

**Ministers Serving Today Are: The Congregation of First U.M. Church**

**Pastor:** Rev. Randy Hughes

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

**Christian Education/Youth Director:** Crystal Ferencz

**Outreach Coordinator:** Jen Lynch

**Secretary:** Jamie Strawser **Custodian:** Cassie Martinez

**Liturgist/Worship Leaders:** Lloyd and Katie

**Children's Message:** Bruce Buffington

**Music Director:** Katie Becker **Organist:** Lauri Dulis

**Office Manager:** Rob Hagenberger

**PowerPoint:** Doug Lynch **Technical Coordinator:** Jared Lynch

**Nursery:** Jamie and Elaine

**July 31<sup>st</sup> Attendance and Offering**

Attendance .....	84
Regular Offering .....	2595.00
Plate/S.S. ....	246.00
Matthew 25 .....	510.00
Coins for Mission .....	12.25
Other Gifts .....	15.00
Organ/Piano Preservation (funds needed - 2,820) .....	390.00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>3768.25</b>

**Calendar**

<b>T</b> oday	<b>9:30 Worship</b> 9:30 <b>Facebook Live</b>
<b>M</b> onday	7 PM New Ray of Hope
<b>T</b> uesday	7 PM <b>Worship Committee</b>
<b>T</b> hursday	8 PM AA
<b>S</b> unday	<b>9:30 Worship</b> 9:30 <b>Facebook Live</b>

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**200 E 3<sup>rd</sup> Street**

**Lewistown, PA**

**August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

*Are you a guest this morning? Thank you for coming to First Church! We are honored to join with you in worship and pray your visit is a time of refreshing. Please take time to fill out a 'Guest Card' located on the back of the pew and place it in the offering plate. We look forward to your presence in future services. Please check out our website and Facebook page.*



Welcome to First United Methodist Church

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## August 7, 2022 – 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude *Acolytes light candles* 9:30

### Announcements

#### \* Call to Worship (Responsive Reading)

L: With patience and love, we come as one family.

C: We are one body of Christ, united in God.

L: Come! Speak of truth, truth told in love.

C: We gather to listen, and to share our stories.

L: We are God's children, parts of Christ's purpose.

C: We rejoice in our gifts, and we thank God for this grace.

**ALL: Come! Now is the time to worship.**

#### \* Hymn "Come to the Table"

#### \* Opening Prayer (Unison)

God of unity and love, place within each of us a spirit of hope and community. Have mercy upon us when we speak without love or act without humility. Cleanse us with the living water of your grace. Create in us willing hearts to live in patience and gentleness. Raise us up to be your children, growing toward maturity in faith and love. Strengthen this church, that we may be a model of ministry and unity for all the world to see. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

Special Music Jaden Ream

Children's Message "Jesus Loves the Little Children" Bruce Buffington

"Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world, every child in every land, Jesus holds them in His hand; Jesus loves the little children of the world."

#### Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

Heavenly Father, prepare us to receive your words of life from the sword of the Spirit which is your Word. Amen.

\*Scripture Reading: Acts 4:18-20, Acts 1:6-8

L: This is the word of our Lord! All: Thanks be to God.

Message "Minding Our Own Business"

The Sacrament of Holy Communion (*Individual cups or at the rail*) UMH 15

Tithes and Offerings Offertory  
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94  
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayers of Intercession with the Lord's Prayer UMH 895

\*Sending Hymn "God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian" UMH 648

\*Benediction \*Postlude

*Our prayers for peace, health, and wholeness are shared with: Melvin Singley, Tom Schlager, The people of Ukraine, Jim & Sandy Havice, Ruth Broome, Ken Barnes, Karen Chesla, Bonny Huffman, Cole Hummel, Kiera Higuera, Bill Baumgardner, Paul Bryan, Pat Hare, Cliff McLaughlin, Alexis Herrington, Deb Spickler, Mason McNitt, Pam Bell, Mindy Fryer, Tammy Nichols Logan, Linda Wilson, Joann Byers, Peg Shilling, Lorraine Haines, Stacy Mohr, Gary Booher, Kim Heimbaugh, Bette Renshaw, Robin Eicker, Claire Crock, Larry Osborne, Karen Muir, Scot Sechler, Larry Irvin, Hope Hill, Cathy Dysinger, Wendy Noss, Sarah Donahy, Brandi Gamble, Karen Doberneck, Sharon Morgan, Bobby Lee Parker, Cora Harper, Harry, Sherry, and Judy Ramer.*

\*\* 8/14 Scriptures: Exodus 20:3, Matthew 6:19-21 "Heart Location is Important"

**The Worship Committee meets Tuesday, August 9th, @ 7 PM in the overflow area.**

**August 10 – Bible Study at Freedom Avenue** (every Wednesday afternoon), 1:30 PM. Light refreshments provided.

**August 20 – Free Community Breakfast at Freedom Avenue, 7:30 AM.**

### **Save the Date: August 20th**

**First, Lewistown Extended Ministry Retreat at First UMC – 200 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Lewistown (First and Freedom Avenue Combined event)**

Our church-wide revisioning retreat will be held Saturday August 20 with gathering at 8:45 and end the day with lunch at 12 PM. RSVP Pastor Randy or Crystal Ferencz.

**Altar Flower order forms are available at the Welcome Center and church office.**

**Safe Sanctuaries training Sunday, August 28th, after the service for those who are interested in helping with the nursery or need updated clearances.**

**Church picnic at Malta Park September 11<sup>th</sup> with worship at 10:30 and covered dish dinner to follow.**