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WARREN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

11 AM SERVICE

NOVEMBER 24, 2019

HANDBELL PRELUDE	“We Gather Together”	arr. Barbara Kinyon
	“Come, Ye thankful people Come”	arr. Barbara Kinyon

PIANO	“Prelude in C”	J.S. Bach
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ORGAN PRELUDE	“Now Thank We All Our God”	arr. L. Larson
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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are glad that you are worshipping at First United Methodist Church this morning. Please SIGN AND PASS the attendance pad at the end of the pew. If you are visiting with us, we would especially appreciate having your name, address, and phone number, because we would like to have a chance to thank you for being with us.

*HYMN No. 131	“We Gather Together”	Kremser
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*GREETING

Leader:	Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.
People:	God’s steadfast love endures forever.
Leader:	Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name.
People:	Make known God’s deeds among the peoples!
Leader:	God blesses us with gifts of love:
People:	with food and clothing, home and family.
Leader:	God blesses us with daily work:
People:	and all we need from day to day.
Leader:	God protects us in time of danger:
People:	and guards us from every evil.
Leader:	God calls us into relationship with him:
People:	and forms us into one holy people,
Leader:	the Church of Jesus Christ in this place.
People:	Therefore shall we offer thanks and praise to the Lord our God. O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever.

ANTHEM	“Look At the World”	John Rutter
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CHILDREN'S SERMON

David Dorn

(Children may come forward during "Jesus Loves Me")

PRAYER CARDS will be collected by the Acolytes during the Children's Sermon.

*PSALTER

"Psalm 150"

Hymnal Page 862, Response 2

*GLORIA PATRI No. 71

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Chad Betts

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.*

*HYMN No. 696

"America the Beautiful"

Materna

SCRIPTURE

"Psalm 100"

Pew Bible Page 541

MESSAGE

"All the More Reason"

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

GIVING OF OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS, AND LIVES TO GOD

Offertory
*Doxology No. 95
*Offertory Prayer

"Tapestry of Thanks"

Larry Shackley

*HYMN No. 102

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Nun Danket

*BENEDICTION

BEARING OF THE LIGHT

* I n d i c a t e s p l e a s e s t a n d i f a b l e

POSTLUDE

"The Thankful Heart Rejoices"

L. Larson

MUSIC TODAY is provided by organist Michele Sandberg, pianist Leyton Salvatore, the Chancel Choir, and the Handbell Ensemble. The trumpeter is Mikki Gifford, percussionist is David Dorn and the narrator for the second anthem is Jon Swart .

LITURGIST today is Rich Schall.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS this week are in honor of the family of Ed and Marilyn Derby, given by Ed and Marilyn.

CONCERN FOR THIS WEEK is Mrs. Shirley Witherell, 418 East Street, Warren, PA 16365. Why not send her a card?

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM REHEARSAL—The Children in our Cherub, Aldersgate, Wesleyan, and Asbury Choirs will have a rehearsal for their Christmas Program next Sunday, December 1st from 12:30pm—2:00 pm in the Skylight room and Wednesday, December 4th, from 3:30pm—5:00 pm in the Sanctuary. **All children in K through grade 7 in the program should attend both rehearsals.**

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD—We packed 50 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child on Sunday, November 17th. The cost for each box, which includes processing, transportation, etc. is \$9 so, it cost us \$450 to pay for the shipping these shoeboxes. If you can help us cover this amount, you can turn it into the office or put it in the collection plate. If it's in the form of a check, please mark OCC shoebox in the memo line. We are so thankful that we were able to pack this many boxes for children around the world so that they can have a blessed Christmas. Please pray for these boxes as they're shipped that they will bring happiness and joy to each and every child that receives their shoebox. Also, for the shipping, that they remain safe as they are delivered. God bless you and Merry Christmas!

HANGING OF THE GREENS— Will be held next Sunday, December 1st, immediately following the 11:00 am service. A soup luncheon will be served at no cost. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board across from the office so we know how many to plan on for lunch.

CREATIVE PRESCHOOL NEEDS—Creative Preschool advisory board asks that during this holiday season as you are sharing the joy of Christmas with others would you please consider contributing to help purchase new educational toys for the preschool? We are in need of two Wooden Block Sets at a cost of \$55 each and two Magna Tiles (Building tiles) Sets at a cost of \$60 each.

Magna Tiles are durable magnetic building tiles and cubes that spark creativity in children of all ages. The secret to the power of the “click”? All Magna-Tiles shapes have a unique ability to always attract, even when tiles are flipped. That means anything children can dream, they can build! Magna-Tiles are wonderful for children to learn and develop vital skills during playtime.

