

HEROES OF THE FAITH

Summer Sermon Series
Week 3: "Lydia"



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**First United
Methodist Church**

Our Vision

To be a central hub of Christian
ministry in Lancaster County & beyond

Our Mission:

Connect people to Jesus Christ
& the church, grow Christian disciples,
& relieve suffering

**June 21, 2026
8:15 & 10:45 AM**

Prelude "Aria" (Michael Burkhardt)
Peter Omundsen, organ

Announcements & Greeting Pastor Laura Sambrick

*Call to Worship

Leader: Come, sing praises to God! Rejoice in his presence! For he is our God: a Father to the fatherless, and the defender of all who need protection; the One in whom the lonely find a home, and the prisoner finds release.

People: **Bless the Lord, the God of our salvation, who sustains and strengthens us, day after day!**

All: **Let's worship God together!**

*Hymn No. 98 "To God Be the Glory"

Common Prayer

Gracious and most loving God, we pray that this would be a safe space for us to gather, pray, find encouragement, and hear your Word proclaimed. Be with us as we build community, build your church, baptize new believers, encourage the faithful, and strive to do your work in the world. Remind us again and again that we are enough, not because of what we have but because of who you are. Empower us to offer radical hospitality that all may meet you in this place. We lift this up in the precious name of Jesus. Amen.

Scripture Psalm 68:4-6, 32-35 (*pew Bible, OT, p. 501*)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(8:15 AM) Anthem "I Believe in a Hill Called Mt. Calvary" (William Gaither)
Bill Crabtree, piano

(10:45 AM) Anthem “If God Be For Us” (J. Paul Williams)
Summer Choir– Brian Norcross, Director

Celebrating the Men Who Have Guided Us

Preparation for Prayer, No. 437 “This Is My Song” (stanza 3)

Pastoral Prayer

(10:45 AM) The Lord’s Prayer

** * Children aged 3-5th grade are dismissed to Jr. Church * **

*Hymn No. 710 “Faith of Our Fathers”

Scripture Acts 16:13-15, 40 (*pew Bible, NT, p. 127*)

Message Sermon Series: Heroes of the Faith Rev. Doug Friant
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*Affirmation of Faith, No. 881 Apostles’ Creed

*Song of Praise, No. 70 “Glory Be to the Father”

8:15 AM ONLY Invitation to The Lord’s Supper

Confession and Pardon

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(All pray in silence.)

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God’s love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord’s Prayer

Sharing the Sacrament

Congregational Prayer (8:15 seated, 10:45 remain standing)

God of grace, we listen for Your voice and open our hearts to Your Spirit. May we respond with faith and offer our lives in generous hospitality. Open our hearts to the good news of Jesus Christ. Open our homes and communities to those in need. Open our church to the leading of Your Spirit. Make us faithful disciples who welcome others with love and serve with gladness. Through Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

Receiving the Offering "How Great Thou Art" (Stuart Hine)
Bill Crabtree, piano

*Doxology, No. 160 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" (stanza 5)

*Hymn No. 670 "Go Forth for God"

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Response, No. 670 "Go Forth for God" (stanza 1)

Postlude "Fantasie in G Major" (J.S. Bach)
Peter Omundsen, organ

8:15 AM Worship

Ushers– Barbara Hill
Acolyte – Jeff Bradley
Liturgist – Nancy Bradley
Sound Tech - Amayah DiBiasi
Projector- Christian Faux

10:45 AM Worship

Usher Chief – Jeanne Paules
Steve & Laurie Beeler
Acolyte – Rachel Ridgeway
Liturgist – Carolyn Darrenkamp
Sound Tech - Amayah DiBiasi
Projector/Livestream– Christian Faux

Pastors– Jason Ríos & Laura Sambrick
Ministers– First Church Congregation

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