

**FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
**Sunday, November 18, 2018**  
**Sunday School 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. Worship Service**

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

Prelude "Thanksgiving Medley" *arr. Albin C. Whitworth*  
(Lighting of the Candles)

Greeting

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

Ron Schoch

Choral Introit #170 "Give Thanks"

*Henry Smith*

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Heavenly Father, you give us so much to be thankful for.

**All: Let us forever be mindful of our blessings.**

Leader: Gracious God, you are the font of happiness and hope.

**All: Bless us, O Lord, that we might always be in your favor.**

Leader: You have placed us in this nation of freedom and strength.

**All: May we share our blessings with others to honor you.**

Leader: We give thanks for all that has been provided us.

**All: May our gratitude find its way to your heart. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Praise #797 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

\*Unison Invocation

**Lord God, you love us, and we love you. Thank you for all that you do and for all that we receive. As we celebrate and give thanksgiving, please bless us and keep us safe. Let us gather together and commune with one another in your love. Let us be mindful that all we have comes from you. Help us to remember those who are less fortunate, lonely, or otherwise discomforted. Open our hearts to help those in need and open our minds to hear your Word. We thank you for everything, dear Lord, through Jesus Christ. 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 #

Anthem

"Thanksgiving"

*Lynda Louck*

Children's Message

Joanne Bode

Offering Meditation

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Prayer of Thanksgiving"

*Netherlands Folk Song*

Piano/Duet: Louise Petersen & Karen Fumerola

\*Doxology

#815

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

\*Offering Prayer

Scripture

**1 Samuel 2:1-10** (pg. 245-246 O.T.)

Judy Fabian

Scripture

**Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25** (pg. 224-225 N.T.)

Sermon

"Thankful Hearts"

Rev. Gerry Gammon

Hymn

#463

"I Will Remember Thee"

Invitation to Communion

The Breaking of the Bread

(Please wait to partake together)

Taking the Cup

(Please wait to drink together)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn of Commitment

#169

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"

\*Benediction

\*Parting Blessing

#784

"Count Your Blessings"

*Edwin Excell*

Postlude

"Antiphon"

*George Muffat*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

11/18/18

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.

The flowers have been placed on the altar to the honor and glory of God by Kathy Watterson, and in memory of the birthdays of her mother, Mavis J. Bechtel and her aunt, Katie Von Thaer.

Next Week - Liturgist: Donny Longworth Lay Reader: Craig Cozad

**Poinsettias:** A sign up sheet is on the table in the lobby. Poinsettias are \$9.75 again this year and the deadline to order is Sunday, December 9th.

**Food Drive:** Today ends our food drive to benefit the Warren Family Mission. How wonderful it is that we have come together in spirit and deed! We have over 1100 lbs. of food to give those less fortunate.

**Operation Christmas Child:** Boxes are to be completed and handed in today. Thank you for your support and dedication to making children happy.

**Sunday, November 25** is Hanging of the Greens. We need everyone to please stay after church to help decorate the sanctuary.

There will be a Congregational meeting after church on Sunday, December 16th to go over the proposed 2019 Budget and vote on the new Deacons & Elders.

**Angel Tree:** The Boomers are once again sponsoring the Angel Tree this Christmas Season. In the coming days, tags will appear on the Christmas tree in the lobby. We ask those who choose to participate to take a tag and purchase the gift suggested on that tag. Your wrapped gift should be returned to the church by Sunday, December 16th with that tag attached. We are helping two families, one of which is a special needs child, so some of the gift suggestions are specific. This is due to the child's disabilities. We appreciate your past support of this worthwhile project, and we hope you will find it in your heart to participate this year.

**Thanksgiving Dinner:** A big thank you to all who turned out for our Thanksgiving dinner, and to all those who helped clean up afterwards. What a blessing to have so much love in one place!

**From the Pastor:** My sincerest wish for you all to have a wonderful time this Thanksgiving. May you share time with one another and the Lord as you remember the things you are most thankful for. Rest assured that you all are on my list of blessings that I am thankful for. God bless each one of you!

**Sylvia Moyes:** Congratulations to one of our oldest members who turned 104 years old on Thursday, November 15th.

I would like to thank First Church for the thoughtful card and flag pen and for remembering all the veterans with such a meaningful service. It was an honor to serve.  
*Thomas Allen, Jr.*

The altar flowers were beautiful and we have enjoyed them! Thanks so much for your concerns and thoughtful calls and cards. It has been a rough patch, but Dick is doing better, and hopefully we will see you soon.  
*Dick & Marilyn*

There will be a Benefit Concert featuring Pastor Ty Sabella (The Singing Pastor), Mark Pringle (as 1950's Elvis) and his band, plus John Reese and his very talented Jazz Crusaders. It will be held at Central Christian Church, 2051 E. Market Street in Warren on Sunday, November 18, at 5 p.m. A \$10 donation will be requested at the door.

