

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday, March 7, 2021
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 "Blessed Be Your Name" Matt Redman
(Lighting of the Candles)

Greeting
Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Gammon

Let us begin our worship today as we join in the Call to Worship:

*Call to Worship Beverly DeSavigny

Leader: Lord God, You sent Your Son to save us all from our sinfulness.

All: Forgive us and love us, O Lord.

Leader: Father, Your Son came to teach us to love as only He could.

All: May we follow His example.

Leader: Help us to see our shortcomings and overcome our failings.

All: May we find wisdom and strength in Your love.

Leader: You have seen fit to love Your children and to have mercy on us.

All: We pray that we will always find Your favor and forgiveness through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn #630 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
Organ/Piano: Barbara Edwards & Karen Fumerola

*Unison Invocation: Apostle's Creed

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.

Gloria Patri #812 "Glory Be to the Father"

Joys and Concerns

Time of Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

(debt and debtors)

Prayer Response

"Through It All"

André Crouch

Organ/Piano: Barbara Edwards & Karen Fumerola

Offering Prayer

Doxology

#815 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hymn

#323 "At the Cross"

Organ/Piano: Barbara Edwards & Karen Fumerola

Scripture

Exodus 20:1-17

Beverly DeSavigny

Scripture

John 2:13-22

Sermon

"Raise Us Up, Jesus"

Rev. Gerald Gammon

*Hymn

#309 "I Will Sing of My Redeemer"

Organ/Piano: Barbara Edwards & Karen Fumerola

*Benediction

Postlude

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

A. Showalter/arr. David Smith

Organ/Piano: Barbara Edwards & Karen Fumerola

**Please place your tithes and offerings in the plate beside the back pew as you exit the sanctuary.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

3/7/21

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 be raised up with Jesus?

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!

Daylight Saving Time: Next Sunday, March 14, please remember to turn your clocks ahead one hour Saturday night before you go to bed. This is also a good time to check batteries in smoke detectors, if you have them.

Spring Bake Sale: The Deacons are offering walnut and poppy seed kolache rolls, as well as the four pie types (blueberry, cherry, peach, apple). Orders must be in by March 13 and picked up on March 27. Pickup will be curbside service as in the past. Order forms are available in the church lobby, on the church website, and the Facebook page. Orders can also be placed by calling the church office.

Tithes and Offerings: A plate will be placed beside the pew in the rear of the sanctuary for you to put your offering as you exit.

Maundy Thursday: We are planning to hold our Maundy Thursday service on April 1, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. We need volunteers to read for the service. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet located in the church lobby. Thank you.

COVID Precautions: While the number of new cases and deaths resulting from the Covid-19 virus has declined, the threat from the virus still exists. Therefore, we will continue to take the following precautions: body temperatures will be taken upon entry to the church, face coverings are required for entry into the church and while in the church, we shall maintain a distance of at least 6 feet between family units in the church, 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.

	2/7/2021	2/14/2020	2/21/2020	2/28/2020
Attendance				
Benevolent	\$ 10.00	\$ 5.00		
Building Fund	\$ 15.00	\$ 50.00		
Current Expenses	\$1,350.00	\$1,575.00	\$125.00	\$780.00
Floating Five		\$ 290.00	\$320.00	\$120.00
Memorial/Funeral	\$ 145.00			
TOTAL	\$1,520.00	\$1,920.00	\$445.00	\$900.00

Easter Lily: If you want to order an Easter lily, they are \$8.75 this year. Please do so on the order form in the lobby or call the church.

PRAYER LIST

Donna Beaver	Betty Mark
Marcia Christy	Mitch Paxson
Aaron Gammon	Barry Schoch
Diana Graham	Barb Sponaugle
Charlie Grounds	Gayle Vidovich
Betty Jamison	Susan Williams
Marlen Martin	Mary Kate Zweidinger

Vilma Groat's family

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, March 7	Floating Five
Sunday, March 14	One Great Hour of Sharing/Daylight Saving Time
Thursday, March 18	Parish New deadline
Thursday, April 1	Maundy Thursday w/communion @6:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 4	Easter w/communion/Floating Five
Monday, April 5	Elders/Deacons @6:15 p.m.
Monday, April 5	Consistory @7:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 15	Parish News deadline