

## JUNE 2021

First United Methodist Church  
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Muncy, PA 17756-1628

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### Sunday morning schedule

- Worship services:  
8:15 traditional  
9:30 contemporary  
10:45 blended

- Classes:  
9:30 adults, children  
10:30 adults, children  
11:00 Grades 6-8

Nursery care is available.



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He first loved us."  
1 John 4:19

*Vision Statement*  
We are  
a welcoming family  
of Christ followers,  
living lives  
of generosity  
as we seek to be  
a blessing to others.



## United Methodist Women: Hope • Faith • Love in Action

United Methodist Women will gather at the church picnic pavilion on Tuesday, June 8, at 6:00 p.m. for good food and fellowship. Please bring a dish to share and your own table service. Beverages will be provided. The brief business meeting will *not* be followed by a short program, "She Leads," as originally planned. The focus will be on providing a circle of support to train more women for leadership roles, including women in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Mozambique and Sierra Leone. New faces are always welcome!

United Methodist Women honored Molly Kemmerer with the 2020 Special Mission Recognition pin and certificate on May 16. Her many years of support of UMW, involvement in church activities and ever-present help to those in need were noted. Molly lives out the vision of United Methodist Women—"Faith, Hope, Love in Action."



*submitted by Karen Barraco, secretary  
United Methodist Women, Muncy*

## Mission Central: Connecting People and Resources

Mission Central is a nonprofit organization registered with the IRS under section 501c3 and with the PA Bureau of Corporations and Charitable Organizations. It opened in 2002 and was a mission of the Susquehanna Conference of the United Methodist Church. A non-profit corporation since 2020, it retains a close affiliation and partnership with the conference.

Its mission, "Connecting God's Resources with Human Need," has three areas of focus: mission outreach, mission education and disaster response. By partnering with over 180 different organizations, it provides resources to groups doing humanitarian work locally, across the country and around the world. It responds to all weather-related disasters or emergencies that occur.

Mission Central is one of six warehouses that provide the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR—an organization that provides disaster relief and humanitarian aid to over 80 countries worldwide) with all of their resources used in disaster response efforts. Recently they sent over 11,000 cleaning buckets and more than 45,000 hygiene kits to hurricane-affected areas in the United States, at a value of approximately \$1.5 million. Relief efforts are not limited to UMCOR—over half of the aid provided stays in Pennsylvania.

It is not funded by the United Methodist Church or UMCOR and exists because of the generosity of churches, local businesses and, most importantly, individuals. It costs over \$1,500 daily to keep this warehouse operating.

Following is a recent letter of appreciation.

*Thank you, First UMC, Muncy! We are so grateful for your donation. Thanks to your prayers, love and support, we had a record-breaking 2020, assisting over 3.3 million people with over \$10.9 million in resources.*

*In 2020, some of Mission Central's efforts included:*

- distributing over \$780,000 in medical supplies, supporting 241,000 people.
- sending 42 shipments to South America, Africa and Eastern Europe.
- supplying \$433,000 in flood buckets/cleaning kits to recovery efforts.
- launching a school partnership so over 13,000 students and their families received support from Mission Central.

*In the first quarter of 2021, we assisted over 1 million people with over \$3.3 million in resources. We are on track for another record-breaking year. We expect needs to increase as the impact of the pandemic continues to be felt.*

*Stephanie Titzel, Director of Development and Communications  
5 Pleasant View Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050 717-766-1533, x118*

## May Council Highlights

- Pastor Rick and our archives committee agreed to postpone Heritage Sunday until autumn. This will allow us to celebrate with our 50<sup>+</sup> and 70<sup>+</sup>-year members who may not be comfortable attending in-person worship at this time, due to the pandemic. It will also allow for maskless photos.
- There was discussion on whether to return to printed worship bulletins. They are a big expense, and we've gone a year without them. If you have a strong opinion on this, please speak with Pastor Rick, Nancy Grove (worship team leader) or call the church office. We'd like to hear from the congregation.
- Transform Lycoming County is scheduled for July 19–23.
- Our externally focused church ministry team reported there'll be no craft show in December.

*submitted by Church Council*

*Recording Secretary Jody Robinson*

## Get Connected

- † Men's fellowship: 8:00 p.m. Sundays; Kevin Myers, 570-412-2820
- † Body & Soul women's exercise: 9 a.m. Mondays/Thursdays, Celebration Cntr; Linda Holsinger, 570-546-6840
- † Men's breakfast: 7:00 Tuesdays, Cracker Barrel Restaurant; Denny Hammond, 570-772-9983
- † "Angels" Bible Study: 10:00 Tuesdays in our Living Water Café; taught by Pastor Rick; no homework or registration
- † GriefShare: 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays, café; Holly Pote, hmpote@yahoo.com
- † "Seasons of the Spirit" Bible study: 6:30 Wednesdays; facilitated by Holly Pote (hmpote@yahoo.com) and Becky Shaner
- † God Squad (grades 9–12): 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays, CC207; Kevin Myers, 570-412-2820
- † Mission Stitchers: third Saturdays, Nancy Grove, 570-433-3133
- Benefit social dance: 1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays, 7:00–10:00, Celebration Center; June 5 canceled; Gary and Bonnie Glidewell, 570-546-2866, bgdance@comcast.net

