

First Light

A weekly e-newsletter from
First United Methodist

April 17, 2026

Ladies' Bible Study Reboot



The Ladies' Bible study, which previously met on Wednesday evenings, will start back up again but on **Monday** nights instead of Wednesdays. The group will meet every other week beginning on **May 4th** and will meet from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Living Water Café. They will begin with a study entitled "12 Daring Women of the Bible" which is a 12-week study. There is no

book for this study but there is a study guide. It will be discussed at the first meeting whether this guide is necessary and purchasing it will be optional. If you are interested or have an questions, please contact Nancy Grove (570-447-5114) or Elaine Duckworth (570-419-9983).

Helpers Needed with Trimming

The Trustees are looking for people to help with trimming/weed whacking for the season. The job includes providing a weed free area around the church. If you are able to help, please contact John Lucas at 570-560-2626.



Summer Camp 2026

Registration is now open for the summer 2026 camping season with the Susquehanna Conference Camp and Retreat Ministry. There is a \$25 Early Bird Discount if you register before May 1st. First UMC does have some camping scholarship funds available. Speak with Pastor Rick for more information. See all of the camps available here on the [camping website](#).



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"All of Creation"

Genesis 2:4b-23

Romans 8:18-23

Mark 16:9-15

Reminders:

Spring Yard Sale May 15th -16th

This is just a "save the date" notice. The Mission and Outreach Team will hold a yard sale in the Celebration Center on May 15th & 16th. So start gathering those give-away and throw-away items. You might also want to mark your calendars so you are available to help. It's a big job! The church will begin collecting donations a few days prior to the sale.

VIM Week June 22nd-26th

Mark your calendars for Volunteers in Missions Week which will be held June 22nd-26th this year. Volunteer and Project Applications are now available on the Connection Tables. Home Repair Applications are due June 8th. Talk with Brian and Angie Kustanbauter for more information about VIM.

Native American Offering

We will collect a special offering next Sunday, April 19th, for Native American Sunday. The Native American Ministries offering bolsters the work of Native American ministries in annual conferences throughout the United States and provides scholarships for Native Americans studying at United Methodist schools of theology. You can contribute to the offering by placing cash or check (payable to FUMC) in a special offering envelope and placing it in the offering plate or basket. Special offering envelopes can be found in the pew racks and on both Connection Tables.

Good 'N Plenty Meal

Wednesday, May 6th

4:00-5:30 Take Out (or until sold out)

5:00-6:30 Dine In



Ham BBQ, macaroni salad, baked beans, chips & dessert

\$12/meal (suggested donation)

No child sizes

No Call Ahead Orders Please