

# ***The First Forecast of First United Methodist Church***

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***'Community***

**June 2019**

An intriguing quote attributed to Frederick Douglass points us toward a mission field burgeoning with opportunity and compassion.



**“It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men.”**

I have heard this concept offered in another way. It is easier to grow a young sapling straight than to straighten a tall gnarled oak.

‘First’ churchers, we are leading the cause for positive change in our community. We are pushing at the edges of poverty, single parenthood woes, and child neglect when we support local organizations. (Matthew 25 is an active mission source of hope.)

When the Shelter Services receive our goods and financial support, families are offered hope. When the Lumina Center receives our annual dues and special gifts for projects throughout the year, children are lifted a little higher up the socio-economic ladder. When the Crossroads Pregnancy Center receives our donations of goods and money, mothers are offered solid counsel and newborns are given life and a future.

When our church partners with sisters and brothers in other churches, quality Vacation Bible School is offered and faith formations are strengthened in children and parents. Here are some things 'First' churchers can support this summer:

† Matthew 25

† The Lumina Rainbow Summer sponsor a child program (June 17-28)  
**Special Offering taken on June 9! ☺**

† Ongoing support for the Crossroads Pregnancy Center West 4<sup>th</sup> St.

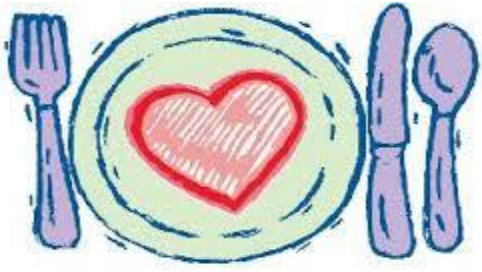
† Community Vacation Bible School at FUMC (June 23-27)

† Block Party July 14<sup>th</sup>

As you can see, when we are supporting parents, infants and young children, growth occurs with direction and focus. Long term benefits of our compassionate work will produce adults who have the same focus for care and support of the next generation.

Thanks for your love and awesome support of God's work! (PR)

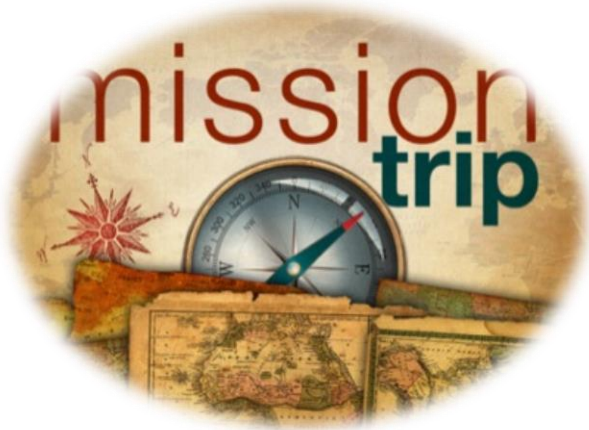




***Our next 'Come to the Banquet' free luncheon will be Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, @ noon. We will feature tuna and egg salad sandwiches, potato salad, chips, and cake. Join us!***

## COMMUNITY LUNCHEON

***Koinonia Women's Fellowship –  
End of Year Dinner @ Bread of Life  
Restaurant, Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, @ 5:30 PM.  
We'll carpool from the church @  
5 PM (meet in Bon-Ton lot) or you can  
meet us @ the restaurant @ 5:30.***



***Onondaga Mission Trip June 8<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>.**  
We will be working with our friends @  
Onondaga. If you would like to join us  
in serving our friends and building  
needed projects and personal  
relationships please see Doug or Jen  
Lynch.*



***Thank you for the many ways you have  
supported Shelter Services.***

***We would like to extend our sincere  
appreciation to FUMC for usage of your  
church during income tax season.***

***- Mifflin Juniata Dept of Human Serv.***

***Our heartfelt thanks to FUMC for your  
donation of \$650 for the new stove! Thank***

***you for being a blessing and answered prayer for the Center. - LUMINA***





*Applications are available in the church office or by e-mailing the office for the Al and Julia Small Scholarship. Applicants should be members of FUMC or another United Methodist church in the Mifflin County cluster who will be attending college in the fall. Scholarships may be renewed annually by submitting a copy of an end of term grade report indicating a GPA of 2.5 or higher. Deadline for new applications and renewals is June 10<sup>th</sup>.*



*Calling all people interested in the 'Talent' show on June 16<sup>th</sup> immediately following the 10:30 service. Get in touch with Bonnie Zannino or Julie Hannon to register your contribution to the show. Also wouldn't hurt to sign up for the dinner for food prep purposes. Thanks! "You Light Up MY Life!"*



*All graduating seniors are requested to contact Jen Lynch so we can recognize our graduates during a special service. Call Jen @ 717-437-1593.*



