

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday, February 2, 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 "Love DiVine" *John Zundel/arr. Ethel Smith*
(Lighting of the Candles) (Organ/Piano)

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: *Judy Fabian*

Leader: Lord Jesus, in You God gave us the greatest expression of love.

People: **May we forever carry that love in our hearts!**

Leader: Son of God, fill our hearts with Your love so that we may share it with others.

People: **Let our every action and word testify to Your love.**

Leader: Let all that we do reflect only love and never hate.

People: **And help us to bring glory to You, O Lord, one God in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*Hymn #56 "To God Be the Glory"

*Unison Invocation:

Lord, we praise You and glorify You. You are the Holy One. You are the Most High. Heaven and Earth are full of Your glory! Hosanna in the Highest! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Amen.

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

Anthem "Pass It On" *Kurt Kaiser*

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 "My Jesus, I Love Thee" *A. J. Gordon*

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

*Apostles Creed

Hymn #665 "O Master Let Me Walk with Thee"

Scripture **Jeremiah 1:4-10** (pg. 698 O.T.) *Judy Fabian*

Scripture **1 Corinthians 13:1-13** (pg. 175 N.T.)

Gospel **Luke 4:21-30** (pg. 61-62 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 "Let Jesus be Recognized in Every Town" *Rev. Gerald Gammon*

*Hymn #428 "In Christ, There Is Not East or West"

*Benediction/Final Blessing

Benediction Response "Go in Peace" *Kenneth White*

Postlude "My Savior's Love" *Charles Gabriel*
(Organ/Piano)

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NOTE: Scripture readings are from NRSV Bible

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2/2/2025

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: “Will others see Jesus in me?”

Next week: Liturgist/Lay Reader: Sheryl Cozad

Heart-to-Heart: This tradition began back in 1989 as a way to contact all members/friends at least once a year to maintain a church connection. This year it will take place on Sunday, February 9, after worship. Please plan to attend and share in some good food and great fellowship. If you would like to contribute to the feast, please use the sign-up sheet in the lobby.

Poinsettias: Ten poinsettias were delivered to very grateful families after Christmas. Many thanks to all who donated flowers to shut-ins.

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.

Floating Five Balance: \$2,691.55

	1/5/25	1/12/25	1/19/25	1/26/25
Attendance	26	28	23	23
Benevolence		\$ 50.00		
Building Fund				
Current Expenses	\$306.00	\$387.00	\$ 895.00	\$191.00
Floating Five	\$160.00	\$170.00	\$ 120.00	\$120.00
Memorial			\$ 50.00	
TOTAL	\$466.00	\$607.00	\$1,065.00	\$311.00

Prayer List

Shut-in

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

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

Monday, 2/3/25

Elders/Deacons meet at 6:15 p.m./ Consistory to follow

Wednesday, 2/5/25

Men’s Fellowship breakfast 9:00 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal 12::30 p.m.