

**SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR FIRST CHURCH STUDENTS:** FUMC students may apply for a scholarship towards their education. Applicant criteria include active FUMC membership for at least one year, completion of freshman year (or 25% of program), and an aggregate GPA of 2.5 or higher. Individuals remain eligible for funds for three years of undergraduate study and then three years of graduate study but must complete the application yearly. Graduate/vocational/seminary students may also apply. Priority for funds is given to seminary students. Part time students will also be considered if funds are available. Information and applications can be printed from the FUMC website:

[www.EngageGodFirst.org/scholarship](http://www.EngageGodFirst.org/scholarship)

Applications may also be picked up at the church office. A current transcript must accompany the applications. Deadline for the church office to receive COMPLETED applications is JUNE 15. Incomplete applications will not be given consideration. Questions contact: Don Griswold, [degriswold2@gmail.com](mailto:degriswold2@gmail.com), committee chair.

**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY:** On Sunday, May 21, five students from this year's 2017 Confirmation Class are choosing to follow Christ through making a profession of faith. They are: Josey Dombach, Kate Kmiecjak, Andrew Vogelbacher, Amanda Yingling, and Jenna Yingling. Each one is excited to become new young members of our community. Please welcome them as members and encourage them as they continue on this new faith adventure. A banquet will be held to honor confirmands, families and mentors on Friday, May 19 from 6:00-8:00 pm in room 215 to celebrate their confirmation journey and prepare for Confirmation Sunday. Thank you to our 2017 mentors, Kim Banzhof, Laurie Beeler, Julie Beittel, Kevin Franklin, and Kathy Steed, and the confirmation teachers, Joseph Reed and Marge Kuhn. We are grateful for all your time, energy, and faith that you pour into our youth.

**INSIDEOUT YOUTH END-OF-YEAR PICNIC:** Mark your calendars now! The last school year Youth Fellowship gathering will be the End-Of-Year Picnic on Sunday, May 21 from 6:00-8:00 pm. This event will take place at the Lynam Family Barn on Old Philadelphia Pike. All youth in grades 6-12 and friends are invited along with all youth Sunday morning teachers and volunteer leaders. Everyone is asked to bring a sweet or salty picnic item. There will be games like capture-the-flag, a campfire, worship, and of course senior pieing, or caking, if you're Clayton Dombach. Seniors Maggie Pontz and Emily Kuhn will be giving the talk that night. Watch for an invite postcard in the mail coming soon!

**GRADUATE SUNDAY:** On June 4, graduates will be acknowledged in all 3 worship services. Following the 10:45 service there will be a Graduate Luncheon for all 2017 graduates and their families. Invitations will be mailed to those who graduated December 2016 through June 2017 requesting an RSVP. If you or someone in your family is a 2017 graduate please contact Kate Beiler ASAP, at [youth@engagegodfirst.org](mailto:youth@engagegodfirst.org) with the following: Graduate's full name, graduating from, graduate degree, and future plans. Families are invited to bring photo albums or scrapbooks of their graduate to put on display and share at the Graduate Sunday Luncheon.

**WEDDING INVITATION:** Hello, First Church family! Megan Norcross and Justin Weld, together with their families, request the honor of your presence at their wedding on Sunday, May 21st at 3:00pm. No RSVP is necessary. Email Megan at [norcrossmeganc@gmail.com](mailto:norcrossmeganc@gmail.com) with any questions. Megan and Justin cannot wait to celebrate with you!

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW):** "Mission U" "Mission U" is a Program of Mission Education, Christian Social Action and Program Planning. It is a study not only for United Methodist Women, but for anyone interested in Christian mission. The "Mission U" meeting will be held at The Inn at Reading July 21-22, 2017. The three studies this year are Living as a Covenant Community, Missionary Conferences of the United Methodist Church and Climate Justice. There are UMW scholarships available for first time attendees. Scholarships must be applied for by May 30. For more information check the UMW bulletin board or call Kathy Shope (464-2415).

United Methodist Women Salad Luncheon: Tuesday, May 16 at 12:00 PM in room 214/215.



### Contemporary Worship at 9:30

*Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name. Bring an offering, and come before him. Worship the Lord in holy splendor. – 1 Chronicles 16:29*

Call to Worship

Worship Music

*Never Gonna Stop Singing*

*Enter The Gates*

*You Are Great*

Welcome

What's happening at First Church!

