

Memorial United Methodist Church

June 17, 2018

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Welcoming and Announcements

Centering our hearts

Don't recognize people by human standards, because if anyone is in Christ, that person is a new creation. Today, we gather as people of God's new creation.

Call to Worship - Responsive

Scattered seeds, emerging seedlings . . .

We all are welcome here.

Youngest children, rugged shepherds, mighty rulers . . .

We're here to worship God.

In the love of Christ, created anew . . .

We gather to worship and remember.

Prayer- Unison

God of power and might, you have laid hands on us and called us each by name. Like Saul and David before us, we need your hand to anoint and guide us. Like seeds that are scattered on the ground, we need your nourishment to grow and flourish. Anoint us, Holy One, and guide us. Feed us and strengthen us, that we may grow in your grace and walk in your ways. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

◆ Hymn "Hymn of Promise" 707

Sharing of Joys / Concerns / Testimonies

Prayer for our concerns

Reading of the Psalm

◆ Hymn "He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought" 128

◆ Scripture Reading
Please stand for the reading of the Scripture

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

◆ Doxology 95
WE STAND TO PRAISE GOD

Children's Moment

Special Music

Prayer of Confession -

When death comes, lift us out of grief and renew our trust in your resurrection. When tragedy strikes, ease our sorrow and renew our hope in new beginnings. When trouble threatens, strengthen our faith and help face our doubts. When we cling to death, tragedy, or trouble, forgive us and reclaim us in your mercy. Redirect us, as you redirected Samuel, to focus on life, to listen to you, and to follow your lead. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

Scripture

The Message

◆ Hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" 384

◆ Benediction

Postlude

◆ Please stand as you are able
The altar is always open. You may come to the altar to pray anytime.

Welcome to

Memorial United Methodist Church
509 Market St., Spencer, WV 25276
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Joys:

Living testimonies to the saving grace of God

Concerns:

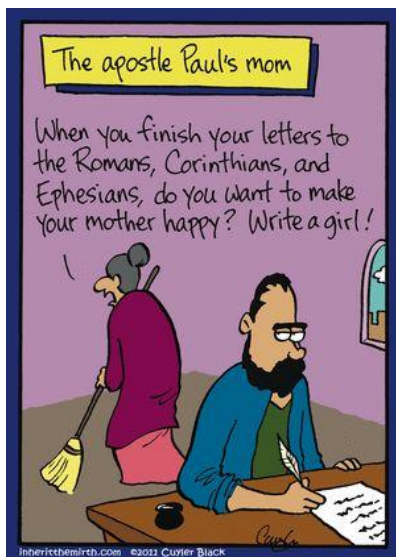
Rosalee Caldwell	Betty Rader
Mary Kendall	Robert Starcher
Shelia Nichols	Clara Wyatt
Jarrold Henderson	Unspoken
Jennifer Gandee-Barker	The Unchurched

Those affected by the recent natural disasters
Families suffering the loss of loved ones

To add a concern to the Prayer list - please complete a Prayer card and place it in the Offering Plate.

This Week's Activities and Announcements

Today - Father's Day
Monday - 6:00PM - Lions Club
Wednesday, June 27th 6:00PM - Trustees Meeting



Dry Bones



The Father's Dream

START CHILDREN OFF ON THE WAY THEY SHOULD GO,
AND EVEN WHEN THEY ARE OLD
THEY WILL NOT TURN FROM IT.



PROVERBS 22:6 (NIV)



MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

June

2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 9:30AM Sunday School 11:00 Worship	28 Memorial Day	29	30	31	1	2 Join us for a Cookout  4:00PM -? Parking lot Cookout and games
3 9:30AM Sunday School 11:00 Worship	4 6:00 PM - Lions Club	5	6	7	8	9
WV UMC Annual Conference in Buckhannon						
10 9:30AM Sunday School 11:00 Worship	11	12	13 2:00PM Unload MFB Delivery Behind Tractor Supply	14 Flag Day 	15	16
17 Father's Day 9:30AM Sunday School 11:00 Worship	18 6:00 PM - Lions Club	19	20	21 Summer begins	22	23
24 9:30AM Sunday School 11:00 Worship	25	26	27 6:00pm Trustees Meeting	28	29	30

CHECK CALENDAR EACH WEEK FOR UPDATED EVENTS.

There will be a Trustees meeting in June to discuss business matters of the church. Please check calendar for updates each week



Frequently Asked Questions

Do United Methodists believe that faith in Jesus Christ is necessary to go to heaven?

Yes, United Methodists do believe that faith in Jesus Christ is the only way the Bible gives as clearly God's gift and way of salvation and heaven. God can save anyone that God chooses to save and we cannot decide whom God will save. We simply trust the plain teaching of scripture. See John 3:16, Acts 4:12 and many other texts.

I am not a member of The United Methodist Church. Can I still receive communion?

The table of Holy Communion is Christ's table, not the table of The United Methodist Church or of the local congregation. The table is open to anyone who seeks to respond to Christ's love and to lead a new life of peace and love, as the invitation to the table says.

Our *Book of Worship* says, "All who intend to lead a Christian life, together with their children, are invited to receive the bread and cup. We have no tradition of refusing any who present themselves desiring to receive" (page 29). This statement means that in practice there are few, if any, circumstances in which a United Methodist pastor would refuse to serve the elements of Holy Communion to a person who comes forward to receive.

Why do most Methodist churches serve grape juice instead of wine for Holy Communion?

The United Methodist Book of Worship explains, "Although the historic and ecumenical Christian practice has been to use wine, the use of unfermented grape juice by The United Methodist Church and its predecessors since the late nineteenth century expresses pastoral concern for recovering alcoholics, enables the participation of children and youth, and supports the church's witness of abstinence.

Does baptism mean that I am saved?

No, salvation is a lifelong process during which we must continue to respond to God's grace. Baptism offers the promise that the Holy Spirit will always be working in our lives, but salvation requires our acceptance of that grace, trust in Christ, and ongoing growth in holiness as long as we live.

For more in depth answers to these and many more questions, visit www.umc.org/what-we-believe/faqs