

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday, October 8, 2023
Sunday School 9:45 a.m./Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
Pastor: Rev. Bill Finnigan
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 "Love Divine" *John Zundel/arr. Ethel Smith*
(Lighting of the Candles) (Organ/Piano)

Greeting

Leader: "The peace of Christ be with you."

People: "And also with you."

Welcome and Announcements John Kunkel

Let us begin our worship today:

Choral Introit: #211 "Let There Be Praise" *Dick & Melodie Tunney*

*Call to Worship: John Kunkel

Leader: We listen for the way God calls to us.

All: Would that God speak so clearly that both of our ears were set to tingling.

Leader: God chooses those who do not yet know God enough to recognize God.

All: Are you ready to listen when God calls You by name?

*Hymn #90 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

*Unison Invocation: Come into the holiness of this place that has been dedicated to the worship of God. Come here as people recognizing the holy unity of body, mind, and spirit. Come as people united in spirit with God. We pray in Jesus' 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 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" *David Lantz III*

Offering Prayer/Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory #170 "Give Thanks" (Organ/Piano) *Henry Smith*

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

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

Hymn #634 "More Love to Thee"

Scripture **Psalm 1** (pg. 489 O.T.) John Kunkel

Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"

All: "Thanks be to God."

Sermon "True Success" Rev. Bill Finnigan

*Hymn #526 "The Solid Rock"

*Benediction

Postlude "I'll Fly Away" *Albert Brumley*
(Organ/Piano)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

10/8/2023

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: Sheryl Cozad

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.

Choir Rehearsal: Rehearsals have started and we invite you come on Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. If you love to sing, then we are the group you want to join!

Harvest Sunday: Collection of foods will take place starting this Sunday, October 15-29 with canned goods, November 5-12 will be designated for dry packed foods and toiletries. On November 19, Harvest Sunday, we will take in fresh foods and produce, and following the service that day, the foods will be packed up and delivered to the Warren Family Mission. Your donations will be extremely appreciated as they provide Thanksgiving dinners for so many and add to the Mission's pantry supply.

	10/1/23	10/8/23	10/15/23	10/22/23	10/29/2
Attendance	21				
Benevolent	\$ 5.00				
Building Fund	\$ 50.00				
Current Expenses	\$1,020.00				
Floating Five	\$ 105.00				
Neighbors In Need	\$ 75.00				
TOTAL	\$1,255.00				

September Income

\$3,397.00

September Expenditures

\$8,111.03

September Net

-\$4,714.03

PRAYER LIST

SHUT-INS

American People	Sue Schoch	Donna Beavers
Joanne Bode	Ukraine People	Ruth Gilbert
Becky Callahan	Angie Wiland	Betty Howren
Betsy Chapley	Layes Wood	Betty Jamison
Rodger Davis		Dick Leiby
East Palestine People		Marilyn Leiby
Phil Fletcher		Glenn Mark
Gerald Gammon		Norma Patchin
Ruth Gilbert		Sue Schoch
Dean Mahalick		Bob Spencer
Peggy Marshall		Barb Sponaule
Larry Mattison		Angie Wiland
Norma Patchin		
Mary Sabol		Cozad Family

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, Oct. 11

Choir Rehearsal 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 18

Choir Rehearsal 3:30 p.m./Parish News deadline