

Welcome to Worship the Lord! Let Us Rejoice!

Pick up Daily Devotions: The September & October Upper Room along with Our Daily Bread are located in the Café bookrack.



Loving Hearts & Helping Hands Ministry

LH & HHM is open for business of serving others. Several persons of our church have volunteered their assistance with a home visit, nursing home visit, prepared meal, transportation to appointment, church and /or errand.

Sign-up sheets in the Café. May be any age. Do you know of a person or persons within our church and/or Hagerstown community who could benefit from these care actions? Please call the Church Office-489-4558, Pastor Nate 270-256-0684 or Debra Salhoff 317-726-6131.

Jefferson Township Food Pantry has a deal on ground beef.
**September Challenge: 100 boxes of Hamburger Helper
200 Packages of Ramen Noodles**

Sunday, September 25 Pitch-In follows church. Come one, come all.

Wednesday, September 28

1:30 Craft Group Anyone is welcomed. Meets in Fellowship Hall.

7 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

Thursday, September 29

7 p.m. SPR Meeting

Prayers for our Members & Friends: Sympathies to Susan Sanders and family at the death of her grandson Keith. He was Courtney's son. Sympathies to families and Police Officers at the passing of Officer Seara. Don Myers, Marilyn Scott, Priscilla Sherry, Ginny Ozbun, Jo Johnson, Chris & Barb Beeson, Judy Hilbert Haisley, Bob Fast, Craig Salhoff, Martha Giggy, Linda Riley, Elizabeth Waggoner, Tonya Sparks, Jim & Ginny Retherford, Angela Cox, prayers for volunteers to greet, usher, or furnish flowers, Lori Miller, daughter-in-law of Marcia Miller has cancer. Dixie Fast at the Springs. Martha Giggy's Room # is 602 at Arbor Trace Assisted Living. Prayers for Lisa & Bob Warner's and Lisa's parents. Prayers for Lorna Peelle after a fall hurting both her feet.

Start collecting Halloween candy for Trunk or Treat UMC Parking Lot Event



First United Methodist Church Worship Service September 25, 2022

CHURCH MISSION:

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

CHURCH VISION: *As disciples who make disciples, we will connect intentionally, listen actively, and love deeply in our relationship with God and our community.*

First United Methodist Church
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Prelude	<i>The Heart of The Matter</i>	Don Henley	Guitar
Welcome and Greeting			Pastor
Announcements			
K.I.D.S. Kids In Divine Service (Upstairs in the Children's Wing (3rd Graders & Under)			
	Children may go with Teacher Mindy Smith		
*Opening Prayer			Pastor
Just like Peter, Lord, we tend to get all "legalistic" about forgiveness. We want to know if one time to forgive someone is sufficient. We might even be willing to extend forgiveness twice, but we have a tendency to follow the adage, "Once burned, twice shy." Teach us to be humble and merciful. Remind us of the many ways in which you have offered your forgiving love to us. Let today be a day of healing as we extend mercy and move toward reconciliation together. Amen.			
*Call to Worship			Pastor
Leader: Sing songs of hope and peace. People: God's love and power have lifted us. Leader: Sing songs of mercy and grace. People: God's mercy and forgiveness frame our lives. Leader: Thanks be to God for all God's love and mercy. People: Praise be to God for the healing power God extends to each one of us. Amen.			
*Hymn of Worship	<i>Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven</i>		Hymn 66 Tune 127
Old Testament Scripture	Proverbs 17:9 (NLT)		
Song of Praise	<i>This Is Amazing Grace</i>	Phil Wickham	Guitar
Song of Prayer	<i>God, How Can We Forgive</i>		FWS 2169
Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer			Pastor
Offering			Pastor
Music Special	<i>Church (Take Me Back)</i>		Guitar

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Merciful God, you have filled our lives with a flood of mercy and reconciliation. Yet we often hold back that mercy and reconciliation toward others. May the gifts we give this morning, small in comparison with all we've received, help strengthen the church's ministry of love and compassion. In our giving, may we live as those who have been forgiven much and who seek to have Christ-like grace shine through our lives. We pray this in his name. Amen.

Song of Thanksgiving ***For the Fruits of This Creation*** Hymn 97 Tune 688

Song of Reflection ***Everlasting Arms*** Mac Powell Guitar

New Testament Scripture Matthew 18:21-35 (NLT) Pastor

Sermon ***Reconciling Reality*** Pastor Nate Eckert

Song of Commitment** ***Grace Greater than Our Sin Hymn 365

***Benediction** As you have been forgiven, now go into a world that needs your forgiving, healing touch. Bring peace and hope to others, sharing God's love with them. Amen.

Postlude** ***Have Thine Own Way, Lord

Link to Sept 11th service: <https://youtu.be/ORCwOt5pvNU>

Link to last week's service: <https://youtu.be/qeP9oPaDmJ8>

Today's Sermon can be found www.firsthagerstown.org

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Worship Team

Music Director & Guitarist Rick Peelle **Organist** Carol Meyer **Pianist** Carol Meyer

Song Leaders Donna Winters & Amanda Stainbrook **Greeter** Jane Sturgeon

Ushers Bob Bullock, Steve Beeson, Eric Pierce **Nursery** Teresa Rojas & Betty Thalls

Our altar flowers celebrate our Creator God and His Fall Season of beauty.