### First UMC Music Day Camp June 13–18

Brochure and registration:  
<https://firstumcmuncy.org/2021-music-camp/>

### Co-Ed Christian Softball League

Schedule: church website calendar  
Marty McCabe, Manager 570-971-6386

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### CURRENT EXPENSE

Balance 4-1-21	\$11,132.63
Receipts	34,844.86
Funds available	45,977.49
Total expenses	37,494.95
Net balance 5-1-21	8,482.54

### BENEVOLENCE FUND

Balance 4-1-21	11,412.55
Receipts	3,759.00
Funds available	15,171.55
Total expenses	11,880.85
Net balance 5-1-21	3,290.70

### BUILDING FUND

Balance 4-1-21	1,087.31
Receipts	5,529.00
Funds available	6,616.31
Total expenses	0000.00
Net balance 5-1-21	6,616.31

*Dear First UMC,*

*I give sincere thanks to God for laying upon your heart the ministry of Shepherd of the Streets. People in need in our community are receiving medication and traveling to medical appointments because of your gift. We provide hygiene items to promote personal care and health.*

*In Christian Love, Pastor Mark Brumbach*

## Transform Lycoming County

July 19–23 will be a week of local mission opportunity. First UMC, Muncy, will be partnering with other United Methodist Churches in Lycoming County. We believe that missions are about God, not us, and that his week of serving will be an excellent opportunity to join God in doing His work.

If you can only participate part of the week or part of a day, you are welcome to join us in being the hands, feet and heart of Jesus Christ—serving others for the transformation of the world.

*Dennis Hammond*

*First United Methodist Church, Muncy  
570-546-8030*



## CELEBRATIONS

To add a birthday or anniversary, contact the office (570-546-8030, [office@firstumcmuncy.org](mailto:office@firstumcmuncy.org)).

*May the blessings of our loving God  
fill your heart with joy!*

- 6/1 Wayne Kemmerer, Diana Zeisloft
- 6/2 Melissa Buck, Lacy Eckard, Derek Sellers
- 6/3 Linda Holsinger, Evan Statts
- 6/4 David Cotner, Darcie Peterman
- 6/5 Mitch Morgan, Penelope Reynolds
- 6/7 LeRoy Frontz, Amanda Kustanbauter,  
Jim Stuart
- 6/8 Rebecca Byers, Mike Hoffman,  
Molly Kemmerer
- 6/9 Tim Barraco
- 6/10 Ambra Swank
- 6/11 Allison Beck
- 6/12 John Phillips, Jane Pick
- 6/13 Brent Miller
- 6/14 Sullivan Miller
- 6/16 Marcy Benner, Bill Bond
- 6/17 Amanda Knerr, Amanda Creasey,  
Alexis Miller
- 6/19 Ginny Boob, Sue Brittain, Becky Hoshauer,  
Don Kepler
- 6/21 Kathy Colyer
- 6/23 Dottie Mertz
- 6/24 Novah Zerbe
- 6/25 Wade Beck
- 6/26 Tyler Smay
- 6/27 Marie Anderson, Sue Rhodes,  
Connie Sommers
- 6/28 Trent Sellers
- 6/29 Gary Hartley, Paul Miller
- 6/30 Bill McCarty



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- 6/3 Lana and Bob Forse
  - 6/6 Katie and Greg Bell
  - 6/7 Jean and Denny Hammond,  
Brooke and Aaron Reynolds
  - 6/8 Joanne and Lou Cromley,  
Nikki and Skylar Wilcox
  - 6/10 Nichole Buck-Manikowsky and Joe  
Manikowsky, Yuanita and Roger Frantz
  - 6/12 Karen and Al Barraco
  - 6/15 Elsie and Dan Emick, Julie and Jed Ritter,  
Stacey and David Spring
  - 6/16 Linda and Craig Miller,  
Darl and Doug Smith
  - 6/18 Jan and Bruce Weaver



## CELEBRATIONS (continued)

- 6/20 Joyce and Carl Hampe
- 6/21 Karen and Tom Ruhl
- 6/25 Kristin and Matthew Timer
- 6/26 Cindy and Steve Campbell,  
Anne and Chris Leshner
- 6/27 Monica and Ron Hill
- 6/28 Mary Ann and Paul Miller
- 6/29 Paula and Marty McCabe,  
Dottie and Bob Mertz



## THANK YOU (more on page 2)

*First United Methodist Church,*

*Thank you for your generous donation of \$2000  
to Sojourner Truth Ministries and House of Hope.  
You are helping us to provide meals and more!  
The pandemic has increased the needs!*

*Dear First UMC, Muncy,*

*What an amazing group of talented people that  
volunteer to help people with problems they can't  
cope with themselves. Jake and I were amazed at  
the crew that showed up at our house and worked  
together all day to put in a ramp for us that we  
know we're going to need. The camaraderie and  
expertise they shared were impressive, and we are  
so blessed to belong to a church that reaches out  
to help in so many ways!*

*Gratefully, Carol and Jake LeVan*



*Sympathy is extended to the loved ones of:*

*Doris Hess*

*March 24, 1929–May 5, 2021*

*Carolyn Wertman*

*August 2, 1934–May 10, 2021*

*Patricia "Pat" Schreffler*

*September 5, 1936–May 21, 2021*

### Memorial Services

† The Rev. Michael Gardy 10:30 June 5  
Church sanctuary and livestreamed\*  
Memorial Garden: interment 12:00 light lunch

† Larry Rider 11:00 June 19  
Church sanctuary and livestreamed  
Memorial Garden: Scattering of ashes

\*available on Facebook through that day

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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

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Celebrating New Life Together in Jesus Christ  
Growing Deeper, Giving of Ourselves, Reaching Wider

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