

Church Info & Staff

Office Hours
Monday-Friday
9:00 AM-5:00 PM

Sunday Worship Times
8:15 AM
10:35 AM
10:45 AM

Sunday School
All ages
9:30 AM

Staff

Rev. Dave Leckrone
Senior Pastor

Rev. Mic Mohler
Associate Pastor

Penny Hoekstra
Children's Ministries Director

Sue Martin
Administrative Assistant

Brett Bogan
Treasurer

Mark Rogers
Choir Director

Tawnie Johnson
Organist

Dave Pinkerton
Bell Choir Director

Bob Jones
Praise Team Leader

Sharyn Lower-Burd
Food Pantry Director

Bridget Haines
First Kids Preschool Director

Linda Godfrey
First Kids Preschool Teacher

Ann Sweeney
First Kids Preschool Teacher

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**First**
United Methodist Church

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The Ministries of
The First United Methodist Church
★ Troy, OH ★

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e are glad that you are interested in the ministries of The First United Methodist Church! Reflected in this brochure are some of the many opportunities to live the mission of our church: *To know Christ, grow in faith, and serve others.* Please feel free to contact us in order to help you become involved in one of the vibrant, growing ministries we offer.

The First United Methodist Ministry Team Leaders

Adult Ministries

Sunday School

Sundays: 9:30 AM

The mission of The First United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ. Adult Sunday School classes are offered on a variety of topics including the basics of Christianity, holiness in everyday life, and more in-depth studies of Scriptural topics. Sunday School is a great place to make lasting friendships and grow in faith.

Sunshine Ministry

Sunshine Ministry angels keep connected with our "Special Folks" (shut-ins) of the congregation by delivering flowers twice a year, sending cards, calling or visiting, bringing rays of sunshine into their lives.

The Prayer Chain

The Chain consists of approximately 50 prayer warriors who are notified of prayer requests and emergencies throughout the week.

Intercessory Prayer Group

Mondays: 9:15 AM

Room 311

The Intercessory Prayer group, open to everyone, meets weekly to lift up all of the prayer requests from the congregation during the week.

Soup, Salad & Stories

2nd Tuesdays: 11:30 AM-1:30 PM

October-May

Soup, Salad and Stories is a time for women to share faith stories while sharing a simple meal of soup and salad. A Bible study from a selected book is led by class members.

Men's Life Groups

Mondays: 6:30-7:30 AM

Saturdays: 7:30-8:30 AM

Bob Evans-Troy

"Men's Life" groups consist of Bible studies about topics in which men are interested. They enjoy great fellowship & study (no homework is required!).

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Saturdays: 7:30 AM

Friendly's -Troy

A time for devotions, fellowship and breakfast.

Let's Go!

Let's Go provides exciting travel opportunities for church members, family members, and friends. Trips range from one day excursions to overseas travel, and are interspersed throughout the year.

Ministry Contacts

Chancel Bells:

Dave Pinkerton-335-4501

Chancel Choir:

Mark Rogers-558-2839

Food Pantry:

Sharyn Lower-Burd-335-3251

The FLOCK:

Penny Hoekstra-335-2826

Prayer Chain:

Gerry Loar-335-1401

Intercessory Prayer Group:

Harry Wherry-552-9505

Junior & Senior High Youth:

Mic Mohler-335-2826

Let's Go!

Bob and Ann Baird-335-4338

Library:

Kerry Fogarty-339-8640

Men's Life Groups:

Ted Lyons-335-6318

Outreach Ministries:

Mary Deem

Mission Ministries:

Shannon Stucker

Praise Band:

Bob Jones-215-1216

Preschool:

Bridget Haines-335-2826 X206

Soup, Salad & Stories:

Mary Deem-339-5227

Sunday School:

Children: *Penny Hoekstra -335-2826*

Youth: *Mic Mohler -335-2826*

Adult: *Kerry Fogarty -339-8640*

Sunshine Ministry

Bill Lohrer-339-5443

United Methodist Women:

Nancy Shaw -339-1426

Wednesday Evening

Bible Study:

Pastor Dave Leckrone-335-2826

Breakfast Fellowship

Mic Mohler-335-2826 X205

Fibromyalgia Support Group

Aimee Shannon-672-6504

Heart to Heart

Lori Robinson-335-9896

Exercise Classes

Helen Davis-332-7485

Co-Ed Softball Team

Dave Henning-evadh@aol.com

Team G(race)

Brett Bogan-332-0084

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Children's Ministries cont

First Kids Christian

Cooperative Preschool & Extended Care

Our state licensed preschool encourages parents to actively participate in their child's preschool program by assisting the teachers in the classroom and helping with lesson preparation. Daily activities include art, blocks, large motor play, manipulative toys, and theme-based lessons for children ages 18 months through five-years old. Extended care is also available Monday-Friday.