**Block Party - July 14<sup>th</sup> 4-8 PM**

**Rainbow Summer - special scholarship drive June 9<sup>th</sup>**

**State College Spikes Outing on July 21<sup>st</sup>, sign up @ Bridge Board**



## June 2

8:00/10:30 AM Worship

9:10 Sunday School

8:00 Liturgist: Karen

10:30 Liturgist: Karen

## June 9

8:00/10:30 AM Worship

9:10 Sunday School

8:00 Liturgist: Jeanne Horning

10:30 Liturgist: Lloyd King

## June 16

8:00/10:30 AM Worship

9:10 Sunday School

8:00 Liturgist: Jeanne Horning

10:30 Liturgist: Lloyd King

## June 23

8:00/10:30 AM

9:10 Sunday School

8:00 Liturgist: Jeanne Horning

10:30 Liturgist: Lloyd King

## June 30

8:00/10:30 AM

9:10 Sunday School

8:00 Liturgist: Karen

10:30 Liturgist: Karen

## June S.S. Teachers

**Nursery** – TBS

**Pre-School – K** Aleta Harpster

**Grades 1-2** Bonnie Zannino

**Grades 3-5** Tina Stoner

**Grades 6-9** Tracie Hughes

**Grades 10-12** TBS



## greeters

8 AM *Bev McClellan,*

*Sam Caldwell*

10:30 *TBS*

*Outside Greeters*

*TBS*





Nursery Attendants

June -  
TBS



Junior Church  
Bonnie/Julie



Kangaroo Kids  
(with Jr. Church)



*"Let the  
little children  
come to me ...."*

MATTHEW 19:14

Children's Message

June 2 Bruce Buffington

June 9 PR or PK

June 16 PR or PK

June 23 PR or PK

June 30 PR or PK

Acolytes -  
June  
TBS





**In accordance with privacy policy @ Geisinger-Lewistown Hospital you need to inform Rev. Karen McCachren (248-1011 or 437-6023) or the church office if you are hospitalized and desire a visit.**

**Prayer Chain Line:**

Call 248-8459 or 242-1655

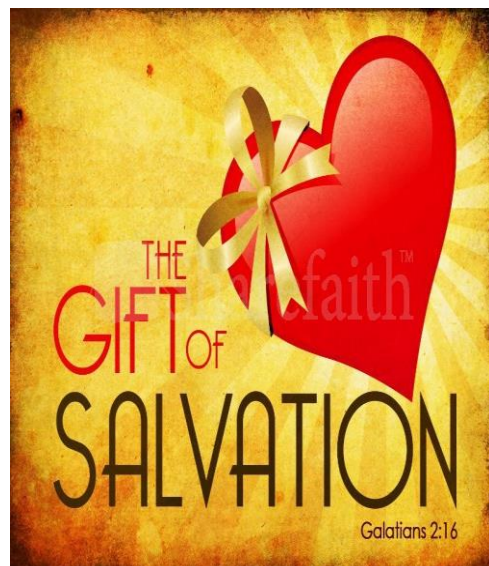
Open to anyone with a prayer request or anyone willing to pray for requests.

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](mailto:kmccachren@comcast.net)) or  
Laura or Bruce Buffington @ 242-1655,  
([lkbuff122@gmail.com](mailto:lkbuff122@gmail.com))

***Our prayers for health and wholeness are shared with:***  
*Pam Meloni, Gayle Case-Lepley, Bev Miller, Judy Pennepacker, Sophie Kyler baby boy – James Matthew, Nadine Bryan, Bill & Pam Logan and family, Judy Brown, Patty Swanger, Gary Mast, Ken Barnes, Jean Eicher, and the families of Jody Baker and Craig Dooley.*





# FUMC Finance and Attendance



## Regular Offerings

May 5	\$5,004
May 12	\$4,122
May 19	\$6,616
May 26	\$4,437

## Unpaid Bills - \$5,561.76

### Attendance

May 5	130
May 12	142
May 19	142
May 26	142



*Volunteers of the month are our great team of money counters. Every week they faithfully count, reconcile, and record the week's contributions. **Thank you** for your ministry and **outstanding** work. Money counters are: Ann Burdge, Stu Ellis, Kay Lewis, Cheryl Hasson, and Connie and Tom Walters.*







ROAR!!! That is what we will be doing at VBS this year here at First Church. Mark your calendars for June 23rd thru June 27th, 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Children ages 3 through completion of 5th grade are invited. There will be a light supper served at 5:30 again, as in previous years.

**Join us as we go on an African adventure and learn and experience that God is Good - when life is unfair, when life is scary, when life changes, and when life is sad.**

We are planning on six (6) centers for the children this year, which is an increase from four (4) in previous years. Due to the increase in attendance of 100+ registered children we are aiming for smaller groups sizes. SOOOO.... there is a need for YOU to get involved.

At this time there is a need to someone to lead the Games and all materials as well as game suggestions will be ready for. We are also going to have a KidVid Cinema with God Sightings for the children. We are also planning for a time to teach the kids to learn to sign a song and perhaps have some puppets/skit time.

We really need to have all hands on deck to make this week special for the kids who come. There are some children who return to our Community VBS year after year!!

