



**First United Methodist Church**

**Pastor Chris Hardy**

**August 12, 2018**  
**Sermon Series: Reminders of God in the Ordinary**  
**Worship 11:00**

**Greeting & Announcements**

**Gathering Meditation**

"I am praying to you because I know you will answer, O God. Bend down and listen as I pray." – Psalm 17:6 (NLT)

**Prelude & Lighting of the Candles**

*Holy Spirit, speak to our hearts this morning. Let the Word move through us and live in us. In the name of the Jesus Christ. Amen.*

**\*Call to Worship**

Leader: Blessed are they who come in the name of the Lord.

**People: Blessed be the name of the Lord!**

**\*Hymn**

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

#496

**\*Opening Prayer**

**As the sun rises, so does our prayer, loving God. With each new dawn, renew our trust in you, our delight to do justice, and our gladness to be in your presence. Amen.**

**†Children's Message**

Craig Acklen

**○ Coins for Kids**

**\*Hymn**

"It's Me, It's Me, O Lord" (v.1)

#352

**Reading of Holy Scripture**

Luke 22: 39-46 (NLT)

**Message**

"Dirty Laundry"

Pastor Chris

**A Time of Prayer – Sharing our Joys & Concerns**

The Lord's Prayer

**\*Passing the Peace**

**\*Hymn**

“Take Time to Be Holy”

#395

**Giving of our Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

**\*Doxology** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

#95

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**O Holy One, we make our offering at this time in both gratitude and in seeking, in both remembering and hoping, in both fear and faith. Regardless of what is going on in our lives right now, receive these gifts as our way of praising you. Amen.**

**\*Benediction with Three Fold Amen**

#898

**\*Hymn**

“God We with You till We Meet Again”

#672

**\*Postlude**

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\*Please stand if you are able

● Each Sunday our children will be accepting coin donations that will benefit a ministry or project of their choosing.

**“Churches should be the most honest place in town, not the happiest place in town.”**

— Walter Brueggemann, Protestant Old Testament scholar

**“Imagine if every church became a place where everyone is safe, but no one is comfortable. Imagine if every church became a place where we told one another the truth.**

**We might just create sanctuary.”**

— Rachel Held Evans, Christian author

Welcome! Thank you for worshipping with us today.

It is our pleasure that you have shared this experience with us. If you are without a church home, we would be delighted to have you as a part of our Church family. Pastor Chris would be happy to speak with you. God bless you and please come again.

Additional parking is available at Merchants Bank, 303 Penn. Ave., on Sundays and non-banking hours.

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**Church Office Hours**

Nancy Plowman, Secretary

Tuesday - 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**First United Methodist Church Thrift Store**

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Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Today's Worship Leaders**

**Liturgist:**

**Organist:** Karen Skorochod

**Next Week's Worship Leaders**

**Liturgist:**

**Lay Leader:** Cheryl Hower