

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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July 18, 2010

11:00 A.M.

❖ Congregation please stand

## 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### PRELUDE

*"Blessed Quietness"  
"How Firm a Foundation"*

*As the music begins, be silent, be thoughtful, and be reverent, for this is the House of the Lord. Before the service, speak to the Lord. During the service, let the Lord speak to you. After the service, speak to one another.*

NOTES: - PRAYER REQUEST CARDS are located in the pew racks and will be collected during the opening hymn. The NURSERY is available upstairs in the Educational Building for parents who feel the need to listen to the service from there. Activity Bags are available in the Overflow Area for those children who wish to remain in the service.

We will use the **United Methodist Hymnal** today.

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

(VISITORS – Please fill out a visitor's card from the pew racks and place it in the offering plate so that we may have a record of your visit. We hope you will join us again.)

#### ❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: *Come: sit at Jesus' feet.*

**People: We come to learn of God's ways.**

Leader: *Come: know that you are welcome.*

**People: We come to celebrate God's presence.**

Leader: *Come: take a rest, and bask in the love of God.*

**People: We come to experience renewal. Come let us worship God.**

❖ HYMN *"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"* #526

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (in unison)

Holy Savior, as we hear the familiar story of the Good Samaritan read and preached, give us ears to hear you're your Word to us. We open our hearts to receive your timeless truths, not merely to give intellectual assent but to be changed by what we hear and by experiencing your presence with us. Amen.

MORNING PRAYER (The Lord's Prayer in unison)

SPECIAL MUSIC

Nancy Miller

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

❖ DOXOLOGY

#95

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF GIFTS AND SELF (in unison)

Ministries are varied and come in many forms. We offer now to you, Gracious God, ourselves; our times of stretching beyond our own needs and desires, and the times of caring for our needs and desires. We are open to your guidance and recommit ourselves to your work. Amen.

❖ HYMN

*"Help Us Accept Each Other"*

#560

❖ GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 10:25-37

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PASSING OF THE PEACE

SERMON

***"The Bad Samaritan"***

*(Forced to define our neighbor, Jesus challenges us to accept everyone,*

*even those we may not like.)*

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

❖ HYMN

*"Amazing Grace"*

#378

(During the singing of this hymn you are invited to the chancel rail for prayer.

Please come.)

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ COMMUNITY BLESSING

*"On Eagle's Wings"*

#143

POSTLUDE

*"All Nature Sings"*



**Lesson for next week:** *Luke 11:1-13 – After giving his disciples "the Lord's Prayer" as a model for praying, Jesus highlighted the petition about forgiving others. That is the key to healing our inner spring of anger, resentment, bitterness and other crippling emotions. Join us next week for worship!*



The ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Our Loved Ones by Bob & Vange Stewart.



The BULLETINS are given to the Glory of God and to wish a Happy 13<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Sarah Raptosh and a Happy (?) Birthday to Cindy Raptosh (on July 23<sup>rd</sup>), with love and blessings, Pastor Ron.



A memorial has been given to the Abiding Memorial Fund in loving memory of:

† **Bill Schreiner**  
by The Stetter Family

Memorials have been given to the Renovation Fund in loving memory of:

† **Larry Grimm & Bill Schreiner**  
by Jody Watterson

† **Bill Schreiner**  
by Friends & Co-workers of Susan Schreiner  
by Anthony & Carol Defilippi  
by Danielle Finison Maize

† **George "Bill" Schreiner**  
by Cleo Young  
by Ms. Diane Caffey

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## Thank you...

♥ I would like to thank everyone who brought food for the "welcome luncheon" for Pastor Chuck and Carol. I also want to thank those who helped in the kitchen, and also those who helped with the set-up and clean-up afterwards. It was much appreciated.

*Cindy Rimel*

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**FREE CHILDREN'S LUNCHES** – If you would like to help with the free children's lunches in our Fellowship Hall Tuesday through Friday, please call Norma Ewing at 724-842-5375. There is NO cooking involved.

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**RECYCLE HOMECARE MEDICAL ITEMS** – Bethel UMC in Lower Burrell has partnered with Global Links, a humanitarian aid organization, to hold a **Surplus Medical Items Collection Drive** (same as last year) during the period of Sun. July 18 – Thurs. July 22, 2010. Items can be dropped off at Bethel UM Church, 150 Alder Street, Lower Burrell. Drop off hours: Sunday, July 18, 11am to Noon, Tuesday evening, July 22, 7pm to 8pm; Mon. – Thurs. mornings, July 19-22, 8:30 to 11:30am during church office hours. For more information, please call 724-337-1236.

**WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB** will discuss Loving Frank by Nancy Horan at 6:00pm on Tuesday, August 10, at Her Majesty's Tea House, 103 River Avenue, Leechburg.

The novel is about Mamah Borthwick Cheney and Frank Lloyd Wright, the famous architect. In 1899 the Cheneys commissioned Wright to design a new home for them in Chicago. "In this groundbreaking historical novel, fact and fiction blend together brilliantly. While scholars have largely relegated Manah to a footnote in the life of American's greatest architect, author Nancy Horan gives weight to their dramatic love story and illuminates Cheney's profound influence on Wright" (from the book dust cover).

