

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, February 26, 2023

Sunday School 9:30 a.m./Worship Service 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Gerald Gammon (330) 306-8965

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.

Prelude "Tell Me the Old, Old, Story" Wm. Doane/arr. Tedd Smith
&(Lighting of the Candles) (Organ/Piano) & Don Hustad

Greeting

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Gerald Gammon

Let us begin our worship today:

Choral Introit

"Surely the Presence"

Lanny Wolfe

*Call to Worship:

Donny Longworth

Leader: Jesus, we await Your arrival!

All: We seek the Risen Lord!

Leader: Lord of mercy, save us from our sin!

All: We seek the Risen Lord!

Leader: Jesus, You are the Holy One!

All: We praise the Risen Lord!

Leader: Son of God, be with us always and watch over us,

All: We pray ,O Risen Lord, amen.

*Hymn #38 "Ye Servants of God"

*Unison Invocation:

All: Lord Jesus, defeater of the grave, we beseech Thee to be present in our lives and to walk with us through life. Guide us, O Lord, and lead us away from sinfulness and toward holiness, so that we may be pleasing in Your Father's sight. Help us to be more like You in all we say and do. We pray in Your most holy name, amen.

*Gloria Patri #812 "Glory Be to the Father"

Anthem "This Is My Story, This Is My Song!" Don Besig & Phoebe Knapp

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

Prayer Response "O come to my heart" Timothy Matthews

Offering Prayer/Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Take up thy cross and follow me" (Organ/Piano) B. B. Kinney

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

*Apostles Creed (May be found in the back cover of the hymnal)

Hymn #657 "Cleanse Me"

Scripture

Psalm 32 (pg. 506-507 O.T.)

Donny Longworth

Scripture

Romans 5:12-19 (pg. 156 N.T.)

"Celtic Alleluia" Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker

Gospel

Matthew 4: 1-11 (pg. 3 N.T.)

Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"

All: "Thanks be to God."

Sermon

"Take Time to Be Holy"

Rev. Gerald Gammon

*Hymn

#656 "Take Time to Be Holy"

*Benediction

Choral Response

"He Is King of Kings"

arr. Olive Williams

Postlude

"This is My Story"

Phoebe Knapp

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

2/26/2023

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.

Next week: Liturgist/Lay Reader: Judy Fabian

Thought of the Week: “Do I fear the price of sin?”

Covid Precautions: We will continue with the precautions of social distancing with the wearing of masks being optional. Please, if you feel ill, do not come to church.

Easter Lily: If you would like to order a lily this year, they are \$9.75 each. Please see the order form in the lobby. The deadline is Sunday, March 12, 2023.

Altar Flowers: It is always nice to remember loved ones with altar flowers. The altar vases are \$50 for two vases or \$25 each.

Phone Directory: Please pick up your new phone directory on the table in in the lobby.

Spring Bake Sale: The Deacons are having a pre-order bake sale which includes nut, poppy seed, and apricot kolache for \$12 each. An order form is provided on page 4 of the Parish News. Order forms are also available in the Fellowship Hall, on Facebook, or on the church’s website at firstuccwarren.org. You can also call the church at (330) 394-4741. The deadline for orders is Sunday, March 19. The pick up date is Sunday, April 2 (**Noon to 1**).

Toy Drive: From now until the end of November we will be holding a toy drive for the Warren Family Mission. If you wish to participate, there will be a bin in the lobby where you can drop off any new, unwrapped toys at any time. In late November or early December, we will take these toys to the Mission for their yearly Christmas give away. Please keep in mind that while it’s fun to shop for the little ones, there are teenagers who need love and support at Christmas also. Thank you in advance for your kindness. If you have any questions please see Karen Schoch.

	2/5/23	2/12/23	2/19/23	2/26/23
Attendance	33	30	28	
Benevolent	\$ 5.00			
Building Fund	\$ 50.00			
Current Expenses	\$ 828.00	\$1,349.00	\$775.00	
Floating Five	\$ 208.00	\$ 130.00	\$120.00	
Flowers	\$ 50.00		\$ 20.00	
TOTAL	\$1,141.00	\$1,479.00	\$915.00	

January Income	January Expenditures	January Net
\$4,980.43	\$23,247.14	-\$18,266.71

PRAYER LIST

American People	Jim Lytle
Becky Callahan	Glenn Mark
Betsy Chapley	Peggy Marshall
Kaye Doran	Mary Sabol
East Palestine People	Bob Spencer
Phil Fletcher	Barbara Sponaugle
Junior Fumerola	Ukraine People
Ruth Gilbert	Tricia Unger (Mark)
Betty Howren	
Betty Jamison	The Family of
Dicky Leiby	Michael Fenstermaker

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, March 1	Men’s Fellowship breakfast 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday, March 1	Choir Rehearsal 3:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 5	Floating Five
Monday, March 6	Deacons/Elders 6:15 p.m./Consistory 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 8	Choir Rehearsal 3:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 12	Daylight Saving Time—turn clocks ahead