

## 8:15 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 28, 2019

**The Gathering** Please sign the attendance pad located in each pew.

### Worship through Praise

<b>Welcome &amp; Announcements</b>	Robbie Breese
<b>Chat with the Children</b>	Julie Burenga
<b>Worship with Offering</b>	Robbie Breese
E-giving is now available—see instructions below	
<b>Scripture Lesson</b>	1 Peter 4:7-11 Robbie Breese
<b>The Message</b>	<b>Series: Marriage Traps</b> Susan Burchfield <i>Letter to My Daughter</i>
<b>Prayer Chorus</b>	
<b>Prayers for Healing &amp; Hope</b>	Wayne Wells
<b>Song</b>	
<b>Benediction</b>	Susan Burchfield

**FUMC PRAYER CONCERNS** Family of Florence Leiter, Erin Damaska (niece of Barb Showalter) - brain surgery, Jason Hoffman - health, Sydney Dowler - leg surgery, Lois Haller - cancer, Harold Kreisler - health, Rebecca Strickler - health, Everett Anderson - Cerebral Palsy, Sandy Anderson - Parkinson's, Dorothy Arnold - pain, Freda Culler - heart, Jim Davis - cancer.

Please see the long term prayer list in the Friendly Visitor for other prayer needs or check the website under the pull down menu "newsletters" @www.vanwertfirst.net.

**Military:** Caleb Kreisler, Evan Wells, Bryan Zinsmaster, Connor Gordon, Noah Sease, Nick Gutierrez, Ben Scheidt, Gerald Christobaker, Geff Gehrllich,.

**Missionaries & Ministries:** Stephen Ministry, Stand for Truth Ministry, Jeanne & Gaston Ntambo, Mission of Hope - Haiti.

**Electronic Giving** is now available at First UMC! You now have a variety of ways to contribute to the ministry of FUMC.

1. **Go to our website** www.vanwertfirst.net and click on the eGiving menu. Full instructions follow.
2. **Download the GivePlus Church app** for free from the App Store or Google Play.
3. **Text us a donation:** Text: 419-963-3557, enter the amount you wish to give in the message, send, and follow the instructions.
4. Of course, the envelope & cash/check system is always available.
5. Any questions, please see Jana in the office. All methods are safe and secure.

## 10:45 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

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### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Voluntary** *Now the Green Blade Riseth* K.McChesney  
Handbells

We invite you to take this time to pray and prepare your heart and mind for worship.

### Lighting of Altar Candles

#### \*Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord gives us strength and makes us secure. He has saved us.

People: **We shout unto the Lord with abundant joy. We praise Him for his help in battle. The Lord's powerful right hand has done mighty things!**

Leader: Yes, the Lord's powerful right hand has won the battle! The Lord's powerful right hand has done mighty things!

People: **Open for us the gates where the godly can go in. We will enter and give thanks to our Lord.**

Leader: This is the gate of the Lord. Only those who do what is right can go through it.

People: **Lord save us. Lord, give us success. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. From this place we bless the Lord. The Lord is God. He has been good to us. He is our God, and we praise Him. His faithful love continues forever.** (Adapted from Psalm 118:14-29)

### WORSHIP THROUGH PRAISE

**\*Hymn** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* #139  
Vs 1,2,4,5

#### Opening Prayer

Kind Abba, our Heavenly Father, we come to thank you for all you have done and continue to do in our personal life. We humbly ask you God to hold the sacred covenant of marriage together with the cord of unity. Empower this bond to stand together against things that attempt to separate a husband and wife.

Healing God, would you be so kind as to heal the brokenness from betrayals and overwhelming disappointment in marriage. Comfort those who mourn the loss of a spouse through death or divorce. Fill them with your loving presence.

We're thankful and excited to see the work of your hand as we do our best to seek you daily. We love you God and thank you for all you are about to do through your Son Jesus Christ. Amen

### WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

**Opportunity to Share God's Resources** Kay Okuley  
E-giving is now available - see instructions on the first page.  
Offertory *Hymn of Promise* Natalie Sleeth  
\*Doxology #94  
\*Prayer of Dedication

### WORSHIP WITH THE WORD

**Chancel Choir** *River in Judea* arr. J. Leavitt  
Jake Wilder, Piano

**\*Scripture** 1 Peter 4:7-11

**Message** **Series: Marriage Traps**  
*Letter to My Daughter*  
Susan Burchfield

### WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER

**Prayer Chorus** *You Are My All in All - vs 1* See Insert  
Silent Moments with God  
Prayer Paul Hoverman  
The Lord's Prayer

### WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONSE

**\*Hymn** *Blest Be the Ties That Bind* #557  
**\*His Light into the World**  
**\*Choral Benediction**  
**\*Postlude** *Un Sospiro* F. Liszt  
**\*Indicates an Invitation to Stand**

### Participants in today's worship

Liturgist: Darla Dunlap  
Organist: Scott Turner  
Choir Director: Paul Hoverman

Acolyte: Ashlynn Shaffer  
Nursery: Sierra Shaffer & Abby Jackson  
2-5's: Ruth Ann & Bruce Dowler  
Welcome Table: Deb & Lonnie Nedderman



The rose on the altar celebrates  
the birth of

## Elijah Daniel Prichard

Parents: Heather & Eric Prichard  
Grandparents: Marilyn & Steve Bebout



NEW SMALL GROUP!

