship

9:10 Sunday School

8:00 Liturgist: Randy Fluke

10:30 Liturgist: Karen

November 29

8:00/10:30 AM Worship

9:10 Sunday School

8:00 Liturgist: Karen

10:30 Liturgist: Karen



November S.S. Teachers

Grades 1-12 Combined Class

Michelle Snyder



8 AM Roger & Helen Searer

10:30 AM Carol Booher,

Edna and Aaron Snook

Outside Greeters

To be Scheduled



Nov 1,8,15,29 TBS
Nov 22 Zanna Hannon

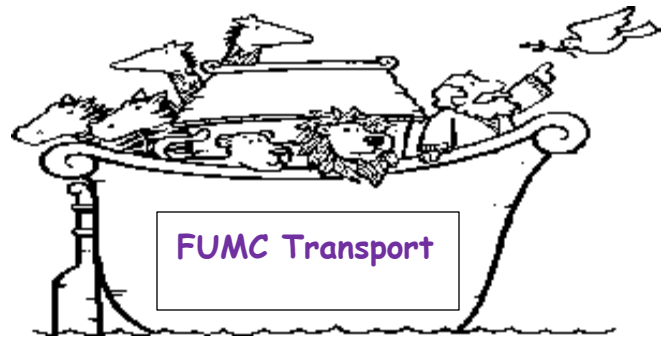


Junior Church

Nov 1 Su/Mary Jo
Nov 8 Su/Mary Jo
Nov 15 Lisa Heckman
Nov 22 Jen Lynch
Nov 29 Bonnie Zannino



Kangaroo Kids
Megan Berry



Transportation is available to the Sunday Worship Service. The Van Driver for November is yet to be scheduled.



Children's Message

Nov 1 Bruce Buffington
Nov 8 Pastor Randy
Nov 15 Pastor Randy
Nov 22 Pastor Randy
Nov 29 Elaine Baxter

Acolyte -
Tristin
Hileman



FUMC Finance and Attendance

Regular Offerings

Oct 4	\$5,619
Oct 11	\$5,713
Oct 18	\$5,394
Oct 25	\$4,284



Unpaid Bills - **\$0.00**

Attendance

Oct 4	132
Oct 11	141
Oct 18	141
Oct 25	172



2015 YTD Average Attendance: 143

The Finance Committee approved a tentative 2016 budget which will be presented to the Ministry Council for final approval this month.



The projected 2016 revenue budget totals \$328,860, though this may be adjusted after reviewing our UM Stewardship Foundation financial statements. Our projected expense budget totals \$348,920, resulting in a shortfall of \$20,060. The Finance Committee consensus was that everyone has worked diligently on their

budgets, and that the Finance Committee would present this budget, contingent on the UMSF figure, to Ministry Council this month and go on faith that giving will increase and the funds will be there to support the ministries of the church.



Please note policy change –

Due to computer and policy changes @ Geisinger-Lewistown Hospital you need to inform Karen (437-6023) or the church office if you are hospitalized and desire a visit.

Prayer Chain Line:

Call 248-8459 or 242-1655

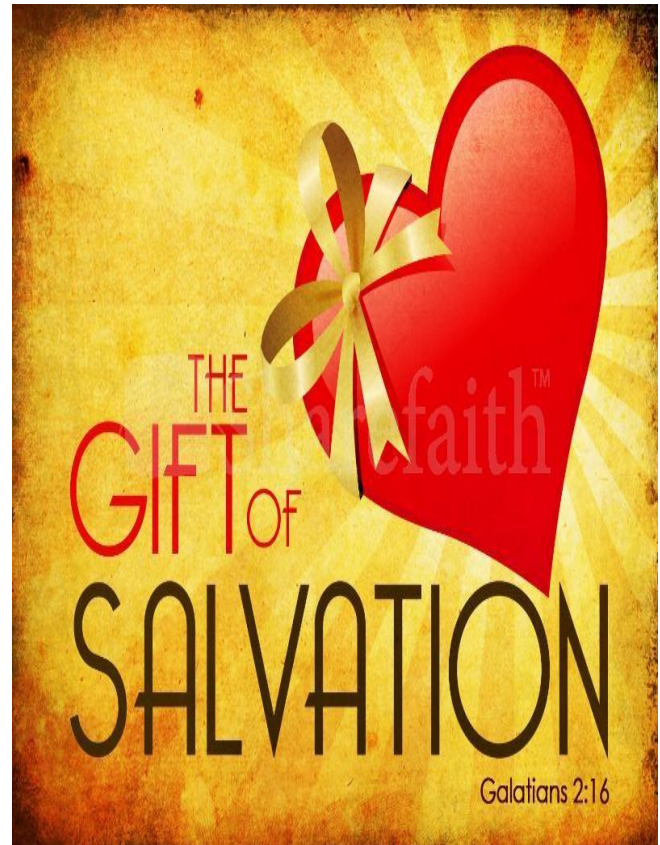
Open to anyone with a prayer request or anyone willing to pray for requests.

Purpose The prayer chain provides confidential intercessory prayer.

