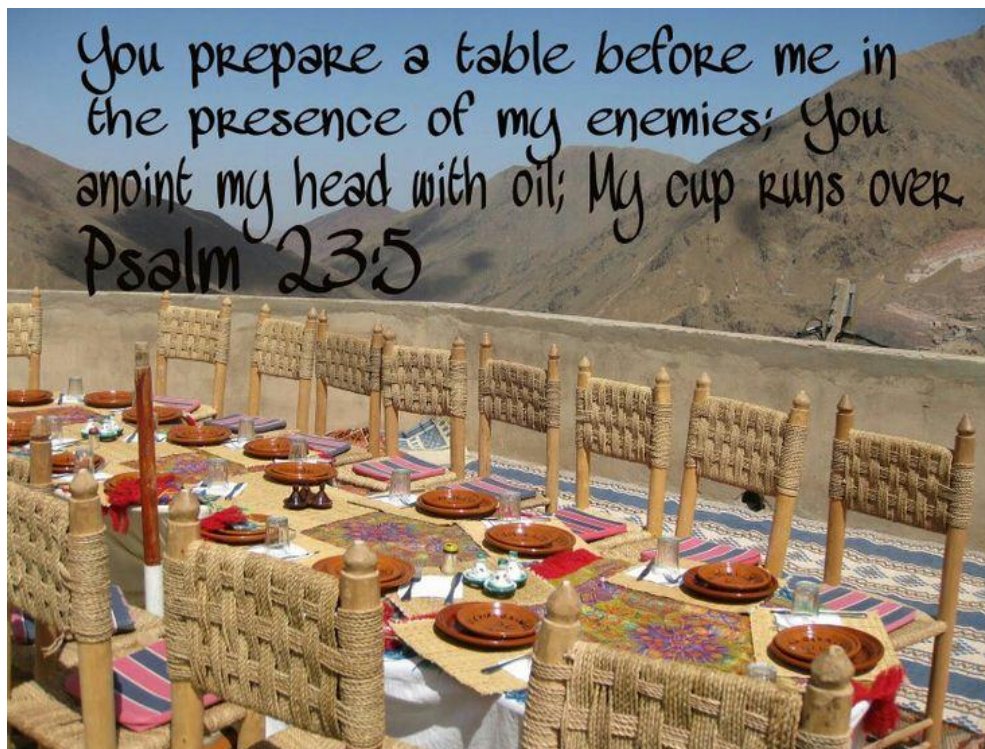


**First United Methodist Church
101 E. Main St.
Westfield, NY**

**May 7, 2017
4th Sunday of Easter**



Someone to Watch Over You

Focus: "You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows." (Psalm 23:5)



8:30 – Praise & PowerPoint Worship (Gibbs Parlor)

9:30 – Sunday School for all ages

10:45 – Worship (Sanctuary)

Noon – Coffee Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)

Rev. Nicholas Perry

Quote: "[T]he sheep is no longer in a safe place or on the 'right path.' Now the sheep traverses ominous territory. Then the imagery shifts to a table in the presence of enemies. The darkest valley is suddenly charged with divine provision. These two images of valley and enemies bespeak jeopardy. But, the psalmist asserts, there are sufficient resources even in such contexts: a well-laid table and a full cup of well-being. The attentive generosity of God with staff, table, and cup overrides the threatening circumstance."
Walter Brueggemann, in *From Whom No Secrets Are Hid*.

May is our Food Pantry Month!

Things to look forward to:

May 14 – Mother's Day
May 15 – Ad Board
May 16 – Missions & Outreach
May 24 – Apple Seed fly up!
May 28 – New members joining
May 28-29 – Illini 4000 Bikers here
May 29 – Office closed – Memorial Day
June 1 – 3 – Annual Conference
June 4 – Celebrating Pastor Molly's ordination as a Deacon
June 11 – Peace with Justice Offering
June 18 – Father's Day / Graduation Sunday

At the charge/church meeting on Sunday, April 24, a motion was made to sell the parsonage. After discussion, a vote was taken: 40 yes (sell), 0 no, 0 abstain. The motion passed. The parsonage will be sold.

Tentative dates for VBS – Aug 21 – 24



Do you have a graduate this year (from Summer of 2016 to June 2017)? Please contact the office before **May 15**. For College and Tech schools, please let us know the name of the school and what they received.

Native American Ministries Sunday (April 30)
Goal - \$200
Received so far - \$172

Many thanks to everyone that pitched in and helped during the floor renovations.

May 7, 2017

The readings for this week:

Acts 2:42-47	Psalm 23
1 Peter 2:19-25	John 10:1-10

Did you know? Pastor Nick has been accepted in the Doctorate of Ministry program at Candler School of Theology (in Atlanta). He will be studying Biblical Interpretation and Proclamation. What does this mean for Pastor Nick? *33 credit hours over three years. Course instruction takes place online, making it easy to fit into any schedule. Four short stays on Candler's campus—once in each of the first two years, and twice in the third year.*

Congratulation Pastor Nick!!!

Anyone interested in becoming a member (or transferring his or her membership) and/or infant/child baptism please contact the office. We are planning a ceremony for May 28.

Westfield Community Food Pantry

Looking for volunteers to help with food truck deliveries at the Food Pantry (located in the First United Methodist Church of Westfield).

Once a month (usually on a Tuesday)

Takes about 1 hour.

If interested, please contact Kay Priest @ 716-232-4087 for more information.

This Week: May 7 - 14(21), 2017

Sunday (7): Communion

8:30 – Worship (G)
9:30 – Sunday School & Choir Rehearsal
10:45 – Worship
Coffee Fellowship (FH)

Monday (8): 11:30 - 12:30 WCK (FH)

Girl Scouts

Tuesday (9): Apple Seed

1 – 2:30 – Food Pantry

Wednesday (10): Apple Seed

4:30 - 6pm WCK (FH)

6pm – TOPS (Gibbs)

Girl Scouts

Thursday (11): Apple Seed

Pounding class (FH)

Friday (12): 11:30- 12:30 WCK (FH)

Saturday (13):

Sunday (14): Mother's Day

8:30 – Worship (G)
9:30 – Sunday School & Choir Rehearsal
10:45 – Worship
Coffee Fellowship (FH)

Monday (15): 11:30 - 12:30 WCK (FH)

Girl Scouts

7pm – Ad Board (G)

Tuesday (16): Apple Seed

1 – 2:30 – Food Pantry

6pm – Missions & Outreach (G)

Wednesday (17): Apple Seed

4:30 - 6pm WCK (FH)

6pm – TOPS (Gibbs)

Girl Scouts

Thursday (18): Apple Seed

Quilters Guild (FH)

Friday (19): 11:30- 12:30 WCK (FH)

Saturday (20): 2-5 - Private Function (FH)

Sunday (21): 8:30 – Worship (G)

9:30 – Sunday School & Choir Rehearsal

10:45 – Worship

Coffee Fellowship (FH)

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