## Guys Missing Wives

Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday  
of the month @First Church  
Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday  
of the month @Orchard Tree



Contact Demond Johnson  
@419/238-0631 ext 306 or by email at  
djjohnson@wcoil.com for more information.



**May 11, 2019**—The **Food Pantry** needs some help with the Post Office food drive. Food will be delivered to the Post Office from 12-4:30pm. If you could give an hour of your time to help unload bags, they would be grateful. Great way to get some service hours Seniors! Call Janet Miller if available: 419-238-6084

**PLACE YOUR ORDER TODAY! Boy Scouts will be at the Jefferson Street entrance to take your order!**

FIRST UNITED METHODIST  
BOY SCOUT TROOP 31 SUMMER CAMP FUNDRAISER

**SUB SALE** Turkey, Ham, Pepperoni  
Cheddar or Swiss



- Proceeds to Boy Scout Troop 31 for camp & outings
- 1 for \$5 OR 5 for \$20
- Available at First United Methodist Church on Sunday, May 5 after each service



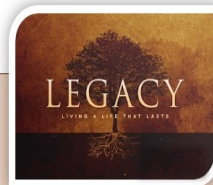
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT GREG AMSTUTZ.

## What's Happening THIS WEEK

Come Join Us!



Sunday, 4/28	8:15am 9:15– 10:30am 9:30am 10:45am Noon—1:30pm 2-4:00pm 2-4:30pm	Blended Worship Coffee & Donuts - Krout Sunday School Traditional Worship Soul Friends Youth Trash Pick up Piano Recital - Hoverman studio
Monday, 4/29	1-3:00pm 6:00pm	Food Pantry Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts
Tuesday, 4/30	8:30am 10:30am	Staff Meeting Prayer Group
Wednesday, 5/01	8:00am 10:30am  1-3:00pm 4:00pm 6:30pm  6:30pm 7:30pm	Men's Bible Study On Our Own - Meet @ church Food Pantry Women of the Word Lifetree Café - The Heroin Addict Next Door Handbells Choir Practice
Thursday, 5/02	8:00am 4:30pm 6:30pm	Clay Pots Women's Ministry Team Praise Band
Friday, 5/03	6:00pm	Bread N Bowl
Saturday, 5/04	11:00—Noon	Leaving A Legacy - see bulletin for information



A comprehensive workshop for end-of-life planning.

**Saturday, May 4, 2019**  
11:00am-12:00pm in the First Church basement

Eric Hurless  
Financial Advisor

Dillon W. Staas IV CO LPA  
Estate Attorney

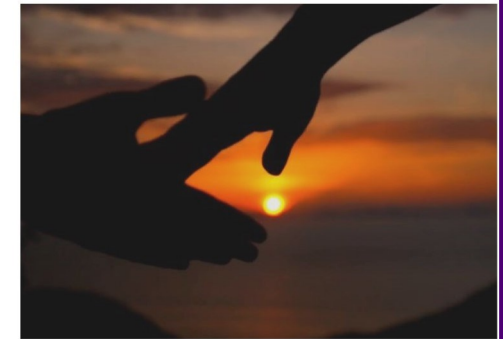
Learn about different ways to leave a legacy while living & beyond,  
plan for your final wishes and estate planning topics.

ALSAPACH-GEARHART FUNERAL HOME: Discussing the 'whys' and 'how-tos' of preplanned funerals.

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## Marriage Traps...



## A Letter to My Daughter

Susan Burchfield, speaker

**Our Vision Statement:**

**Enlarging the circle of disciples through Jesus.**

**Our Mission Statement:**

**Embracing, equipping and empowering  
persons to evangelize through Jesus.**

**Thanks for joining us today!** If you have any questions while you are here this morning, you can find an answer at the Welcome table, which is inside the doors off Jefferson Street. Whatever your circumstances, and no matter where you've been, you matter to God, and you matter to us. We are glad you are here! If you are a first time guest with us this morning, **Welcome!** Please stop by the welcome table and pick up a welcome packet.