

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

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

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

*Call to Worship

Leader: Lord God, You have sent us a great teacher.

All: Let us learn from His example and wisdom.

Leader: Almighty God, through Your grace You have shown us the way through Jesus.

All: Let us follow Him to You and Your kingdom.

Leader: O God, open our eyes, hearts, and minds that we may find our way.

All: Help us to love as we have been instructed and to carry out His mission.

Leader: Be with us in all we do and say.

All: We pray these things through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Carol #270 "Joy to the World!"

*Unison Invocation

Lord Jesus Christ, we celebrate Your first coming and with great anticipation seek Your second coming. Deliver us unto Your Father and His most Holy Kingdom. Light our path that we may follow and guide us through the Holy Spirit so that we might find favor in Your Father's eyes. We pray for ourselves and one another 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)

Favorite Carol #

Offering Meditation

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

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

*Offering Prayer

Scripture

1 Samuel 2:18-21 (pg. 245 O.T.)

Marilyn Leiby

Scripture

Luke 2:41-52 (pg. 59 N.T.)

Sermon

"Growing in the Lord"

Rev. Gerald Gammon

*Carol #281

"What Child Is This?"

*Benediction

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

12/30/18

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.

Next Week - Liturgist: Sharon Longworth Lay Reader: Donny Longworth

Parish News: Please pick up your Parish News in the lobby.

Pledge cards: I would like to encourage those who have not handed in their pledge cards to do so before the end of the year.

Offering Envelopes: Please pick up your envelopes for the 2019 year in the lobby. Thank you!

Thank You: Dear Church Family, thank you so much for the beautiful flowers, your prayers and phone calls, and the lovely cards that really touched my heart. See you as soon as I am able.
Beverly DeSavigny

Communion Schedule: Preparing communion is an honor and a privilege that we should all participate in at one time or another. Please look over the Communion Schedule in the lobby and choose a Sunday when you can take part.

Sunday School: There will be No Sunday School on Sunday, December 30th.

Installation of New Officers: Sunday, January 6th

Elder's/Deacon's meeting: Monday, January 7th

Consistory: Monday, January 7th

Men's Fellowship Breakfast: Wednesday, January 9th

Thank You: Many thanks to the congregation for my generous Christmas gift, cards and poinsettia. Blessings to all.
Karen Fumerola

From the Pastor: I hope you all had a joyous Christmas Day and continue to live in the glory of our Savior's birth. May the New Year bring you happiness and health and may God Almighty forever smile on you and yours. God bless you all!

Thank you: I would like to thank the congregation for the substantial Christmas gift and the beautiful poinsettia. Happy New Year to all!

Nancy Hamrick

Dear Church Family & Friends,

This is both a Christmas greeting to you all as well as a thank you for the overwhelming support, concern, and prayers for Linda during her ongoing health concerns. Thank you for the flowers, the hospital visits, and absolute, avalanche of get well cards. (She cherishes each and every one and has compiled quite a stack which she reads through nearly every day).

Linda is currently building up her strength for further medical procedures at the Cleveland Clinic. Currently she is an outpatient looking forward to medical treatments that will return her to the healthy Linda you have all been praying for.

We both miss being with you at this joyous time in our church year and our wishes are for you, our family, to have a great holiday season and hope to be with you soon into the new year.

Our trees are all lit for the season. Although Linda is not up for visits, if you want to see the rainbow, take a drive by.

In Christian Love,

Linda & Bill

	12/2/18	12/9/18	12/16/18	12/23/18	12/24/18
Attendance	43	35	39	40	64
Benevolent	\$ 65				
Floating Five	\$ 110	\$ 134	\$ 130		
Flowers	\$ 30				
Building Imp	\$ 10		\$ 2		
Current Exp	\$1505	\$1350	\$ 736		
WFM					
Poinsettias		\$ 49.50	\$ 19.75		
SM Mem.	\$ 150	\$ 200	\$ 500		
TOTAL	\$1870	\$1733.50	\$1387.75		

PRAYER LIST

AJ Dalton	Norma Patchin
Beverly DeSavigny	Linda Paxson
Aiden Elder	Florence Simons
Don Howren	Doris Whitmore
Becky Kunkel	Joan Wimer
Marlin Martin	Mary Kate Zweidinger
Peggy Marshall	

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, December 31
 Tuesday, January 1
 Sunday, January 6

Monday, January 7

Wednesday, January 9

OFFICE CLOSED
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 Opening/Coffee Hour/Floating Five/
 Installation of New Officers
 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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