

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, November 20, 2022

Sunday School 9:30 a.m./Worship Service 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Gerald Gammon (330) 306-8965

Director of Music: Karen Fumerola

Guest 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 "Prayer of Thanksgiving" TeddSmith/Don Hustad
(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: Sharon Longworth

Choral Introit "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" Arthur Messiter

*Call to Worship:

Leader: O God, we have so much to give You thanks for!
All: May our hearts be filled with gratitude for our abundance.
Leader: We thank You for all that we have been blessed with.
All: We sing Your praises and are forever in Your debt.
Leader: You give without expectation and love beyond our comprehension.
All: Our adoration is insufficient, but it is genuine. We love You and thank You for all that You have done for us and we do so in Jesus' name, amen.

*Hymn #797 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

* Unison Invocation :

All: Lord, we are blessed to live in a country with so many freedoms. Help us to be good steward of the blessing of our country. May we remain steadfast in its founding principles and protect its integrity always. Bless all those that have sacrificed in this effort we pray, amen.

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

Solo "Blessed Assurance" Phoebe Knapp
Soloist: Bill Paxson

Joys and Concerns/Time of Silent Prayer/The Lord's Prayer (debt and debtors)
Prayer Response "Celtic Alleluia" Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker

Offering Prayer/Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

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

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

Hymn #790 "We Gather Together"

Anthem "Make it a Day of Thanksgiving" Mark Peterson

Scripture **Jeremiah 23: 1-6** (pg. 725 O.T.) Sharon Longworth

Scripture **Colossians 1: 11-20** (pg. 200 N.T.)

Gospel **Luke 23: 33-43** (pg. 89 N.T.)

Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"

All: "Thanks be to God."

Sermon "Be Thankful" Rev. Gerald Gammon

Hymn #786 "Count Your Blessings"

Invitation to Communion

Communion

*Benediction

Postlude "Count Your Blessings" Edwin Excell
(Organ/Piano)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

11/20/2022

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: Sheryl Cozad

Thought of the Week: How do I thank God for all He has given me?

Covid Precautions: We will continue with the precautions of social distancing with the wearing of masks being optional. Please, if you feel ill, do not come to church.

Altar Flowers: It is always nice to remember loved ones with altar flowers. The altar vases are \$50 for two vases or \$25 each.

Bake Sale: The pickup date is this Sunday, November 20, 2022, from noon to 2:00 p.m.

Poinsettias: The price this year is \$9.00. Please get your orders in by today, Sunday, November 20.

Harvest Sunday: Thank you everyone for participating in the food collection. It will all go to the Warren Family Mission.

Samaritan Purse: Thanks to all who participated. We collected four boxes and monetary donations of \$110. Karen Fumerola delivered the boxes to their destination.

Thank You: We want to thank our church family for the thoughtfulness and expression of sympathy during Becky's passing. We also want to thank all those who participated in preparation and in supplying desserts for the "celebration luncheon" following Becky's service. A special thank you to Rev. Gammon for the beautiful service conducted at Becky's funeral. *The Kunkel Family*

	11/6/22	11/13/22	11/220/2	11/27/22
Attendance	32			
Benevolent	\$ 5.00			
Building Fund	\$ 50.00			
Current Expenses	\$1,110.00	\$292.00		
Floating Five	\$ 189.00	\$150.00		
Flowers				
Poinsettias		\$ 18.00		
Memorial	\$ 100.00	\$325.00		
TOTAL	\$1,454.00	\$785.00		

PRAYER LIST

American People	Dick Leiby
Tammy Boyle	Mark Leiby
Becky Callahan	Richard Lemasters
Betsy Chapley	Glenn Mark
Sandy Croyle	Gary Noel
Sherri French	Peggy Marshall
Ruth Gilbert	Linda Paxson
Diana Graham	Melissa Rein
Debbie Heilman	Mary Sabol
Dale Hensley	Carol Sin
MaryAnn Huffman	Bob & Sally Spencer
Ron Huffman	Barbara Sponaugle
Betty Jamison	Ukraine People
John Kunkel	

Kunkel Family

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, Nov. 20	Thanksgiving Sunday/Communion Bake Sale pickup from noon to 2:00 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 27	Hanging of the Greens after worship
Sunday, December 4	Bake Sale order deadline
Monday, December 5	Deacons/Elders mtg @6:15 pm/Consistory @7pm