

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday, February 23, 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

Judy Fabian

Choral Introit #633 “Open Our Eyes, Lord” *Robert Cull/arr. David Allen*

*Call to Worship

Leader: Magnificent God, You love us beyond our comprehension.

All: May we always find favor in Your sight.

Leader: Heavenly Father, You sent Your Son to us out of love and mercy.

All: May we always be mindful of the gifts You have given in Jesus.

Leader: Lord, we ask that You open our eyes and our hearts to fully accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior,

All: As He is one with You, may we also be one with Him.

Leader: Your love and mercy are boundless.

**All: Let our deeds and words be messengers of the love You share.
We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

*Hymn #21 “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

*Unison Invocation:

All: Almighty God, You sent us a Savior out of Your mercy. Open our hearts and minds to realize all that has been given to us. Make us good witnesses to the miracle of Your Son and the sacrifice He made for us. Give us the courage to trust in You and Your plan for us. Prop us up when we feel doubt or insecurity. We are but children, Yours for the molding. Grant us peace in our day and eternal life. Through Your Son, Jesus, we pray. 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 #189 “Alleluia”

Jerry Sinclair

Anthem

“Are Ye Able?”

Harry Mason

Children's Message

“Faith”

Joanne Bode

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offering Prayer

Offertory

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

Hymn

#713 “Seek, Ye First”

Scripture

Exodus 24:12-18 (pg. 70 O.T.)

Sheryl Cozad

Scripture

Matthew 17:1-9 (pg. 18-19 N.T.)

Sermon

“Open Our Eyes”

Rev. Gerald Gammon

*Hymn

#563 “Open My Eyes That I May See”

*Benediction

*Parting Blessing #563 “Open My Eyes” (refrain)

Clara Scott

Postlude

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

2/23/2020

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.

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

Thought for the week: “Do I really see and recognize the gift of Jesus? Is He truly my Lord or merely a mascot?”

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 28th. 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: 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

Ash Wednesday: Our service will be downstairs in the fellowship hall on Wednesday, February 26th, at 6:30 p.m. See you there!

Elders/Deacons: The meeting date is set for Monday, March 2nd, at 6:15 p.m.

Consistory: You will meet on Monday, March 2nd, at 7:00 p.m.

Men’s Fellowship: The men will meet on Wednesday, March 5th, at 9:00 a.m. All men are welcome!

	1/26/20	2/2/20	2/9/20	2/16/20	2/23/20
Attendance	31	33	41	31	
Benevolent		\$ 5.00			
Building Imp		\$ 50.00	\$ 3.00		
Current Exp	\$ 761.50	\$ 935.50	\$1052.50	\$804	
Floating Five	\$ 120.00	\$ 116.01	\$ 250.00	\$120	
Flowers		\$ 30.00		\$ 30	
Warren Mission		\$ 120.00			
Wedding	\$ 63.00				
TOTAL	\$944.50	\$1256.51	\$1305.50	\$954	

PRAYER LIST

Clyde Baker	Ryan Petiya
Donna Beavers	Bob & 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
Roberta & Llyod O’Keefe	

Harris (Eldora) Family
Leigh (Jim) Family

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, February 23
Wednesday, February 26

Sunday, March 1

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

Transfiguration Sunday
Ash Wednesday with 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.