

*SERMON NOTES*  
"Who's The Greatest?"  
Mark 9:30-37



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### **HEALTH MINISTRY TEAM**

We meet every Tuesday and Thursday at 8:30 am where we begin walking in the Family Life Center. At 9:00 am we will have a devotion for 15 minutes. What a great way to start the day. Everyone walks at their own pace, some enjoy the time to walk alone and listen to the Christian music playing in the FLC, others enjoy the Christian fellowship as they walk, talk and laugh. Come join us!

Update...after collecting data from our survey, one of the interests on the survey was to do "fun things together" such as bike riding, hiking and fun activities in Christian fellowship. We thought we would start off with a hiking trip since there are some beautiful, easy trails, close by Elkins. This would include a devotion and a picnic. If you have an interest in the hiking trip, please stop by the church office to sign up. Once we know who has an interest, we will find a time in October to enjoy God's beauty together. If you cannot hike but want to participate, all are welcome.



First United Methodist Church  
315 Kerens Avenue - Elkins, WV

[fumcelkinswv.com](http://fumcelkinswv.com)

Welcome to First United Methodist Church. Restrooms are located behind the overflow section through either door. Young Families with children are encouraged to sit in the overflow section in order to be conveniently accessible to restrooms. Children's Church meets during the 11:00 service on the second floor in the Christian Education Director's Room. Sunday School for children meet in the Blue Room at 9:45. Adult Classes meet throughout the building -see brochure in Family Life Center Lobby.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 16, 2018

Pentecost 17 B

8:30 SERVICE ON THE SCREEN 11:00 SERVICE BELOW



WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought" (arr. Hayes)

*(Please pass the attendance book in your row.)*

*(Guests, please be sure to list your address, phone number and email address.)*

SERVICE OF LIGHT

*Acolytes*

CALL TO WORSHIP

We come here today not because some are clever but because God welcomes even the slow learners.

**We come here not because some are wise, but because God loves us in spite of our folly.**

We come knowing that the greatest persons will be found among those who humbly serve like Jesus did,

**and that the brightest ideas and the deepest truth will come from those who see themselves as little children in Christ's school.**

O Lord, open up our mind and our hearts

**and enable our lives to declare your praise.**

MORNING HYMN UMH No. 57 "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

vs 1-4

SERVICE HOLY BAPTISM

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

The money today in the Children's Coin Jar will go to support the efforts of the Backpack Food Program.

JOYS, CONCERNS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH No. 895

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory – "Ten Thousand Reasons" (Myrin/Redman) Chancel Choir

Doxology – UMH No. 95 "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE Mark 9:30-37

SERMON "Who's The Greatest?" Brian Seders

HYMN OF INVITATION TFWS No. 2176 "Make Me a Servant"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "The Promised Land" (Stennett)

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Today we rejoice in the Baptism of Leo Ross Ware, son of Ross and Sarah Ware, grandson of Jeff and Donna Trulik and Douglas and the late Cynthia Ware.

\* The 11 am service is videotaped and uploaded to both Youtube and Facebook on a weekly basis. Call or email the office for a link to Youtube. (If parents or guardians have any questions or concerns, please contact Brian Seders.)

## THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS (as of September 9)

**MILITARY** – Joel DiStefano (Andy Montgomery's cousin), Sgt. Lantz Elbon (Tim and Beth Conklin's son-in-law), Tyler Fretwell, Max Jeffries (Heidi Jeffries' son), Robert Jerow (Jerry Jerow's son), Ryan Murphy, Patrick Spears, Isaac Stalnaker (Denise "Stalnaker" Losh's son), Joel Timmons (Seth and Michelle Pratt's son-in-law), Aaron Wetsch, Max White (Andy Montgomery's nephew), Sgt. Megan White (Kit Phillips' niece), Ann Urban

