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The deadline for the NOVEMBER Newsletter will be
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I was recently rereading John Wesley's "Directions for Singing" from 1761 that are printed in the front of every United Methodist Hymnal. These were the directions John Wesley gave to help the church understand the importance of their singing in worship. Please take a moment and familiarize yourself with these words of direction and encouragement.

1. **Learn these tunes** before you learn any others; afterwards learn as many as you please.
2. **Sing them exactly as they are printed here**, without altering or mending them at all; and if you have learned to sing them otherwise, unlearn it as soon as you can.
3. Sing all. See that you **join with the congregation** as frequently as you can. Let not a slight degree of weakness or weariness hinder you. If it is a cross to you, take it up, and you will find it a blessing.
4. **Sing** lustily and **with a good courage**. Beware of singing as if you were half dead, or half asleep; but lift up your voice with strength. Be no more afraid of your voice now, nor more ashamed of its being heard, than when you sung the songs of Satan.
5. **Sing modestly**. Do not bawl, so as to be heard above or distinct from the rest of the congregation, that you may not destroy the harmony; but strive to unite your voices together, so as to make one clear melodious sound.
6. **Sing in time**. Whatever time is sung be sure to keep with it. Do not run before nor stay behind it; but attend close to the leading voices, and move therewith as exactly as you can; and take care not to sing too slow. This drawling way naturally steals on all who are lazy; and it is high time to drive it out from us, and sing all our tunes just as quick as we did at first.

7. Above all sing spiritually. Have an eye to God in every word you sing. Aim at pleasing him more than yourself, or any other creature. In order to do this attend strictly to the sense of what you sing, and see that your heart is not carried away with the sound, but offered to God continually; so shall your singing be such as the Lord will approve here, and reward you when he cometh in the clouds of heaven.

It occurs to me that with just a little tweaking of Wesley's words we find some additional "good advice" in how to "ACT" as Christians as well!

LEARN THE SCRIPTURES

FOLLOW THEM AS THEY ARE PRINTED

JOIN WITH A CONGREGATION AS FREQUENTLY AS YOU CAN

LIVE YOUR LIFE IN CHRIST WITH GOOD COURAGE

ACT MODESTLY

LIVE OUT YOUR LIFE IN CHRIST ALONG SIDE OTHERS

ABOVE ALL ELSE, LIVE SPIRITUALLY AND KEEP YOUR EYE TOWARD
CHRIST

Perhaps the practice of singing in worship helps to model for us, more importantly, how we might also live our lives in Christ out in the world. I encourage you to go forth and SING a SONG of Faith and live a LIFE of love and service.

Mark

FROM THE DESK OF THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

This month we will celebrate Pastor Appreciation. Many pieces of music come to mind when we think about service to others. One of the anthems the Chancel Choir will offer is “Forever Blest Is He” written by G. F. Handel. The words are

“Forever blest is he who serves the Lord. The loving God of all, the God of all mankind. Forever blessed is he who serves the Lord. Joy shall be his reward. Living to serve the Lord. Forever.”

This anthem is fitting for many of us. How and where are we serving the Lord?

As I wrote in the September newsletter, music speaks to each of us in different ways. I hope that our music this month will have special meaning to you.

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Thank you to Doug and Judy Knopp for the gift of a communion banner which hangs in the Crary Chapel for the 8 AM communion service.

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FROM THE DESK OF THE DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION/NURTURE:

At First United Methodist Church we interpret the following scripture to mean that the church should be focused on Making Disciples, Sharing the Sacraments and Teaching the Faith. Our Sunday morning worship and fellowship opportunities are centered on these three emphases. Please join us for one or more of these opportunities to express and grow in faith and a relationship with God!

¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” Matthew 28:19-20

9:30 AM Sunday Morning Study for ALL ages

In May of this year our Senior Minister, Mark Hecht announced the release of his book:

Family, Friends and Faith: Lessons I Have Learned. At the time he described it as follows.