Gratitude and Blessing for the Women of First Church Pastor Kerry Leeper

Worship Music

*Mighty to Save*

Prayer Pastor Kerry Leeper

The Word **Matthew 22:34-40**

Sermon *"Try Some Sharing and Caring Every Day"* Pastor Eddie Cameron

Offering Our Gifts to God

Blessing

Worship Music

*Love the Lord*

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# First United

Methodist Church of Lancaster

**May 14, 2017**

Fourth Sunday After Easter

Our Mission

Connect People to Jesus Christ

Grow Disciples

Relieve Suffering

Prelude *All Creatures of Our God and King* arr. Valerie Stephenson  
*The God of Abraham Praise* arr. Howard Starks  
Wesley Handbell Choir; Peter Omundsen, Director

Announcements & Greeting

Introit (10:45) *O God Our Help in Ages Past* W. H. Monk  
Chancel Choir, Brian Norcross, Conductor

\* Call to Worship Isaiah 42:6-7  
I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness,  
**I have taken you by the hand and kept you;**  
I have given you as a covenant to the people,  
**a light to the nations**  
to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
**from the prison those who sit in darkness. Amen.**

\* Hymn *The God of Abraham Praise* No. 116

Common Prayer Liturgist  
8:15-Marion Piersol-Miller 10:45-Craig Lehman  
**Almighty and most merciful God, we remember before you all poor and neglected persons whom it would be easy for us to forget: the homeless and the destitute, the old and the sick, and all who have none to care for them. Help us to heal those who are broken in body or spirit, and to turn their sorrow into joy. Grant this, Father, for the love of your Son, who for our sake became poor, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Scripture Reading **Galatians 5:22-6:2** (Pew Bibles, NT, page 179) Liturgist

Gratitude and Blessing for the Women of First Church Laura Sambrick

Children's Message (10:45) Laura Sambrick

Anthem (10:45) *Hosanna To the King* Craig Courtney  
Chancel Choir; Brian Norcross, Director

Concerns of the People Pastor Kerry Leeper

Choral Call to Prayer (10:45) *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* (stanza 1) No. 526  
**What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.**

\* please stand if able

# FIRST CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS! MOTHER'S DAY

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The altar flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Ruth Lamb by her daughter Susan Seavey and family.

*Two white carnations on the altar recognize the death of Susan L. Rudy on May 5, 2017 and the death of Robert Fleming on May 8, 2017.*

**STEPHEN MINISTRY:** Are you going through a difficult time – emotionally, spiritually, or relationally? Are you lonely, experiencing a time of transition, or simply stressed by everyday life? You don't have to go through it alone. The Stephen Ministers at First Church are trained caregivers, ready to listen, care for and encourage you, pray with and for you, and provide confidential one-to-one Christian care to help you through whatever it is that you are facing. To get connected to a Stephen Minister, talk with Pastor Joe, Pastor Kerry or Pastor Eddie soon.

Please note: This week's schedule will come out in the Monday email. If you do not receive First Church News emails, be sure to sign-up online at [www.engagedgodfirst.org](http://www.engagedgodfirst.org) or email Pastor Kerry at [communications@engagedgodfirst.org](mailto:communications@engagedgodfirst.org) to let us know you desire to receive the church emails.

|                     | 8:15   | 9:30  | 10:45  |
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| Greeters            | W: Konrad & Shirley Maerz<br>N: Bill & Ruth Crabtree   | Rick Pontz, Evelyn Pontz, James Thorbahn, Tish Thorbahn | W:<br>N:   |
| Ushers              | John Spear, Lisa Allison, David Hayward, Frances Hayward, Craig Schonour, George Adams, Martha Adams, Fred Clark, Patrick Clarke, Sarah Clarke, Heather Herr, Shawn Herr, Jean Kahler. | Rick Pontz, Evelyn Pontz, James Thorbahn, Tish Thorbahn | John Spear, Lisa Allison, David Hayward, Frances Hayward, Craig Schonour, George Adams, Martha Adams, Fred Clark, Patrick Clarke, Sarah Clarke, Heather Herr, Shawn Herr, Jean Kahler. |
| Liturgist           | Marion Piersol-Miller  |   | Craig Lehman   |
| Communion Assistant | Glenn Miller   |   |  |
| Acolyte             | Grace Schonour   |   | Allison Fitzgerald   |
| Welcome Center      | Ron Lee  | Griswold Family   | Jan Betty  |
| Fellowship Time     | Nancy Bradley & Jackie Gustafson   | Mearkle, Troop and Thorbahn Families                    | Reth Family  |
| Safety & Security   | Wayne Betty  |   |  |

