

## First Church

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### SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:00 am—Traditional  
604 Market St.  
9:30 am—Blended  
604 Market St.  
11:00 am—Contemporary  
601 Market St.  
11:00 am—Contemporary  
1157 Market St.  
(live streamed message)  
4:30 pm—Celebrate Recovery  
604 Market St.

### WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

5:00 pm—601 Market St.  
Night meal, fellowship,  
music, brief message

### NEW MEMBERS

First Church would like to congratulate the following people who are joining the First Church family on Sunday, June 26, 2016: Stephanie Quartman, Ken & Lynne Maietta, Eric & Stephanie Orndorff.

## NORTH CAMPUS

### NEWS

#### PICNIC—JULY 16<sup>TH</sup>

Enjoy hanging out at a summer picnic with lots to eat, friends to enjoy, new friends to meet, music, and games. 12:00 noon gathering; 1:00 barbeque lunch. Meat, beverage, and table settings are provided. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. It's all at Craig and Lorrie Netzley's house, 168 Hillcrest Drive, Montoursville. To register sign-up on the back of the Communication Card or call the church office to register.

#### PRAISE BAND DIRECTOR HIRED

Jamie Caputo has been hired as the new North Campus Praise Band Director. Her first Sunday in that position will be July 10<sup>th</sup>. Jamie is well qualified with 14 years of experience, a Bachelor's Degree in Church Music from Valley Forge Christian College, an exceptional voice, and a deep passion for Jesus.

Welcome to



# First Church

United Methodist

Week of June 26, 2016

#### NEW TO FIRST CHURCH? - Steps to find your way:

Step 1) **MEET FIRST CHURCH SUNDAY, JULY 24<sup>th</sup>** right after worship  
Join one of our pastors for a few minutes getting to know First Church and learning about the ministries most relevant for you. Children are welcome!

After 8:00 a.m. service, First Evangelical Center—Room 206  
After 9:30 a.m. service, First Evangelical Center—Room 206  
After 11:00 a.m. service, Christian Life Center—back of Stryker Hall  
After 11:00 a.m. service, North Campus—in the lounge

Step 2) **A DISCIPLE'S PATH** 6 week group

This group will guide you onto a path of growing discipleship and connection at First Church. It is also the membership group if you would like to join at any time. Led by Pastor D.G. Giordano 6:00-7:00 p.m. Wednesdays beginning September 7<sup>th</sup> in the First Evangelical Center, Room 206. Children's Ministry takes place at the same time as part of First Night so your children can also grow in their discipleship.

#### ANNUAL CONFERENCE UPDATE

About 1400 clergy and laity from the United Methodist Churches of the Susquehanna Conference met in Annual Conference at Messiah College for 3 days, June 9-11. Representing First Church were Pastors Matt, Rick, Janet, and DG. Conference Lay Leader John Konieczny and lay delegates Zach Woods and Ann Wilson also attended. The theme of the conference was Alive in Christ: Creating New Places for New People, and we learned about how we, together, are creating new places for new people through various ministries throughout the conference. The highlight of the Conference for many of us was the ordination of Pastor Janet on Saturday afternoon. Stop by any information desk or the church office for more information on Annual Conference.

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

## INVITE

## I'M FINE

When someone knows we are going through a difficult time and they ask us how we are doing, it is so easy in our keep-a-stiff-upper-lip culture to simply reply "I'm fine". But did you know that **FINE** can actually mean "Feelings I'm Not Experiencing"? A former care receiver explained it this way: "I've always been the strong one - I thought that if I admitted I was feeling overwhelmed then I wouldn't be able to be strong for others - but I found out early on in my relationship with my Stephen Minister that sharing my difficulties with a caring Christian friend actually

helped me to become a stronger person...the more I shared with my Stephen Minister, the more healing I experienced and the more I came to know Jesus as my strength." Stephen Ministry is one of the ways transformation in Christ, changing lives inside and out, happens at First Church. For more information, check out the Stephen Ministries tab at [www.firstchurch.cc](http://www.firstchurch.cc).

# TEACH

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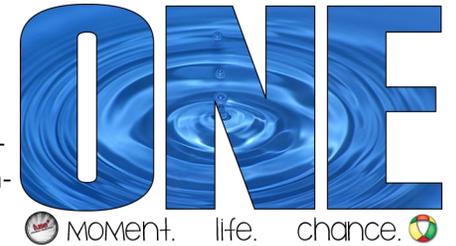
## POSITION AVAILABLE

A teacher is needed 16 hours weekly during the school year. Work days would be Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. with the opportunity to work other hours as a FNS substitute teacher. Applicants must be able to start at the beginning of the 2016/2017 school year in August. The teacher would be working with a class of six 2 year-old children, would be overseeing playtime and managing a structured classroom with duties

including Circle Time, Art, Bible Stories, and time in the Gym. Position requires experience with children and a degree in Early Childhood Education is preferred. Applicants must love God, love kids, and have the ability to be a Team Player. Job applications are available in the Church Office or online at [www.firstchurch.cc](http://www.firstchurch.cc). Clearances and FBI fingerprint check are required in addition to the job application. Deadline for applying is June 30.