Call Norma Ewing (724-842-5375) with questions or to make reservations. The group will be ordering from the menu.

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**VNA HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS** play a vital role in caring for those dealing with terminal illness. Volunteers sit with patients to allow family time out of the home, they also visit hospice patients who live in area nursing homes. We are in need of Volunteers in the areas of Allegheny-Kiski and Armstrong. Please call for more information, Janette Hensler, Volunteer Coordinator at 724-431-3501.

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**FIRST "OFFICIAL" WPA VIM TEAM TO HAITI** is now forming. "Official means the WPA team is connecting formally with UMCOR designated projects and will meet very particular specifications. UMCOR has set up a process that will provide an ongoing stream of money for wages and supplies. This VIM trip will cost participants \$1750, a portion of which will go to UMCOR for supplies and wages. UMCOR will match those funds.

This team will be made up of 10 volunteers, including the two leaders. We're hoping to include one person who speaks French, a registered nurse or EMT, and volunteers who want to work with children, medical situations or construction (which may still include a good deal of rubble removal).

Dates for this VIM trip: November 29 – December 6

Team leaders: Jim Bickford and Diane Miller

**The biggest question is:** Are you "called" to be on this team? Please check the table in the Main Vestibule for information packets. These packets include the Application Form, Insurance Application, Emergency Contact Form, and the Medical & Liability Release Form.



**2010 Performance**

**Dates:**

Friday, Saturday,  
Sunday  
July

9,10,11,16,17,18,23,24,25

Time: 8:00 p.m.

*Pie Social to benefit  
Allegheny Township  
Historical Society on  
Saturday, July 24<sup>th</sup>*

*Pre-show*

*entertainment*

*Joe Lege, Accordionist*

**A Historical Drama**

*Written and Directed*

*by Rennick Steele*

***Cauldron  
of Steel***

**Scenario:**

*Cauldron of Steel* is about brave immigrants coming to America to work in the new steel mill in Vandergrift, Pennsylvania – a “worker’s paradise” conceived and built by George McMurty. Of course there are obstacles to reaching “paradise” of any kind.

*Cauldron of Steel* reflects the willingness of People to sacrifice everything in search of a better life for their families. *Cauldron* pays homage to those immigrants. Their story is inspirational. Their story is our story.

**Spotlight Gallery:**

Vintage photographs of Vandergrift

**General Information**

**Ticket Prices:** \$12/10

**Location:** The Steele Farm

Two miles south of Freeport off  
Rte. 356 on White Cloud Road (*Turn  
right at the Allegheny Presbyterian  
Church*)

**Pre-Theatre Dinner:**

River Forest Country Club

724-295-2298

Seating at 5:00 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.

*Reservations a must!*

**Information:** 724-295-1934

[www.freeporttheatrefestival.org](http://www.freeporttheatrefestival.org)

Courtney, Sharon, & Jacob Riffer and Amanda Fair  
all have parts in this year’s production!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

TODAY, July 18

WEDNESDAY, July 21

6:45 PM - Choir at West Haven

THURSDAY, July 22

4:30 PM - Diner's Club (Fire Mountain in Indiana)

SATURDAY, July 24

5:30 PM - Borowski/Ciuffoletti Wedding (Willowbrook CC)

SUNDAY, July 25 – *9th Sunday after Pentecost*

8:30 AM - Early Service

11:00 AM - Worship Service

2:00 PM - Camp Meeting Revival

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RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

SUNDAY, July 11, 2010

8:30 Early Service att.....48      Current Exp .....\$ 3,464.10

11:00 AM Worship att.....95      Mission Share..... 131.00

\$ 3,595.10

Worship avg.....180      Rec'd-to-date.....\$ 108,212.88

S.S. avg. ....41      Expenses-to-date \$ 109,143.74

MISSION SHARE

Monthly Payment.....\$1,784.75      Rec'd This Month.....\$ 327.00

OTHER GIVING

Bldg. & Repair.....121.00      Renovation Fund.....821.00

Abiding Memorials.....50.00      Vacation Bible School.....25.00

Collected to-date for the Renovation Fund - **\$ 208,381.09**

Unpaid Balance on Loan - **\$ 48,397.78** as of 7/16/10

**PLEASE NOTE:** Until our Annual Pledge Campaign gets underway, please prayerfully consider channeling your giving to the Current Expense category for a while. Funds are very low, but the bills keep on coming. Thank you.

**CAMP MEETING REVIVAL** – There is going to be a Camp Meeting Revival at Arbutus Manor in Johnstown (207 Ottawa St.) July 25 at 2:00pm. This will be in the style of the early camp meeting services of the EUB and Methodist traditions. There will be a tent (no sawdust floor this time) and old Gospel hymns from the camp meeting days. Art Moffat, Jr. will be preaching.