First Church will be responsible for the snack on Sunday evening. There should be 4-5 people to help to this. All supplies will be provided.

Supper needs will be announced closer to the time of VBS, and we will also need helpers to prepare/serve/clean up.

I do have a wish list of items that I am hoping some of you will have and be willing to allow us to borrow. The following is a partial list that has been started and more items will follow in upcoming weeks. Please remember to tag your items with your name and that it is for VBS. Please note that there will be sign up sheets on the Bridge Builders board in the upcoming weeks for helpers with the crews, donations of items, and general helpers throughout the week. As always, please keep the Community VBS in prayer that we might be successful in reaching out and sharing the good news about God. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. Mobile 717-348-9999. Email rebaxter54@gmail.com.

- Elaine Baxter

## WISH LIST

Smiley stickers - 400

Cotton Balls - 400

Peppermint Essential Oil

Small plastic buckets - 4

Jump Ropes - 4

Balloons - pack of 50, medium/large size

Play bowling sets - 3 sets

Small Foam Balls - 20

Bean Bags - 20

**NOTE: PLEASE DO NOT BRING ITEMS UNTIL AFTER  
JUNE 1ST.**



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# Roar into the fun at VBS!



June 23 - June 27  
6 pm - 8:30 pm  
Supper at 5:30 pm  
Ages 3 thru 5th Grade

Registration on Sunday, June  
23rd at 5:15 pm

FIRST UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH  
200 East Third St  
Lewistown, PA

Safe Sanctuary Compliant  
All volunteers have  
clearances.





# Registration Form

(One Per Child)

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Last school grade completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Street address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Home telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/caregiver's cellphone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Crew number or name (for church use only): \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies or other medical conditions: \_\_\_\_\_



In case of emergency, contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_



## June

- 2. Sean Fluke
- 3. Bob Broome
- 7. Olivia Goss
- 9. Kathy Stimely
- 11. Edna Snook
- 15. Richard Stump
- 15. Corey Baxter
- 16. Jen Lynch
- 18. Jon Zimmerman
- 22. Kris Ellis
- 22. Kristie Baumgardner
- 29. Zach Lingle



## The Altar Flowers

### June 2

The altar flowers are presented in loving memory of Richard Beightol by Jane, Eric, and Steven Beightol.

### June 9

The altar flowers are presented to the glory of God.

### June 16

The altar flowers are presented to the glory of God.

### June 23

The flowers are presented to the glory of God.

### June 30

The flowers are presented to the glory of God.



*We still have  
lots of open  
dates for flowers  
this year.*



## ***First U.M. Church Staff***

### ***Ministry Staff:***

Pastor: **Rev. Randy Hughes**

Pastor E-Mail: [rhughes@susumc.org](mailto:rhughes@susumc.org)

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

Deacon of Caring Ministries E-Mail: [kmccachren@comcast.net](mailto:kmccachren@comcast.net)

Outreach Coordinator: **Jen Lynch** [responder1824@msn.com](mailto:responder1824@msn.com)



### ***Music Staff:***

**Choirs Director:** Katie Becker

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

### ***Support Staff:***

**Custodians:** Joe Lingle, Cassie Shank

**Office Manager:** Rob Hagenberger

Church Office Hours:

**Monday through Friday 7:00 AM - Noon**

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

**Email:** [fumc200@outlook.com](mailto:fumc200@outlook.com)

**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

***The Newsletter Deadline  
is always the 15<sup>th</sup>  
of each month!***



# June 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>VBS June 23-27</b> <b>6-8:30 PM</b> <b>Light Supper @</b> <b>5:30 PM</b>						1 <b>Annual Conference</b>
2 8/10:30 Worship 9:10 S.S.	3 7 PM Ray of Hope	4 5:30 PM <b>Koinonia</b> <b>Dinner @ Bread of</b> <b>Life Restaurant</b> 	5	6 7 PM <b>SPRC</b> 8 PM AA	7	8 <b>Mission Team leaves</b> <b>for Onondaga</b> 
<b>9 Mission Trip</b> 8:00/10:30 Worship 9:10 S.S.	<b>10 Mission Trip</b> 6 PM <b>VBS Meeting</b> 7 PM Ray of Hope	<b>11 Mission Trip</b>	<b>12 Mission Trip</b>	<b>13 Mission Trip</b> 8 PM AA	<b>14 Mission Trip</b>	<b>15 Mission Team</b> <b>returns</b>
16 8/10:30 Worship 9:10 S.S.	17 7 PM Ray of Hope	18	19	20 8 PM AA	21	22
23 8/10:30 Worship 9:10 S.S. 6-8:30 PM <b>VBS</b>	24 7 PM Ray of Hope 6-8:30 PM <b>VBS</b>	25 1-3 PM Knitting Circle 6-8:30 PM <b>VBS</b>	26 10:30 AM-1:30 PM Clothing Closet Noon <b>'Come to the</b> <b>Banquet'</b> 6-8:30 PM <b>VBS</b>	27 8 PM AA 6-8:30 PM <b>VBS</b>	28	29
30						