After years of suggestions and nudging, I have finally responded to the promptings of others and gathered together a collection of messages to share in book form. As Christians we are on a journey and our journey is not alone. We cannot grow in faith without others sharing theirs with us along the way. This collection of stories and messages remind us of the ways our lives are influenced and transformed as we walk together in faith!

Included are stories of my childhood and those who nurtured me in the faith, as well as the stories of my wife and our children whose faith we have attempted to nurture. It is my prayer that in reading about those who have influenced my faith, others might be reminded of those who have helped to form theirs.

In this book you will:

- Learn timeless life lessons that pertain to anything from home-life to church-life.
- Develop an appreciation for the ordinary life events through which God works.
- Grow as you navigate questions that accompany each section of the book.

Our **Adult Sunday School Class (Covert Room)** will be using the book “**Family, Friends, and Faith: Lessons I Have Learned**” by Rev. Mark Hecht for its study on Sunday Mornings with Tawni Betts as the leader. We encourage all members of the congregation to come and join in this group study experience.

Children ages Pre-K – 6, led by Patty California, will be meeting in **Founders Hall** for study and activities

Jr. High, led by Mary Jo Zubrod, will be meeting in a classroom on the **2nd Floor** off from the Skylight Room.

Sr. High, led by Anna Bielawski, will be meeting in the **Everts Room or Jason Wood’s office**.

Young Adult Class will be meeting in **Parlor B**. This class is led by Jason Wood.

Please encourage your children to come to Sunday school. It’s a vital part of building their relationship with Jesus and with their church’s community of faith. We look so forward to sharing the Word of God with you and your children.

SHOEBOX MINISTRY (OCC – Operation Christmas Child) – We are continuing to collect items for the shoebox ministry. For the month of **October**, we will be collecting letters & photos. **Remember** all items have to be small enough to fit into the shoebox along with other items. Also, just a reminder that ***NO toothpaste or candy can be included in the shoe boxes due to customs issues.*** The list for the year is on the bulletin board across from the church office. Please drop off your items in the room across from the church office and mark them for Shoebox Ministry. The **packing party** will be on **Sunday, November 17th** following 11:00 AM worship in Founders Hall. There will be a light lunch provided prior to packing.

A COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE will be held at our church on **Sunday, October 27th** from **9:00 AM – 1:00 PM** in Parlor A. There are some Eligibility Requirements:

- You must be 17+ years old or 16 years old with a parental consent form (there are some available at the church).
- Must show Photo ID
- Must be in good general health
- Must weigh at least 110 pounds
- Must be at least 56 days from you last whole blood donation
- Must wait 1 year after tattoos or piercings received from a tattoo parlor
- **Please eat well before donating**



Please contact Heidi Ketzko through the church office (723-4930) or check the bulletin board to sign up to donate.

LAY SERVANT MINISTRY – Lay Servant classes will be offered at 3 different sites in October/November. The sites are listed on the flyer that can be found by the Sunday school doors to the Sanctuary. These classes are being offered on 2 consecutive Saturdays – October 26th & November 2nd from 10:00 – 4:00PM with lunch included at all sites.

Basic and Advanced Courses will be offered at ALL sites. The Advanced Course entitled “Discover Your Spiritual Gifts” will help participants understand what spiritual gifts are and how the church can use them to fulfill its mission and ministry. You will also learn what it means to be a spiritual leader and will become equipped to lead others in exploring and using their spiritual gifts. Please contact Heidi Ketzko through the church office or by email **hketzko@firstumwarren.com** for more information.

DIVORCE CARE – Find Help – Discover Hope – Experience Healing! The DVD based series features in-depth interviews with leading **experts** on divorce and recovery topics as seen from a biblical perspective. All of these people are deeply committed to help you heal. These video seminars are combined with the support of group discussion of the materials presented during the video. If you know anyone who’s going through divorce or separation, please tell him/her about our DivorceCare program. People are welcome to join anytime.

