

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, SUNDAY September 27 18th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 AM -Sunday School
10:00 AM -Worship Service
Mission Barn meeting after church in the sanctuary
WORSHIP LEADER: *Don Sheaffer*
GREETER: *Sandy Ashbaugh*
USHERS: *Russ Lamison & Alana Gipson*

MONDAY, September 28

6:45 PM -Choir Practice

TUESDAY, September 29

Pizza Hut Fundraiser - All Day
Food Bank Packing
7:00 PM -Women's Prayer Group (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY, September 30

Food Bank Distribution

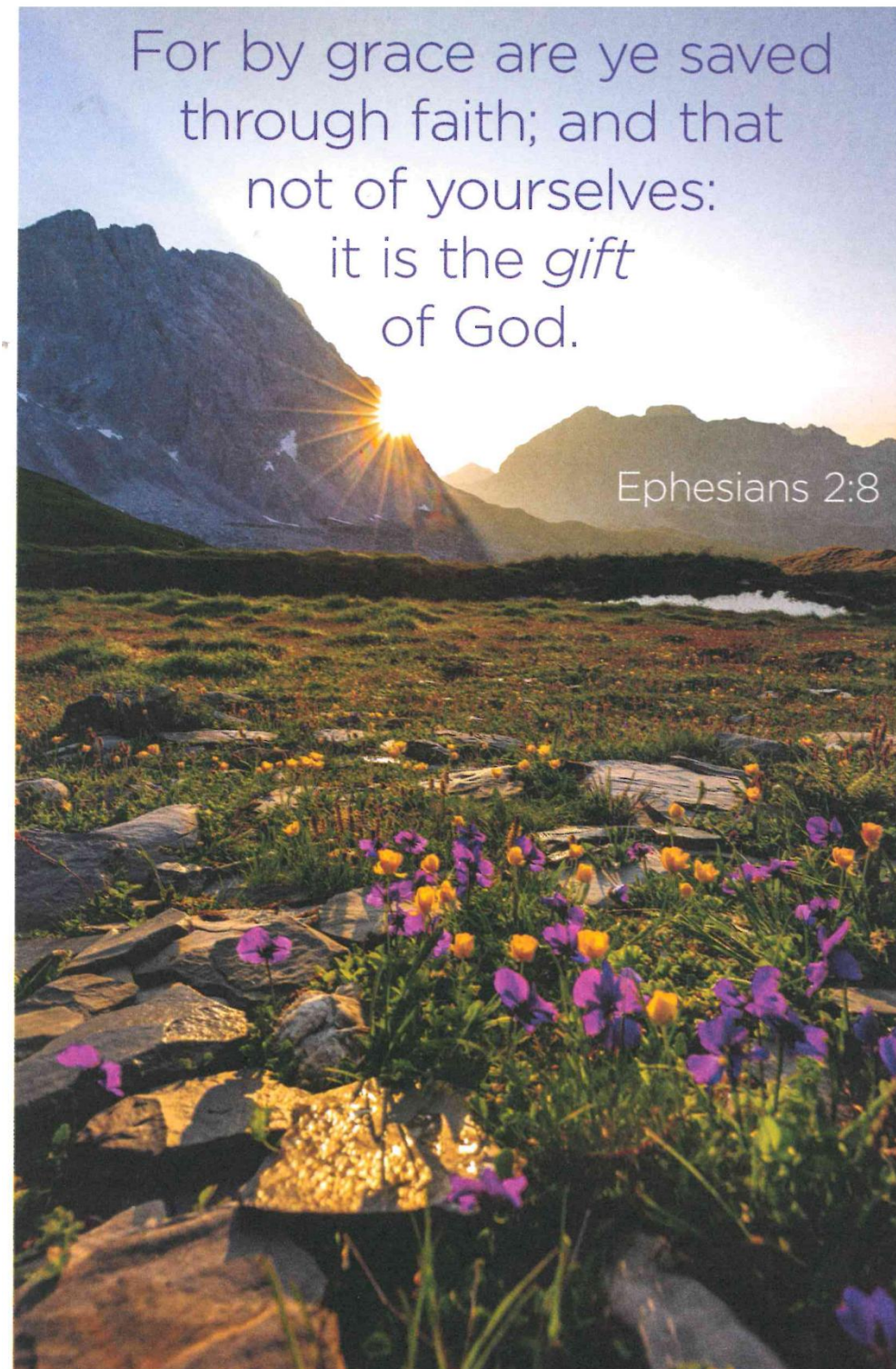
SUNDAY, October 4 World Communion Sunday

9:00 AM -Sunday School
10:00 AM -Worship Service
WORSHIP LEADER: *Deb Loftus*
GREETER: *Don & Brentta Sheaffer*
USHERS: *Pat Daugherty & Janel Cibik*



The **ALTAR FLOWERS** today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of my parents, Ralph and Gladys Sibley on the occasion of their anniversary.