**KOREA SERVICE AND LEARNING PILGRIMAGE: JUNE 18-27, 2017:** A team of 18 travelers, led by Kate Beiler, is going to South Korea. The team is made up of youth, young adults, adults, and local clergy from four different congregations. The team needs your prayers and support. You can support the team by attending the Korean tea and silent auction benefit on May 20 from 2:00-4:00 pm or by going to the church website donation page. Select "Other Gifts" and in the memo area write "Korea Trip Support." Look for more information about the trip to come!

**HEROES NEEDED! VBS VOLUNTEER MEETING, WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 6:30 PM, ROOM 209:** You can be a hero this summer! Take kids on awesome adventures alongside some of their favorite bible heroes and discover some of the qualities that make us truly heroic in God. VBS Hero Central uses epic music, crafty crafts, heroic recreation to help kids (and leaders!) discover their strength in God. **VBS runs July 16-20, 6-8 PM.** There are lots of ways to help. Any amount of time you can offer would be appreciated. Join us **May 24, 6:30** to find out more. Sign up today using the blue connect card found in your bulletin.

\* Passing the Peace (8:15)

Invitation to the Offering Liturgist

Offertory Bach/Gonoud  
*Ave Maria*  
Ben Webber, Tenor; Peter Omudsen, Piano

Procession of Offerings 

\* Doxology No. 95  
*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*  
**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 Thanksgiving Acolyte  
8:15-Grace Schonour 10:45-Allison Fitzgerald

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| <b>8:15 ONLY</b>   |
| The Great Thanksgiving <span style="float: right;">No. 13</span>   |
| The Lord's Prayer<br><b>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.</b> |
| Anthem <span style="float: right;">Eric Wyse &amp; Dawn Thomas</span><br><i>Wonderful, Merciful Savior</i><br>Ben Webber, Tenor; Peter Omudsen, Piano  |
| Prayer after Communion<br><b>Eternal God, we give thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we will go into the world renewed in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</b>  |

\* Hymn No. 568  
*Christ for the World We Sing*

\* Blessing

Dismissal No. 673  
*God Be with You till We Meet Again (stanza 1)*  
**God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

Postlude arr. David Lasky  
*Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*  
Peter Omudsen, Organ

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (10:45)

\* Hymn No. 413  
*A Charge to Keep I Have*

Prayer for Illumination Pastor Eddie Cameron

Scripture Reading **Matthew 22:34-40** (Pew Bibles, NT, page 24) Pastor Eddie Cameron

Sermon Pastor Eddie Cameron  
*"Try Some Sharing and Caring Every Day"*

\* Affirmation of Faith A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada No. 882

**We are not alone, we live in God's world.  
We believe in God:  
who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.  
We are called to be the church:  
to celebrate God's presence,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.**

**We are not alone.  
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\* Gloria Patri No. 174  
*His Name Is Wonderful*

**His name is wonderful, his name is wonderful, his name is wonderful, Jesus, my Lord. He is the mighty King, Master of everything; his name is wonderful, Jesus, my lord**

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| <b>8:15 ONLY</b>  |
| Invitation to The Lord's Supper <span style="float: right;">Grace Schonour, Acolyte</span>  |
| Confession and Pardon<br><b>Most merciful God, we your Church confess that often our spirit has not been that of Christ.<br/>Where we have failed to love one another as he loves us, where we have pledged loyalty to him with our lips and then betrayed, deserted, or denied him, forgive us, we pray;<br/>And by your Spirit make us faithful in every time of trial; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</b><br>(All pray in silence.)<br>Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ.<br>But Christ suffered and died for us, was raised from the dead and ascended on high for us, and continues to intercede for us.<br>Believe the good news:<br>In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!<br><b>In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!<br/>Glory to God. Amen.</b> |

한국 차

## Korean Tea & Silent Auction Benefit

Saturday May 20, 2017

@ 2:00-4:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church of Lancaster  
29 E Walnut St, Lancaster, PA 17602

Cost \$5

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- Meet the youth, adults, and clergy traveling to Korea
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