



Warrensburg First United Methodist Church

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Living That All May Know Jesus

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:30am Connections
Connected Band

10:45am Traditional
Blended with choir
and "Kids Own Worship."

*A nursery is available for children
through 2 years of age.*

Pastor Peter's Listening Sessions

I believe that God has placed a vision for the future of this church on each of our hearts. To hear what is on your heart, I am inviting everyone who is a part of our community of faith to be a part of a listening session.

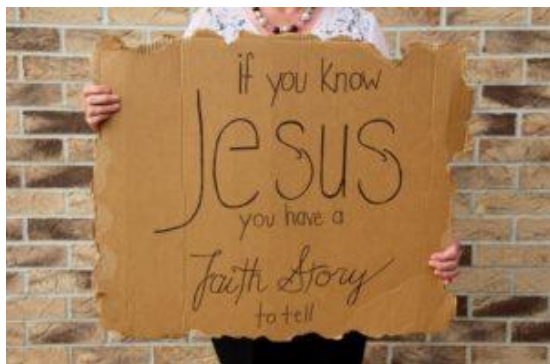
Listening Sessions consist of...

- 10-12 people
- 1 hour
- In someone's home or hosted at the church
- Water, coffee, or tea provided
- The session host takes notes while Peter asks 4 questions and listens to what God has put on your hearts.
- Peter will end with casting a vision for the future of the congregation based on previous listening sessions and discernment.
- Prayer

Listening sessions are a wonderful way for us to hear each other and discern where God is calling us as a church. Contact June Mellinger to sign up to attend or host a listening session. You mail call or email June at 600-747-7396 or email to thomasmellin7396@aol.com.

I believe that the best days of ministry are ahead of us at First Warrensburg United Methodist Church. We are going to reach so many new, young families for Jesus Christ together!

Rev. Peter Norton



Having a great time with parishioners listening to their thoughts and concerns!

John 14:15-19 NIV

"If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever--the spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live."

If you want to know Jesus you have to have faith. He is no longer visible as he was in the past to the people of his time. He was pledged by unbelievers then, too.

He has given us the Holy Spirit. You have to have faith in order to believe or the Holy Spirit will not recognize you as a follower of Jesus. To get prayers answered you have to ask the right questions and He will respond with yes, no, or maybe. All questions will be answered according to the will of God.

■ **Marlene Millstead**

MINISTRY IN MOTION - SUNDAY MORNING CHURCH BUS

Need a ride to church? Call the office by Noon on Friday to arrange a bus stop at your home. The FUMC bus is handicap accessible.

JOB OPENINGS AT WARRENSBURG FIRST UMC

CUSTODIAN - We are looking to fill the vacancy in our custodian and building manager position for August 1st. This is a part time position of 20-25 hours per week. Starting pay rate is \$10.00 per hour. Please share this information with family and friends! A copy of the job description may be picked up in the office or is available on the church website. Target hiring date: Aug. 15, 2019.

PRE-SCHOOL DIRECTOR – We are looking for an energetic and enthusiastic person to lead up this important ministry position. For further information, please contact Pastor Peter!

UMW CANDLE BURNING FOR MISSION

United Methodist Women will sponsor a Candle Burning for Mission on UMW Sunday, August 11, during both worship services. UMW Mission Giving dollars are at work in the U.S. and around the world supporting programs that improve life and help empower women, children and youth.



During the worship services a candle will be lit and allowed to burn for as many “official” minutes of money that has been donated. Last year our candle burned for 30 minutes.

The “official” Mission Minute is the amount of money equal to the cost of funding one minute of Mission work through the UMW National, which varies each year. The amount for 2019 is \$22.77

per minute. UMW members will be accepting donations on July 14, 21, 28, and August 4th.

Members of the congregation may donate any amount of money to UMW Mission Giving in memory of a loved one. The names will be listed in the bulletin on that Sunday. There will be an insert in the bulletins with a form for donations. Please make checks out to UMW and designate Candle Burning.

Thank you for your generous support. Please call Vicki Ollison (362-0044) or Jana Miller (909-5802) for more information.

MUSIC MINISTRY

We are planning a kick-off gathering for Bell Choir in August. Our intent is to ring around the holidays (Christmas, Easter, etc.) and 3 to 4 times during the rest of the year. No experience necessary but an ability to read music will be helpful. We will teach you, though! For more information, please contact Jim Duncan in the church office or email him at publisher@umcburg.org!

Anyone interested in singing with Chancel Choir, please contact Sherry Printz. 660-238-0246. Prerequisites: love to sing, ability to match pitch, able to rehearse on Wednesdays (6:30 pm-7:30 pm) and sing on Sunday morning (10:45 am service). Chancel Choir is particularly looking for tenors (male or female!).

MONTHLY MEMOS...

NEWSLETTER ON WEBSITE:

The FUMC newsletter and church calendar are available on our website. Copies of the newsletter are also available in the Atrium and FLC hallway.

LIKE US - You KNOW you want to!!!

