



DERRY FIRST UMC MONITOR FOR AUGUST 2021

LIFE WITH THE MESSIAH

'...let us lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus... who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross...' [Hebrews 12:1-2](#) (NRSV)

It is only in the fellowship of the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit that we can become conformed to the image of Jesus. The mind of Christ is with us in the power of the Holy Spirit. A mind that is little preached or practiced today. We often believe that as long as we abstain from obvious sins, we are free to enjoy all the worldly pleasures and self-exalting activities on offer.

There seems to be little understanding of the truth that the world and the flesh that loves the pleasures of life, are 'enmity against God' ([Romans 8:7](#)). Because of this, many believers pray to be conformed to the image of Christ, but never change. Instead, we must disengage wholeheartedly with the world and die daily to self.

Like Jesus, we must choose each day to walk in His footsteps, ***bearing our own cross, with our old nature condemned and crucified.*** Only then will we be conformed to the image of Jesus ([Romans 8:29](#)).

As God's chosen children, let's wake up to this message, looking to the crucified and resurrected Jesus while we run this lifelong race. Let's patiently persevere being aware that it is for the joy of pleasing and glorifying God that we endure. Just like Jesus our highest happiness and joy will be found in placing the needs of others before our own, so that God will be known, exalted and praised.

As we move on through the weeks here at Derry First United Methodist Church, let us remember that we are in fellowship with the Messiah and we are being guided by God to spread the good news of God in Jesus Christ.

In Christ,

Pastor Jason and Pastor Kyle

August 2021

Sun

Mon

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1 Worship 11AM Pastor Jason Liturgist—Craig Taylor Jr. Church—Janet Campbell	2 Meals on Wheels	3 Meals on Wheels Finance Meeting 6:30 PM	4 Meals on Wheels	5 Meals on Wheels Knotty Knitters 6PM	6 Meals on Wheels Derry Great Garage Sale 8-4 pm	7 Derry Great Garage Sale 8-4 pm
8 Worship 11AM Pastor Jason Liturgist—Sandy Errett Jr. Church—Sandy Errett	9	10	11 United Methodist Women 6 PM All Ladies Welcome!	12 Knotty Knitters 6PM	13	14
15 Worship 11AM Pastor Kyle Liturgist—Duane Slade Jr. Church—Flo McNichol	16	17	18 Food Pantry Distribution 10-11 AM Church Council 6 PM	19 Knotty Knitters 6PM	20	21
22 Worship 11AM Pastor Kyle Liturgist—Arlene Jones Jr. Church—Janet Campbell	23	24	25	26 Knotty Knitters 6PM	27 Back to School Carnival at Latrobe UMC 5-8 PM	28 Back to School Carnival at New Der- ry UMC 12-3 PM
29 Worship 11AM Pastor Jason Liturgist—Jim Shawley Jr. Church—Sandy Errett	30	31	Attention Committee Chairs: Please schedule a committee meeting as soon as you can. This will help insure that the Church Council receives the most up-to-date information. Please let the Office know when meetings are scheduled to announce in the bulletin/newsletter.			

Back to School Ministry

We will again be helping Latrobe UMC Ministries with their Back to School Carnival by filling backpacks! Below is the list of items that each backpack should include. All items are due back to the church by August 8th. Don't want to go shopping? Monetary donations are accepted and we will do the shopping for you. Any questions contact the office.

1-backpack
3-Wide Ruled 1-subject notebook
6-#2 Pencils
1-eraser
1-glue stick

1-12 inch ruler
1-pair blunt tip scissors
1-pencil sharpener
1-24 count box of crayons

Sunday Worship Sponsors

For 2021 we are doing Worship Sponsors instead of Bulletin and Altar Flower Sponsors. We can have as many sponsors for a Sunday as we need. We do ask that a donation of \$10 is done for each sponsorship. Contact Teri in the office to get your Sponsor on the list.

