

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, April 3, 2022

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

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

Director of Music: Karen Fumerola

Guest 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. If you have not done so, please place your gift to the church in the receptacle near the Sanctuary entrance.

Prelude "Believeth Me" William Bradbury/
(Lighting of Candles) (Organ/Piano) arr. Ethel Smith

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:

*Call to Worship: Donny Longworth

Leader: O God, we come before You today to ask for Your blessing.

All: May we know the warmth of Your love always.

Leader: Father, You sent us Jesus to bring us closer to You.

All: May His example of love and humility be our cornerstone.

Leader: Send Your Spirit upon us and fill our hearts with love for You and our fellow man.

All: Please look at our intentions and not our failures.

Leader: We humbly submit ourselves to You, O Lord.

All: And we do so in Jesus's name, amen.

Hymn #730 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

*Unison Invocation :

All: Lord Jesus, You humbled Yourself in the river to be baptized, washed from sin You did not have as an example to us all. On the cross You again humbled Yourself for our sake. May we humble ourselves now for You as we renew our loving commitment to You and Your Father. We pray that You will accept us into Your kingdom when our time comes, amen.

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

Baptism of Taylor A. Keeney (See Insert)

Hymn #465 "Baptized in Water" arr. Tom Fettke

Joys and Concerns/Time of Silent Prayer/The Lord's Prayer (debt and debtors)

Prayer Response #340 "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus" Helen Lemmel

Anthem "My Jesus, I Love You" Adoniram Gordon

Scripture **Isaiah 43:16-21** (pg. 672-673 O.T.) Donny Longworth

Scripture **Philippians 3:4b-14** (pg. 198-199 N.T.)
"Holy, Holy, Holy" arr. Carlton Young

Gospel **John 12:1-8** (pg. 106 N.T.)

Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"

All: "Thanks be to God."

Sermon "Everyone Talks to God" Rev. Gerald Gammon

Hymn #512 "Jesus Is All the World to Me"

Presentation and Blessing of the Gifts

*Doxology #815 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Benediction

Benediction Response #232 "God Be with You"
(Congregation & Choir)

Postlude #510 "Heaven Came Down" John Peterson
(Organ/Piano)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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If you want to put someone on the prayer chain or prayer list, you must call the church office or fill out a prayer card in church.

Next week: Liturgist/Lay Reader: Sheryl Cozad

Thought for the week: “Do I make time to talk to God?”

The flowers are placed on the altar to the honor and glory of God by Bob & Diane Lemasters, and in memory of Bob’s mother, Mary Lemasters.

Floating Five: Today’s “loose offering (coins or cash)” will go to the Floating Five food vouchers. If you choose to write a check, please put it in an envelope and mark the envelope “Floating Five”. Thank you for your support!

Maundy Thursday: We need nine readers for this day. Please see the sign up sheet in the lobby where you will also find a copy of your reading.

Bake Sale: Pickup date is Sunday, April 10, 2022, between 11:45 and 1:00 at the church.

COVID Precautions: Consistory met February 27, 2022 and decided that we will continue with the precautions of social distancing with the wearing of masks being optional. Bible study will continue in fellowship hall. Please, if you feel ill, do not come to church.

Altar Flowers: They are \$30 for two vases or \$15 for each. It is always nice to remember loved ones with altar flowers. We also are in need of 29 oz. fruit or vegetable cans.

Easter Breakfast: We are having a continental breakfast Easter Sunday from 9:00—10:00, followed by Sunday service at 10:45. Everyone is invited.

Choir Rehearsal: Rehearsal is held on Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m. All singers are invited to join in!

Baptism: Taylor A. Keeney will be baptized as part of our Sunday service today. Please welcome this young man into Christendom.

	3/3/22	3/13/22	3/20/22	3/27/22
Attendance	22	24	26	27
Benevolent	\$ 5.00			
Building Fund				
Current Expenses	\$ 990.00	\$762.00	\$265.00	\$707.00
Floating Five	\$ 110.00	\$130.00	\$120.00	\$ 41.00
Flowers		\$ 30.00	\$ 60.00	
Lily		\$ 19.00	\$ 9.50	\$ 29.00
One Great Hour				\$119.00
WF Mission	\$ 100.00			
TOTAL	\$1,205.00	\$941.00	\$454.50	\$896.00

PRAYER LIST

William Anderson	Peggy Marshall
Donna Beavers	David Nichols
Charles Carl	Katie Papadack
Betsy Chapley	Merial Price
Beverly DeSavigny	Joe & Melissa Rein
Jim DeSavigny	Jim Scott
Erika Gammon	Bob Spencer
Ruth Gilbert	Barb Sponaugle
Kaye Doran	Vicky Town
Jimmy Green	Ukraine People
Betty Jamison	Gail Vidovich

Joe Vugrincic

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, April 3	Floating Five Sunday
Sunday, April 3	Baptism of Taylor A. Keeney
Monday, April 4	Elders/Deacons at 6:15; Consistory at 7:00 pm
Wednesday, April 6	Men’s Fellowship Breakfast at 9:00 am; Choir Rehearsal at 3:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 10	Palm Sunday; Bake Sale pick up 11:45-1
Thursday, April 14	Maundy Thursday Service at 6:30 pm
Sunday, April 17	Easter Sunday! Breakfast 9-10, service at 10:45 (No Sunday School)