## MISSION TRIP PLEASE PRAY!

In 2012, hurricane Sandy slammed the east coast of the United States, causing significant damage to property and claiming lives. Crisfield, MD was one such community, and is still seeking to recover from the devastation. A team of 28 students and adults from First Church will be working to share the love of Jesus with families and individuals in Crisfield from June 26-July 2 - will you pray? Pray with them and for them, that the restoring love and power of God made available to the world through Jesus Christ is evidenced to all and that the ONE God we serve would be glorified and honored by our time and efforts. Those going on the trip are: Andrea Griffin, Bryanna Tebbs, Alex Lake, Andrew McCann, Tyler Fausnaught, Antonio Blackson, David Hutchinson, Joey Havrilla, Olivia Blackson, Mitchell Young, Dillon Young, Lindsey Taylor, Sophie Orndorff, Matt Dinges, Phil & Kelly Young, Becky Hutchinson, Diane Thomas, Diane Havrilla, Danny Havrilla, Sharon Comini, Linda Kinkead, Matt Lake, Kortnei Confer, Angie & Josh Tobias, Aaron Russell, Morgan Comini.



## FIRST CHURCH SUMMER CAMPS

Walker Basketball Camp (K-8th grade) July 4-8

Registration deadline: Monday, June 27

Creative Arts Camp (grades 5-8) July 11-15

Registration deadline: Monday, July 4

Walker Basketball Camp (K-8<sup>th</sup> grade) July 18-22

Registration deadline: Monday, July 11

To register or for more information, go to [www.firstchurch.cc/summer-camps](http://www.firstchurch.cc/summer-camps)



## JULY 2016

### Families are invited to worship together.

**There will be no Sunday School or Kidzone**

Children in worship will receive a special bulletin each week.

**Nursery is available for children under 3**

# FIRST NURSERY SCHOOL

# CHILDREN/YOUTH

# Sermon Outline

Here to There  
Matthew 17:14-20

- I. Jesus “gave \_\_\_\_\_ to drive out evil spirits and to heal every disease and sickness.” Matthew 10:1
- II. “\_\_\_\_\_ is impossible for you.” Matthew 17:20
- III. The Bible is \_\_\_\_\_.
- IV. What are the disciple’s missing? The \_\_\_\_\_ of God and the \_\_\_\_\_ of God that comes from a life of \_\_\_\_\_.
- V. Healing in the name of Jesus isn’t \_\_\_\_\_.
- VI. “Trusting that \_\_\_\_\_ will make all things right, if I \_\_\_\_\_ to your will.”
- VII. How can we have a faith that moves mountains?
  - It starts with \_\_\_\_\_ yourself like a \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Often, God chooses to unleash healing power through \_\_\_\_\_.
  - By seeking God \_\_\_\_\_ in our life more than we seek God’s \_\_\_\_\_ to our problems

**Life Reflection:** *Where do I need a faith that moves mountains?*

What mountain needs to be moved in my own life?

What mountain needs to be moved in the life of First Church?

What mountain needs to be moved in our world?

Will you pray for a “mountain moving” faith?

**Scripture Reflection:** “...Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you.” Matthew 17:20

# Pastor’s Page

## A HEAD’S UP

First Church,

We know that one of the challenges that we constantly face as a growing, changing, congregation is the issue of communication. Whether it is ministry-related, staff-related, or vision-related, we can never communicate enough on church related matters.

We do our best here at First Church to lift up the many points of celebration as God continues to transform lives among us. I hope that you sense that joy and movement of God’s spirit on a regular basis as God is doing incredible things here.

At the same time every church faces challenges. In fact, growing and vibrant churches often experience some of the most significant challenges as they seek to live faithfully in a broken world.

Today I want to give you “a head’s up” to one of the challenges that we are currently facing here at First Church. In this next week the first of two letters is being sent out to all First Church members along with folks who regularly attend First Church. These letters are being sent out on behalf of our Lead Council, and specifically the finance team of the Lead Council, in order to communicate clearly some of the financial realities before us. Please be on the look-out for these letters and then please take a few minutes to read them once you receive them (extra copies will be available at the church info. centers for those who may desire). Please also pray over the contents of the letter and how you might be able to respond to what is shared.

