

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE, STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP

ADULT FELLOWSHIP: Meets the third Saturday of each month, Sept. thru May, and invites adults of all ages to join them.

Contact Person: Gail Van Dyke, 856-667-6354

UNITED METHODIST MEN: Meet at 7:45am for breakfast on the third Sunday of each month, September through May.

All men of all generations. Contacts: Doug Sell, Jr. 267-259-0621

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN: Miriam Circle meets second Saturday, 10:00 a.m. Barbara Dapper, Leader, 235-1765

TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY: 2pm Rm. E204. All welcome! Contact Person: Dale Duffin, 609-845-3044

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: 7:30-9 A.M. at Maritsa's in Maple Shade. Contact Person: Carol Talbot, 856-235-9346

STEPHEN MINISTRY: Contact Persons: Kathy Appleton, 856-234-0089, Suanne Bryan 856-824-0672

Mike Zolty 609-261-4088, Michael Harsche 856-778-3520, Pat Cornell 856-727-9476

SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDIES: See Information Board in Narthex

PRAYER MINISTRY: Prayer Room (varied hours)

Email prayer chain: To add a name to the email prayer chain, contact Church@meetwithGod.com

LIGHT HARBOR MINISTRIES: Third Sunday of each month @ 2:30. Contact person: Linda Wanagas, 273-1298

JR. HIGH UMYF (7-8TH GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY) Meets every Sunday evening from 7-8:30, Sept. thru June

Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 866-0285

SR. HIGH UMYF (9-12TH GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY) Meets every Sunday evening from 7-8:30, Sept. thru June

Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 866-0285

C.H.U.M. (2-4th Grade) Meets every Thursday at 4:30 for choir & 5:15 for dinner, fellowship & activity

Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

CHRISTIAN TRAILBLAZERS (5th-6th Grades) Meets every Thursday, 4:30 for choir & 5:15 for dinner, fellowship & activity

Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

YOUNG FOLLOWERS (K-1st Grade) Meets every Thursday at 4:30 in Fell. Hall for dinner and proceed to choir at 5:15

Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

COLLEGE AGE: Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 866-0285

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK (IHN): Contact Person: Allan Hanlon, 802-1100

PRAISE TEAM - MUSIC AND BAND - Meets Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

GOSPEL CHOIR – Meets Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor.

CHOIRS AND HANDBELLS -

ADULT CHOIR Thursday 8:00-10:00 p.m.

YOUTH (7th -12th grade) Thursday 7:00-7:45 p.m.

WESLEY (5th - 6th grade) Thursday 4:30-5:15 p.m.

JUNIOR (2nd - 4th grade) Thursday 4:30-5:15 p.m.

PRIMARY (5 yrs. - 1st grade) Thursday 5:15-5:45 p.m.

ADULT BELLS Sunday 12:15-1:15 p.m.

YOUTH BELLS (7th - 12 grade) Sunday 6:00-6:50 p.m.

Contact Person: Glenn Rodgers, 222-9369 (Music Department)

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:30 P.M. Contemporary Worship in the Chapel

Sunday: 8:30 A.M. Traditional Worship in the Chapel

9:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PLEASANT VALLEY AND CAMDEN AVENUES

MOORESTOWN, NEW JERSEY

A community of faith committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ
with a hurting world through words and actions

July 17, 2016

11:00 A.M. Service

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX
HEARING DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST FROM USHERS**

PRELUDE

Pastorale in F

J.S. Bach

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Day by day, God leads us:

People: to the deep, deep pools of peace, to the green, lush lawns of grace.

Leader: Day by day, Jesus calls us:

People: to pour out ourselves in service, to anoint the stranger with hope.

Leader: Day by day, the Holy Spirit shows us:

People: the community we could be, the family we are called to become. Thom Shuman

***OPENING HYMN 122**

God of the Sparrow

***OPENING PRAYER** - Most Holy God, We are a people who need you in your fullness – as Creative Father, Redeeming Son, and Sustaining Spirit. Our lives have complications and pain, our world has war and despair. But we were made in your image, and your Spirit was breathed into us that we might experience hope in your goodness. Our desire is to learn what and who you are calling us to be in your world. We call out to you that we might have the courage to give to you whatever burdens we entered with today so that our hearts and minds can be open to you, to your Word, and to your Spirit. In the name of the loving Shepherd we pray. Amen.

