

**First United Methodist Church
101 E. Main St.
Westfield, NY**

**July 23, 2017
7th Sunday after Pentecost**

PAIN RATING FACE SCALE



Labor Pains

Focus: *"We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit groan inwardly while we wait for the adoption, the redemption of our bodies."* (Romans 8:22-23)

Quote: "Jesus' death on the cross is part of the larger, cosmic mystery of pain-for-life, of that struggle for the new creation, evocative of the rhythm of pregnancy, labor, and birthing so familiar to women of all ages." Elizabeth A. Johnson, in *Abounding in Kindness*



8:30 – Praise & PowerPoint Worship (Gibbs Parlor)
10:00 – Worship (Sanctuary)
Followed by – Coffee Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)
Rev Nicholas Perry

Things to look forward to:

July 28 – parking cars for Craft Festival

August 6 – combined 10 am worship [with communion] (on the lawn – weather permitting) followed by church picnic & games.

August 21 – 24 – VBS!!!!!!

September 10 – Fall Schedule resumes with Sunday School

September 11 – Ad Board

July 23, 2017

The readings for this week:

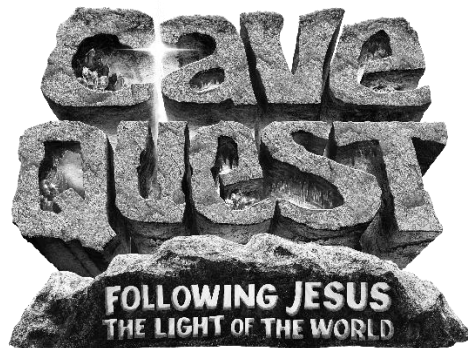
Genesis 28:10-19a
Romans 8:12-25

Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

VBS – Aug 21 – 24

The Sunshine list has been updated (now on blue paper) and is available at the Welcome Center near Gibbs Parlor

If you did not have your photo taken (or give us a photo for the directory), there will be a supplemental page going out this summer. Please contact the office to arrange for getting your photo taken or how to submit a photo. Thanks

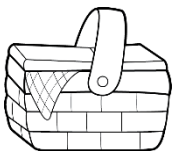


VBS – Aug 21 – 24

Volunteers needed for registration and snacks (5:50-6:15 ish)



Westfield Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will again have a pie booth during the Arts and Craft Show (July 28th & 29th). This traditionally has been the Auxiliary's most profitable annual fundraiser. Its success depends upon community members contributions of homemade pies. (Pies must be types that do not require refrigeration) If you bake pies and would like to support WMH, please consider contributing your pies either day between 8:15 and 10:00 am. You may call Jean McCausland, 326-3527, with questions. Thank you.



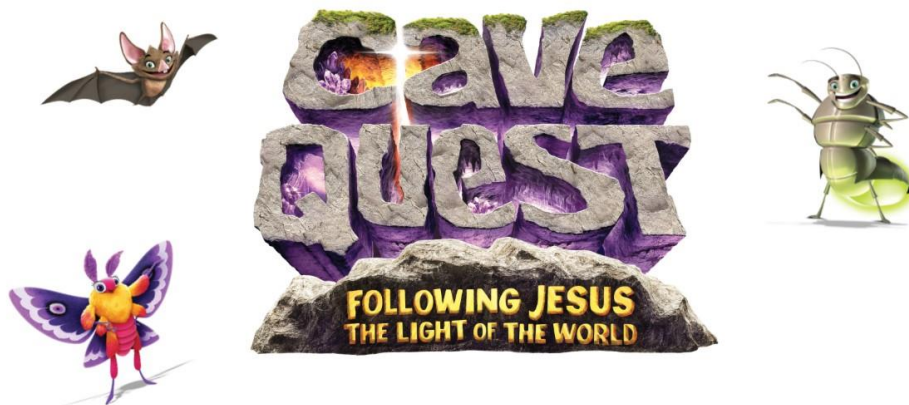
August 6 – combined 10 am communion service with church picnic to follow

2nd quarter giving statements are ready and at the Welcome Center near Gibbs Parlor. Any not picked up by July 24th will be mailed.

NCCR is holding a yard sale on July 28 & 29. If you have donations, they can be dropped off at NCCR (7540 N Gale St) until Wed July 26

If anyone is interested in assisting with building a wheelchair ramp in Westfield in August, please contact Pastor Nick.

VBS (Vacation Bible School)



August 21—24, 2017 6:00—8:00 pm

(registration/check-in starts at 5:50)

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Ages 3 to entering 6th grade

Songs, Stories, Games and Crafts!

Monday —pizza dinner to kick off VBS!

Snacks every day

** Mission project: bring school supplies

Pre register by August 17

<http://www.westfieldumc.org/vbs-registration/>

This Week: July 23 - 30 (August 6), 2017

- Sunday (23):** 8:30 – Worship (G)
10:00– Worship
Coffee Fellowship (FH)
- Monday (24):** 11:30- 12:30 WCK (FH)
- Tuesday (25):** 1 – 2:30 – Food Pantry
3:00 – Support Group
- Wednesday (26):** 4:30 - 6pm WCK (FH)
6pm – TOPS (Gibbs)
- Thursday (27):** Pounding Class (FH) [if bad weather]
- Friday (28):** ~~11:30– 12:30 WCK (FH)~~
Parking Cars – Craft Show
- Saturday (29):** Craft Show
- Sunday (30):** 8:30 – Worship (G)
10:00– Worship
Coffee Fellowship (FH)
- Monday (31):** 11:30- 12:30 WCK (FH)
- Tuesday (1):** 1 – 2:30 – Food Pantry
- Wednesday (2):** 4:30 - 6pm WCK (FH)
6pm – TOPS (Gibbs)
- Thursday (3):** Pounding Class (FH) [if bad weather]
- Friday (4):** 11:30- 12:30 WCK (FH)
- Saturday (5):**
- Sunday (6):** **combined** 10:00– Worship
Communion
Church Picnic
4 – 10pm – Private Function (FH)

WCK = Westfield Community Kitchen; FH = Fellowship Hall; San = Sanctuary; G = Gibbs