

**FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**Sunday, March 11, 2018**

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

*(\*Please stand, if you are able, at each asterisk.)*

Prelude “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” *Lowell Mason/Tom Fettke*  
(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 #158 “Think About His Love”

*Walt Harrah*

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Lord Jesus, You take away the sins of the world.

**All: Have mercy on us.**

Leader: Lord Jesus, You are the light of the world.

**All: Show us the way.**

Leader: Lord Jesus, You alone are the most perfect sacrifice.

**All: May we be worthy of Your love.**

\*Hymn of Praise #92 “O How I Love Jesus”

\*Unison Invocation

**Faithful God, You loved us when we were unlovable. You sent your son, Jesus, to save us from ourselves. We worship You and give You thanks. Grant that we may live in the light cast on the world by your Son and walk away from the shadows of sin. In Jesus’ name. Amen.**

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

Joys and Concerns

Hymn of Prayer #310 “Lead Me to Calvary”

Time of Silent Prayer

Morning Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer (debt and debtors)  
Prayer Response #340 “Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus” *Helen Lemmel*

Anthem “God So Loved the World” *John Stainer*

Children’s Message *Judy Fabian*

Offering Meditation

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings/One Great Hour of Sharing

Offertory “I Believe in a Hill Called Mt. Calvary” *William Gaither*

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

\*Offering Prayer

Scripture **Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22** (pg. 559-560 O.T.) *Marilyn Leiby*

Scripture **John 3:14-21** (pg. 94 N.T.)

Sermon “Out of the Dark into the Light” *Rev. Gerald Gammon*

\*Hymn of Commitment #517 “I Will Sing of My Redeemer”

\*Benediction

\*Parting Blessing “Three-fold Amen” *John Stainer*

Postlude “My Savior’s Love” *Charles Gabriel*

**PRAYER LIST**

Irma Allen, Esther Clark, Aiden Elder, Debbie Fabian, Don Howren, Ashton Hunter, Carol Huntzinger, Norma Patchin, Search Committee, Margaret Sheets

*Pastor: Rev. Gerald Gammon*  
*Director of Music: Karen Fumerola*  
*Organist: Karen Fumerola*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

3/11/18

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: Sharon Longworth Reader: Donny Longworth

**We have a new email address: firstuccwarren@gmail.com.**

Preparing communion is an honor and a privilege that we should all participate in at one time or another. Please look over the Communion Schedule on the table in the lounge and choose a Sunday when you can take part. Thank you!

*The Elders*

**One Great Hour of Sharing**, as part of Our Churches Wider Mission, is the special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that carries God’s message of love and hope to people in crisis. The UCC works with international partners to provide sources of clean water, food, education and health care, small business micro-credit, advocacy and resettlement for refugees and displaced persons, and emergency relief and rehabilitation. OGHS also supports domestic and international ministries for disaster preparedness and response. Envelopes are provided in your bulletins.

The Board of Christian Education will be sponsoring Easter Breakfast on Sunday, April 1, 2018 from 9:00—10:00 a.m. Our menu will consist of egg casserole, muffins, sweet rolls, donuts, etc., fruit, cereal, coffee & juice. A sign up sheet is in the lounge. Everyone is invited to join us for breakfast and social time. There will be no Sunday School that morning.

**A sign up sheet for Easter lilies is on the lounge table. They are \$12 again this year and the deadline is Sunday, March 18. Please get your orders in!**

Lunch out with the First Ladies will be at the Four Star Diner on Wednesday, March 21 at 12:00 p.m. All ladies are invited. Any questions, call Sally Spencer at (330) 638-0340.

There are many openings in the altar flower schedule if you would like to honor someone with flowers. Please see the sign up sheet on the office door or call the church office. The cost is \$15 per vase, \$30 for both.

	3/4/18	3/11/18	3/18/18	3/25/18
<b>Attendance</b>	<b>35</b>			
Benevolent	\$ 63			
Floating Five	\$ 135.15			
Flowers				
Building Imp	\$ 8			
Current Expense	\$ 993			
Ray McLean MF	\$ 225			
Olive Baker MF	\$ 50			
WFM	\$ 100			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1574.15</b>			

Thank you for all your prayers, phone calls, cards, and the altar flowers.

*Bob Spencer*

Thank you, Church Family, for your prayers, phone calls, and beautiful get well cards! I am feeling much better now! With Love,

*Joanne Bode*

I want to thank my church family for your prayers, cards, and especially the beautiful flowers.

*Phil Graham*

**IMPORTANT DATES**

Sunday, March 11  
Tuesday, March 13  
Thursday, March 15  
Wednesday, March 21  
Thursday, March 22  
Sunday, March 25  
Thursday, March 29

OGHS Special Mission Offering  
Search Committee mtg. @7:00 p.m.  
Choir Practice @6:30 p.m./Parish News deadline  
First Ladies @12:00 p.m. Four Star Diner  
Choir Practice @6:30 p.m.  
Palm/Passion Sunday  
Maundy Thursday with communion @6:30 p.m.