

First Church

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Donate



SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:00 am—Traditional

604 Market St.

9:30 am—Blended

604 Market St.

11:00 am—Contemporary

601 Market St.

4:30 pm—Celebrate Recovery

604 Market St.

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

5:00 pm—601 Market St.

First Night meal, fellowship, music,
brief message, children's ministries,
fuse* (youth ministries), First
Friends (special needs group) &
adult small groups.

CYCLE OF PRAYER:

June 17— June 23:

Darlene Stannert; Earl, Evelyn &
Aaron Stauffer; George & Judy
Stauffer; Sam, Vicki, Samuel &
Kathryn Stea; Katie Stepnowski;
Matt, Melissa, Lance & Jade
Steslow; Cathy Stonerook; Carl
Strand; Luke & Amy Stroup; John
& Marian Stuempfle; Rocky
Stugart; Kathleen Suffling; Jim &
Charlene Surfield; Ken & Edee
Swartwood; Patricia Sydock;
Steve, Kristin, Thomas & Alex
Takach; Steve & Candrus Tallman;
Deb Taylor; Michelle, Julia &
Joseph Taylor; Scott, Denise &
Lindsey Taylor; Laura Templeton;
Adam, Katie, Madison, Gracie,
Samantha, Ty & Allie Thomas; Bud
Thomas; Diane Thomas; Hope
Thomas; Ben, Jennifer, Isabella,
Michaela & Penelope Thomke;
Mark, Anna, Natalie & Cole
Thompson; Raymond & Ginny
Thompson; Brian, Amy, Samuel &
Matthew Tilburg; Tracey Tillett.

PRAY

Welcome to



First Church

United Methodist

Week of June 17, 2018

BECOMING A MULTIPLYING DISCIPLE

Take some time to pray about who you can introduce to First Church through these upcoming opportunities:

- **Meet the Pastors—July 22**

Take a few minutes after Sunday morning services to introduce someone to the pastors of First Church.

- **Transform—August 2-4**

We want to bless our community with home repair projects, landscaping, and painting, as well as things like cleaning, volunteering and serving. Register online at www.firstchurch.cc/transform.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 18—22, 2018

9:00 a.m.—noon

Check out the Pastor Page to see how you can be praying for VBS!

INVITE

Transformation in Christ | Changing lives inside and out (Romans 12:1-2)

SUMMER CHRISTIAN BOOK GROUP

The summer book for the Book Group will be The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot. We will discuss this book at the first meeting on September 4th at the home of Donna Johnson, 1701 Clarion Drive in Williamsport. Join us on August 7th for a potluck dinner at the home of Linda Schon, 2630 Lincoln Drive in Montoursville. We will be deciding the book choices for the following year at this meeting. All are welcome!

FIRST UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The First United Methodist Women will meet at Hoss's Steak and Seahouse on Wednesday, June 20th at 12:30 p.m. Call Marian Stuempfle at 570-322-6893 for reservations.

MISSION ITEMS NEEDED

Local Food Pantry — pudding, Jell-O, granola bars, Manwich.

Shepherd of the Streets — dental floss, toothbrushes, toothpaste.

Donations for these missions may be left in the baskets at the following locations: the Market Street entrance of the CLC and the Ross Street entrance of the FEC.

PLEASE DO NOT PLACE OPENED OR EXPIRED ITEMS IN THE BASKETS.

SECOND MILE GIVING

Transform is our local mission experience where we seek to meet some of the practical needs in our community as the hands and feet of Jesus by blessing our community through home repair, landscaping, painting, cleaning, volunteering, and serving. Instead of just one week of serving, Transform 2018 will occur multiple times throughout the year. Our next event will be August 2nd-4th.



Fuse* student ministries announces our summer mission trip experience to Buffalo, New York from July 15 – 21, 2018. This trip is primarily for students in grades 6-12. Adult leaders to fulfill roles of project manager, crew leader, and nurture and support are also needed. Preference for adult applicants will be given to fuse* volunteer staff, parents/relatives of participating students, and then others. Since this is a

student ministry mission experience, we will limit the number of adults to the team needs.

SEAN WALKER'S BASKETBALL CAMPS

Is your child entering Kindergarten through 5th grade? If so, plan on joining us for an amazing week of basketball camp!

July 9th to 13th (Registration and payment due Tuesday, July 3rd.)

Those entering Kindergarten through 2nd grade will meet from 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. each day. Those entering 3rd through 5th grade will meet from 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. each day. The cost is \$20.00 per child.

Activities will include free shooting, Bible teaching, warm-ups, skills, and scrimmages. Any questions, please feel free to call Kathy Choate at 570 322 3993 or email kchoate@firstchurch.cc.

Register online NOW at <http://www.firstchurch.cc/childrens-ministries/>.

TEACH

SEND

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Sermon Outline

Outline—Becoming X Disciples (5)—APEST

Ephesians 4:1-16

- I. A key component to the flourishing of any organization is the development of the right _____.
- II. Creating a culture around embracing multiplying discipleship is frequently a church's greatest _____.
- III. The primary key for a culture of discipleship multiplication in the church is what can be called an _____ culture.
- IV. How do we know we are mature disciples in the faith? When we reproduce and multiply more _____.
- V. Jesus has ALREADY GIVEN the church everything it needs to be come a _____.

Life Application

This week take the five fold survey at: <http://www.fivefoldsurvey.com> and please let the First Church office know (www.office@firstchurch.cc) your results. Identify which is your dominant wiring in APEST. Are you an Apostle? Prophet? Evangelist? Shepherd? Or Teacher?

Once you identify which is your primary wiring, ask how you can begin to use this identity for multiplication in discipleship. Reflect deeply on this!

Please pray for God, through the Holy Spirit, to activate an APEST culture among us.

Scripture Reflection: Ephesians 4:11-12

So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, 12 to equip His people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up.

Pastor's Page

A Week of Celebration With Our Kids

First Church,

This upcoming week marks a significant celebration and opportunity for our church in the community, and specifically our children in the community. This week we will be celebrating with hundreds of kids through our Vacation Bible School (VBS). Every morning this week, Monday-Friday, from 9 A.M. until noon, we will have dozens of servants, including adult and teen volunteers, working with hundreds of children age 3 (potty-trained) through 4th grade.

This year's theme is: "Shipwrecked: Rescued By Jesus."

Vacation Bible School has become one of the most significant ministry opportunities that First Church shares in—not just for our children's ministry but for the church as a whole because of the scope of its impact and how many people are involved in it.

Would you please be praying this week that the hearts of the children (and the adults helping for that matter!) would be open in fresh and new ways to the love of Jesus and that they would welcome Jesus into their lives?

Also, would you be on the lookout next Sunday in our 9:30 A.M. worship for families connected with Vacation Bible School and be sure to welcome them?

Angie Tobias, our Children's Ministry Director, shares this about our VBS this year:

"It is a joy to experience the energy and excitement of VBS! The Holy Spirit is alive and present in the hearts of the kids, teen helpers, and volunteers. God is going to change lives in a mighty way throughout the week, and we get to be along for the ride. Pray as we learn from Jesus how to love others, focus on God, and receive the Salvation that comes from Him!"

Again, please be praying for Angie, all of our servant volunteers, and especially the children this week to experience Transformation in Christ... Changing Lives Inside and Out. We trust it will be a week to remember.

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