

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday, February 18, 2018
Sunday School 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. Worship Service
*(*Please stand, if you are able, at each asterisk.)*

Prelude "God Bless America" *Irving Berlin*
(Lighting of the Candles)

Greeting
Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements Sharon Longworth

Choral Introit #219 "Surely, the Presence (of the Lord Is in This Place)"
Lanny Wolfe

*Call to Worship

Leader: Welcome to the time of covenant renewal. The God of our salvation greets us here.

People: We are reminded of God's promises to us; we remember the promises we have made.

Leader: Sense the Spirit descending on us now. Her God's welcoming voice.

People: Surely God is with us. We can hear God calling our names.

Leader: See the rainbow in the sky. Wonder at God's steadfast love.

All: All creation proclaims the wonders of God. We come together to learn what God wants to teach us.

*Hymn of Praise #526 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

*Unison Invocation

Lead us in your truth this day, gracious God. We long to know your ways and to be guided by your Spirit. Direct us into that realm where your purposes govern the hearts and minds of all your children. We want to grow in the likeness of Jesus, to learn to live in ways that are pleasing to you. We wait for you now, eager to respond to your instruction. Let nothing cut us off from you or separate us from one another, not only in this time of worship, but as we face the challenges of another week. Amen.

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

Joys and Concerns

Hymn of Prayer #606 "O Love, That Wilt Not Let Me Go"

Time of Silent Prayer

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (debt and debtors)

Prayer Response "Lord Jesus, Who Through Forty Days" *St. Flavian tune*

Anthem "Lonesome Valley" *Spiritual*

Children's Message Joanne Bode

Offering Meditation

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "What Wondrous Love is This" *Southern Harmony, 1835*

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

*Offering Prayer

Scripture **Genesis 9:8-17** (pg. 7 O.T.) Donny Longworth

Scripture **1 Peter 3:18-22** (pg. 234 N.T.)

Sermon "Promises, Promises" Mary Ann Bromley

*Hymn of Commitment #630 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

*Benediction

*Parting Blessing #692 "God Will Take Care of You" *Stillman Martin*

Postlude "May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You" *Meredith Wilson*

PRAYER LIST

Joanne Bode, Esther Clark, Kaye Doran, Aiden Elder, Phil Graham, Don Howren, Ashton Hunter, Betty Mark, Ray McLean, Norma Patchin, Caroline Pratt, Bob Spencer, Barb Sponaugle, Search Committee, James Warren, Danny Weber

Pastor: Mary Ann Bromley
Director of Music: Karen Fumerola
Organist: Karen Fumerola

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2/18/18

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 the Allen Family, and in honor of Irma Allen’s 100th birthday.

Next Week - Liturgist: Donny Longworth Reader: Beverly Desavigny

We have a new email address: firstuccwarren@gmail.com.

We welcome Mary Ann Bromley today and thank her for the beautiful Sunday service.

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 on the table in the lounge and choose a Sunday when you can take part. Thank you!

The Elders

Sunday, March 11: One Great Hour of Sharing, as part of Our Churches Wider Mission, is the special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that carries God’s message of love and hope to people in crisis. The UCC works with international partners to provide sources of clean water, food, education and health care, small business micro-credit, advocacy and resettlement for refugees and displaced persons, and emergency relief and rehabilitation. OGHS also supports domestic and international ministries for disaster preparedness and response.

Thank you for all your prayers, phone calls, cards, and the altar flowers.

Bob Spencer

There are many openings in the altar flower schedule if you would like to honor someone with flowers. Please see the sign up sheet on the office door or call the church office. The cost is \$15 per vase, \$30 for both.

	2/4/18	2/11/18	2/18/18	2/25/18
Attendance	39			
Benevolent	\$ 55			
Floating 5	\$ 106			
Flowers				
Building Imp				
Current Expense	\$1518			
TOTAL	\$1679			

IMPORTANT DATES

- Tuesday, February 20
- Thursday, February 22
- Sunday, February 25
- Monday, February 26
- Thursday, March 1
- Sunday, March 4
- Monday, March 5
- Monday, March 5
- Wednesday, March 7
- Thursday, March 8
- Sunday, March 11
- Tuesday, March 13
- Thursday, March 15

- Search Committee mtg. @7:00 p.m.
- Choir Practice @6:30 p.m.
- New membership
- Deacons mtg. @7:00 p.m.
- Choir Practice @6:30 p.m.
- Opening/Coffee Hour/Floating Five
- Elders mtg. @6:00 p.m.
- Consistory @7:00 p.m.
- Men’s Fellowship breakfast @9:00 a..m.
- Choir Practice @6:30 p.m.
- OGHS Special Mission Offering
- Search Committee mtg. @7:00 p.m.
- Choir Practice @6:30 p.m./Parish News deadline