

❖Prayer of Dedication

❖Closing Hymn "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" #664  
*The chancel rail is open for prayer as you feel led by the Spirit*

❖Benediction

❖Community Blessing #672 Refrain  
*"God Be with You till We Meet Again"*

Postlude

⌘Unless otherwise noted, worship resources are from  
Discipleship Ministries of the UMC.



### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

**TODAY, Sunday, June 14** Third Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM -Worship Service

**WORSHIP LEADER:** *Elaine Brenneman*

**GREETER:** *Pam McGranor*

**USHERS:** *Don & Brentta Sheaffer*

**MONDAY, June 15**

6:00 PM -Summer Bible Study

**TUESDAY, June 16**

7:00 PM -Women's Prayer Group (Zoom)

**WEDNESDAY, June 17**

Hoagie Delivery

6:00 PM -Casual Church

**SUNDAY, June 21** Fourth Sunday after Pentecost/Father's  
Day

Pastor Sara on vacation - Don Sheaffer preaching

10:00 AM -Worship Service

**GREETER:** *Dianne LeSueur*

**USHERS:** *Leslie Buckingham & Chris VanDervort*



# First United Methodist Church

*"Growing, Loving & Serving in Christ's Name"*

**Rev. Sara J. Wrona, Pastor**

**Gloria Womer, Don Sheaffer, Elaine Brenneman Co-Lay Leaders**

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## Third Sunday after Pentecost

- ❖ We know that everyone is differently abled so please stand or sit as best suits your comfort level.

### Greetings & Announcements

#### Prelude

*As the music begins, be silent, be thoughtful, and be reverent, for this is the House of the Lord. Before the service, speak to the Lord. During the service, let the Lord speak to you. After the service, speak to one another.*

- ❖ Centering Chorus "Sanctuary" #2164 TFWS

#### ❖ Call to Worship

God meets us in surprising yet ordinary places - under a tree, in the smile of a stranger, in a refreshing breeze that comes at just the right time.

**God, open our hearts to notice your presence all around us.**

God speaks to us in surprising yet ordinary ways - in a well-placed word from a friend, in a prayer that comes at just the right time, in a song that resonates through our entire being.

**God, open our minds to recognize your voice all around us.**

God fulfills God's promises in surprising yet ordinary ways - in an unexpected act of kindness, in providing just what we need at just the right time, in sending someone to listen when we feel alone.

**God, open our hands to receive your blessings all around us.**

Beloved, in the surprising and ordinary ways that God shows up among us, may we meet God and our neighbors with

open hearts, minds, and hands, ready to encounter God's miraculous work.

**God, open our lives to receive your blessings, that we may share together in the joy, wonder, and laughter of God's miraculous works all around us. †**

- ❖ Opening Hymn #141

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

- ❖ Opening Prayer (in unison)

**God, as you met Abraham in an ordinary moment of hospitality, meet us today in the ordinary moments of our lives. Open our minds to recognize your presence among us; open our hearts to receive your promises; open our arms to embrace your miraculous works with joy, wonder, and laughter. As we gather to worship, help us find the courage to hope, the wisdom to trust, and the perseverance to cooperate with you as you fulfill our promises as you work for abundant life for all creation. Amen. †**

#### Sharing of Joys & Concerns

#### Silent Prayer

#### Pastoral Prayer

#### The Lord's Prayer

Gloria Patri #70

Children's Moment Pastor Sara

Sung Prayer of Illumination Refrain (x2) #601

"Thy Word Is a Lamp"

Old Testament Lesson Genesis 18:1 - 15, 21:1 - 7 #13

Message Pastor Sara J. Wrona

"The Miracle of Laughter"

- ❖ Hymn "We Walk by Faith" TFWS #2196 vv. 1, 3, 4

#### Offertory

*They shall not appear before the Lord empty-handed; all shall give as they are able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that he has given you.*

*Deuteronomy 16:16b-17*

- ❖ Doxology



The first Sunday of each month we will collect a special offering for Rise Against hunger. **The packing event is on Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. We are the host for this year's event.**

Money raised so far: \$794.00  
 Money still need: \$1,206.00



A sincere THANK YOU to ALL of the volunteers who devoted their Wednesday afternoons this past spring. Your time, patience, and showing God's love mentoring each student through cooking and baking, made this exciting and delicious Outreach

Ministry a success! I appreciate and love each one of you!

