

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday, March 15, 2020
Sunday School 9:30 a.m. - Worship Service 10:45 a.m.

(*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

(Lighting of the Candles)

Greeting

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Gerald Gammon

Choral Introit "Lord Jesus Who Through These Forty Days"

The Whole Books of Psalms, 156

*Call to Worship

Leader: Almighty and Gracious God, we thank You for Your blessings upon us.

All: We cherish the gifts You have given us, and the love You have shown.

Leader: Loving Lord, You have sent us Your Son to pay for our iniquities.

All: May we be forever mindful of the sacrifice made on our behalf.

Leader: We thirst for the water of life, that which can only be quenched through Your Son.

All: May we drink from the wellspring of our Savior!

Leader: We give You thanks and pay You homage for all that You are and all that You do.

All: We ask for Your continued blessings through Your Son, Jesus. Amen.

*Hymn #56 "To God Be the Glory"

*Unison Invocation:

All: O Lord Jesus, You are the water of life. May we drink of You so that we may know eternal life with You and Your Father in Heaven. Help us to be good

followers and caregivers of Your love and Word. Help us to pass Your love to others and to be reverent of Your divinity. May we always find friendship with You, our Master, and be pleasing in Your sight. We pray in Your name. Amen.

Gloria Patri #812 "Glory Be to the Father"

Joys and Concerns

Time of Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (debt and debtors)

Prayer Response #189 "Alleluia"

Jerry Sinclair

Anthem

"Jesus Laughed Out Loud"

Daniel Damon

Children's Message

Joanne Bode

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offering Prayer

Offertory

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

Hymn

#334 "The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power"

Scripture

Exodus 17:1-7 (pg. 64 O.T.)

Sheryl Cozad

Scripture

Romans 5:1-11 (pg. 155 N.T.)

Sermon

"Rev Up Your Reverence"

Rev. Gerald Gammon

*Hymn

#305 "Jesus Paid It All"

*Benediction

*Parting Blessing

"Thank You, O my Father"

Melody Green

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

3/15/2020

As you are surely aware, there is widespread concern over exposure to the Coronavirus. As your church leadership and responsible members of the community at large, we are making some temporary changes in planned services at the church:

The March 28th performance of Hamilton Road Quartet has been postponed indefinitely.

Maundy Thursday service will be conducted without the inclusion of Communion.

Easter Sunday service will be conducted without the inclusion of Communion.

Easter Sunday breakfast has been postponed.

These changes have been made to help minimize the potential exposure to this health concern. We will continue to monitor and assess the health situation and make more adjustments as they are deemed necessary.

You can help us minimize exposures by staying home if you are not feeling well. Other steps to take are keeping your hands clean and minimize touching your face.

Please note that if you are uncomfortable attending church during this outbreak, you are encouraged to stay home. We want our family safe and comfortable while attending our church and will not think less of anyone who opts to stay home due to concerns over this virus.

If you have an email address, please make sure the office has it. If need be electronic recordings of worship services may be emailed out if church services are cancelled, should we ever reach that point.

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: Craig Cozad Lay Reader: Judy Fabian

Thought for the week: "Do I express my respect for the Lord in my words and actions?"

First Ladies: The meeting for Friday, March 20th at Perkins has been cancelled.

One Great Hour of Sharing: Sunday, March 22nd. Envelopes will be provided in the bulletin.

Pie Sale: The Deacons are holding a pie sale in time for Easter! Pies will be available the Saturday before Palm Sunday (April 4th). The price of the pies is \$6 each. There will be cherry, peach, apple, and mixed berry available for you to order. Order forms are available in the lobby. Orders should be paid for and turned in by March 28th. Pick up times for the pies will be Saturday, April 4th, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Easter Lilies: Cost is \$10 per lily. A sign up sheet is in the lobby. Deadline to order is Sunday, March 29th.

Communion Schedule: There are few things in the life of a Christian that are more meaningful than sharing the bread and cup of Communion. It is a privilege and honor to prepare the elements for this holy meal. Please consider signing up to prepare the Lord's Supper using the sign-up sheet in the lobby.

Thanks: It is a blessing to have such caring friends and family at the church. Thank you all for the cards, prayers, and the beautiful flowers delivered by Junior Fumerola.
Irma Allen

Thanks: Thank you to my church family for the beautiful cards and altar flowers. You helped make my birthday special.
Joanne Bode

Thanks: Thank you, church family, for the gas card. It was really appreciated.
Karen Fumerola

	3/1/20	3/8/20	3/15/20	3/22/20	3/29/20
Attendance	45	31			
Benevolent	\$ 55.00				
Building Imp					
Current Exp	\$ 926.00	\$557.00			
Floating Five	\$ 305.36				
Flowers					
Warren Mission		\$100.00			
TOTAL	\$1,286.36	\$657.00			

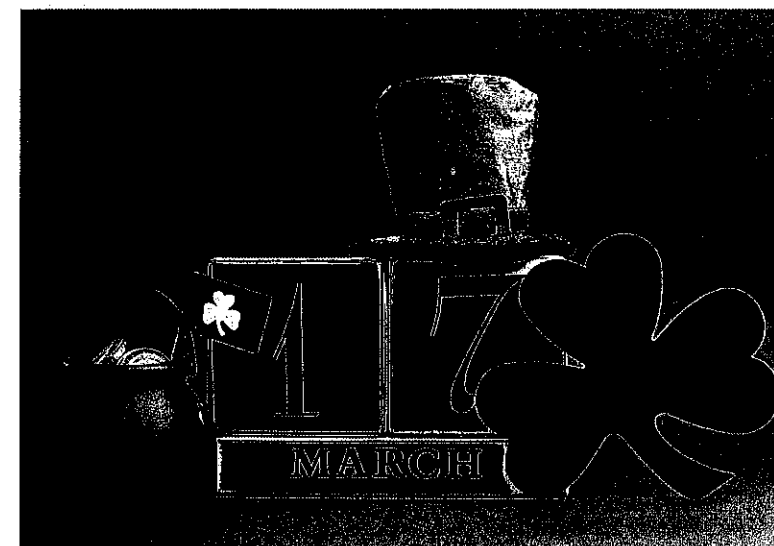
PRAYER LIST

Clyde Baker	Milan Narancich & Family
Donna Beavers	Roberta & Lloyd O'Keefe
Bill Bode	Ryan Petiya
Fred Bode	Sally Spencer
Sheri French	Barb Sponaugle
Don Howren	Jerry Stephens
Betty Jamison	Sue Torno
Erika Knepshield	Gayle Vidovich
John Lyons	Joy White
Betty Mark	Mary Kate Zweidinger
Marlin Martin	
Bolinger Family	
Seachrist/Wentz Family	

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, March 18
Thursday, March 19
Sunday, March 22
Wednesday, March 25
Saturday, March 28
Wednesday, April 1
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Sunday, April 5
Wednesday, April 8
Thursday, April 9

Choir Practice @6:30 p.m.
Parish News deadline
One Great Hour of Sharing Special Offering
Choir Practice @6:30 p.m.
Pie Sale Ends
Men's Fellowship breakfast @9:00 a.m.
Choir Practice @6:30 p.m.
Palm Sunday
Choir Practice @6:30 p.m.
Maundy Thursday @6:30 p.m.



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