

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday, February 16, 2020
Sunday School 9:30 a.m. - Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
*(*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

Donny Longworth

Choral Introit “Come! Come! Everybody Worship” (insert) *Natalie Sleeth*

*Call to Worship

Leader: Lord God, You have chosen us to plant the seeds of love and righteousness.

All: May You grow a garden of believers from our labors.

Leader: Almighty Father, through Your Son, You have nourished the world.

All: May continued growth be sustained through the warmth of the Son.

Leader: Help us, Your children, to remove the weeds of life that inhibit our growth.

All: May we identify and remove the things that get between You and us.

Leader: O God, guide us with Your Spirit and fertilize our souls.

All: That we may forever be pleasing in Your sight. Through Jesus we pray. Amen.

*Hymn #648 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

*Unison Invocation: (Apostle’s Creed)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his holy Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come

Again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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 #340 “Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

Anthem “America, the Beautiful” *Samuel Ward/arr. Buryl Red*

Children’s Message *Joanne Bode*

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offering Prayer

Offertory

*Doxology #815 “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Hymn #612 “In This Very Room”

Scripture **Deuteronomy 30:15-20** (pg. 688-689 O.T.) *Bev DeSavigny*

Scripture **1 Corinthians 3:1-9** (pg. 4 N.T.)

Sermon “God Grows a Perfect Garden” *Rev. Gerald Gammon*

*Hymn #423 “The Bond of Love”

*Benediction

*Parting Blessing “We have joined our spirit . . .” *Otis Skillings*”

Postlude

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

2/16/2020

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 Gerald & Marian Gammon, and in memory of their mothers.

Next Week - Liturgist: Judy Fabian Lay Reader: Sheryl Cozad

Thought for the week: “How can I grow in God’s garden?”

Heart-to-Heart Sunday: Congratulations, Deacons! Your hard work and dedication resulted in a very successful celebration! Thank you for all that you did to create such a fine fellowship moment and, of course, delicious delicacies! A job well done! Thanks to all those who donated food, helped clean up, and deliver cookies.

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 22nd. Pick up times for the pies will be Saturday, April 4th, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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: Thank you to Nicki and Tara for doing such a fine job last Sunday!

Thanks: I want to thank my church family for the delicious cookies and the beautiful altar flowers. They certainly made Don’s and my day.

Betty & Don Howren

	1/26/20	2/2/20	2/9/20	2/16/20	2/23/20
Attendance	31	33	41		
Benevolent		\$ 5.00			
Building Imp		\$ 50.00	\$ 3.00		
Current Exp	\$ 761.50	\$ 935.50	\$1052.50		
Floating Five	\$ 120.00	\$ 116.01	\$ 250.00		
Flowers		\$ 30.00			
Warren Mission		\$ 120.00			
Wedding	\$ 63.00				
TOTAL	\$944.50	\$1256.51	\$1305.50		

PRAYER LIST

Clyde Baker	Ryan Petiya
Donna Beavers	Sally Spencer
Bill Bode	Barb Sponaugle
Fred Bode	Jerry Stephens
Sheri French	Sue Torno
Don Howren	Gayle Vidovich
Betty Jamison	Joy White
Marlin Martin	Janis Williamson
Betty Mark	Mary Kate Zweidinger

Matz Family
Harris (Eldora) Family

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, February 19
Sunday, February 23
Wednesday, February 26

Sunday, March 1

Monday, March 2
Monday, March 3
Wednesday, March 5

Choir Practice @6:30 p.m.
Transfiguration
Ash Wednesday-communion @6:30 p.m.
Choir Practice after worship
First Sunday in Lent
Opening/Coffee Hour/Floating Five
Elders/Deacons meeting @6:15 p.m.
Consistory @7:00 p.m.
Men’s Fellowship breakfast @9:00 a.m.