***RESPONSIVE READING**

Based on the 23rd Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want;

We believe God hears and responds to our needs.

We believe God responds to *all* children everywhere.

He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters, he restores my soul.

We are grateful that we've been blessed with *enough* water. But we know that many do not have enough. Not enough water, not enough food, not enough peace.

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Too many children do not see God's righteousness.

Too many children watch violence, taste hunger, feel fear.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;

for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

To become involved is risky. Pain is often contagious. Our hearts may be broken and our lives may be threatened. Yet we hear God calling and we can no longer hide.

Thou preparest a table for me in the presence of my enemies;
thou annointest my head with oil, my cup overflows.

Our steps may be small and timid. But each tiny step is blessed by God and multiplies.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

God is more relentless than war. God is more pervasive than hatred.

God is more insistent than despair. Amen. Amen.

Katherine Hawker

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 881** The Apostles' Creed

***GLORIA PATRI 70**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end! Amen. Amen.

CALL TO PRAYER TIMES OF REFRESHING (by Don Harris, Martin Nystrom)

Times of refreshing, here in Your presence; no greater blessing than being with You.

My soul is restored, my mind is renewed; there's no greater joy, Lord, than being with you.

(1993 Integrity's Hosanna!)

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

WE CELEBRATE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

We welcome all who are worshiping with us this morning. Please fill out the Friendship Pad and pass it along to the person next to you and then pass back to the center aisle. Write any special prayer requests on the sheets provided in the pew racks and place in the offering plate.

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

The 23rd Psalm
Bruce Scheyhing, Soloist

by Paul Creston

***DOXOLOGY 95**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below:
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN OF PREPARATION 347**

Spirit Song

SCRIPTURE READING

Ezekiel 34:11-22, John 10:22-30

MESSAGE

Psalms 23:2

Pastor Richard Nichols

Beside Still Waters

***CLOSING HYMN 128**

He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

*The People Stand

A NOTE TO PARENTS: Child care is available in Room E101 for children up to age four. We love children and little ones are welcome in our worship service. On those days when your child is fussy, the parlor located behind the sanctuary provides an excellent place to care for your children and still participate in the worship service. There is a powder room right outside the parlor that can be used for changing diapers.

USHERS: Ed White, Becky White, Ralph Adamson, Robert Durand, John Renouf, Gene Kindig

GREETER: Wyndham Pursley **ACOLYTE:** Emily Hagmaier

SCRIPTURE READER: Taylor Marcinek **ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** Worship: 376

PLEASE LET US KNOW... If you or someone you know is ill or in the hospital, please let the church office know so that we can help in the healing process through our prayers, visits, food preparation, etc. Thank you!

THE CHANCEL BOUQUET HAS BEEN GIVEN BY: Barbara Dapper, to the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, Edward.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Sueanne Krout (daughter of Sarah Buchanan), Nancy Bogden, Mike Emmel, Lloyd Vessels (friends of Bruce Van Dyke), Carolyn Emme, Rose Marie Sturtevant (mother of Karen Pry), Charlie Delaney, Rick Loring (son of Dick Loring), Laura Gould (sister of Ed Youse), Doug Nemeth (son of Dot & Zollie Nemeth), Bruce Slocum, Karen Pearce (mother of William Pearce), Susan Moody (daughter-in-law of Joan Moody), Nitin Shah & Malvika Cherukara (friends of Barun McArthur), Jane Mertz, Ayla Clark, Patiann Feeley (daughter-in-law of Jack & Jan Feeley), Barbara Lobe, Tom Bintliff, Jr. (friend of Doug Hamilton), Norman Adams (husband of Betty Adams), Ron Griffith, John Jewell (son of Mary Wedge), Kaelyn Joyce (granddaughter of Jack & Dorothy Schweitzer), Elsie Murray (mother of Bob Murray), Barbara Wilson (sister-in-law of Linda Wanagas), Lissa Herman (friend of Carol Talbot), Frank Caputo, Sr. (father of Frank Caputo), Shirland Daglian, Bruce Simmons & Charlotte Froman (friends of Ed & Mary Lou Nelson), Janet Brown (friend of Carol Taylor), Elizabeth Stellwagen.

SERVING OVERSEAS IN IRAQ: Specialist L. Colby Cooper, boyfriend of Abigail Sell.

The Staff of First United Methodist Church

Richard Nichols, Senior Pastor

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