

~~Prayers~~

**Prayer List:**

Pauline Ramos (broken hip - Sarah Reed), Rama Prosper (Loysville Youth Development Center), Arlene Lanier (melanoma), Bonnie Musica (Audrey Carrick's daughter), Jessie Bolash (Bolash's grandson), Carol Savolaine (cancer, Flo Sturgis's daughter), Donnie Kleimm (Lecom Sr. Ctr., Fish's nephew), Denise Lapiere (MS), Bo Copeland (heart surgery), Kathy Kinsell (more foot surgery), Tom Mysnky (St. Vincent Hospital, Laura Brooks father). Those suffering from loneliness.

**Pray for children in our Neighborhood:** Desire, Lolema, & Dominic

**In the Military:** Michael Reim, Dustin Witsch, Alec Nolan, Cody Nolan, Ben Rea

Submit a prayer request by filling out a prayer request card, or by calling the church office at 814•452•3300 or Loretta Nosko at 814•455•2437.

\*~\*~\*~\* † GREETERS † \*~\*~\*~\*

**Brauns Doors:** Linda Ellsworth

**Elevator:** Andrew Clausen & Louise Stewart

10:30 a.m. Worship Volunteers:			Birthdays this week	
	Today:	Next Week:	05/04	George Thomas
<b>Liturgist</b>	Bob Rodgers	Fred Erickson	05/05	Heidi Schmidt Sheehan
<b>Acolyte</b>	Val Rodgers	Azath Siwakoti	05/06	Bob Blakely
<b>Projectionist</b>	Azath Siwakoti	Elliott Arndt	05/06	Judith Dundon
<b>Sound</b>	Bob Rodgers	Bob Rodgers	05/07	Pam Blakely

**Live Stream, Radio Broadcast, DVD, & Podcast:** Worship with us live on-line at 9:00 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. at [facebook.com/ERIEFUMC/](https://www.facebook.com/ERIEFUMC/) or after-the-fact on the church's **YouTube** channel. Or listen to the entire 10:30 a.m. service tonight on Gannon radio **WERG 90.5 FM** at 7:00 p.m. also simulcast on the radio station's live web feed. Or receive via mail a **DVD** of the 10:30 a.m. service by contacting the church office. Or listen to recent sermons at anytime on the church's **Podcast page:** [fumcerie.podbean.com](https://www.fumcerie.podbean.com).

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# First United Methodist Church in Downtown Erie

*A downtown church for downtown people*

**On the Corner of Seventh and (707) Sassafras Streets**

**Erie, Pennsylvania 16501**

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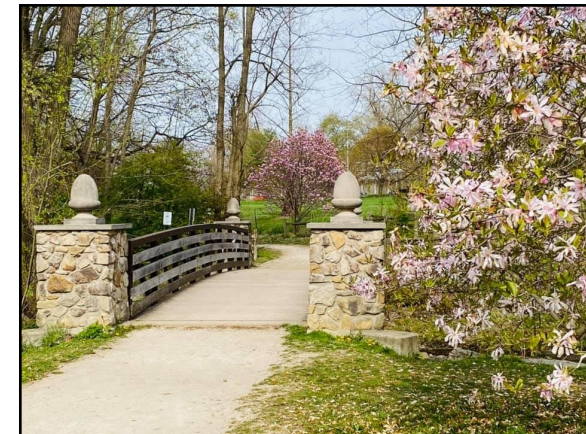
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**May 2, 2021**

**9:00 a.m. "Light for the City" Worship**

**10:30 a.m. "Sanctuary" Worship**



Rita Marie

**Frontier Park**

**OUR PURPOSE STATEMENT:**

*"To share our passion for Jesus Christ with Erie's next generations."*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

*\*Indicates the people may stand if able.*



WELCOME *Pastor Jim*

ANNOUNCEMENTS: *Pastor Jim*  
*(If you have a prayer request, please fill out the prayer card, found on the back of the pew in front of you, and give it to an usher during the prelude.)*

BRINGING THE LIGHT: *Val Rodgers*

PRELUDE: *Price/Besig*  
**“Go Out and Serve Him!”**  
*Kira Foster, soprano; Ashley Meyer, alto*  
*Bruce R. Gingrich, Music Director/Organist*

WELCOME to those listening on the radio on WERG 90.5 FM and on the web.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP: based on Psalm 22 *Bob Rodgers*  
*(Let us stand for the Call to Worship)*

*Liturgist: Those who seek God shall praise the Lord.*

**People: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;**

*Liturgist: All the families of the nations shall worship before God.*

**People: Dominion belongs to the Lord, who rules over the nations.**

*Liturgist: Posterity will serve God; future generations will be told about the Lord;*

**All: They will proclaim God’s deliverance to a people yet unborn.  
Amen.**

\*OPENING HYMN: **“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus”**  
All Three Verses *Red Hymnal No. 277*  
*(Please be seated)*



## FUMC TWO WEEK CALENDAR

May 2, 2021 ~ May 15, 2021

This Week				Next Week			
May Sun	2	9:00 am 9:30 am 10:30 am 1:00 pm <b>Noon</b>	Light for the City Svc. Sunday School- adult & children Sanctuary Worship Family Harvest Church <b>First Sunday Lunch</b>	May Sun	9	9:00 am 9:30 am 10:30 am 1:00 pm	Light for the City Svc. Sunday School- adult & children Sanctuary Worship Family Harvest Church  <b>MOTHER'S DAY</b>
Mon	3	10:00 am 5:45 pm 7:00 pm	Knitting Group (Fellowship Hall) Bible Study (Sister Gale) Naranon (Wesley)	Mon	10	10:00 am 5:45 pm 7:00 pm	Knitting Group (Fellowship Hall) Bible Study (Sister Gale) Naranon (Wesley)
Tue	4	7:00 pm	NA (Fellowship Hall)	Tue	11	7:00 pm	NA (Fellowship Hall)
Wed	5	10:00 am	Book Study (Wesley)	Wed	12	10:00 am	Book Study (Wesley)
Thu	6			Thu	13	Noon	<b>Finance Meeting</b>
Fri	7			Fri	14		
Sat	8			Sat	15		