Please like **Warrensburg First United Methodist Church** on Facebook. You will then receive FUMC notifications to your Facebook account. We are in the process of becoming more active on Facebook. Please share your church experiences on our page. Be sure to check in Sundays, take a selfie in church and post it!

ALTAR FLOWERS

Want to share altar flowers in 2019? To reserve date, colors, and wording for the Sunday bulletin, please call the office (660-747-8158) or email us at office@umcburg.org. Please have your request in to Marlene by noon Wednesday. She will order your arrangement on the Wednesday prior to your date. Make your check payable to FUMC with “altar flowers” in the memo.

MEETING & EVENT SCHEDULING

When requesting use of space, you must turn in a form to a person in the office who will sign it and make a copy for your records. Please don't leave your form without handing it to a member of the office staff and getting a copy! All building use requests require the form to be received and approved a minimum of two weeks advance or their building use will not be approved.





The Jamaica team is organizing a medical mission to serve in Falmouth, JA during early January 2020. All skills are needed as a means to develop relationships with individuals in that community. There is a particular need for those with medical skills.

Learn more about the mission and how you might join and contribute to the mission by attending the August team meeting in the FLC Basement on Sunday, Aug. 18 at 2pm.



Warrensburg Christian Academy

We continue to provide the community and our church with a full day preschool. We are now accepting enrollments for the 2019-2020 school year. We encourage you to enroll early as we are expecting a full enrollment and a waiting list this coming school year!

Please help us get the word out in the community about our pre-school program! You can help by posting on Facebook, sharing our postings on your personal page, and so forth.



Ashley Moses, Director kingdomkids@umcburg.org

I'm Ashley Moses and I have just recently been appointed to the position of working with your kiddos on Sunday mornings and Wednesdays for Kingdom Kids. We are extremely excited to start practicing our fall songs in the upcoming weeks. In Sunday School and Children's Church we are currently learning about Abraham! I would like to ask for volunteers to help on Sunday mornings as well as Wednesdays. As the school year approaches so does the excitement of Kingdom Kids! At Kingdom Kids we provide an after-school snack. I would be so grateful for any type of kid friendly snack/drink donation.

I am incredibly excited for the upcoming year! We have tons of exciting things planned. I look forward to meeting and getting to know each and every one of you! If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me!

In Our Prayers: The family of Charlene "Hattie" Davis on her passing. The Price family as they work through their baby's health issues. Shut-ins, care givers.

Pastoral Care: If you have a death in the family, are sick or hospitalized, please inform the church office. *Local hospitals do not notify us of admissions.*

Please continue to be aware that our international students are half a world away from home and this can be lonely. A conversation on Sunday morning can be very meaningful and comforting. Other opportunities to brighten an international student's day include taking them to shop, inviting them out for a meal, or just being a friend they can talk to about cares and concerns.

College-Age Ministry
Denish Omandi, Coordinator
TheRock@umcburg.org



NOW ENROLLING FOR FALL 2019!
WARRENSBURG CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

- Christ-centered, State Certified.
- Doing what's best for kids.
- Affordable tuition - Accepting State Assistance payments
- State Certified teachers - Individual Classes for 3, 4, & 5 year old's
- Computer Lab and Library - Indoor Gym & Outdoor Play Areas
- Nationally Accredited -- State-Approved Curriculum
- State of the Art Class Rooms -- Small Class Sizes
- Educationally based hands-on field trips
- USDA Approved Breakfast and Lunch
- Licensed Speech Therapist on Staff
- Age-based readiness evaluations

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God loves you and so do we!

Fill the Big Box! Hunger Takes No Vacation!

It's time to once again fill the Big Box in the Atrium! Our donations to the Food Pantry are really needed now! The shelves are not full! Food, personal items, baby items, and diapers are all needed. If you choose not to shop, checks are also appreciated! Make your check payable to FUMC and designate Food Pantry at the bottom of the check. Your check allows the Food Pantry to purchase food at a reduced rate.

During the month of August, FUMC is responsible for serving as guides to assist the clients through the Food Pantry. We need six volunteers for each Tuesday and Thursday at 12:45 during the month. Signup sheets are located in the Atrium or you can volunteer online. Your time commitment is around three hours, but the blessing you will receive is boundless!

Our food and time donations show that we live so that others may know Jesus.

The Food Center is on Facebook!

<https://www.facebook.com/johnsoncountyfoodcenter/>



IT'S TATERIN' TIME!!!

The annual "potato bake" has been a fundraiser for United Methodist Men for several years and is a social event well received by the congregation. We hope that will be true again this year.

This year's bake is scheduled for Sunday, August 25, in the FLC following the 10:45 service. UMM invites and welcomes donations of sides and desserts and asks that these be brought to the FLC by 9 am Sunday, Aug 25.

The Jamaica Mission is one beneficiary of this fundraiser. We invite all to attend. UMM will accept "free will donations" for the meal and "take outs" will be available. A sign-up sheet for specific donations will be available later.

For more information, contact Steve Mills at 660-441-8309 or via email to smills@ucmo.edu.