*Love, Carla*

Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 4:10 -11



**ONLINE GIVING QR CODE**



**First United Methodist Church, Leechburg**

**Prayer List**

"...if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, pray, seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land. Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayer that is made in this place."

2 Chronicles 7:14 - 15

**Please be in prayer for Family and Friends:**

Michelle & Sutton Anthony, Alex Anto, Bryan, Larry Blankenship, Katie Brayshaw, Brendan, Ray Bryan, Dee Coleman, Dan, Pat Daugherty, Bob Davis (Pr. Sara's stepdad), Delayne and family, Emily, Esther, Richard & Marilyn Harmon, Debbie Hill, Joshua Hobbins, Theresa Hunter, Ruth Hyer, Family friends of Shawna Johns, Gil Lanzarotti, Denise Linger, Beth Learn, Alexis Martin, Colleen Morrill, Duncan Morrill, Niko and family, Rose Sklar, Paula Smith, Ron Stewart, Tim, Chloe Womer, and the families of Ronald Anderson, Nancy Morrill, Jim Novak, Myrtle Prunty, and Ethel Swarts.

**Our Homebound Members:**

Margie Anto, Norma Ewing, Dolores Hepburn, Betty Hunter, Polly Lambing, Phyllis Lamison, Lois Learn, Rodger & Gina Morrill, Carol Parsons, Stan & Sally Pepler, Grace Pettner, Dave Sherbondy, Bob & Vange Stewart, Dick & Dee Waugaman, Helen Weaver.

**Any changes please let Pam know in the office.**

Our Church Leadership

Clergy & churches with appointment changes

Central District Superintendent Rev. Deb Ackley-Killian

Bishop Sandra Steiner-Ball  
& the WPAUMC Appointive Cabinet

WPAUMC Conference Staff

UMC Council of Bishops

The Church Universal

Our Nation

All those in areas of conflict

Church Missionaries & Agencies throughout the World

Those Who Are Marginalized throughout the World

West Middlesex UMC

### PASTOR SARA'S VACATION COVERAGE

While Pastor Sara is on vacation from June 18 - 27, Pastor Jenny Gordon from Bethel UMC will be covering pastoral emergencies. Her phone number is 724-594-5712.

### NURTURE COMMITTEE FUNDRAISER

Marianna's Hoagies and Pizzas pickup on **Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>**. All orders paid in full **before June 17<sup>th</sup>**.

### SUMMER YOUTH CAFÉ

Leechburg Area School District is sponsoring a summer youth café with healthy and free meals for all youths ages 18 and under. No sign-up is required. It will be held in the cafeteria **June 8 - July 16 from 11 a.m. to noon**.

### CASUAL CHURCH

Casual Church begins for the summer on **Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.** Come together in faith, worship, and fellowship! Come as you are as there will be a short devotional message, Christian music and prayer, and a light meal will be provided. Sign-up sheet available in the vestibule.

### VBS July 13 - 17



First Lutheran is looking for volunteers to help during VBS this year. This year for crafts they need donations of clean styrofoam egg cartons and paper towel tubes/cores. Please bring them into the overflow area. Help is always needed, please consider giving your time, talents, and/or monetary donations or all three! If you have any questions, you can speak with Don Sheaffer. Thank you. Registration is open now. You can register online at: [myvbs.org/15656](http://myvbs.org/15656) or scan the QR code on the VBS flyer.

### FATHER'S DAY SLIDE SHOW

For Father's Day, June 21, we would like to share pictures of your fathers on the PowerPoint presentation. The pictures we have from last year have been printed and are in the vestibule for you to look at. Please send any new pictures to the office by June 17<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!!

### UPCOMING NEWSLETTER

If you have anything for the upcoming July/August Newsletter, please have your items to Pam by **Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Thanks!