There are 13 sessions, which meet on **Thursday** evenings from 6:00 PM-8:00 PM (**contact Heidi for more information**). Childcare is available upon request.

TRUNK OR TREAT -- Thursday, October 31st from 6:00 PM-8:00 PM combined with our neighbors First Lutheran Church, First Presbyterian Church, and Jefferson DeFrees.

If you would like to decorate your car trunk (in *Halloween* – not too scary- fashion) for this event, help with an activity for the evening or serve refreshments, sign up on the bulletin board across from the church office or contact Heidi Ketzko for more information. You will need to be here before 5:30 PM to get your trunk ready for the event. **We will also need donations of bags of candy to hand out and cookies for refreshments. Let's make this a fun night for the children & youth of our churches and the community!!**

HEY KIDS AND PARENTS! OUR LOGOS MINISTRY HAS BEGUN AT FIRST UM CHURCH for Children & Youth ages 4 – 12th Grade!! We are off to a great start. If your student would like to come to this AWESOME program, it's not too late to register.

Just contact Heidi Ketzko or Ruth Nelson (for music information) at 723-4930.

Come join us for fun, fellowship and learning more about our AMAZING God!

GRADES	3:10 – 3:30	3:30 – 4:10	4:10 – 4:30	4:30 – 5:15	5:15 - 6:00	6:00 – 6:30
Pre-K K & 1 st Grades	Music/Worship Skills	3:30 – 3:45 Snack 3:45 – 4:30 Bible Study	Craft	Recreation/Games	Dinner	Free Play/ Homework
2 nd – 6 TH Grades	Arrival and Snack	Music/Worship Skills	Homework or Wesleyan Handbells	Bible Study	Dinner	Recreation or Asbury Hand chimes
7-12	Organized	Free Time	Shepherding	Mentoring		

**“Train up a child in the way they should go, and when they are old,
they will not depart from it”.**

Proverbs 22:6

LOGOS Family Themes for October:

10/2 Friend Night (RSVP by Sept. 30th)
10/9 Mexican Night
10/16 Teacher Appreciation (Columbus Day)
10/23 Harvest Moon Night (Pumpkin carving)
10/30 Pastor Appreciation Night
10/31 Trunk or Treat – open to the community

WITH SYMPATHY

Martha E. (Marti) Casteel, wife of Ron Casteel, and member of FUMC for 42 years, entered into the presence of God on Wednesday, September 25, 2019.

Rev. Harold Kelly passed away on Friday, September 13th. Rev. Kelly served at FUMC from 1977-1980. His funeral was held on Wednesday, September 18th in Meadville PA. Peggy's address is 865 Dogwood Drive, Meadville, PA 16335-9497.

Brita A. Dorn, wife of Don Dorn and mother to David and Caroline Dorn, passed away on Sunday, August 25th. Brita had been a member of FUMC for 52 years, joining on December 18, 1966.

Christine L. Kintner, daughter to Morrie and Carolyn Kintner passed away on August 28th. Christine had been a member for 40 years here at FUMC.



UNITED METHODIST WOMENS NEWS

The Tuesday study group will continue with The Book of Joy. They will be meeting October 1st, 15th, 22nd and 29th. New members are always welcome, come and enjoy coffee and lively conversation

The Book Club will be going to Olmsted Manor for lunch October 2nd. They will have a short meeting after lunch. Anyone interested in joining this group for a beautiful fall day at Olmsted, please call the church office. Cars will leave the church parking lot at 11:00 A.M. Cost of the lunch is \$11.00

SAMARITAN FUND MINISTRY

Our Committee would like to give you an update as to what your generous donations have been able to do to help people in our church, our community & some outside of our community. Help was given to two families that lost everything to a fire, bedding was provided for someone in need, a ramp was built for a disabled person, numerous gas cards were given to those traveling long distances to hospitals. We sponsored a motivational speaker at Beaty Middle School to educate the students about suicide awareness. The Samaritan Fund also gave gift cards for various restaurants in Warren to special needs students who were attending the Prom, purchased medical supplies for a person in need, we donated gift cards for the Women's Care Center and contributed to the backpack program of the Warren Prison Ministry Board for children of prisoners.

