

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, April 23, 2023

Sunday School 9:30 a.m./Worship Service 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Gerald Gammon (330) 306-8965

Director of Music: Karen Fumerola

Organist: Barbara Edwards

(*Please stand, if you are able, at each asterisk.)

Welcome to our Sunday service. Please use the time during the Prelude to prepare yourself for worship in quiet reflection and prayer and allow others to do the same.

Prelude "All Glory, Laud and Honor" *Melchior Teschner*
(Lighting of the Candles) (Organ/Piano)

Greeting
Pastor: "The peace of Christ be with you."
People: "And also with you."

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Gerald Gammon

Let us begin our worship today:

Choral Introit "He Is King of Kings" *Olive Williams*

*Call to Worship: Sharon Longworth

Leader: The Lord is risen!

All: Amen! Jesus lives!

Leader: Blessed are we that follow the resurrected Christ!

All: Amen! Jesus lives!

Leader: Death has no power over the Savior of the World!

All: Amen! Jesus lives!

Leader: We worship and glorify the risen Son, with the Father and the Holy Spirit!

All: We do so in Jesus' name, amen.

*Hymn #45 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

*Unison Invocation:

All: Christ Jesus, we know that You defeated death and are living today. We pray that You find us worthy followers and that You will lead us home to Your Father's Kingdom when our time has come. We worship You and praise You, O Lord, and we thank You for Your loving sacrifice. Blessed be You, O Jesus Christ, amen.

*Gloria Patri #812 "Glory Be to the Father"

Anthem "I Know That My Redeemer Lives!" *John Hatton*

Joys and Concerns/Time of Silent Prayer/The Lord's Prayer (debt and debtors)
Prayer Response #633 "Open Our Eyes, Lord" *Robert Cull*

Offering Prayer/Giving of our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory "And Can It Be?" *Thomas Campbell*
Doxology #815 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Apostles Creed (May be found in the back cover of the hymnal)

*Hymn #372 "Our God Reigns"

Scripture **Psalm 116:1-4, 12:19** (pg. 564-565 O.T.) Sharon Longworth
1 Peter 1: 17-23 (pg. 232-233 N.T.)
"Celtic Alleluia" *Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker*

Gospel **Luke 24: 13-35** (pg. 90 N.T.)
Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"
All: "Thanks be to God."
"Amen" Rev. Gerald Gammon

Sermon

*Hymn #357 "Christ Arose"

*Benediction
Choral Response "Threefold Amen"

Postlude "Amen" *Jester Hairston*
(Organ/Piano)

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NOTE: Scripture readings are from NRSV Bible

ANNOUNCEMENTS

4/23/2023

Please call the church office or fill out a prayer card if you would like to put someone on the prayer chain or prayer list.

The flowers have been placed on the altar to the honor and glory of God by David & Tammy Boyle & Riley, and in memory of Nicole Boyle (mother & daughter).

Next week: Liturgist/Lay Reader: Sheryl Cozad

Thought of the Week: “Where do I see the risen Lord?”

Custodian: The church is currently seeking to fill the, soon to be vacant, custodian position. If you or someone you know who may be qualified is interested to do this part time job, please contact the church office. The job description is posted in the lobby.

Grass Cutting: We are in need of people to help with mowing the lawn at the church. If you can help, please leave your name and phone number on the sign-up sheet in the lobby.

Thank You: Thank you for the many prayers, phone calls, and cards during my illness and move to Windsor house. *Betty Howren*

Thank You: I want to thank my church family for the beautiful flowers that Keith & Melanie Burger delivered and the nice cards everyone sent. What a wonderful church family we have! *Diana Graham*

Thank You: Thank you for the beautiful Easter flowers. They are so pretty. *Barbara Edwards*

Easter Lily: The Easter lily is a constant reminder of the risen Christ and our gift of Eternal Life. Thank you, congregation, for this beautiful reminder. *Karen Fumerola*

Easter Breakfast: A big thank you to all who helped with Easter Breakfast on Sunday, whether it was decorating, cooking, cleaning up or attending. We are a small group but we are mighty! *Bd. Of Christian Ed*

Thank You: I appreciate the gorgeous Easter lily this year. I enjoy how they make the church look more vibrant and smell like spring. *Nancy Hamrick*

	4/2/23	4/9/23	4/16/23	4/23/23	4/30/23
Attendance	28	48			
Benevolent	\$ 5.00				
Building Fund	\$ 100.00				
Current Expenses	\$ 787.00	\$1,354.00	\$548.00		
Floating Five	\$ 179.00	\$ 110.00			
Memorial Fund		\$ 200.00	\$ 40.00		
Lilies		\$ 49.75			
Bake Sale		\$ 513.00			
Flowers	\$ 25.00		\$ 50.00		
TOTAL	\$1,096.00	\$2,226.75	\$638.00		

March Income	March Expenditures	March Net
\$5,288.50	\$7,104.57	-\$1,816.07

PRAYER LIST

SHUT-INS

American People	Ukraine People	Donna Beavers
Becky Callahan	Angie Wiland	Ruth Gilbert
Betsy Chapley		Betty Howren
East Palestine People		Betty Jamison
Phil Fletcher		Dick Leiby
Diana Graham		Marilyn Leiby
Ruth Gilbert		Glenn Mark
Jim Lytle		Norma Patchin
Peggy Marshall		Sue Schoch
Paul & Deann Muck		Bob Spencer
Mary Sabol		Barb Sponaugle
		Angie Wiland

The family of Kaye Doran

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, April 26

Choir Rehearsal 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 3

Men’s Fellowship breakfast 9:00 a.m.