Vacation Bible School

VBS is a lively week where children pre-school through 5th grade experience the Gospel in fun and exciting ways. The summer program includes Bible stories, music, recreation, and crafts.

Church Camp

Church Camp is an annual retreat offered to children who have completed 2nd-12th grades. The purpose is to foster spiritual growth, friendships, and biblical knowledge through study, activities, and fun. Each year camp activities and Bible studies focus on a chosen theme and is open to members and friends of Troy FUMC.

Music Ministries

Adult Choir

Thursdays: 7:30-9:00 PM
September-May
Sanctuary

If your heart longs to sing praises to the Lord, you would be a welcome addition to the Troy FUMC choir. You do not have to be a star singer or performer, just desire to give of your time and talents to serve the Lord. The choir performs during the 10:45 AM service each Sunday and additional services during holidays.

Chancel Bells

Thursdays - 6:30 PM
September-May
Sanctuary

The Chancel Bells are an adult hand bell choir whose purpose is to enhance the

worship of our Lord by providing beautiful music. Through a variety of old and new hymns and arrangements that combine bells with organ and choir, the group aims at providing an additional aid to worship through the art of hand bell ringing.

Praise Band

Thursdays: 7:00 PM
First Place

The Praise Band leads worship at the Sunday morning contemporary service which is held at 10:35 AM in First Place. The band includes vocalists and instrumentalists, as well as audio and media technicians. The band welcomes those who wish to use their gifts in worship ministry.

Adult Ministries cont

United Methodist Women

Monthly: September-May

The UMW provides an opportunity to serve others within our church and community as well as worldwide. Women who join UMW experience fellowship and spiritual growth through prayer, study and action. Members may participate in one of three circles which meet monthly.

FUMC Library

Third floor next to the elevator

The church library provides a variety of books and videos for children and adults, including Bibles, fiction, biographies, and non-fiction on current topics. This is a self-service library with easy checkout and return. Instructions are posted on the wall.

Free Breakfast

Each Sunday morning a free breakfast is served at First Place Christian Center from 9:15-10:30am. Everyone is welcome to eat and/or serve.

Heart to Heart

Heart to Heart is an annual women's retreat and all women and their friends are invited to attend. It begins on a Friday evening and ends Saturday afternoon. Sometimes it is held overnight at a retreat center and other times it is held at First Place Christian Center without an overnight stay. The retreats provide an opportunity for women to get to know each other "Heart to Heart".

Co-Ed Softball

Each spring the FUMC Softball team plays other area church softball teams on Friday nights at Duke Park in Troy (May-July). These are great evenings for fun, fitness and friends.

Co-Ed Exercise Classes

Free exercise classes are available on Mondays and Wednesdays. Senior chair exercises are held at 3:00pm in Room 302. Pilates class is held at 3:45pm on the top floor of First Place Christian Center.

Fibromyalgia Support Group

The Fibromyalgia Support group meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm in Room 313. The support group provides an opportunity to connect with others who are facing similar challenges and encourages participants to deepen their understanding of lifestyle management.

Team G(race)

Team G(race) is a half marathon training program, combined with raising money for a charitable organization. The first race will be the Flying Pig, the famous race in Cincinnati, on Sunday May 1, 2011. Training will begin in February 2011. Team G(race) is open to everybody, from first time runners/walkers to experienced runners.

Mission Ministries

First Place Food Pantry

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays*

1:00-3:00 PM @ First Place

Monday Evenings 5:00-6:30 PM

** 2nd Wednesday of the month: 3:00-5:00 PM*

The Food Pantry provides free food and personal items to the community. Volunteers are needed and welcome and food donations are accepted. A food bin for donation is located outside the church office.

Bradley's House of Hope

Bradley's House of Hope reaches out to handicapped children in the poverty stricken outskirts of Nicaragua's capital. Patterning, equestrian therapy, and tender-loving care are combined to give the poorest of the poor HOPE for the day. The ministry began in a tiny grass hut and has grown to inhabit a 3,600 square foot building in order to meet the demands of the surrounding community. Bradley's House is fully funded by the donations of people in local churches and other organizations.