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS** – Wilma Allman, JoAnn Barlow, Mike Barry, Bobbie (Dale Goodman's cousin), Janice Bodkins, Donna Boltz, Adrianna Brown, Jerome Brown, Charles Burcaw, Robert Burdine, David Burgess, Vernon Burky, Charles Burlas, Jan Butcher, Jack Calain, Jack Calance, Macy Canfield, Dave Cartright, Phillips Colton, Larry Cone, Maxine Cooper, George and Maria Corley, Hobert Corley, Melissa Craig, Gary Crawford, Dr. J Crissman, Mary Sue Daniels' Family, Don DePoy, Mike Despar, Displaced Children, Hannah Ebel (Pat and Evette LaFayette's granddaughter), Mr. Ebel, Elvin, Fitzwater/Jones Family, Patty Frisbee, Nellie Galford, Janet Godwin, Carolyn Gola, Government, Mike Haddix Jan Hagarty, Barbara Halperin (Rachel Montgomery's mother), John Hardman, Skylar Harman, David Harris, Jeri Hatch, Amelya Hensley, Mike Herron, Woody Higginbottom, Kathy Hitchcock, Mary Anne Hogan (Elaine Valentine's sister-in-law), Halie House, Denise Howell, Evonne Howell, Hurricane Florence, Ann Jerowitz (Kate Reed's friend), Joe Jones, Aaron Kalar, Kendra Kalar, Loretta Kaylar Karson, Margarette Kennedy, Pat Kenney, Dana Kirkpatrick, Kramer Family, Ann Kump Finlay, Sue LaMora, Sue Lampke, Irene Marstiller-Lothes, Timmy Loudin, Marilyn Lowe, Patricia MacVean, Mary Margaret's daughter, Ginger Malone, Betty McCauley, Jim and Patty McCloud, Patty McCloud's daughter, Becky McDowell, Allison McNabb, Sharon McQuain, Norma Kerr Metzger, Mike Moran, Jeremiah Myers, Our Country, David and Connie Parker, Bill Patterson, Terry Patterson, Patty Pearson, Sandra Peck, Kit Phillips' nephew and sister-in-law, Mark Phipps, Joan Plant, Sandra Poe, Aunt Jean (Dick Proudfoot's aunt), Shelly Purkey, Gilbert Rexrode, Don Rice, Rick and Vick, Wayne Rippey (Jane Conway Rippey's husband), Jackie Rose (Judy Jack's sister), Nancy Rotruck (Jane Corley's sister), Hicel Roy, Sam, Betty Schafer, Tom Schoonover, Mary Scott, Tommy Scott (Bill Umbright's grandson), Charity and Kelly Seders, Faith Seders, Pat Seders, Susan Seders, Jean Skidmore, Slater Family, Jim Slider, Grace Smith, Bill Snedegar, Bill Stalnaker, Norma Stalnaker, Lisa Stanley, Steve Stemple, Stout Family, Taylor Family, Dick and Betty Walden, Jack Wamsley, Lewis Ware, Leo Ware, Jim Webb, Webster Family, Sarah White, Rosalie Wilhelm, Fred Williamson, Steve Wilt, Margaret Winans,

**COLONIAL PLACE** – Rose Barnett, Hope Caplinger, Jo Criss, Don Martin, Millie Metheny, Katie Sayres

**ERCC** – Dixie Gutmann, Lindsay Kenney, Fred Knutti, Paul Mullins, Margie Sutton

**LAVENDER FIELDS** – Delores Turner

**NELLA'S** - Mabel Phares

**VALENTINE'S** – Robert Fretwell

## Daily Bible Reading

Mon–Matthew 10    Thurs-Proverbs 31:10-31    Sun–Mark 9:30-37  
Tues–Matthew 11    Fri-Psalm 1  
Wed–Matthew 12    Sat-James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

**Weekly Memory Verse:** "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me..." Mark 9:37

## Read Through the Bible:

Mon – Ezekiel 42-43  
Tues – Ezekiel 44-45  
Wed – Ezekiel 46-47  
Thurs – Joel 1-3  
Fri – Daniel 1-3  
Sat – Daniel 4-6  
Sun – Daniel 7-9

## Christian Sympathy

We express our sympathy to Denise Kramer and family upon the death of her aunt, Charolette Ann Carr and to Barbara Wetsch and family upon the death of her mother, Mary Sue Daniels.

I will support my church with my presence and gifts"

September 2, 2018

### ATTENDANCE:

8:30 AM Worship	37
Sunday School	22
11 AM Worship	156

GIFTS: Weekly Collection                    \$10,188.00  
          Needed for Budget through 9/02...\$293,255.00  
          Received for Budget through 9/02...\$288,750.00

Our 2018 Budget is \$429,000.



In appreciation for all the prayers, visits, etc., the family of Leo Ware cordially invites the congregation to a baptism reception following the 11:00 am worship service in the FLC.

**Backpack Food Program needs YOUR help!**

School has started and we will meet to pack backpacks on Thursday evenings on the stage in the Family Life Center, beginning on Thursday, September 6 at 6:30 pm. We are presently collecting food items to include: granola bars, individual packets of oatmeal, canned ravioli, fruit cups, veggie cups, snack cracker packs, and pudding cups. Please drop off your items in the bin marked "BACKPACK PROGRAM" by the church office or you may make a donation and earmark your check "Backpack Program". This is an ongoing school project. Monetary, school supplies and food donations are always appreciated. Thank you for your continued support to help the children in Randolph County.



**UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS**

- Steering Committee Meeting on Monday, Sept. 17 at 6:00 pm in the Parlor.
- Nominations Meeting on Tuesday, Sept 18 at 6 pm in the Parlor.
- Family Movie Night on Sunday, Sept. 23 at 5 pm in the FLC.
- Highland Cooperative Parish Meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 25 at 7 pm at Beverly UMC.
- Trustees Meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 25 at 7 pm in the Parlor.
- Pastor Interviews will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 26 starting at 8:30 am in the Sunday School Room.
- Staff-Parish Relations Committee Meeting on Sunday, Sept. 30 at 12:15 pm in the Parlor.

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday – Thursday, 8:30 AM – 3 PM / Friday 8:30 AM – 12-noon PH: 304-636-0660  
 Pastor: Brian Seders (304-636-0406 Home)  
 Administrative Assistant: Rhonda Elmer  
 Director of Christian Education: Kary (Kramer) McAtee  
 Financial Secretary: Danielle Taylor  
 Music Director: Gale Poe  
 Pastor Emeritus: Basil Hensley  
 Custodian: Angela Kisner  
 Nursery Worker: Jennifer Wanless

COME, SHARE, REJOICE...

**SUNDAY, September 16 (James 3:9-12)**

- 8:30 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP
- 9:30 AM COFFEE & TEA BAR / FLC
- 9:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES
- 11:00 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
- 11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHURCH / Orange Room (1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grader)
- 12:00 PM WARE'S BAPTISM RECEPTION / FLC

**MONDAY, September 17 (Proverbs 31:10-31)**

- 9:00 AM QUILTERS / Basement
- 6:00 PM CUB SCOUTS DEN 1 MEETING (Harris) / FLC
- 6:00 PM STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING / Parlor
- 7:00 PM CONWAYRINGERS REHEARSAL / Handbell Room
- 7:00 PM CUB SCOUTS DEN 3 MEETING (Smith) / Blue Room - MS Sunday School Room

**TUESDAY, September 18 (Psalm 1)**

- 8:30 AM HEALTH MINISTRY TEAM WALKERS / FLC
- 9:00 AM STAFF MEETING
- 6:00 PM NOMINATIONS MEETING / Parlor
- 7:00 PM TROOP 88 / Basement

**WEDNESDAY, September 19 (James 3:13-18)**

- 10:00 AM BIBLE STUDY / Parlor
- 3:15 PM WVCH / FLC
- 6:00 PM BIBLE STUDY / Parlor
- 7:00 PM CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL / Choir Room
- 7:00 PM CUB SCOUTS DEN 9 MEETING (Sullivan) / FLC

**THURSDAY, September 20 (James 4:1-3)**

- 8:30 AM HEALTH MINISTRY TEAM WALKERS / FLC
- 6:30 PM BACKPACK PROGRAM / FLC Stage
- 7:00 PM CUB SCOUT COMMITTEE MEETING / Basement

**FRIDAY, September 21 (James 4:7-8a)**

- 12:30 PM SET UP FOR FAMILY REUNION / Parlor
- 1:00 PM CUTRIGHT/FERGUSON FAMILY REUNION / Parlor (1PM-4PM)
- 3:00 PM PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE / Sanctuary
- 6:00 PM CUB SCOUT DEN 2 MEETING (Ward) / Parlor

**SATURDAY, September 22 (Mark 9:30-32)**

**LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY, September 23 (Mark 9:33-37)**

- 8:30 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP
- 9:30 AM COFFEE & TEA BAR / FLC
- 9:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES
- 11:00 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
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- 5:00 PM FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT / FLC





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SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR TYRAND'S  
THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS BASKETS:

Sept. 30 – green beans; Oct. 7 – corn; Oct. 14 – peas;  
Oct. 21 – applesauce; Oct. 28 – pork & beans; Nov. 4 – canned potatoes;  
Nov. 11 – canned fruit; Nov. 18 – cookies; Nov. 25 – hand soap

**Donations for the Thanksgiving Baskets need to be in before  
November 13<sup>th</sup> and donations for the Christmas Baskets need to be in  
before December 4<sup>th</sup>. Collection containers will be placed in the  
vestibule and by the church office.**

### FOREST FESTIVAL BAND STOP

**We are having a band stop for Saturday afternoon for the bands at the  
Parsonage for the Forest Festival!**

**Saturday afternoon, October 6: Cookie and Water Stop! The U.M. Men  
are graciously purchasing bottled water again. Most needed are cookies  
(no chocolate, no nuts), and volunteers! You may drop off cookies at  
the church.**

**If you would like to make a donation please write the check out to the  
First United Methodist Church and earmark your check  
Forest Festival Band Stop.**

**If you would like to volunteer to help for Saturday please contact the  
church office, 304-636-0660 or Lynn Ritter, Band Stop Coordinator,  
304-636-5483.**

## UNDIE SUNDAY – October 14, 2018

Please bring a package or two of new boxers, briefs,  
undies, T-shirts, Long Johns & Janes, socks and/or  
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