

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, August 18, 2024

Worship Service 11:00 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. We also ask that you refrain from conversation during our service.

Prelude "Bless this House" *May Brahe*
(Lighting of the Candles) (Piano)

Greeting
Pastor: "The peace of Christ be with you." Rev. Gerald Gammon
People: **"And also with you."**

Welcome and Announcements

Let us begin our worship today:

*Call to Worship: Sheryl Cozad

Leader: Almighty and Benevolent God, we submit ourselves to Your will.

People: **May we forever be known as children of God.**

Leader: Lord God, You sent Jesus into the world so that we might better our relationship with You.

People: **Help us to realize this blessing, and recognize Your grace in the world around us.**

Leader: Lord, help us to be good representations of Your love in our world.

People: **May we forever find favor in Your eyes. We pray, Amen.**

*Hymn #435 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

*Unison Invocation:

Lord God, it is only through Thy grace that we are redeemed. May we accept this gift that is beyond our ability to earn, and spread the love that has been given to us to others in need of Your divine intervention. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

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

Special Music "God's Choir in the Sky" *Ray Overholt*
Duet: Judy Fabian & Leona Krepps

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

Offering Prayer/Giving of our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory "May the Lord/Edelweiss" medley *Oscar Hammerstein/*
Duet: Judy Fabian & Leona Krepps *arr. Sumner Spaulding*

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

*Apostles Creed
Hymn #539 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Scripture **Proverbs 9:1-6** (pg. 591-592 O.T.) Sheryl Cozad
Scripture **Ephesians 5: 15-20** (pg. 194-195 N.T.)
Gospel **John 6: 51-58** (pg. 98-99 N.T.)
All Sing (After Gospel is announced) "Celtic Alleluia" *Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker*

Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"
All: "Thanks be to God."

Sermon "Let's Gather for God" Rev. Gerald Gammon

*Hymn #702 "Fill My Cup, Lord" (twice)

*Benediction/Final Blessing

Postlude "Brighten the Corner Where You Are" *Charles Gabriel*
(Piano)

We are blessed to have Judy Fabian & Leona Krepps with us today, Thank you, Judy & Leona, for your vocal music to uplift our spirits as we worship our Lord.

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NOTE: Scripture readings are from NRSV Bible

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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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.

Thought for the week: Do I display the wisdom that God has given me?

Next week: Liturgist/Lay Reader: Sharon Longworth

School Supplies: We are collecting school supplies again this year and a list of suggestions has been posted in the lobby. Please bring in new items as you acquire them and put them in the container provided. Thank you for your support!

Physical Assets Team: The Team has begun its work and is progressing on an inventory of church items.

Craig Cozad Run/Walk: This annual event will take place on Saturday, August 31, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. at the Sunside Trailhead.

Sunday School: Sunday School starts on Sunday, September 8, at 10:00 a.m. and worship starts at 11:00 a.m.

Annual Church Picnic: Saturday, August 24, 2024, from noon to 4:00 p.m., at the **Lake Park Pavilion** in the back at Howland Township Park. Join us for food, fun, and fellowship! Please plan on bringing a covered dish, your own place settings, chairs, and games for all ages to play. Everyone is welcome! A sign-up sheet will be in the lobby.

Toy Drive: We are once again holding our Toy Drive from now until the end of November for the Warren Family Mission. If you wish to participate, there will be a bin in the lobby where you can drop off any new, unwrapped toys at any time. In late November or early December, we will take these toys to the Mission for their yearly Christmas give away. Please keep in mind that while it's fun to shop for the little ones, there are teenagers who need love and support at Christmas also. Thank you in advance for your kindness. If you have any questions please see Karen Schoch.

Thank You: I want to thank my church family for the prayers and sympathy cards when my aunt, Kathryn Vugrincic died. Your love and support helped me through a very difficult time. God bless you all!
Joanne Bode

	8/4/24	8/11/24	8/18/24	8/25/24
Attendance	31	21		
Benevolence	\$ 5.00	\$ 50.00		
Building Fund				
Current Expenses	\$20,970.00	\$1,030.00		
Floating Five	\$ 39.00	\$ 170.00		
Flowers		\$ 50.00		
TOTAL	\$21,014.00	\$1,300.00		

July Income	July Expenditures	July Net
\$4,596.00	\$3,828.80	\$767.20

Prayer List

Shut-in

Becky Callahan	Jacob Lemasters	Donna Beavers
Jerry Currie	Denise Long	Ruth Gilbert
Rodger Davis	Dean Mahalick	Betty Howren
Steve Doracin	Peggy Marshall	Dick Leiby
Phil Fletcher	Larry Mattison	Marilyn Leiby
Erika Gammon	Deann Muck	Glenn Mark
Gerald Gammon	Norma Patchin	Norma Patchin
Wesley Gault	Carter Plott	Barb Sponaugle
Ruth Gilbert	Mary Sabol	
Phil Graham	Joe Vugrincic	
Dick Leiby	Layes Wood	
Marilyn Leiby	Hailee	

Those affected by the conflicts throughout the world

IMPORTANT DATES

Saturday, August 24	Picnic from 12-4 Lake Pavilion in the back
Tuesday, August 27	Women's Luncheon 12:30 p.m.
Wednesday, August 28	Choir Rehearsal 12:30 p.m.
Monday, September 2	Labor Day—OFFICE CLOSED