To request prayer or to become a praying member call:

Dave or Karen McCachren at 248-8459,
(kmccachren@comcast.net) or
Laura or Bruce Buffington @ 242-1655,
(lkbuff122@gmail.com)

*Our prayers for health and wholeness are shared with:
Sandy Havice, Paul Bryan,
Rodgers Smith, Barbara Voyles,
Joann Geedey, Lisa Heckman,
Ed Van Wright, and the family of
William Dickson.*





Open House @ the Parsonage

Stop by to say hi to Pastor Randy and Tracie on Saturday, Nov. 7th, from 1-4 PM. Check out some of the improvements @ the parsonage. Light refreshments too! Join us!

Our webmasters, Bill Hoenstine and Bev McClellan, have purchased a new unique domain name for our great website. The new address is <http://fumclewistown.org>

*Follow the bulletin and newsletter links to view those on the site. We are also on Facebook at [First United Methodist Church of Lewistown](#). On both pages there is a link to **YouTube** where videos, including the 10:30 message, are posted. You can also go directly to www.youtube.com and search FUMC Hospitality for our channel.*



Koinonia Fun and Fellowship -

Koinonia, our Women's Fellowship Group, meets Tuesday, Nov. 3rd, @ 7 PM. This month we will be doing Homespun prep and making Christmas Cards for our Shut-ins. All women are invited to attend.

Have you heard the Pastor's Messages?

Where do you fit? Are you wondering what you can do? We need you @ 10:30 on Sunday mornings! Would you like to be a liturgist, a greeter (inside or outside), or a nursery attendant? There is also a need for teachers for 3-5 year old Kangaroo Kids and 1st-3rd grade Junior Church. It's great if you can serve for a Sunday, perfect if you can do an entire month. We are currently making the 2016 schedule. Please prayerfully consider. Contact Sandy @ 513-3132 or e-mail sanray2@verizon.net





The Youth Group will visit our furry friends - Making dog treats and visiting ROFF (Rescue our Furry Friends). November 14th, Time to be Announced



Dear FUMC,

I want to thank First Church for the opportunity to use the parsonage stair lift in my home. It made it possible for me to come back home and go up the twelve steps to my bedroom and bathroom. It is such a blessing to be back home!

Sincerely,

Beverly Miller

Just a note to thank you for the love gift and fellowship we received from your church family. May God continue to bless you all richly.

You are in our prayers.

Pastor Bernard Carpenter



The Altar Flowers

Nov 1

The altar flowers are presented to the glory of God.

Nov 8

The flowers are presented in loving memory of Don Westlin and Stan & Ida Adams by Jen Lynch and family.

Nov 15

The flowers are presented to the glory of God.

Nov 22

The altar flowers are presented in loving memory of Ella Thompson by Anna Carothers.

Nov 29

The altar flowers are presented to the glory of God.

November

1. Rev. Karen McCachren
3. Dr. Dan Doberneck
4. Mike Goss
5. Cameron Philpott
7. Justin Lynch
18. Janelle Fedock
25. Lauri Dulis
25. Billie Miller



First U.M. Church Staff

Ministry Staff:

Pastor: **Rev. Randy Hughes**

Pastor E-Mail: rhughes@susumc.org

Deacon of Caring Ministries: **Rev. Karen McCachren**

Deacon of Caring Ministries E-Mail: kmccachren@comcast.net

Coordinator of Teaching Ministries: **Jen Lynch**



Music Staff:

Choirs Director: Katie Becker

Organists: Dr. Fred Benner, Lauri Dulis, Richard Hamler

Support Staff:

Custodians: Joe Lingle, Aaron Snook

Office Manager: Rob Hagenberger

Church Office Hours:

Monday through Friday 7:00 AM - Noon

Phone: 717-248-4618 Fax: 717-242-4757

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Website: <http://fumclewistown.org>

Facebook: *First United Methodist Church of Lewistown*



FUMC Worship Services Sunday morning @ 8 AM and 10:30 AM.



Sunday School @ 9:10 AM, Nursery Provided, Safe Sanctuaries Compliant

***The Newsletter Deadline
is always the 15th
of each month!***





November 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8/10:30 Worship 9:10 S.S.	2 7 PM Ray of Hope 7 PM Men's Bible Study	3 7 PM Koinonia	4 10:30 AM/7 PM Bible Study	5 4-8 PM Homespun 4-7 Turkey Dinner  6:30 Bells 7:30 Choir 8 AA	6	7 1-4 PM Open House @ Parsonage 
8 8/10:30 Worship 9:10 S.S.	9 7 PM Ray of Hope 7 PM Men's Bible Study	10 7 PM Finance	11 10:30 AM/7 PM Bible Study 7 PM Pink Connection	12 6:30 Bells 7:30 Choir 8 AA	13	14 TBA Youth - ROFF
15 8:00/10:30 Worship 9:10 S.S.	16 7 PM Ray of Hope 7 PM Men's Bible Study	17 6 PM Hospitality 7 PM Trustees	18 10:30 AM/7 PM Bible Study	19 6:30 Bells 7:30 Choir 8 AA	20	21
22 8/10:30 Worship 9:10 S.S.	23 7 PM Ray of Hope 7 PM Men's Bible Study	24 1-3 PM Knitting 7 PM Ministry Council	25 10:30 AM/7 PM Bible Study	26 Happy Thanksgiving Office Closed 8 AA	27 Office Closed	28
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