2 Denny Funk
4 Jonathan Smen
6 Randy Secrist
Raegan Secrist
7 James Smen
Dan Forsha
9 John Filetic
12 Jessica Rutter
Barbie Pickford
14 Duane Slade
17 Hayden Stephenson
20 Scott Taylor
21 Jessica Himler
25 Stacy McGivern Roth
26 Mason Miller
27 John Farr
30 Nancy Shomo
31 Roy Love Jr.

4 Fred & Linda Painter
5 Duane & Muriel Slade
12 Ian & Kindall McWherter
18 Jon & Hope Lyons





Good News!
Junior Church is Back!

We invite all children, Kindergarten thru 6th grade, to attend Junior Church every Sunday.

During our 11 AM Worship Service, one of our Junior Church teachers will take the children to their Junior Church Room downstairs where you may pick them up at the end of worship.

Lessons include a Bible Story, craft, games or video.

The cry room, located in the back of the sanctuary, is also available during worship.

If you would like to help teach, contact the office to be added to the rotation!



Miss a Sunday worship? You can now watch the Sermon from the previous Sunday on our Facebook page Derry First United Methodist Church, website: derryfirstumc.org or on YouTube —Contact the Church office for the link.

Derry First is packing "Meals on Wheels" from Monday, August 2nd thru Friday, August 6th



We make 48 "cold meals" each day. Therefore, we need eight dozen cookies for each day. Please remember the cookies should not include nuts or chocolate. We also need money to purchase the items for the "cold meal." You may drop off your donations prior to Monday, August 2nd. Please call the church at 724-694-8333 to make sure someone is here or come between 7:00 AM and 9:00 AM Monday, August 2nd morning.

**Thank You for making a difference in the lives of 48 individuals
in our community!**

Reminders:

Prayers:

- ◆ Prayer Team: Contact Kim McWherter at 724-454-1804 (cell)
- ◆ Shared during Worship: Contact the Church Office @ 724-694-8333 due by 11 am on Thursday

Food Pantry/Food Bank:

- ◆ To sign up for Food through Derry Area Food Pantry, contact Terri Forsha @ 724-694-0260.
- ◆ Food Distribution is the third Wednesday of each month,
10:00 to 11:00 at AV Germano Hall.
- ◆ For emergency food, contact Derry First —724-694-8333.



Memorial Service for Ed Dunbar

Please join our family as we celebrate the Life of Ed Dunbar
Sunday August 29, 2021 following the church service

A luncheon will follow at the pavilion, and we can all share
our stories of my dad.

We hope you will join us.

Please **RSVP** to John Dunbar at

hockeyman3958@yahoo.com by August 20, 2021

United Methodist Women Annual Day Apart Gathering

The Greensburg District United Methodist Women will be holding it's Day Apart at Camp Allegheny, on Wednesday, September 8, 2021. We haven't gathered for well over a year, and are looking forward to seeing everyone again. Our Speaker is Natalie Marionneaux, a missionary and community minister for Hope-Filled Relationship's in Johnstown.

SENIOR FARMERS' MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM

Contact Derry First (724-694-8333) for an Application Form. To qualify, you must be age 60 or older by 12/31/2021, and your annual income cannot exceed \$23,828/person or \$32,227/couple.

Great News!

**Derry First UMC is participating in the
Great Garage Day Sale**

Friday, August 6 & Saturday, August 7
from 8 am-4 pm

Lunch will be available for purchase



We are accepting donations of household items, tools, toys, linens, home décor, holiday décor, small appliances, furniture, etc. Please call the church office at 724.694.8333 from 9-12 noon to make arrangements to bring your donations. Proceeds benefit the many ministries of the church. Thank you.



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Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs: 9-1

Wednesday: 9-12

Did you know that you can get the newsletter delivered to your email address? Let the office know if you would like to help save the church on postage!

\$5 Meal Deal

10am-4pm

Pulled Pork Sandwich, Bag of Chips/Pretzels

Bottle Water or Can of Pop

Ala Cart Prices:

Sandwich—\$3.00

Chips/Pretzels—\$1.00

Pepsi, Dt. Pepsi, Ginger Ale-\$1.00

Lipton Ice Tea-\$1.00

Bottle of Water-\$1.00



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