

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, November 15, 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 "Prayer of Thanksgiving" *Netherlands Folksong/*
Greeting *arr. Tedd Smith & Don Hustad*

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 Craig Cozad

Leader: Lord Jesus, You have given us so much.

All: May we use what You have blessed us with wisely.

Leader: Son of God, You brought us salvation and hope.

All: May we use what You have blessed us with wisely.

Leader: We lift our prayers of thanks and love for all that You do.

All: May we use what You have blessed us with wisely.

Leader: Empower us to share what You have blessed us with so that we might find favor in Your Father's sight.

All: May we use what You have blessed us with wisely.

Leader: We ask for Your presence in our lives, and Your Spirit in our hearts always.

All: May we use what You have blessed us with wisely. We pray in Your most holy name. Amen.

Hymn #11 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

*Unison Invocation

All: Father in heaven, we Your children, thank You for the many gifts You have bestowed upon us. Grant us the wisdom to use them wisely and for Your glory. You have blessed us with love, salvation, and the means to meet our every need, glory to You, O God! May we be good stewards of all that You have provided us. We pray through You Son, Jesus. Amen.

Gloria Patri #812 "Glory Be to the Father"

Blessing of the Harvest

Joys and Concerns

Time of Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (debt and debtors)

Prayer Response #485 "Into My Heart" *Harry Clarke*

Offering Prayer

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

Hymn #634 "More Love to Thee"

Scripture **Judges 4:1-7** Craig Cozad

Scripture **Matthew 25:14-30**

Sermon "Invest in Christ" Rev. Gerald Gammon

Communion Hymn #460 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

Invitation to Communion

The Breaking of the Bread *(Please wait to partake together)*

Taking the Cup *(Please wait to drink together)*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn #786 "Count Your Blessings"

*Benediction

Postlude "When We All Get to Heaven" *Emily Wilson/*
arr. David Smither

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Guest Organist: Barbara Edwards

ANNOUNCEMENTS

11/15/2020

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/Lay Reader: Judy Fabian

Thought for the week: Am I using all that God has given me for His glory?

Bake Sale: The Deacons are having a carry out bake sale just in time for the holidays! The deadline for Thanksgiving orders has already passed, but you still have one more chance. Get those pre-orders in by December 5th for pickup on December 19th. Order forms are available in the lobby, on the church website, and on Facebook.

Altar Flowers: Flowers can now be ordered 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.

Thank You: I would very deeply like to thank all those who have said prayers for my son, Aaron. Three days after Aaron was transferred to Baylor University Hospital in Dallas, the doctor told his mother and me they would do everything they could for Aaron, but we should be preparing ourselves in case a decision would have to be made regarding the ventilator. Less than a week later his heart stopped for four minutes. We felt this would be the time. Four days after that he was off the ventilator, his kidneys were starting to work again, and he called me on his cell phone while I was driving home. If that isn't the power of prayer and God's hand at work, I don't know what is. So, from the bottom of my heart, thank you from me and my son's family.
Mark Gammon

Tithing Envelopes: Please remember to pick up your 2021 boxes of envelopes .

Poinsettias: The deadline for poinsettias is Wednesday, November 25th. A 6.5" poinsettia is \$8.

	11/1/20	11/8/20	11/15/20	11/22/20	11/29/20
Attendance	29	28			
Benevolent	\$ 80.00	\$ 5.00			
Building Fund	\$ 90.00	\$8,015.00			
Current Exp	\$ 885.44	\$1,015.00			
Floating Five	\$ 66.00	\$ 130.00			
WFM	\$ 120.00				
Flowers					
Poinsettias	\$ 32.00	\$ 8.00			
TOTAL	\$1,273.44	\$9,173.00			

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, November 15
Thursday, November 19
Sunday, November 22
Thursday, November 26
Friday, November 27
Sunday, November 29
Saturday, December 5
Sunday, December 6
Monday, December 7
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Sunday, December 14

Harvest Sunday/Communion
Parish News deadline
Hanging of the Greens after worship
Happy Thanksgiving Day/**OFFICE CLOSED**
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First Sunday in Advent
Bake Sale pre-orders end
Second Sunday of Advent/Floating Five
Deacons/Elders mtg. @6:30 p.m.
Consistory mtg. @7:00 p.m.
Third Sunday of Advent/Congregational Mtg.
after church

Prayer List

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Joanne Bode	Florence Simons
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Sympathy/Comfort for those we have lost

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Shut-Ins

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