

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday, February 16, 2025
Sunday School 10:00 a.m./Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Gerald Gammon (234) 424-3444

Director of Music: Karen Fumerola

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. We also ask that you refrain from conversation during our service. Please silence cell phones during the service.

Prelude "Faith of Our Fathers" *Henri Hemy & James Walton*
(Lighting of the Candles) (Organ/Piano) *arr. Smith/Hustad*

Greeting
Pastor: "The peace of Christ be with you." Rev. Gerald Gammon
People: "And also with you."

Welcome and Announcements

Let us begin our worship today:

Choral Introit "Here We Gather as God's People" *Wyeth*

*Call to Worship: Sharon Longworth

Leader: Lord Jesus, we believe that You are truly the risen Lord.

People: Your resurrection is the cornerstone of our faith!

Leader: Christ Jesus, for all who have been crucified in You, have also been risen with You. This is the faith that we proclaim!

People: You alone have defeated death. You alone are the risen Lord!

Leader: For our sake and for our salvation, look not on our sins, but rather into our hearts.

People: For You alone are the Holy One. You alone are the Most High. You alone are the Son of God, Jesus Christ! Amen.

*Hymn #403 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"
(tune: "Angels from the Realms of Glory")

*Unison Invocation:

Christ Jesus, You were crucified not for Your crimes, but rather for our sins. Forgive us, Lord, and bless us with repentance and humility. For we are not worthy of Your sacrifice on our behalf. We plea for our Father's mercy and for our salvation that You paid for so dearly. Hear our prayer, O Lord. We pray in Your most holy name. Amen.

*Gloria Patri #813 "Glory Be to the Father"

Anthem "Here I Am to Worship" *Tim Hughes/arr. Cindy Berry*

Joys and Concerns/Time of Silent Prayer/The Lord's Prayer (debt and debtors)

Prayer Response "Dresden Amen"

Offering Prayer/Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Give Thanks" *Henry Smith*

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

*Apostles Creed

Hymn #399 "We Are God's People"

Scripture **Jeremiah 17:5-10** (pg. 719 O.T.) Sharon Longworth

Scripture **1 Corinthians 15: 16-20** (pg. 176 N.T.)

Gospel **Luke 6:17-26** (pg. 64 N.T.)

All Sing (After Gospel is announced) "Celtic Alleluia" *Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker*

Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"

All: "Thanks be to God."

Sermon "Cornerstones" Rev. Gerald Gammon

*Hymn #526 "The Solid Rock"

*Benediction/Final Blessing

Benediction Response "Go in Peace" *Kenneth White*

Postlude "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"
(Organ/Piano) *John Dykes*

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NOTE: Scripture readings are from NRSV Bible

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2/16/2025

Please call the church office or fill out a prayer card if you would like to put someone on the prayer chain or prayer list.

Thought for the week: “How am I saved?”

Next week: Liturgist/Lay Reader: Judy Fabian

Ash Wednesday: Wednesday, March 5, at 6:30 in the fellowship hall.

Easter Lily: Spring is around the corner and so is Easter! Time to order your lilies. The price this year has stayed the same \$9.95 per plant. The deadline is Sunday, March 30. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby.

Communion Schedule: We need your help filling our communion schedule for this year. Please see the sign-up sheet in the lobby.

Heart-to-Heart: Thank you to all the wonderful people who contributed to a very successful Heart-to-Heart celebration this year! It was a wonderful time of food, fellowship, and the sharing of love. Your continued efforts of service brought joy to all who attended. Thank you!

Suggestions for Funds: We are still asking for suggestions on distribution of our leftover funds when the church closes. There are additional forms in the lobby.

Ladies Luncheon: Ladies are invited to attend in the monthly luncheon held at Eat-N-Park. This month’s luncheon will take place on February 25th at 12:30. Please come join in the fun and fellowship!

	2/2/25	2/9/25	2/16/25	2/23/25
Attendance	26	29		
Benevolence		\$ 50.00		
Building Fund				
Current Expenses	\$430.00	\$705.00		
Floating Five	\$ 37.00	\$170.00		
Memorial	\$ 95.00			
TOTAL	\$562.00	\$925.00		

January Income	January Expenditures	January Net
\$2,449.00	\$8,918.97	-\$6,469.97

Prayer List

Shut-in

Ken Armstrong	Ruth Gilbert	Donna Beavers
Joanne Bode	Phil Graham	Ruth Gilbert
Terry Caddell	Denise Long	Dick Leiby
Becky Callahan	Peggy Marshall	Marilyn Leiby
Jerry Currie	Larry Mattison	Glenn Mark
Rodger Davis	Ted Paxson	Norma Patchin
Steve Doracin	Mary Sabol	
Shirley Fabian	Joe Vugrincic	
Phil Fletcher	Layes Wood	
Erika Gammon	Hailee	
Those affected by the conflicts throughout the world		

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, 2/19/25	Choir Rehearsal 12:30 p.m.
Tuesday, 2/25/25	Ladies Luncheon @ Eat-n-Park 12:30
Wednesday, 2/26/25	Choir Rehearsal 12:30 p.m.