



**First United Methodist Church**

Welcome! We're glad that you are here.  
To all who need comfort; all who need friendship;  
all who are lonely and need companionship;  
all who want sheltering love, all who sin  
and need a Savior; and whosoever will  
—we open wide our doors and say,  
“Come; let us worship together.”

10:15am Sunday Worship Service

May 7, 2017

**Prelude**

**Words of Welcome and Announcements**

**\* Prayer of Invocation (In Unison)**

God, thank you for blessing us with spiritual gifts, which may be joyfully used to serve you. Help us to always lovingly use our gifts to benefit you and each other. Encourage us to use our spiritual gifts to glorify and build each other up. Center our hearts and minds on you and the message you are sending us. In your Holy name, we pray. Amen

**\* Hymn #110 “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”**

**\* Call to Worship**

L: Come in, all who are tired and thirsty.

P: **The Good Shepard leads us to grassy meadows and restful waters.**

L: Come in, all who are anxious and afraid.

P: **The Good Shepard protects us and leads us through dark valleys.**

L: Come in, all who are empty and exhausted.

P: **The Good Shepard fills our lives with goodness and faithful love.**

L: Come in, to be refreshed, to rest, and to receive.

P: **The Good Shepard has brought us here. Amen**

**\* Sharing the Peace of Christ**

“Peace be with you. And also with you!”  
(Take this time to greet one another in Christ’s love.)

**Children’s Moment**

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Silent Prayer**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Scripture Lesson Job 33:1-7/ 1 Corinthians 12:7-11**

L: This is the word of God for the people of God.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

**\* Hymn #362 “Nothing but the Blood”**

**\* Gospel Lesson Matthew 25:14-30**

**Message**

**Talents and Gifts**

**Rev. Joey Garcea**

**Offertory Sentence**

Please use this time to register your attendance in the red booklets found at the end of each pew and pass it along your row.

**Offertory**

**\* Doxology # 95**

**\* Offering Prayer**

**Dear Lord, our God, you guide us as a loving shepherd. In your presence, our spirits are renewed. In your wisdom, we discover peace. In fellowship together, we find ways to share your good news with others. As we enjoy your blessings, help us to give from our abundance with glad and generous hearts. We dedicate these tithes and offerings in the name of Jesus, the Good Shepherd who laid down his life for his flock. Amen. (Psalm 23; Acts 2:42-47)**

**Communion**

**\* Apostle’s Creed**

**\* Hymn #348 “Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling”**

**\* Benediction**

**\* Postlude**

**In Our Prayers**

John Hamm, Glen Brunner, John Powell, Rex Felten, Eli, Bill Remrey, Jerod Wood, Savannah Jones, Wilma Brunner, Ed Arb, Susan Mangler, Judy Orn, Joan Miller, Bob Law, Joan Casselius, Elizabeth Rath, Shawn Roling, Tom Eckhardt, Jeremy Leitzen, Jessica Boyer, Robin Cook, Jim Stanelle, Melinda Dykema, Family of Cody Donahue, Military Personnel and their families

**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

- May 7 Robert Bauer
- 8 Bill Wright, Brittany Hartman
- 9 Bob & LaVona Grissinger
- 10 Adam Haas, Cameron Jones, Letty Weidman, Rodney Clemens
- 11 Florence Bevins-Powell
- 12 Cody Johnson
- 13 Sharon Beyer
- 14 Courtney Johnson, Zack Schneider

**Calendar**

**Sunday, May 7**

- 9 am Sunday School
- 10:15 am Worship
- 4 pm First Sunday

**Monday, May 8**

- 9 am Body & Soul Yoga

**Thursday, May 11**

- 8 am Breakfast (Café Crumbles)/ Bible Study
- 9 am Body & Soul Yoga

**Saturday, May 13**

- 8:30 am Weight Watchers- Fellowship Hall
- 5 pm Worship

**Sunday, May 14 Happy Mother’s Day**

- 9 am Sunday School
- 10:15 am Worship

**Monday, May 15**

- 9 am Body & Soul Yoga

**Thursday, May 18**

- 8 am Breakfast (Café Crumbles)/ Bible Study
- 9 am Body and Soul Yoga
- 7 pm Celebrate Recovery

**Saturday, May 20**

- 8:30 am Weight Watchers- Fellowship Hall
- 5 pm Worship

**Sunday, May 21**

- 8 am Trustee Meeting
- 9 am Sunday School
- 10:15 am Worship
- 11:30 am Ad Council Meeting

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **We welcome all visitors** to our Worship time today. We are glad you're here. Our slogan is Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors. We are the people of the United Methodist Church.
2. **Friendly reminder** to Sharon Guilinger! You are the verifier for next Sunday!
3. If you need to get ahold of **Pastor Joey** and he is not in the office, please call him on his cell! 815-656-0362!
4. We will be **honoring graduates in May**, please let the office know if you or your child will be graduating any level this year- elementary, high school, college.
5. **First Sunday TODAY** from 4-6pm. We will be at **Old Mill Park** playing kickball etc. A light picnic dinner will be served! Hope to see you all there!
6. Are you **interested in becoming an audio tech** for Sunday morning? If you are interested or would like information, please talk to Kris Yingling or Kay Cavanagh.
7. There will a **Celebrate Recovery informational meeting** on **Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**. The meeting will be held at the Hanover United Methodist Church. Pastor Tiffany Garcea will be leading the meeting.

## Worship Helpers

**PASTOR: Rev. Joey Garcea**

**MUSICIAN:** Vivian Eaton  
**ADMINISTRATIVE ASST:** Shauna Roberts  
**CUSTODIAN:** Kay Cavanagh  
**GROUNDKEEPER:** Don Kramer

### May 7

**Acolyte:** Tommie Falk, Kenny Clemens  
**Audio:** Kris Yingling  
**Children's Time:** Pastor Joey  
**Coffee Hour:** Falk Family  
**Communion:** Erik & Alice Torrison  
**Greeters:** Bob & Judy Davidson  
**Liturgist:** Christy Clemens  
**Media:** Chris Falk  
**Nursery:** Rhonda Law, Tommie Falk  
**Ushers:** Linda Jachino, Merle Law

### May 14

**Acolyte:**  
**Audio:** Kay Cavanagh  
**Children's Time:** Pastor Joey  
**Coffee Hour:** Brigham Family  
**Communion:** x  
**Greeters:** Frank & Lois Grove  
**Liturgist:** Peg Dauphin  
**Media:** x  
**Nursery:** Jessica Boyer  
**Ushers:** Bob & Judy Davidson, Pam Darrow, Kelley Johnson



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Sunday, 10:15am

*"You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your heart, and with all your soul,  
and with all your mind, and with all your strength,  
and you shall love your neighbor as yourself."*  
--Jesus Christ

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