The **BULLETINS** are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Janel's birthday on October 2nd by Pat Daugherty.



First United Methodist Church

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

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Eighteenth 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 #328
"Surely the Presence of the Lord"

❖Call to Worship

"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant."

"for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name."

"And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation."

Let us adore the Lord, Maker of marvelous works.

❖Opening Hymn #154 vv. 1, 3, 5
"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

❖Opening Prayer (in unison)

Father, thank You for Your wonderful grace. All I have, all that I am, is because of You. Help me stay humble before You. When things are going well, help me to stay humble and remember that all my success comes from You. When things are not going well, help me to remember that I don't have to do it alone. Remove my

pride, so that I may learn to fully rely on You. I humble myself before You today, and receive the full measure of Your grace. In Jesus' Mighty Name, AMEN!

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Gloria Patri #70

Choir Anthem "Alleluia, Praise the Lord"

Children's Moment Dr. Sandy McKee

Sung Prayer of Illumination Refrain (x2) #601
"Thy Word Is a Lamp"

Old Testament Lesson Psalms 78:1 - 4, 9 - 20 #799

❖Gospel Lesson Matthew 21:23 - 32 #855

Message "Who's the Boss?" Dr. Sandy McKee

❖Hymn "Crown Him with Many Crowns" #327

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

❖Prayer of Dedication

❖Closing Hymn "Lord of the Dance" #261

❖Benediction

❖Community Blessing "Shalom to You" #666

Postlude

ALTAR FLOWERS

We were notified from Leechburg Floral that beginning September 1, there will be an increase of altar flowers to \$40 from the previously \$32.

PLASTIC BAGS NEEDED

The Leechburg Food Bank is asking for used plastic bags for their food distribution. They use 300 bags every time they pack monthly. Please bring them in and put them in the overflow area. Thanks for your help!



UPCOMING MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES

Sunday, October 4 Walk for Hunger - 2 p.m.
Tuesday, October 6 Special Finance Mtg at 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 7 Worship Committee at 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, October 20 Rise Against Hunger Mtg at 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday, October 20 Endowment Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 28 Charge Conference at 6:00 p.m.



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:

Aaron, Alex Anto, Alexis, Bryan, Larry Blankenship, Katie Brayshaw, Brendan, Ray Bryan, Cash & Mallory, Randall Campitella, John Coyle, Dan, Bob Davis (Pr. Sara's stepdad), Delayne and family, Emily, Esther, Helen Grimm, Richard & Marilyn Harmon, Debbie Hill, Joshua Hobbins, Ruth Hyer, Herman Hutchinson, Gil Lanzarotti, Denise Linger, Beth Learn, Colleen Morrill, Duncan Morrill, Niko and family, Cindy Rimel, Beverly Shellhammer, Rose Sklar, Paula Smith, Chloe Womer, Katy Wrona, Brandy & Tom, and the families of Leroy Davis, Susie, Patty Biss, Gabbie Waner, Donna, and Theresa Hunter.

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

ALARM

When entering or leaving the building, please check to see that the alarm is set. Also, please make sure the building is empty before setting the alarm.

PUMPKIN TRAIL

We are asking for candy donations for the Pumpkin Trail on Saturday, October 24. Please no candy with nuts; place it in the container in the vestibule.

RUMMAGE SALE

The Rummage Sale is set for Saturday, October 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. This is a time change from the previous 11 a.m. start. Donations can be brought to the overflow area.



Please sign up for the chili cook-off that will be held during Harvest Fun Day on Saturday, October 24. The chili cook-off will begin at 11 a.m. We are looking to have at least 12 different recipes. Sign-up sheet is in the vestibule. There is a \$10 fee per entry.

MISSION BARN TRIP

The next Mission Barn trip is scheduled for Saturday, October 3rd. As before, we will leave the church at 8:30 a.m., have a break for lunch-bring your own or order out when we're there-and leave the Barn at 2:00. Please bring your own labeled reusable water bottles (they prefer no plastic throwaways). Because ramp work will be available, we can have up to 20 people in our group. The sign-up sheet is now available in the vestibule.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School has begun at 9 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

SPECIAL GENERAL FUND GIVING

Through December, the first Sunday of the month will be a special General Fund offering.

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.

The team has chosen to collect items for the Baby Pantry, which provides a monthly bag of supplies for children from birth to age 3. Each bag includes a pack of diapers, a pack of baby wipes, clothing appropriate for the child's size, gender, and season, a pair of socks, as well as a book, a hygiene item, an age-appropriate toy, and an item for the mother.

We are asking for donations of the following items:

Bibs

Socks

Sippy Cups

Baby Spoons

Snack Cups

Board Books

Toys - birth to age 3 appropriate

Pacifiers (should be individually packaged)

Baby Toothbrushes (should be individually packaged)

We are NOT collecting diapers or wipes. Red Bird has donors who donate those items by the case.

Many (if not all) of these items can be purchased at the dollar store. We will be collecting these items through October 4, 2026.