FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, March 12, 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 "I Need Thee Every Hour" Frederick Groten/
(Lighting of the Candles) (Organ/Piano) arr. Robert Lowery
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:

<u>Choral Introit</u> "Surely the Presence of the Lord" *Lanny Wolfe*

*Call to Worship: Sharon Longworth

Leader: Lord Jesus, help us to believe more fully in You.

All: May we drink of the well of faith, O Lord!

Leader: May we believe that You are for all people.

All: May we drink of the well of faith, O Lord!

Leader: Quench our thirst, not with water, but with Your Spirit.

All: May we drink of the well of faith, O Lord! Leader: Lord have mercy on us and show us the way.

All: We pray these things in Your most holy name, amen.

*Hymn #79 "My Jesus, I Love Thee"

*Unison Invocation:

All: Lord Jesus, You quenched the thirst of the Samaritan woman, quench our thirst as well. Teach us that You are for everyone who is willing to believe and, because of that, we are all brethren. Let us love as family and work together to bring the world to righteousness and faith, we pray in Your name, amen.

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

Anthem "Here I Am to Worship" *Tim Hughes/arr. Sidney Berry*

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

<u>Prayer Response</u> "Open Our Eyes, Lord" Robert Cull

Offering Prayer/Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Fill Me Now" (Organ/Piano) John Sweney

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

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

Hymn #319 "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"

Scripture Psalm 95 (pg. 550 O.T.) Sharon Longworth

<u>Scripture</u> **Romans 5: 1-11** (pg. 155 N.T.)

"Celtic Alleluia" Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker

Gospel John 4: 5-42 (pg. 94-95 N.T.)
Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"

All: "Thanks be to God."

Sermon "Ouench Your Thirst" Rev. Gerald Gammon

*Hymn #702 "Fill My Cup, Lord" (Choir 1, 2, 3/Congregation refrain)

*Benediction

Choral Response "Thank You, Lord" Seth & Bessie Sykes

<u>Postlude</u> "Victory in Jesus" David Smither

(Organ/Piano)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

3/12/2023

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: Sheryl Cozad

Thought of the Week: "Am I willing to see Jesus?"

<u>Covid Precautions</u>: We will continue with the precautions of social distancing with the wearing of masks being optional. Please, <u>if you feel ill</u>, 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.

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 <u>firstuccwarren.org</u>. 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, **from noon to 1:00 p.m.**

<u>Toy Drive:</u> 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.

	3/5/23	3/12/23	3/19/23	3/26/23
Attendance	25			
Benevolent				
Building Fund				
Current Expenses	\$388.00			
Floating Five	\$ 30.00			
Flowers				
TOTAL	\$418.00			

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PRAYER LIST

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

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, March 12	Daylight Saving Time—turn clocks ahead
Wednesday March 15	Choir Rehearsal 3:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 16	Parish News deadline
Sunday, March 19	One Great Hour of Sharing/Bake Sale deadline
Wednesday, March 22	Choir Rehearsal 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 29	Choir Rehearsal 3:30 p.m.