

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday, May 23, 2021
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 “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” *Robert Jackson*
(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:

Donny Longworth

Leader: Almighty God, You give us love to share with one another.

All: Help us to love as You intend us to.

Leader: While Your love knows no bounds, we are but human.

All: Strengthen our resolve to love as You do.

Leader: O God, Your love has brought us salvation and mercy.

All: Help us to be forgiving to those that offend us.

Leader: We worship You and praise You, and we glorify all that You do on our behalf.

All: We pray that we might be found acceptable in Your sight. In Jesus’s name, amen.

Hymn #401 “The Church’s One Foundation

*Unison Invocation:

All: O God, hear Your children as we plea for Your help to become better stewards of the love You give us to share. May we communicate in love to all those we encounter and share the joy of the blessings You have bestowed. Forever may Your way be our way and may we carry the fire of

your divine love into the world. Help us to be holy and loving. Help us to be good children of God and share our love for You with the world. 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 #219 “Surely the Presence (of the Lord Is in This Place)”
Lanny Wolfe

Offering Prayer

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart” *Daniel Iverson*

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

Hymn

#389 “Spirit of the Living God”

Scripture

Ezekiel 37:1-14 (pg. 806 O.T.)

Donny Longworth

Scripture

Acts 2:1-21 (pg. 118 N.T.)

Sermon

“Speaking God’s Language”

Rev. Gerald Gammon

Communion Hymn

#463 “I Will Remember Thee”

Invitation to Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Benediction

Postlude

“Jesus Saves”

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

5/23/21

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: Sheryl Cozad

Thought for the week: “Do I speak the language of love?”

Parish News: Please remember to pick up your Parish News in the lobby.

Covid Restrictions: Masks are no longer required to be worn by those that are fully vaccinated against the COVID-19 virus. Those that have not been vaccinated are encouraged to continue to wear masks for protection, however, it is an individual choice. Those that have been vaccinated and choose to wear a mask may do so. Sanitizer stations will remain available. Temperature checks upon entry to the church will continue. As always, if you do not feel well, you are encouraged to remain home.

Memorials: Please keep in mind that if you want to make donations to the church in memory of someone, the donation needs to be earmarked for a particular item or project. Donations to the operating funds are a wonderful tribute to a loved one. Nothing could express the love someone has for this church more than sustaining it.

Worship Time: On Sunday, May 30, our worship changes to 10:00 a.m.

Memorial Sunday (10:00 a.m.): On Sunday, May 30th, we will be remembering our loved ones who have passed. (There will be no Sunday School).

Altar Flowers: If you would like to order flowers to be put on the altar in remembrance of a loved one, the price is \$30 for two vases or \$15 each. If you order flowers for Sunday, you are now responsible for disposal/disbursement of those flowers.

	5/2/21	5/9/21	5/16/21	5/23/21	5/30/21
Attendance	27	42	27		
Benevolent	\$ 5.00	\$ 50.00			
Building Fund		\$ 10.00			
Current Expenses	\$763.00	\$1,328.00	\$1,066.00		
Floating Five	\$119.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 220.00		
Flowers		\$ 30.00			
TOTAL	\$887.00	\$1,598.00	\$1,286.00		

PRAYER LIST

Anita Balentine	Charlie Grounds
Simone Bellando	Pam Hayes
Donna Beavers	Betty Jamison
Susan Booth	Mitch Paxson
Charlie Cope	Bob Spencer
Betsy Chapley	Barb Sponaugle
Bev DeSavigny	Vicky Town
Kevin Fumerola	Wayne Vidovich
Ruth Gilbert	

Booth family
Gotschall family
Torno family
Yeager family

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, May 23

Sunday, May 30

Monday, May 31

Sunday, June 6

Monday, June 7

Monday, June 7

Thursday, June 17

Pentecost-bring red flowers

Worship @10:00 a.m./No Sunday School

Memorial Day– OFFICE CLOSED

Floating Five

Elders/Deacons mtg. @6:15 p.m.

Consistory @7:00 p.m.

Parish News deadline