

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, August 7, 2022

Worship Service 10:00 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. If you have not done so, please place your gift to the church in the receptacle near the Sanctuary entrance.

Prelude "I Want to Be Ready" *Spiritual*

Greeting (Organ/Piano)

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: Sharon Longworth

Leader: Lord Jesus, we look forward to the day You return.

All: May we be prepared to go with You when You call us home.

Leader: Great Shepherd, take Your flock, given You by Your Father, to the promised land of the Kingdom of Heaven.

All: May we be ready to follow You, O Lord.

Leader: Jesus, take us home to Your loving Father.

All: We pray, that we someday bask in His glory, and do so in Your most holy name, amen.

Hymn #592 "Jesus Calls Us"

*Unison Invocation :

All: Father in Heaven, look not on our sins but rather our intentions. Search our hearts and prepare them for the coming of Your Son. Let us be ever vigilant and prepared for the coming of our Lord. For we seek Your kingdom and know there is but one way home...Jesus. We pray to be found worthy of His coming and we do so in His name, amen.

*Gloria Patri #812 "Glory Be to the Father"
Solo "Tis' So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" *William Kirkpatrick*
Soloist: Linda Martin

Joys and Concerns/Time of Silent Prayer/The Lord's Prayer (debt and debtors)
Prayer Response "Celtic Alleluia" *Fintan O'Carroll/Christopher Walker*

*Apostles Creed (Please see the inside of the Hymnal back cover)
Solo "He Touched Me" *William Gaither*
Soloist: Linda Martin

Hymn #676 O Jesus, I Have Promised

Scripture **Psalm 33: 12-22** (pg. 507-508 O.T.) Sharon Longworth
Scripture **Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16** (pg. 225-226 N.T.)
"Holy, Holy, Holy" *Argentine Folk Song*

Gospel **Luke 12: 32-40** (pg. 75 N.T.)
Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"
All: "Thanks be to God."
Sermon "Be Ready" Rev. Gerald Gammon

Invitation to Communion

Communion

Hymn #602 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Presentation and Blessing of the Gifts

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

*Benediction

Postlude "Victory in Jesus" *Eugene Bartlett*
(Organ/Piano)

We welcome Linda Martin as our soloist today. We thank her for her time, talent, and beautiful music this Sunday morning.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

08/07/2022

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: Judy Fabian

Thought for the week: “Am I ready for when Jesus returns?”

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!

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. Please, if you feel ill, do not come to church.

Altar Flowers: It is always nice to remember loved ones with altar flowers. **The altar vases increased to \$50 for two vases or \$25 each.**

Annual Church Picnic Our church picnic is scheduled to take place on Saturday, August 27th! Plan on bringing a covered dish, chairs, your own place settings, and games for all ages to play. Join us for food, fun, and fellowship. The picnic will take place at the Howland park from noon to 4:00 p.m. A sign- up sheet is in the Lobby.

July Income & Expenses

Income	\$3,365.00
Expenses	\$6,414.39
Loss	<u>-\$3,049.19</u>

	7/3/22	7/10/22	7/17/22	7/24/22	7/31/20
Attendance	35	21	20	13	23
Benevolent	\$ 5.00				
Building Fund					
Current Expenses	\$470.20	\$695.00	\$365.00	\$155.00	\$895.00
Floating Five	\$285.00	\$130.00	\$120.00	\$120.00	
Flowers			\$ 25.00		
Hall Rental	\$100.00				
TOTAL	\$860.20	\$825.00	\$510.00	\$275.00	\$895.00

PRAYER LIST

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| Betsy Chapley | Mary Sabol |
| Sandy Croyle | Michael Sabol |
| Ruth Gilbert | Bob Spencer |
| Debbie Heilman | Barb Sponaugle |
| Betty Jamison | Vicky Town |
| Dick Leiby | Ukraine People |
| Donny Longworth | Gail Vidovich |
| Glenn Mark | Rob Waid |
| Peggy Marshall | Janis Williamson |
| Gary Noel | John Wyko |

The Vidovich Family

IMPORTANT DATES

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| Saturday August 27 | Annual Church Picnic |
| Wednesday, August 31 | Choir Rehearsal @3:00 p.m. |
| Monday, Sept. 5 | Labor Day—Office Closed |
| Wednesday, Sept. 7 | Men’s Fellowship breakfast @9:00 a.m. |
| Sunday, Sept. 11 | Sunday School @9:30 a.m./Worship @10:45 a.m. |
| Monday, Sept. 12 | Elders/Deacons @6:15 p.m./Consistory @7 p.m. |