

Last Week's Attendance and Giving

Attendance	46
Regular Giving.....	4,368.00
Plate/S.S.....	183.00
Total Giving for administrative/operating expenses.....	4,551.00
Average weekly total needed to continue offering the ministries/administrative objectives of FUMC.....	6,000.00
Designated Giving for ministry/projects (not for operating objectives)	
Matthew 25	322.73

Calendar

<u>T</u> oday	9:30 Worship 9:30 Facebook Live Rainbow Bell Choir
<u>M</u> onday	7PM New Ray of Hope
<u>W</u> ednesday	1:30PM Bible Study at Freedom Ave UMC based on "Ten Men of the Bible" by Max Lucado
<u>T</u> hursday	6:30PM Bell Choir 7:30 Sanctuary Choir 8PM AA
<u>S</u> unday	9:30 Worship 9:30 Facebook Live Rainbow Bell Choir

Altar Flowers are in loving memory of Evelyn and Jody Baker. They are presented by Barb Baker.

Ministry Council meets January 28th at 7PM.

The next HUB is on February 1st at Rhodes UMC at 10:00 am. Reach out to Deb Kohler for more information at nenepap2@yahoo.com.

There is an order form at the Welcome Center to order soup from FAUMC. Order deadline is Feb 2 and soup can be picked up at the Welcome Center on Sun., Feb 9.

The Rainbow Bell Choir will play again on February 16. It rehearses briefly after the church services every Sunday. Children of any age are welcome to join at any time!

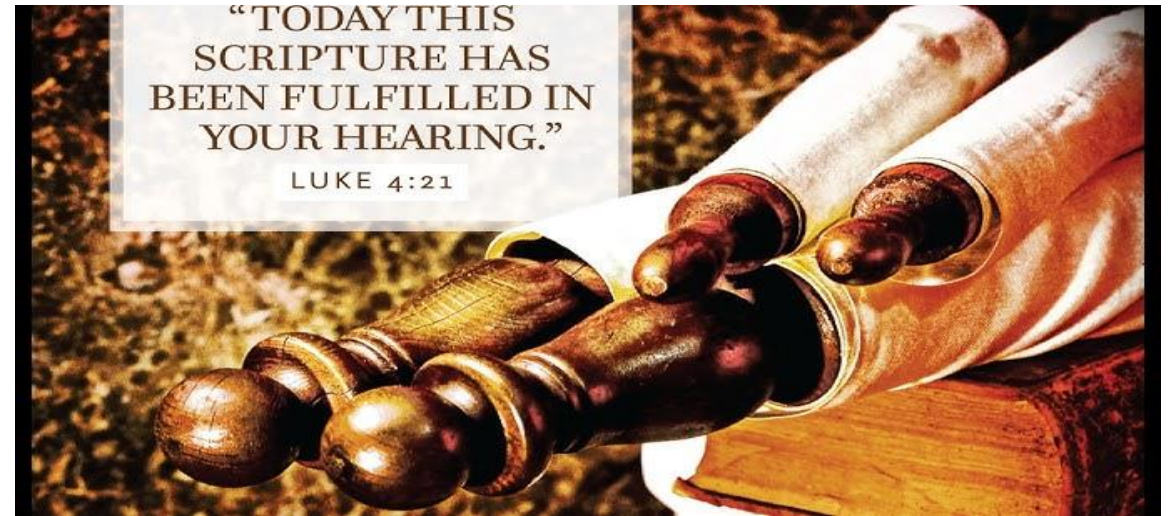
Bus Trip to Sight & Sound to see "Noah" is planned for Good Friday, Apr. 18, 2025. If interested, please contact Darla Rickert at darla.f.rickert@gmail.com or provide your contact info to Pastor Steve.

Pastor Steven Small is planning a date for a mission trip to the Georgia area through the conference Emergency Response Teams, March 23-29. Pastor Steven can be contacted at 814-414-7505 for more information.

Mountain Valley District Lent Worship Service: Clergy and Laity invited Tues., March 18, 2025 6:30 pm at Greater Buffalo Run Valley UMC 112 Trinity Court, Bellefonte. Special offering will be received for the Sierra Leone Initiative.