You and your donations have helped so many people and we are so grateful. We hope you will continue to support this important ministry in the future. Thank you, The Samaritan Fund Committee.

THANK YOU FROM THE KINTNER'S

Morrie and Carolyn Kintner would like to thank the church family as well as the pastors, staff and the luncheon committee, for all your loving support you have extended to Chris and our family. God bless you for all the cards, prayers, food and concerns shown.

We are so blessed to have you. Thanks so much!

CLERGY APPRECIATION MONTH

On October 13th during our 11:00 AM Worship Service, we will recognize Rev. Hecht and Pastor Mike specifically for their service here at FUMC and acknowledge all clergy who call First Church their home. A reception will be held in the Parlors, immediately after the worship service.

This is a great opportunity for you to show your support and appreciation for our Pastors and their family who unselfishly serve.

Women's Care Center Baby Shower

During the month of October, First UMC will collect baby care items for the Women's Care Center of Warren. The WCC offers free services such as pregnancy tests, STD tests, sonograms, childbirth and parenting classes. Once the childbirth class is completed, the expecting parents earn a new infant car seat for their baby. The parents are encouraged to participate in parenting education sessions with WCC staff for their baby's first year. The couple earns points by watching and discussing parenting videos with a staff member or trained volunteer. The points enable the parents to "purchase" new child care items. We will have a box in the Covert Room to collect the following donations: diapers (size 4, 5, 6), baby wipes, clothes (size 0-12 months), pacifiers, bottles, socks, washcloths and towels, shampoo/baby wash, diaper cream, baby Tylenol, rattles, and toys (infant-12 months). Please remember that the items are being "earned" by the parents, so they must be brand new, and ideally a good quality item. Your support is appreciated!

ALTAR FLOWERS

The following are open dates for Altar Flowers. Please contact the office if you would like to place flowers on one of these dates for 2020: March 8th, April 5th, April 19th, May 31st and August 16th. October 13th remains open for this year as well.



USHERS NEEDED!

We are so thankful for our current ushers who faithfully serve our congregation, but we are in need of new recruits to fill some vacancies. Usher teams serve by the month generally two but no more than three months a year. There are no tests to pass to become a member of these elite teams but a happy disposition is helpful. If you are willing and interested in becoming an usher, please call the church office at 723-4930 and someone will get back to you. Thanks much!!!

O C T O B E R

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
<p>WESLEY WOODS Annual Booster Dinner Thursday, November 14th at 5:30 PM RSVP TO 814-436-7802 by November 4th.</p> <p>Option 1: Hawaiian Barbecue Chicken with Pineapple Chutney; Wild Rice and Green Beans</p> <p>Option 2: Smoked Pork Loin with Apple Chutney; Garlic Parsley Red Potatoes Candied, Smoked Barbecue Baked Beans</p>		<p>1</p> <p>8:30 am-11:15am Creative Preschool 1:00 pm Staff Meeting, Parlor B 1:00 pm Study Group, Covert Room 2:15 pm Handbell Ensemble 5:30 pm-6:30 pm Covenant Group 6:30 pm Epworth Handbells, Sanctuary</p>
<p>6 World Wide Communion Sunday</p> <p>8:00 am Service of Word & 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</p>	<p>7</p> <p>6:00 pm Girl Scouts, Scout Room</p>	<p>8</p> <p>8:30 am-11:15am Creative Preschool NO Staff Meeting 2:15 pm Handbell Ensemble 5:30 pm Covenant Discipleship Group, Covert 6:00 pm Girl Scout Leaders Meeting, F. H. 6:30 pm Epworth Handbells, Sanctuary 7:30 pm Madrigal Handbells</p>
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9 6:45 am Men's Breakfast L:Paul Yourchisin C:Jon Carlson 8:30am-11:15am Creative Preschool 8:45am Covenant Group, Mark's Office 3:10 pm LOGOS-Mexican Night 3:10 pm Cherub Choir 3:30 pm Aldersgate Choir 4:00 pm Wesleyan Handbells 6:00 pm Asbury Handbells 6:30 pm Madrigals 7:00 pm Chancel Choir	10 8:30 am-11:15am Creative Preschool 6:00 pm DivorceCare, 2nd. Fl. Sd. Rm	11 Noon Senior Citizen Lunch	12 11:00 am Private Event, Covert Rm
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PRAYER CORNER