Project Chacocente

Project Chacocente, located in Nicaragua, is a ministry that reaches out to individuals forced to live in a city dump in order to survive. Through the leadership of missionary Cheryl Avery, ten families have been relocated out of the dump and into the beautiful countryside, where new beginnings can be realized. Sponsorships are available to help support these families as they restart their lives in a new setting.

Ronald McDonald House

Located in Dayton near Children's Medical Center, the Ronald McDonald House provides meals and housing for the families of children that are hospitalized for extended periods. The congregation of FUMC collects pop-top tabs to donate to the Ronald McDonald House.

Short-Term Mission Trips

The First United Methodist Church leads various short-term mission trips locally, nationally, and internationally. Recent mission trips have reached out to the poor in San Francisco, Chicago, Red Bird, New Mexico, Buffalo, Maine, South Carolina, Pennsylvania, Washington DC, Houston and Orlando. Local missions have involved St. Patrick's Soup Kitchen, Habitat for Humanity, Troy Lunch Club, Cold Shelter and our own Food Pantry. Mission teams have also traveled to Nicaragua to help with Bradley's House of Hope.

FISH

FISH serves the local community by providing financial aid, transportation, meals, shelter, and other basic needs on a short-term basis. Help is provided to individuals based upon their specific situation.

Kyle Elementary School

We support our neighborhood school, Kyle Elementary, in many ways. We provide volunteers to serve as Lunch Buddy's and tutor children in reading and math. We also provide funds and volunteers that help with the school's Christmas Gala each year. We collect school supplies during the school year and pay school fees, if necessary. We also meet the needs of students in other ways throughout the year by providing additional funds and clothing and shoes.

Missionaries

Lori and Amanda Potts, *Mission Society*

Dr. Nour and Carolyn Sirker, *Nicaragua*

Karen Vo To & Ut To, *Vietnam*

Olga Ganina, *Russia*

Gaston & Jeanne Ntambo, *Congo*

Willie Berman, *Mexico*

Nicholas & Esther Gitobu, *Cambodia*

David & Natalie Holsten, *Indonesia*

Bradley's House of Hope Staff, *Nicaragua*

Youth Ministries

6th-8th Grade Students

Wednesdays: 6:30-8:30pm

First Place-Gather in Sr Hi room, study in Jr Hi room

The Jr Hi youth group meets weekly during the school year to enjoy a time of gathering together, games & Bible study. They'll have the opportunity to make & deepen friendships as well as their relationship with Christ. All youth and their friends are invited to join us for an exciting high energy meeting that is a great time you won't want to miss! In addition to youth group meetings there are many special activities and local missions scheduled throughout the year.

Senior High Students

Wednesdays: 6:30-8:30pm

First Place-Sr Hi room

Wednesday nights are exciting high energy small group nights for Sr High students. Youth won't want to miss this

chance to gather with friends, deepening friendships as well as their relationship with Christ. Youth group nights also include a Bible study, large group events, special activities and local missions, sharing of joys and concerns and there might even be some food involved. All youth and their friends are invited to join us and have a great time learning about God!

3rd Sunday of the month:

3:00-5:00pm

First Place- Sr High Room

3rd Sunday game night is a fun filled huge energy night for Sr High students and their friends to come, relax, play games and enjoy a variety of activities that will allow them to have fun and learn even more about God. And don't forget about the snacks...we would not want to do that!!

Children's Ministries

The FLOCK

Wednesdays: 6:00-8:00 PM

Mid October-mid December

Mid February-April

Preschool - 5th grade

The FLOCK (Following the Life Of Christ our King) offers children an opportunity to participate in Bible study, children's music, games, crafts, and snack time.

Sunday School

Sundays: 9:30 AM

Children's Sunday school classes offer children a biblical foundation designed to carry them into more advanced studies and young adulthood. Bible stories, music, worship, and interactive activities engage the children in meaningful ways. Children, two-years old through the 5th grade are invited to participate.

Nursery

*Sunday Mornings: 8:15, 9:30, 10:35 & 10:45 AM
Room 202*

Children of all ages are always welcome in worship services, however, the nursery provides a welcoming and safe environment for little ones with a variety of age-appropriate toys, books, and play areas. Loving childcare workers care for children ages six weeks through two-years old.

WWYC

Sunday Mornings: 10:35 & 10:45 AM Services

Rooms 101 (3 yrs-PreK) & 301 (K-2nd grade)

Word With Young Christians is for 3 year olds-2nd grade. Following the children's message in the 10:35 & 10:45 AM worship services, the children are dismissed to their rooms where the parents may pick them up immediately following the service.