

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, March 8, 2020

Sunday School 9:30 a.m. - 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

(Lighting of the Candles)

Greeting

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

Donny Longworth

Choral Introit

“Lord Jesus, Who through Forty Days”

from The Whole Books of Psalms, 1562

*Call to Worship

Leader: Lord Jesus, You came to save us from our sin.

All: Have mercy on us!

Leader: Holy Son of God, You loved us when we were unlovable.

All: We thank You for Your love.

Leader: Prince of Peace, we ask You to look not on our failures, but rather our intentions.

All: May we always find favor in Your sight.

to Leader: Jesus, You are forever one with the Father and the Spirit. Help us be one with You.

All: May we always have You in our heart, be guided by Your Spirit, and loving as we should. We pray in Your most holy name. Amen.

*Hymn #320 “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

*Unison Invocation:

All: O God, hear Your children as we lift our praises and petitions. Know that we hold You in our hearts and want to be pleasing in Your sight. Give us the strength and fortitude to do Your bidding in all we say and do. May Your Spirit

forever reside with us, leading us home to You someday when our time here is done. We ask for Your pardon and blessings through Jesus, our Lord. 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 #189 “Alleluia”

Jerry Sinclair

Anthem

“Mold Me, Teach Me, Use Me, Lord”

Don Besig

Children’s Message

Judy Fabian

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offering Prayer

Offertory

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

Hymn

#350 “God So Loved the World”

Scripture

Psalm 12:1-8 (pg. 571 O.T.)

Beverly DeSavigny

Scripture

John 3:1-17 (pg. 93-94 N.T.)

Sermon

“Born of Water and Spirit”

Rev. Gerald Gammon

*Hymn

#510 “Heaven Came Down”

*Benediction

*Parting Blessing #510 “Heaven Came Down” (refrain)

John Peterson

Postlude

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

3/8/2020

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: Judy Fabian Lay Reader: Sheryl Cozad

Thought for the week: “Springing forward means much more than just turning the clock ahead an hour. We can spring forward by pushing ourselves to positivity and away from negativity. Push off and spring forward not only on your clock, but in your heart!”

One Great Hour of Sharing: Sunday, March 22nd. Envelopes will be provided in the bulletin.

Hamilton Road Quartet: Saturday, March 28th, at 6:00 p.m. Make sure to bring all your friends and family.

Pie Sale: The Deacons are holding a pie sale in time for Easter! Pies will be available the Saturday before Palm Sunday (April 4th). The price of the pies is \$6 each. There will be cherry, peach, apple, and mixed berry available for you to order. Order forms are available in the lobby. Orders should be paid for and turned in by March 28th. Pick up times for the pies will be Saturday, April 4th, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Easter Lilies: Cost is \$10 per lily. A sign up sheet is in the lobby. Deadline to order is Sunday, March 29th.

Communion Schedule: There are few things in the life of a Christian that are more meaningful than sharing the bread and cup of Communion. It is a privilege and honor to prepare the elements for this holy meal. Please consider signing up to prepare the Lord’s Supper using the sign-up sheet in the lobby.

Thanks: I want to thank my church family for the delicious cookies and the beautiful altar flowers. They certainly made Don’s and my day.

Betty & Don Howren

Thanks: It is a blessing to have such caring friends and family at the church. Thank you all for the cards, prayers, and the beautiful flowers delivered by Junior Fumerola.

Irma Allen

	3/1/20	3/8/20	3/15/20	3/22/20	3/29/20
Attendance	45				
Benevolent	\$ 55.00				
Building Imp					
Current Exp	\$ 926.00				
Floating Five	\$ 305.36				
Flowers					
Warren Mission					
TOTAL	\$1,286.36				

PRAYER LIST

Clyde Baker	Roberta & Lloyd O’Keefe
Donna Beavers	Ryan Petiya
Bill Bode	Sally Spencer
Fred Bode	Barb Sponaugle
Sheri French	Jerry Stephens
Don Howren	Sue Torno
Betty Jamison	Gayle Vidovich
Marlin Martin	Joy White
Betty Mark	Mary Kate Zweidinger

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, March 8

Wednesday, March 11

Wednesday, March 18

Thursday, March 19

Friday, March 20

Sunday, March 22

Wednesday, March 25

Saturday, March 28

Daylight Saving Time

Choir Practice @6:30 p.m.

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Parish News deadline

First Ladies @12:30 p.m. at Perkins (Elm Rd.)

One Great Hour of Sharing Special Offering

Choir Practice @6:30 p.m.

Hamilton Road Quartet @6:00 p.m.

Pie Sale Ends