Continued Part 4- PSALM 80: PRAYING FOR REVIVAL, By Steven J. Cole, April 18, 2013

Psalm 80 reveals three things that will help us pray more earnestly for [revival]:
3. We will pray more earnestly for revival when we desire for God to be glorified.

The psalm begins (80:1), “Oh, give ear, Shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph like a flock; You who are enthroned above the cherubim, shine forth!” The cherubim hovered over the mercy seat in the Holy of Holies in the tabernacle. God’s glory shone forth from there. But now, because of the nation’s sin, God’s glory has not been seen. Instead, the pagan nations laugh Israel and her God to scorn (80:6). So the psalmist cries out to God to shine forth with His glory. As the Good Shepherd of His people, the Lord has brought them into a desperate situation so that they will obey the words of Psalm 50:15, “Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I shall rescue you, and you will honor Me.” There are at least five ways that God is glorified when we pray earnestly for revival:

A. GOD IS GLORIFIED IN REVIVAL WHEN HE SHOWS HIS MIGHTY POWER TO SAVE.

We’ve seen this, but three times (80:3, 7, 19) the psalmist cries out for God to restore them and cause His face to shine upon them so that they will be saved. As I said, this no doubt referred to deliverance from their enemies. But it also has the spiritual dimension, because sin and idolatry were at the root of Israel’s problems. They needed for God to save them spiritually.

We need to understand that salvation is not a human thing, where a person of his own free will decides to ask Jesus into his heart. Salvation is when God imparts new life to dead sinners. He changes their hearts so that they believe and obey. Many that have “asked Jesus into their hearts” are not saved. “Salvation is from the Lord” (Jonah 2:9). Because it requires God’s resurrection power (not just a human decision), it glorifies Him.

B. GOD IS GLORIFIED IN REVIVAL WHEN HIS PEOPLE OBEY HIM.

God is called the Shepherd of Israel (80:1). Shepherds lead their sheep and the sheep follow, trusting the shepherd to lead them into a place of safety and abundance. Stray sheep get eaten by predators. Once Marla and I were descending from Wetterhorn Peak in Colorado. We were in the trees when we heard an unusual commotion. Suddenly we encountered over 2,000 sheep being led to their summer pasture above tree line. But as we got down almost to the trailhead, we encountered one stray sheep. He ran from us into the wilderness and I said, “That one’s a goner!”

Jesus said (John 10:27-28), “My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand.” God is glorified when Jesus’ sheep follow Him.

C. GOD IS GLORIFIED IN REVIVAL WHEN HIS PEOPLE ARE FRUITFUL.

The analogy of Israel as God's vine implies that they were to bear fruit for Him. In Isaiah 5:1-7, God complains that Israel as His vine has only produced worthless grapes. So He says that He is going to remove its hedge and let it be consumed and trampled on. Jesus used the vine analogy, saying that He is the true vine and we are the branches. We are to bear fruit for Him. If we do not bear fruit, we will be cut off and thrown into the fire. But, Jesus adds (John 15:8), "My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be My disciples." When true revival comes, God's people bear fruit for Him.

