



TITHES
&
OFFERING

First United Methodist Church

Pastor Chris Hardy

November 11, 2018
Stewardship Sunday
Worship 11:00

Greeting & Announcements

Gathering Meditation

"Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the best part of everything you produce. Then he will fill your barns with grain, and your vats will overflow with good wine." – Proverbs 3:9-10 (NLT)

Prelude & Lighting of the Candles

Loving Father, you have called us to follow your Son, Jesus, without counting the cost. Send us your Holy Spirit to give us courage and wisdom to be faithful disciples who are grateful and generous. Amen.

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Brothers and sisters in Christ, God has given us so much and we are called to give back.

People: We are called to be good stewards of our time, of our resources, and of our money.

Leader: Let us thank God for all of the blessings He has showered upon us as we affirm our commitment to the ministry He is calling us into.

People: Thank you, God! We follow you and only you!

***Hymn**

"Take My Life, and Let It Be"

#399

***Opening Prayer (from St. Ignatius of Loyola)**

Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding, and my entire will. All I have and call my own, you have given to me. To you, Lord, I return it. Everything is yours; do with it what you will. Give me only your love and your grace – that is enough for me. Amen.

Children's Message

† Coins for Kids

Pastor Chris

A Time of Prayer – Sharing our Joys & Concerns

***Hymn** "Forth in Thy Name, O Lord" #438

Reading of Holy Scripture 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 (NLT)

Message "Ain't Got No Money" Pastor Chris

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

***Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #95

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Loving God, you alone created this world and all that is good in it. You allowed us our freedom and entrusted us with great responsibility. All of what we are, all of our concerns, and the unique ability we each have to help those around us come from you. We ask that you bless us as we strive to transform the earth through love, word, and deed. Send the Holy Spirit to work in our hearts and lives, guide our service, and grant us a spirit of purpose and joy. We pray with grateful hearts in Jesus' name. Amen.

***Benediction with Three Fold Amen** #898

***Hymn** "Freely, Freely" #389

***Postlude**

*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.

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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

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

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

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Today's Worship Leaders

Liturgist: Ryan Dietrich

Organist: Karen Skorochod

Next Week's Worship Leaders

Liturgist: Annette DiGiacamo

Lay Leader: Cheryl Hower