

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Pentecost Sunday
Sunday, May 19, 2024
Sunday School 9:45 a.m./Worship Service 11:00 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. We also ask that you refrain from conversation during our service.

Prelude "Into My Heart" *Harry Clarke/arr. Jack Schrader*
(Lighting of the Candles) (Organ/Piano)

Greeting
Leader: "The peace of Christ be with you."
People: **"And also with you."**

Welcome and Announcements Ron Schoch

Let us begin our worship today:

Choral Introit "Open the Eyes of My Heart" *Paul Baloche*

*Call to Worship: Sharon Longworth

Leader: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ, for sending us a helper!
All: May the Spirit of God enter our hearts and control our tongues.
Leader: O Lord, You have shown us the way!
All: May we follow You to the eternal kingdom of Heaven.
Leader: Christ Jesus, though You ascended into Heaven, You are always with us!
All: Open our eyes and hearts so that we might always find You!
Leader: Help us, O Lord, to be worthy of Your covenant.
All: We pray in Your most holy name. Amen.

*Hymn (insert) "On Pentecost They Gathered" *Felix Mendelssohn*

*Unison Invocation:

All: Holy Spirit, we seek Your presence in our lives! Come to us and fill our hearts with the love of Jesus and strengthen our resolve to follow Him in all we do and say. We seek to find favor in our Father's sight. Help us, O Advocate, that we might be pleasing to Him, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

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

Anthem "Holy Manna" *Joel Raney*

Joys and Concerns/Time of Silent Prayer/The Lord's Prayer (debt and debtors)
Prayer Response "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" *Ken Medema*

Offering Prayer/Giving of our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" *James Manley*

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

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

Hymn #389 "Spirit of the Living God"

Scripture **Acts 2:1-21** (pg. 119 N.T.) *Sharon Longworth*
Gospel **John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15** (pg. 110 N.T.)

All Sing (After Gospel is announced) "Celtic Alleluia" *Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker*

Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"

All: "Thanks be to God."

Sermon "Congregational Hymn Choices"

Communion Hymn #459 "We Remember You"

Invitation to Communion
Communion/Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn #383 "Fill Me Now"

*Benediction

Postlude "Soon and Very Soon" *André Crouch*
(Organ/Piano)

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NOTE: Scripture readings are from NRSV Bible

ANNOUNCEMENTS

05/19/2024

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.

Thought for the Week: How does the Spirit move me?

Next week: Liturgist/Lay Reader: Judy Fabian

Marvin Barney will be our guest minister next Sunday.

Summer Hours: Worship will remain at the 11:00 a.m. time due to scheduling conflicts.

Congregational Meeting: A meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. tomorrow, May 20, 2024 in our sanctuary to discuss and vote on the course forward for our church. Please plan on attending!

Outside Flowers: We are seeking donations again this year to cover the cost of flowers to be planted outside our church. If you want to contribute to this effort, please place your donation in an envelope and mark it for “outside flowers”. Thank you.

Toy Drive: We are once again holding our Toy Drive from now until the end of November 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.

Donna Beavers: (330) 792-8659

Thank You: I’m so blessed to have such a caring church family. The thoughtful cards, beautiful flowers, calls, and prayers were the most healing remedy I could have received. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for the care and support you’ve so generously shared. I love you all!
Melanie Burger

NEW ADDRESS: Jeff Robinson, 409 Columbia St. #2, Elmira, NY 14901
Same phone number

	5/5/24	5/12/24	5/19/24	5/26/24
Attendance	26	33		
Benevolence	\$ 50.00	\$ 5.00		
Building Fund				
Current Expenses	\$665.00	\$1,116.00		
Floating Five	\$ 71.00	120.00		
Flowers				
Outside Flowers	\$ 65.00	50.00		
TOTAL	\$851.00	\$1,291.00		

April Income	April Expenditures	April Net
\$4,017.00	\$7,117.20	-\$3,100.20

Prayer List

Shut-in

Becky Callahan	Dick Leiby	Donna Beavers
Jerry Currie	Marilyn Leiby	Ruth Gilbert
Rodger Davis	Dean Mahalick	Betty Howren
Steve Doracin	Peggy Marshall	Dick Leiby
Phil Fletcher	Larry Mattison	Marilyn Leiby
Donald Gammon	Norma Patchin	Glenn Mark
Gerald Gammon	Carter Plott	Norma Patchin
Wesley Gault	Mary Sabol	Barb Sponaugle
Phil Graham	Layes Wood	
Ruth Gilbert		
Those affected by the conflicts throughout the world		

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, May 19	Opening/Coffee Hour/Communion
Monday, May 20	Congregational Meeting 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 21	Women’s Luncheon 12:30 p.m. Eat’n Park
Wednesday, May 22	Choir Rehearsal 12:30 p.m.
Sunday, May 26	Trinity Sunday/Memorial Sunday