D. GOD IS GLORIFIED IN REVIVAL WHEN THERE IS GENUINE UNITY AMONG HIS PEOPLE.

This psalm most likely represents the prayer of a man in the Southern Kingdom for his alienated brothers in the north. He sets aside tribal rivalries and prays earnestly for God to take care of those who are perishing because of the enemy. When revival comes, God's people set aside petty differences and love one another as brothers and sisters in Christ. We do not set aside the essentials of the gospel, such as justification by faith alone in Christ alone. But we set aside our pride over being right on minor points of doctrine and practice. Genuine unity glorifies God.

E. GOD IS GLORIFIED IN REVIVAL WHEN HIS PEOPLE COME TO KNOW HIM MORE DEEPLY.

Did you notice that in the refrain, God is addressed in a progressively deeper way? First (80:3), it is, "O God." Then (80:7), it is, "O God of hosts." Finally (80:19), it is, "O Lord God of hosts." Revival opens our eyes to see more deeply who God really is. He is the only true God. Further, He is the God who commands the angelic hosts. Further yet, He is the Lord God, before whom every knee shall bow in heaven and on earth and under the earth (Phil. 2:10). When God revives us, we glorify Him by coming to know Him more deeply.

Conclusion

So let's pray for genuine, Holy Spirit-sent revival! I must point out that there is a sense in which this prayer was not answered, at least not in the history of Israel. The Northern Kingdom never was restored. The Southern Kingdom saw periods of revival under Hezekiah and Josiah, but it finally went into captivity in Babylon.

But there is a note of hope here. The psalmist asks God (80:15) to take care of the shoot (lit., son) which His right hand has planted, even the son whom He has strengthened. He again (80:17) asks that God's hand be on the man of His right hand, upon the son of man whom He has made strong for Himself.

Who is this? In the context, it is probably the nation, or the king of the nation (Hezekiah). But many Jewish commentators saw it as a reference to Messiah. In light of Jesus' frequent reference to Himself as the Son of Man, it is reasonable to see it as a prayer for God to send and strengthen Jesus the Messiah. He is the one who brings true and lasting revival to His people. Like the psalmist, we may or may not see revival in our day. But we should still pray earnestly. The ultimate fulfillment of our prayers for revival will be when Jesus comes in power and glory to reign...

[C]ry out to our Good Shepherd (80:18b-19), "Revive us, and we will call upon Your name. O Lord God of hosts, restore us and cause Your face to shine upon us, and we will be saved."

<https://bible.org/seriespage/psalm-80-praying-revival>

ACOLYTES FOR OCTOBER

11 AM SERVICE

October 6th	Graham Carr	Alex Durante
October 13th	Lilly Newton	Jaiden Crowe
October 20th	Grady Corey	Tage Wyman
October 27th	Chris Gardiner	Ian Montour

OCTOBER ALTAR FLOWERS

October 6th	Deceased members	Allen Class
October 13th		
October 20th	Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Smith Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Dorn	Mr. Don Dorn & Mr. and Mrs. David Dorn
October 27th	Jane Carter Betts	Rod Betts and Family

GREETER SCHEDULE OCTOBER 2019

	FRONT DOOR	PARKING LOT DOOR
October 6th	Marcia Ziki	Stephanie Tannler
October 13th	Dusky Merenick	Lyn and Gary Kell
October 20th	Mary Jo Zubrod	
October 27th	UMYF	



MEN'S BREAKFAST SCHEDULE OCTOBER 2019

LEADER

October 2nd
October 9th
October 16th
October 23rd

Jay Mengel
Paul Yourchisin

COOK

Mark Hecht
Jon Carlson

OCTOBER

8:00 AM PIANISTS

October 6th
October 13th
October 20th
October 27th

Cathy Peterson
Micky Sandberg
Ruth Nelson
Ruth Nelson



OCTOBER 2019

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