It is no secret that we always face a tension in balancing available resources with needed resources in order to help foster effective ministry. However, as we look to 2017, our Lead Council has wisely recognized the significant financial barriers before us. So that we can all understand what these financial challenges are, and what we might be able to do in order to address them, the aforementioned letters are being sent out. The hope is that these letters will clearly communicate the current financial status of the church so that we may faithfully respond. Again, please read them once you receive them. Most importantly please pray about the content of the letters.

We remember and celebrate that we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us (Philippians 4:13) and that every challenge is an opportunity to see the greatness of God.

Thank you for the joy of serving with you First Church, for the transformation of lives in Jesus Christ.

In Christ,  
Pastor Matt

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### **fuse\* Mission Trip—All Week**

#### **Sunday, June 26**

8:00 a.m.-Worship (MC, FEC-Sanctuary)  
9:30 a.m.-Worship (MC, FEC-Sanctuary)  
9:30 a.m.-Sermon Talk (MC, FEC-201)  
9:30 a.m.-fuse\*student ministries (MC, FEC-fuse\*box/105)  
9:30 a.m.-Children's Sunday school (MC, CLC-1st floor)  
11:00 a.m.-Contemporary Worship (MC, CLC-Stryker Hall)  
11:00 a.m.-Contemporary Worship (NC)  
4:30 p.m.-Celebrate Recovery (MC, FEC-Sanctuary)

#### **Monday, June 27**

1:15 p.m.-The Joyful Hearts (NC-Fellowship Room)  
2:00 p.m.-fuse\* open gym (MC, CLC-Stryker Hall)  
5:00 p.m.-Men of Integrity (1508 Elmira St.)  
6:45 p.m.-Women's Step Study (MC, FEC-202)  
7:00 p.m.-Women of Faith (1508 Elmira St.)

#### **Tuesday, June 28**

2:15 p.m.-Worship Design Team (MC, FEC-Fellowship Hall/102)  
7:00 p.m.-Volleyball/Bible Study (MC, CLC-Stryker Hall)

#### **Wednesday, June 29**

6:00 a.m.-Men's Small Group (Konieczny) (MC, FEC-102)  
12:30 p.m.-Truth Project (MC, FEC-202)  
2:00 p.m.-fuse\* open gym (MC, CLC-Stryker Hall)

#### **FIRST NIGHT SCHEDULE**

##### **5:00 p.m.**

Dinner (MC, CLC-Stryker Hall)

**5:15 p.m.**-Wed. Night Worship Experience  
(MC, CLC-Stryker Hall)

##### **6:00 p.m.**

CR Step Study (Men) (NC-212/213)  
Sister's In Christ (MC, FEC-201)

#### **Thursday, June 30**

6:00 a.m.-Men's Bible Study (Marzo) (NC-Fellowship Room)  
7:00 p.m.-CLC Praise Band (MC, CLC-Stryker Hall/Stage)  
7:00 p.m.-NC Praise Band (NC-Sanctuary)

#### **Friday, July 1**

6:00 a.m.-Prayer Time (NC-Sanctuary)  
10:00 a.m.-American Red Cross Blood Drive  
(MC, FEC-Fellowship Hall)

#### **Saturday, July 2**

7:00 a.m.-Men's Group (Wegman's)

NC = NORTH CAMPUS (1157 Market St.)

MAIN CAMPUS

CLC = Christian Life Center (601 Market St.)

FEC = First Evangelical Center (604 Market St.)

#### **CYCLE OF PRAYER: June 26— July 2**

Matt, Becky, David, Maggie & Charlie Hutchinson; Tami, Shondra, Shon Huyck; John & Nancy Ingraham; Larry & Sherril Ingram; Steve & Diane Jackson; Randy, Ginny, Stephanie, Rhiannon, Rhiallie & Rhandie Jessell; Brett, Sue, Jett, Parker & Miley Johnson; Chuck & Donna Johnson; Greg & Debbie Johnson; Phil & Christine Johnson; Steve & Mary Ann Johnson; Wayne Johnston; Louise Jones; Shirley Jones; Ron & Sandy Jury; Karen Kackenmeister; Ralph, Patty, Mark, Colleen & Steve Kaiser; Hurley & Beth Kane; Tim, Mario & Alana Karschner; Greg & Kris Keefer; Ray Kehrer, Jr.; Seth & Susan Keller; Sue, Todd, Jordan, Kendall, Sydney & Peyton Kelley; Linda Kinkead; Adam, Shannan, Madison, Leo & Ellie Kinley; Tyree, Averi (Sweeting) & Ava Kirkpatrick; Dave, Marcie & Jack Klingler; Jon, Susan, Heather, Olivia, Kaitlyn & Hannah Klotz; Victor, Arianna, Conner & Ben Koch.

Weekly Worship Attendance  
for week ending June 19, 2016:  
TOTAL — 847