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
200 E 3rd Street
Lewistown, PA
January 26, 2025



**"TODAY THIS
 SCRIPTURE HAS
 BEEN FULFILLED IN
 YOUR HEARING."
 LUKE 4:21**

**Ministers Serving Today Are: The Congregation of First U.M. Church
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Worship Leader: Mark and Aleta Harpster

Music Director: Katie Becker Organist: Lauri Dulis

PowerPoint: Doug Lynch Technical Coordinator: Jared Lynch

Jr Church: Laura and Christine

January 26, 2025 – Third Sunday after Epiphany

Announcements 9:30

(We welcome all who are worshipping with us on Facebook live.)

Prelude "Allegro Vivace" from Handel's "Water Music"

* Call to Worship

Day and night, God is at work among us.

We are drawn together into one body, the church.

As we commune with God, we know we need one another.

Let us honor the good to be found in all people.

Hear once again the laws and commandments.

Find them sure and right and true for all.

God proclaims freedom, recovery, and release.

God proclaims the year of the Lord's favor.

* Opening Hymn "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" TFWS (Black) 2088

Special Music "Every Valley" Sanctuary Choir

Invocation (in unison)

On this holy day, we come together to make sense of our lives. We look to your Word, O God, as a source of understanding. Revive our souls that our hearts may rejoice in your presence. Cleanse and enlighten us with your truth. Let the words of our mouth and the meditations of our heart be acceptable in your sight, O God, our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Children's Message Pastor Steve Portner

Jesus loves the little children, All the children of the world, Every child in every land, Jesus holds them in His hand, Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Children ages 4-10 may go upstairs for Jr. Church. Parents should come upstairs to pick up their children after the service is over.

* Hymn "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne" TFWS (Black) 2100

* Affirmation of Faith "The Nicene Creed" UMH 880

* Scripture Reading: Luke 4:14-21

L: This is the word of our Lord!

All: Thanks be to God.

Message "Proclaiming Freedom, Recovery, and Release" Pastor Steve Portner

Tithes/Offering

Offertory "Air" from Handel's "Water Music"

Doxology UMH 94

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayers of Intercession W/ Lord's Prayer UMH 895

* Hymn "Freely, Freely" UMH 389

* Call to Commission

May the words of our mouths proclaim God's love.

May the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to God.

Our words and deeds will release captives.

What we do and say will change our world.

The joy of God is our strength.

The law of God revives us and makes us wise.

In purity of heart, we seek to serve.

In quiet confidence, we dare to change and grow.

* Benediction

* Postlude "With Trumpets and Horns" from Handel's "Water Music"

*(*Please stand as you are able)*

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Prayer Squares: Kelly Schamburg, Linda Eisenbach, Carol Smith *If you know of someone who would like a Prayer Square, please contact Chris Ferencz at 717-250-1600 or caf6@verizon.net.*

2/2/25 -- Scripture: Luke 4:21-30 "Good News Is Meant to be Shared"

Our prayers for peace, health, and wholeness are shared with: Judy Headings, Larry Searer, Sandy Havice, Pam Bell, Vicki Elmer, Donald Libby, Paul & Nadine Bryan, Ruth and Bob Broome, Karen Chesla, Stacy Mohr, Troy Gro, Bill and Rosemarie Baumgardner, Ruth and Darl Miller, Brenda Reeder, Estella "Sis" Smith, Rebecca Knepp, Mike Schieber, Bobby Costello, John McKnight, Jean and Jim Walker, Katie Setzle, Carrie Stuft, Toby Sweigart, Esther Heider, Karen Doberneck, Chris Havice, Bonnie Harbst, Schamburg family, Kyle Smith, Dan Demskie, Bill Buffington, Brianna Renshaw, Robert Beers, Roger Searer, Becky Scholl, Randy Snyder, Scott Noss, Tammy Lucci, Marie Watkins, Barry Bargo, Nick Dickson, Brian Decker, Allen Kratzer, Phyllis Snyder, Pete Marsh, Robert Benner, Jr., Cara Walters, Tibby McClure, Julie Sieber, Jerry Clelan, Tom Fletcher, Hope Collective Prayer for our community: Armagh Township Police Department