

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, January 30, 2022

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

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

Director of Music: Karen Fumerola

Guest 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. If you have not done so, please place your gift to the church in the receptacle near the Sanctuary entrance.

Prelude "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship" William Moore/
(Lighting of Candles) (Organ/Piano) Cindy Berry

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:

*Call to Worship:

Donny Longworth

Leader: Father in Heaven, we come before You today to worship You.

All: **All honor and glory is Yours, O Lord.**

Leader: May we forever know Your love and favor.

All: **Hold us in Your protective hands loving God.**

Leader: Help us to hear Your Word through Jesus, Your Son.

All: **May we realize our worth according to Your plan, and from the gifts You give us.**

Leader: O God, help us to turn from sin and toward the light of Your face.

All: **Fill us with Your Spirit and help us to walk in this life in a manner that will lead to eternity with You. We pray in Jesus's name, amen.**

Hymn #648 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

*Unison Invocation :

All: **Almighty and benevolent God, You are the source of all things good. We worship You and praise You for all that You are and all that You do. Glory to You, O Lord, and blessings upon You! Without You and Your love we are nothing. We are grateful to be counted among Your children. Bless us, O Lord, and forever be by our side, 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 "Amen"

Organ/Piano Duet "El' Shaddai" Michael Card & John Thompson/
*Apostles Creed arr. Jack Schrader

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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

Hymn #512 "Jesus Is All the World to Me"

Scripture **Jeremiah 1: 4-10** (pg. 698) Donny Longworth

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

Gospel **Luke 4: 21-30** (pg. 61-62)

Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"

All: **"Thanks be to God."**

Sermon "Jesus was sent to us" Rev. Gerald Gammon

Hymn #438 "Jesus Saves!"

Blessing of the Gifts

*Benediction
Postlude #592 "Jesus Calls Us" (Organ/Piano)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1/30/22

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: Craig Cozad

Thought for the week: “Have I received and recognized Jesus?”

Parish News: Please help us save on stamps and pick up your parish news in the lobby. Thank you!

Financial Statements: Year end financial statements are ready and can be picked up in the lobby.

COVID Precautions: Because of new cases and deaths resulting from the Covid-19 virus, the threat from the virus still exists. Therefore, we will begin to take the following precautions: face coverings are required for entry into the church and while in the church, use hand sanitizer available at the entrance, we shall maintain a distance of at least 6 feet (on all sides) between family units in the church, refrain from handshakes and hugs, giving of tithes shall will be done using a receptacle at the back of the church, please refrain from singing, cessation of gatherings such as First Ladies and Men’s Fellowship, Bible study will continue in fellowship hall, and the entrance shall be made through the East door and exit shall be made through the West door. Please, if you feel ill, do not come to church.

ADDRESS: Janis Williamson, **12941** Olympus Way, Strongsville, OH **44149**

Thank You: Dear friends, Thank you so much for the beautiful cards, the comforting phone calls, and your prayers. Jim is home now from the hospital. God bless you all!
Jim & Beverly DeSavigny

| | 1/2/22 | 1/9/22 | 1/16/22 | 1/23/22 | 1/30/22 |
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| Attendance | 26 | 24 | 24 | 17 | |
| Benevolent | \$ 5.00 | | | | |
| Building Fund | | | \$ 10.00 | | |
| Current Expenses | \$431.00 | \$720.00 | \$ 853.00 | \$175.00 | |
| Floating Five | \$281.00 | \$100.00 | \$ 130.00 | \$120.00 | |
| Flowers | | \$ 30.00 | | | |
| Poinsettias | | \$ 18.50 | | | |
| Memorial Fund | | | \$ 100.00 | | |
| WF Mission | | | | | |
| TOTAL | \$717.00 | \$868.50 | \$1,093.00 | \$295.00 | |

PRAYER LIST

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| William Anderson | Peggy Marshall |
| Donna Beavers | David Nichols |
| Charles Carl | Bill & Linda Paxson |
| Betsy Chapley | Melissa Rein |
| Beverly DeSavigny | Mary Sabol |
| Jim DeSavigny | Cooper Schoch |
| Ruth Gilbert | Bob Spencer |
| Jimmy Green | Barb Sponaugle |
| Marilyn Grounds | Vicky Town |
| Bonnie Isaac | Gail Vidovich |
| Betty Jamison | Joe Vugrincic |

IMPORTANT DATES

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| Sunday, February 6 | Floating Five |
| Monday, February 7 | Deacons/Elders @6:15 p.m./Consistory@7:00 p.m. |
| Thursday, February 10 | Parish News deadline |
| Sunday, February 13 | Heart-to-Heart (carry out) |
| Sunday, March 6 | Opening/Coffee Hour/Floating Five |
| Monday, March 7 | Deacons/Elders @6:15 p.m. /Consistory @7:00 p.m. |