

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Pentecost Sunday

Sunday, May 28, 2023

Worship Service 10:00 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.

Prelude "We Are Many Parts" *Marty Hangen*
(Lighting of the 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:

Choral Introit #394 "Greater Is He That Is in Me" *Lanny Wolfe*

*Call to Worship: Judy Fabian

Leader: Lord Jesus, You sacrificed all for us.

All: We hope You find us worthy of Your sacrifice.

Leader: You have blessed our nation with others willing to give it all for us.

All: We thank You for this gift and we honor their sacrifice.

Leader: We ask that You console those who have lost loved ones.

All: Bring Your Spirit of comfort to them all.

Leader: Through Your love, we carry them in our hearts and we thank You.

All: May they all bask in Your glory we pray, amen.

*Hymn #390 "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

*Unison Invocation:

All: Lord, we are in awe of the blessing of friends and protectors You have given us. While we mourn their passing, we celebrate their Heavenly existence with You, O Lord. Forever let them be filled with joy and know the love that only comes from You. We pray in Your name, amen.

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

Anthem "Go Rest High on That Mountain" *Vince Gill/Tom Fettke & Thomas Grassi*
(A song in Memoriam)

Joys and Concerns/Time of Silent Prayer/The Lord's Prayer (debt and debtors)
Prayer Response #384 "Spirit Song" *John Wimber*

Offering Prayer/Giving of our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory "Spirit" medley *Lanny Wolfe & Dorris Akers*
Doxology #815 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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

*Hymn #393 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

Scripture **Psalm 104:24-34, 35b** (pg. 555-556 O.T.) *Judy Fabian*
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 (pg. 174 N.T.)
"Celtic Alleluia" *Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker*

Gospel **John 17: 1-11** (pg. 111 N.T.)
Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"
All: "Thanks be to God."

Sermon "Scars in Heaven" Rev. Gerald Gammon

Invitation to Communion/Prayer over the elements
Communion/Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn #389 "Spirit of the Living God"

*Benediction
Choral Response #418 "Make Us One" *Carol Cymbala*

Postlude "God Be with You" *William Tomer*
(Organ/Piano)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

5/28/2023

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.

Next week: Liturgist/Lay Reader: Sharon Longworth

Thought of the Week: “How will I be remembered and how will I be greeted by the Lord?”

Women of First U.C.C.: We are planning to meet for a noon luncheon on Wednesday, May 31, at Eat 'n Park Restaurant, located on Elm Road. The gathering is open to all women and we look forward to seeing you there!

Custodian: The church is currently seeking to fill the, soon to be vacant, custodian position. If you or someone you know, who may be qualified, is interested in doing this part time job, please contact the church office. The job description is posted in the lobby.

Toy Drive: From now until the end of November, we will be holding a toy drive 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.

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Marilyn & Dick Leiby

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Building Fund				
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Easter Lily	\$ 29.25			
Pentecost Flowers	\$ 155.55			
TOTAL	\$1,117.75	\$879.00	\$1,378.00	

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Betsy Chapley		Betty Jamison
Roger Davis		Dick Leiby
East Palestine People		Marilyn Leiby
Phil Fletcher		Glenn Mark
Ruth Gilbert		Norma Patchin
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