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707 Sassafras Street, Erie, PA 16501 ■ 814•452•3300

Office Hours: Monday Thru Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ We thank God for your presence this morning with us! If you are a **visitor or college student**, please fill out one of the **Visitor Cards** found in the attendance pad on the pew at the center aisle and place it in the offering plate. Please feel free to take a **Welcome Brochure**.
- ◆ **Children** are important to us and we strive to include them in worship. Children's activity bags are available from an usher for quiet activity during the service. A children's message is offered during the service, please come forward when invited by the pastor. Also, a staffed nursery is available for children.
- ◆ **Restrooms** are located on the lower level, below the sanctuary, or upstairs in the lobby of Oxford Center (through the door to the left of the chancel). Accessible restrooms are on the first floor (level L) near the elevator.
- ◆ **Personal listening devices are available for the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service!** You may use a headset provided by the church or plug your own headset (with a 1/8" audio jack) into one of the church's portable receivers. Please see an usher for assistance.
- ◆ **THANKS** to the folks who made **Linus Blankets**. We gladly accept crocheted, fleece, and pieced quilts. If you have any questions see Carol Wright, coordinator.
- ◆ **A special HELLO** to the FUMC Congregation from John White!
- ◆ **RUMMAGE SALE:** If anyone has jewelry to donate to the rummage sale, please bring in to the church the next few Sundays or drop off in the office during the week so Audrey and Vivian can get it organized for the sale. Thank you, we appreciate your help.
- ◆ **UMW RUMMAGE SALE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Set up will be the week of June 7th with the sale being on Friday & Saturday, June 11 & 12th. A planning meeting will be held via Zoom. If you are interested, please let Diane Tate know either by calling her (**814-450-3277**) or by email (**dctate83@gmail.com**). The date for this planning session, **To Be Announced**, after we know how many volunteers we have.  
Donations for the sale can be brought into the church starting **May 16th**. A reminder that the following items **will not** be accepted: TV's, computers, printers, big electronics, including large audio equipment. In addition please do not donate textbooks or encyclopedias.  
Thank you all in advance.

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OPENING PRAYER:

*Bob Rodgers*

**Unison:** God, you bring us together in this place. We come to be fed, to be renewed, to seek understanding. God, you challenge us in this place. We embrace the challenge, trusting that through challenge we grow in faith. God, you are revealed in this place—sometimes in shining glory, sometimes in tears and struggle. God, as we worship in this place, refresh, renew and challenge us so that we would see your awesomeness. We pray in Jesus' name, as we strive to walk the path of discipleship. **Amen.**



**Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch**



KIDS' TIME:

*Pastor Jim*

*Children 12 and under may come to the chancel area. Parents: If your little one needs some encouragement, please feel free to come and sit with them.*

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

**"Tell Me the Story of Jesus"**

*John Sweney*

*Kira Foster, soprano; Ashley Meyer, alto  
Bruce R. Gingrich, Music Director/Organist*

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OFFERING CALL

Pastor Jim

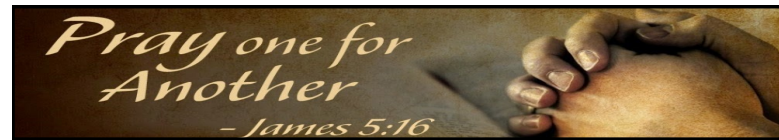
Please pass the Friendship Pads so all may sign and know with whom they worship today. Please return to the center aisle. Thank you!

OFFERTORY: **"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"** Dale Wood  
**Bruce R Gingrich, Director of Music Ministries/Organist**

\*DOXOLOGY: (contemporary language for God) **Red Hymnal No. 95**  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here be-low;  
praise God a-bove, ye heaven-ly host;  
praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. **A-men.**

\*THE OFFERING PRAYER Pastor Jim

PRAYER HYMN: **"Sweet Hour of Prayer"** **Red Hymnal No. 496**  
All Three Verses



MORNING PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE Pastor Jim

FOLLOWED BY THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison):

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.  
**Amen.**

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BIBLE LESSON:

Acts 8:26-40

Pastor Jim



THE MESSAGE:

**"Disciples Disciple"**  
Rev. Jim Parkinson, preaching

HOLY COMMUNION: **"The Great Thanksgiving for Easter Season "**  
(The liturgy is on the screen and on an insert) Pastor Jim

Hymn sung during the distribution of communion:

**"Become to Us the Living Bread"**  
**Red Hymnal No. 630**

\*CLOSING HYMN: **"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"**  
All Four Verses **Red Hymnal No. 430**

\*SENDING FORTH Pastor Jim

\*PARTING CHORUS: **"Be Glorified"** **Black Hymnal No. 2150**  
In our lives, Lord, be glorified,  
be glorified.  
In our lives, Lord, be glorified today.

\*POSTLUDE: **"Acclamation"** Lyndell Leatherman  
**Bruce R Gingrich, Director of Music Ministries/Organist**

