

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday, November 28, 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 "In the Bleak Midwinter" *Gustav Holst*
(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 #241 "Arise, Shine" *Steven Urspringer & Jay Robinson*

*Call to Worship: Donny Longworth

Leader: O God, You are mighty and compassionate.

All: Bless us with Your favor.

Leader: Holy Spirit, giver of life, help us to be ready for the arrival of Jesus.

All: May we always be prepared for the coming of our Lord.

Leader: Jesus, Son of God, we anticipate Your arrival with hopeful hearts.

All: May our hearts be full of love for You and our fellow man when You arrive.

Leader: Savior, provider, and trusted friend, You are our Master, our King, and our beloved.

All: May we act accordingly and love as we should. We pray in Jesus' name, amen.

*Hymn #245 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Lighting of the First Advent Candle Gerry & Marian Gammon

*Unison Invocation :

All: Heavenly Father, we are Your children and we follow Your Son, Jesus. He is our shepherd and leads us to Your kingdom through His word and deed. Help us to be more like Him and to be pleasing in Your sight. We celebrate His coming, anticipating seeing Your wonderful face, as we pray for spending eternity with You. We do so in His most holy 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 #641 "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord" *George Whelpton*

Anthem "When Will We See God's Son" *James Michael Stevens*

Offering Prayer

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

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

Hymn #279 "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

Scripture **Psalm 25:1-10** (pg. 502 O.T.) Donny Longworth

Scripture **Luke 21:25-36** (pg. 85-86 N.T.)

Sermon "Jesus is Coming" Rev. Gerald Gammon

Hymn #196 "O Come, Let Us Adore Him"

*Benediction

Postlude "Sing We Now of Christmas" *French Carol*
(Organ/Piano)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

11/28/21

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: Craig Cozad

Thought for the week: “Am I ready for Jesus?”

Advent Wreath: We are in need of four families to sign up for lighting of the advent candles and readings. The sign up sheet is in the lobby.

Bake Sale: The Deacons are having their second bake sale of the season which includes: apple, blueberry, cherry & peach pies (baked or frozen) for \$7 and zucchini (walnuts), banana (walnuts), pumpkin, & blueberry breads for \$6. Cookie plates are \$5, Kolachi: walnut or poppy seed \$12 and Baklava: 6 pc is \$6 or a tray is \$35. Order forms are available in the lobby, or at firstuccwarren.org, and you can also call the church. Get your orders in before the deadline of December 5, 2021. Pickup date is Saturday, December 18, 2021, between 10:00 a.m. and noon at the church.

Family Christmas Party: The party will be held this year on Sunday, December 12, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. Please bring a covered dish along with your table service. Beverages will be provided. Our entertainment will be magician & comedian, Eric Thompson. Everyone is welcome to join us for good food, fun, and friends! **Sharon Longworth will also be collecting for staff Christmas gifts through Sunday morning, December 12.

Communion Preparation: Preparing communion is an honor and a privilege that we should all participate in at one time or another. Please look over the Communion Schedule for 2021-2022 and choose a Sunday service when you can prepare the elements.

	11/7/21	11/14/21	11/21/21	11/28/21
Attendance	31	33	35	
Benevolent	\$ 55.00			
Building Fund	\$ 125.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 50.00	
Current Expenses	\$ 808.00	\$1,215.00	\$320.00	
Floating Five	\$ 219.00	\$ 130.00	\$220.00	
Flowers				
Wedding	\$ 90.00			
Poinsettias			\$ 17.00	
WF Mission	\$ 120.00			
TOTAL	\$1,417.00	\$1,370.00	\$607.00	

PRAYER LIST

William Anderson	Betty Jamison
Donna Beavers	Janet Lehmann
Charlie Carl	Peggy Marshall
Betsy Chapley	Ethel Maximum
Beverly DeSavigny	David Nichols
Junior Fumerola	Mary Sabol
Ruth Gilbert	Bob Spencer
Jimmy Green	Barb Sponaugle
Marilyn Grounds	Vicky Town
Chelsea Harper	Marna Williams

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, November 28	First Sunday of Advent/Hanging of the Greens
Wednesday, Dec. 1	Men's Fellowship breakfast @9:00 a.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 1	Choir Rehearsal @6:30 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 5	Floating Five/Bake sale deadline
Monday, Dec. 6	Deacons/Elders @6:15 p.m./ Consistory @7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 8	Choir Rehearsal @6:30 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 12	Christmas Party @5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 15	Choir Rehearsal @6:30 p.m.