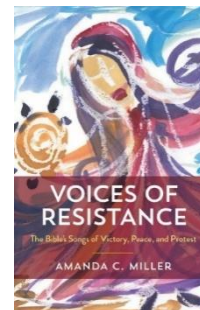
### MEN'S MINISTRY

Beginning on Saturday, June 20 at 9 a.m., the men will be having breakfast at Frankie's. This will be on the third Saturday of each month and locations may differ. Look for more information in the upcoming bulletins for locations.

### MISSION JOURNEY FUNDRAISING/OPPORTUNITIES:



**October 11 - 16, We are going to Red Bird Mission!** There are still open spots available. If you want to be a part of the team but can't join us for the week, please consider helping us financially by donating through the following opportunities: loose change collection jars and the envelope fundraiser.



### 2026 Summer Bible Study Voices of Resistance

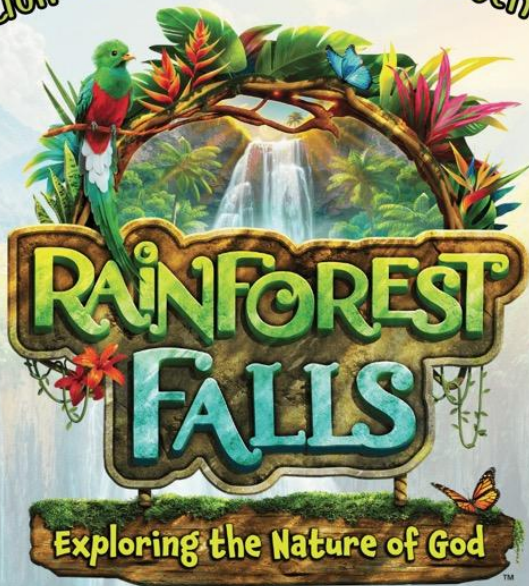
Classes will be on the following Mondays at 6:00 P.M.:

June 15, and 29

July 6 and 20\*\*\*

\*\*\*Please note date change from the 13th

Vacation Bible School in Leechburg!



Monday, July 13 – Friday, July 17

5:30pm until 8:30pm

Includes Dinner

@ First Evangelical Lutheran Church

358 Main St. Leechburg

To register, contact our sponsoring congregations:

First United Methodist Church

724-845-8761

First Evangelical Lutheran Church

724-845-7518

Cross Roads Community Presbyterian Church

724-845-1901

REGISTER ONLINE:

MYVBS.ORG/15656



FIRST UNITED METHODIST

# CASUAL CHURCH

Come together in  
faith, worship, and  
fellowship!

- Come as you are!
- Short Devotional Message
- Christian Music and Prayer
- Light Meal Provided



**3<sup>RD</sup> WEDNESDAY**  
**JUNE 17, JULY 15,**  
**AUGUST 19 @ 6 P.M**

251 Main Street, Leechburg

*Everyone is welcome!*



*More information*

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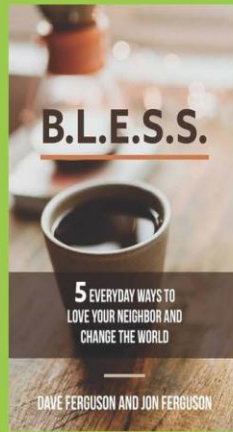
# BOOK STUDY

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KNEAD COMMUNITY CAFE  
1011 BARNES STREET  
NEW KENSINGTON

TUESDAYS, JULY 21 & 28,  
AUGUST 4, 11, 25  
11:00 A.M.

Learn how to become more engaged in your  
community through acts of service and love.



Please register by July 1, 2026.

Books can be purchased through Amazon.

724-882-9627

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Healthy and free meals at a site near you!

Open to all youth ages 18 and under. No sign-up required.

## Leechburg Area School District

School Cafeteria

June 8 – July 16

Monday – Friday

Lunch: 11am – Noon

For information on additional sites throughout the county, go to  
[pittsburghfoodbank.org/summer](http://pittsburghfoodbank.org/summer)

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



## NURSERY POLICY

At our recent Church Council meeting, we voted to update our requirements for use of the nursery. The nursery is available for children from birth through 1st grade. Children must be accompanied by a family member who is at least 18 years and older. Children are not permitted in areas other than the nursery while upstairs in the education wing.