If you would like to support the purchase of these educational toys for the Pre School, please drop a check off at the church office. Checks may be written to FUMC and then in the memo line, Pre-School Toys.

THE GIVING TREE—has arrived and is on the bulletin board across from the office. Time is running out for the remainder of the Needs and wishes. If you are able to make Christmas brighter for some of the children in our area, please take a tag or more off The Giving Tree, **sign your name on the sheet beside the tree by the corresponding number on your tag, shop, wrap, tape the tag on your package, and return the package to the church office by December 15th.** This year I was able to provide you with the first name of the child so you are welcome to put a Christmas tag on your gift or write the child a note but please still put the colored tag on your package as that is how I can sort the families. I also told you a favorite color or interest on the tag if appropriate for the gift. Many of the families have indicated the need for help with food for Christmas dinner so there are a number of food tags on the tree. If you bring a food box, please see me when you bring it in so the ham or perishables can be put in the refrigerator until we deliver the gifts. If you have any questions, please call me at 688-8238. Thanks for your generosity!! Ruth Nelson.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING—meets on Monday, November 25th at 6:30 PM in Parlor B.

EASTBROOK MISSION BARN-will be leaving the church parking lot at 7:30 AM to assist filling flood buckets on Thursday, December 5th, from 10:00 AM-2:00 PM. A signup sheet is located on the bulletin board across from the church office.

INCARCERATION SUPPORT GROUP-This group is for friends and family members of currently incarcerated or recently released prisoners. The mission of the support group is to provide a supportive, safe, non-judgmental and confidential environment, in a Christ-centered program. This group will be meeting the 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month from 6:00PM – 7:30PM. ***Childcare will be available.***

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN-the 2020 Stewardship Campaign is now underway. Please take a moment to look over your mailing you should have received by now. Prayerfully consider your 2020 pledge to help First United Methodist Church keep the flame burning strong and return your pledge to the church office or during worship by Sunday, December 1st.

LOGOS EARLY DISMISSAL-Next week on December 4th, LOGOS will dismiss early at 5:00 PM. There will be NO DINNER. Please plan accordingly.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

November 24, 2019 – November 30, 2019

SUNDAY	8:00 AM Service of Word and Sacrament 9:30 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service 6:00 PM-7:30 PM UMYF Junior High 7:00 PM-8:30 PM UMYF Senior High
MONDAY	6:30 PM Church Council, Parlor B
TUESDAY	NO Creative Preschool 1:00 PM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Study Group, Covert Room 2:15 PM Handbell Ensemble 5:30 PM Covenant Discipleship Group, Covert Room 6:30 PM Epworth Handbells
WEDNESDAY	6:45 AM Men's Breakfast, Covert Room Leader: Mark Hecht Cook: Jay Mengel NO Creative Preschool 8:45 AM Covenant Group, Mark's Office NO LOGOS
THURSDAY	Happy Thanksgiving. Office Closed
FRIDAY	NO Senior Citizen Lunch Office Closed



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We will glory in you, turning to you in times of affliction & rejoicing. Let us all glorify the LORD & exalt his name together. When we seek you, you answer us & deliver us from all our fears. When we look to you, we are radiant-our shame removed. In our poverty we call to you, LORD, & you hear & save us from all our troubles. When we put our trust in you, you deliver us. Taste & see that you are good, blessed are we who take refuge in you. [Psalm 34: 1-8]

We lift up specific prayers today for:

The UMC- May we live righteous lives, trusting your deliverance. [Psalm 34: 17]

FUMC Warren, Millport UMC, Jesus is Coming Soon Methodist Church (Jinotega, Nicaragua), & Rene Cisneros Church (Managua, Nicaragua)-May we taste & see that you are good.

For worship services & activities within these walls & in the community-May we glorify you & exalt your name together.

The people of Nicaragua, especially our Christian brothers & sisters-May your servants be rescued. [Ps 34:22]

For our country's leaders & leaders around the world-May they seek peace & pursue it.

For Ruth Nelson, Director of Music, & Tawni Betts, SPRC Chair -By trusting in you, may they lack nothing.

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Please forgive us LORD when our faith is lacking, & we refuse to be attentive to you. Help us to truly taste & see that you are good, taking refuge in you. Please forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Help us not to yield to temptation, but deliver us from evil.

You alone are the LORD. You made the skies & the heavens & all the stars. You made the earth & seas & everything in them. You preserve & give life to everything, & all the angels of heaven [& your people everywhere] worship you. [Nehemiah 9:6] For yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. AMEN.

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