

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday, January 2, 2022
Sunday School 9:30 a.m./Worship Service 10:45 a.m.

(*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

(Lighting of the Candles)

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

“Come On, Ring Those Bells”

Andrew Culverwell

*Call to Worship:

Sharon Longworth

Leader: All powerful and knowing God, You have chosen us to be Your people.

All: Happy are we to be counted as Yours.

Leader: Lord, Your wisdom is beyond comparison, Your love greater than we can comprehend.

All: We praise and glorify You for the being You are.

Leader: You have found a way to deliver us from our sin, though we are unworthy.

All: May we be purified through Jesus Christ.

Leader: O God, fill our minds with positive change and our hearts with Your love for all.

All: We ask these things and glorify You in the name of Jesus, amen.

*Carol #273 “Good Christian Men, Rejoice”

*Unison Invocation :

All: Lord God, You have set us free from the bindings of sin through Jesus. We thank You and glorify You for Your charity and love. Send Your Spirit upon us

and fill us with Your holiness and love for our fellow man as we endeavor to do Your will. Walk with us, O Lord, and guide us to do as You would have us do. We pray in Jesus’ name, amen.

*Gloria Patri #812 “Glory Be to the Father”

Installation of Elder & Deacons

Joys and Concerns

Time of Silent Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

(debt and debtors)

Prayer Response

“O come to my heart”

Timothy Matthews

Anthem

“The Birthday of a King”

William Neidlinger

Offering Prayer

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“One Small Child”

David Meece

*Doxology

#815

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Carol

#290

“As with Gladness Men of Old”

Scripture

Psalm 147:12-20 (pg. 582 O.T.)

Sharon Longworth

Scripture

Ephesians 1:3-14 (pg. 192 N.T.)

Sermon

“God is Wise”

Rev. Gerald Gammon

Carol

#288

“We Three Kings”

*Benediction

Postlude

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Guest Organist: Barbara Edwards

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1/2/22

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/Lay Reader: Judy Fabian

Thought for the week: “How have I spread the wisdom of God to others?”

Floating Five: Today’s “loose offering (coins or cash)” will go to the Floating Five food vouchers. If you choose to write a check, please put it in an envelope and mark the envelope “Floating Five”. Thank you for your support!

From the Pastor: Thank you all for the monetary Christmas gift. Your support and giving spirit are humbling. Thank you again!

Thank You: Thank you for the Christmas gift. You all are always so gracious and giving.
Nancy Hamrick

Thank You: Thank you, friends at First U.C.C., for your generous Christmas gift. God bless you all with blessings of the season: Hope, Peace, Love & Joy.
Karen Fumerola

Thank You: Thank you to my church family for the generous Christmas gift. Your thoughtfulness and generosity are very much appreciated. God bless you all!

	12/5/21	12/12/21	12/19/21	12/25/21	12/26/21
Attendance	34	32	35	46	25
Benevolent		\$ 55.00			
Building Fund		\$ 115.00			
Current Expenses	\$ 842.00	\$1,358.00	\$488.00	\$566.00	\$ 909.00
Floating Five	\$ 98.50	\$ 300.00	\$120.00		\$ 120.00
Flowers		\$ 30.00			
Poinsettias	\$ 8.50	\$ 10.00		\$ 8.50	\$ 17.00
Bake Sale					\$ 985.00
WF Mission	\$ 120.00				
TOTAL	\$1,069.00	\$1,868.00	\$608.00	\$574.50	\$2,031.00

PRAYER LIST

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| William Anderson | Betty Jamison |
| Donna Beavers | Peggy Marshall |
| Joanne Bode | David Nichols |
| Charles Carl | Mary Sabol |
| Betsy Chapley | Bob Spencer |
| Beverly DeSavigny | Barb Sponaule |
| Ruth Gilbert | Vicky Town |
| Jimmy Green | Joe Vugrincic |
| Marilyn Grounds | John & Debbie Wimer |
| Bonnie Isaac | |

IMPORTANT DATES

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| Sunday, January 2 | Opening/Coffee Hour/Floating Five/Install new Deacons & Elders |
| Monday, January 3 | Elders/Deacons @6:15 p.m./Consistory @7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, Jan. 5 | Men’s Fellowship breakfast @9:00 a.m. |
| Wednesday, Jan. 5 | Choir Rehearsal @3:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, Jan 12 | Choir Rehearsal @3:00 p.m. |
| Thursday, Jan. 13 | Parish News deadline |
| Wednesday, Jan. 19 | Choir Rehearsal @3:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, Jan. 26 | Choir Rehearsal @3:00 p.m. |