

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, March 27, 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 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Lowell Mason  
(Lighting of Candles) Organ/Piano

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: Sheryl Cozad

Leader: O God of Heaven and Earth, welcome us home to Your arms.

All: **We that were lost have found our way home to You in Jesus.**

Leader: Father keep us on the path to Your glory and never let us stray.

All: **May Your Spirit guide us always.**

Leader: Fill us with Your plan and direction so that we may always be counted as Yours.

All: **Forgive us our waywardness and sinfulness and welcome us home, O Lord.**

Leader: We tremble at Your feet and seek Your forgiveness.

All: **And we do so in Jesus's name, amen.**

Hymn #630 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

\*Unison Invocation :

All: **O God, maker of all that is seen and unseen, help us to repent and change from our sinful ways. Grant us prosperity and peace in our time, and love us as Your children. Search our hearts and find them full of love for You, O Lord. May we continue to grow in the garden of love You have planted. We pray in Jesus's name, 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 "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus Helen Lemmel

Organ/Piano Duet "The Penitent" Beardsley Van de Water

\*Apostles Creed (Please see the inside of the hymnal back cover)

Hymn #479 "Softly and Tenderly"

Scripture Joshua 5: 9-12 (pg. 197 O.T.) Sheryl Cozad

Scripture 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 (pg. 181 N.T.)

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Gospel Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 (pg. 78-79 N.T.)

Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"

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

Sermon "Lost and Found" Rev. Gerald Gammon

Hymn #490 "Lord, I'm Coming Home"

Presentation and Blessing of the Gifts

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

\*Benediction

Postlude "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness" John Wyeth  
(Organ/Piano)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

3/27/2022

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: Donny Longworth

**Thought for the week:** “Am I ready to come home to God?”

**Bake Sale:** Pickup date is Sunday, April 10, 2022, between 11:45 and 1:00 at the church.

**COVID Precautions:** Consistory met February 27, 2022 and decided that we will continue with the precautions of social distancing with the wearing of masks being optional. Bible study will continue in fellowship hall. Please, if you feel ill, do not come to church.

**Altar Flowers:** They are \$30 for two vases or \$15 for each. It is always nice to remember loved ones with altar flowers. We also are in need of 29 oz. fruit or vegetable cans.

**Sunday School:** There will be Sunday School April 3, 2022. There will not be an opening celebration as we are having a continental breakfast Easter Sunday from 9:00—10:00, followed by Sunday service at 10:45. Everyone is invited.

**Choir Rehearsal:** Rehearsal are held on Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m. All are invited to join in!

**Baptism:** Taylor A. Keeney will be baptized as part of our Sunday service on April 3, 2022. Please come welcome this young man into Christendom.

**One Great Hour of Sharing:** This special mission offering is today When you give to this One Great Hour of Sharing, you deploy resources to people all around the world, and in our own communities. When natural disasters strike, love responds. Your giving ensures that no matter how difficult the situation, **Love remains.** Envelopes are provided.

**New Church Directory:** We would like to put out a new church directory soon. Please call the church with any changes or make changes on the paper in the lobby. Also, if you have an email address, we would like to have that.

	3/3/22	3/13/22	3/20/22	3/27/22
<b>Attendance</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>26</b>	
Benevolent	\$ 5.00			
Building Fund				
Current Expenses	\$ 990.00	\$762.00	\$265.00	
Floating Five	\$ 110.00	\$130.00	\$120.00	
Flowers		\$ 30.00	\$ 60.00	
Lily		\$ 19.00	\$ 9.50	
WF Mission	\$ 100.00			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,205.00</b>	<b>\$941.00</b>	<b>\$454.50</b>	

### PRAYER LIST

William Anderson	Peggy Marshall
Donna Beavers	David Nichols
Charles Carl	Katie Papadack
Betsy Chapley	Merial Price
Beverly DeSavigny	Joe & Melissa Rein
Jim DeSavigny	Jim Scott
Erika Gammon	Bob Spencer
Ruth Gilbert	Barb Sponaule
Kaye Doran	Vicky Town
Jimmy Green	Ukraine People
Betty Jamison	Gail Vidovich
Joe Vugrincic	

### IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, March 27	One Great Hour of Sharing Special Mission Offering
Sunday, April 3	Sunday School, (No Opening) Floating Five Sunday
Sunday, April 3	Baptism of Taylor A. Keeney
Monday, April 4	Elders/Deacons at 6:15; Consistory at 7:00 pm
Wednesday, April 6	Men's Fellowship Breakfast at 9:00 am; Choir Rehearsal at 3:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 10	Palm Sunday; Bake Sale pick up 11:45-1
Thursday, April 14	Maundy Thursday Service at 6:30 pm
Sunday, April 17	Easter Sunday! Breakfast 9-10, service at 10:45 (No Sunday School)