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<b>Attendance</b>	<b>40</b>			
Benevolent	\$ 13			
Floating Five	\$ 44			
Flowers				
Building Imp	\$ 8			
Current Expense	\$869			
Someplace Safe	\$ 30			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$964</b>			

**PRAYER LIST**

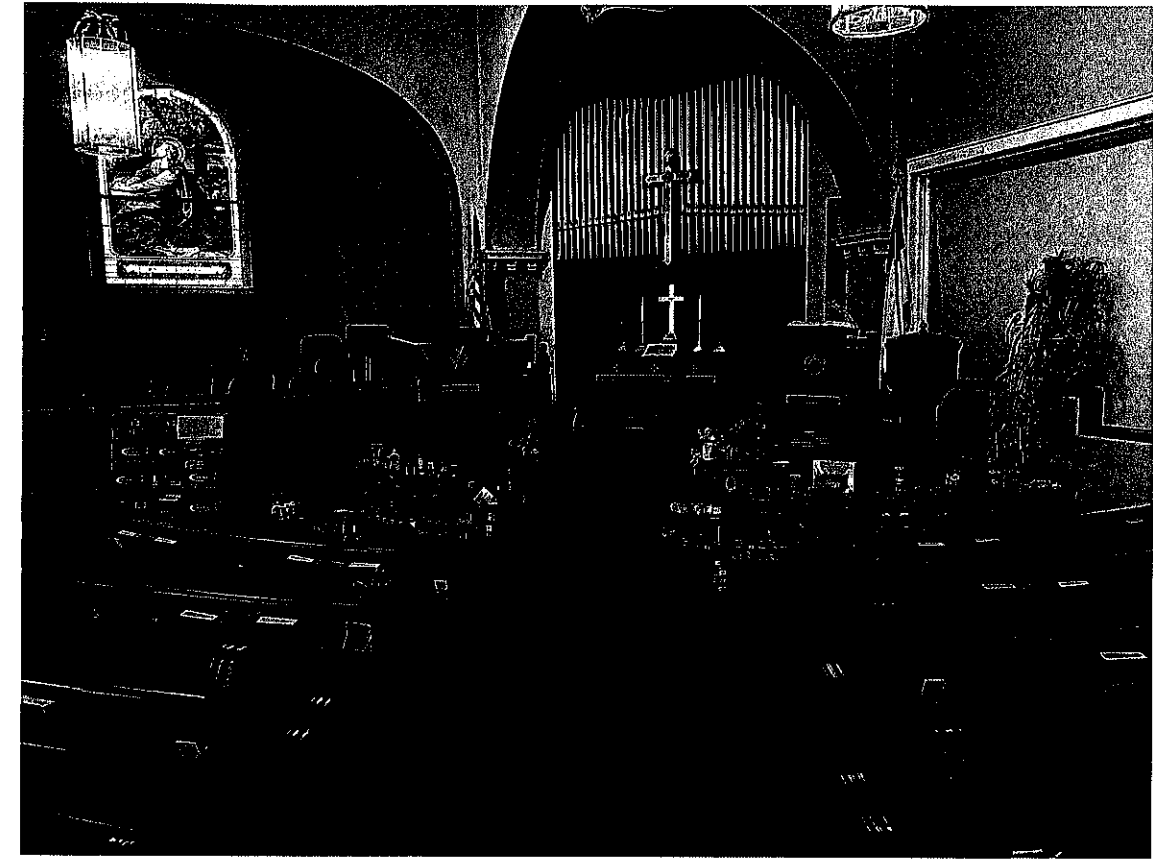
Beverly DeSavigny  
Aiden Elder  
Don Howren  
Betty Jamison  
Becky Kunkel  
Dick Leiby

Candy Lemasters  
Norma Patchin  
Linda Paxson  
Jeff Robinson  
Florence Simons  
Joan Wimer

**IMPORTANT DATES**

Sunday, November 18  
Tuesday, November 20  
Thursday, November 22  
Friday, November 23  
Sunday, November 25  
Thursday, November 29  
Sunday, December 2  
Monday, December 3  
  
Wednesday, December 5

Harvest Sunday/Communion-end of food drive  
Choir Practice @6:30 p.m.  
OFFICE CLOSED  
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Hanging of the Greens/Rev. Ty Sabella here  
Choir Practice @6:30 p.m.  
First Sunday of Advent  
Elder's & Deacon's mtg. @6:15 p.m.  
Consistory @7:00 p.m.  
Men's Fellowship breakfast @9:00 a.m.



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