

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, September 1, 2024

Worship Service 11:00 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. We also ask that you refrain from conversation during our service.

Prelude

(Lighting of the Candles)

Greeting

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

Rev. Gerald Gammon

People: "And also with you."

Welcome and Announcements

Let us begin our worship today:

*Call to Worship:

Judy Fabian

Leader: Lord Jesus, cleanse us inside and out.

People: Only You, O Lord, can make us clean!

Leader: Son of God, wash away our sins and iniquity.

People: Make us a holy people, without blemish.

Leader: Jesus, through Your holy sacrifice, may we forever be clean.

People: We pray in Your most holy name. Amen.

*Hymn #657 "Cleanse Me"

*Unison Invocation:

Glory to You, O Lord! For You are the most High! We submit ourselves to You and Your holy will so that we may be found pleasing in Your sight. Craft in us a heart filled with love and a spirit of service to You and others, so that during our earthly days we might spread the Gospel of Jesus to all those around us. Not just in our words, but also in our deeds. We pray in Christ's 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 "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord" *George Whelpton*

Offering Prayer/Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

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

*Apostles Creed

Hymn

#591 "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

Scripture

Psalm 15 (pg. 495 O.T.)

Judy Fabian

Scripture

James 1: 17-27 (pg. 229 N.T.)

Gospel

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 (pg. 42 N.T.)

All Sing

(After Gospel is announced) "Celtic Alleluia"

Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker

Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"

All: "Thanks be to God."

Sermon

What's on the Inside?

Rev. Gerald Gammon

*Hymn

#653 "Whiter Than Snow"

*Benediction/Final Blessing

Postlude

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NOTE: Scripture readings are from NRSV Bible

ANNOUNCEMENTS

09/01/2024

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.

The flowers have been placed on the altar to the honor and glory of God by Sheryl Cozad, and in memory of her husband, Craig Cozad.

Thought for the week: Is my inside clean too?

Floating Five: Today’s “loose offering (coins or cash)” will go to the Floating Five food vouchers. If you choose to write a check, please put it in an envelope and mark the envelope “Floating Five”. Thank you for your support!

Physical Assets Team: The Team has begun its work and is progressing on an inventory of church items and will meet again in early September.

Craig Cozad Run/Walk: Thank you to all who participated.

Sunday School: Sunday School starts next Sunday, September 8, at 10:00 a.m. with Coffee Hour then worship at 11:00 a.m.

Toy Drive: We are once again holding our Toy Drive from now until the end of November 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.

Thank You: I want to thank my church family for the prayers and sympathy cards when my sister, Kathryn Vugrincic died. Your love and support helped me through a very difficult time. God bless you all!
Joanne Bode

	8/4/24	8/11/24	8/18/24	8/25/24
Attendance	31	21	28	21
Benevolence	\$ 5.00	\$ 50.00		
Building Fund				
Current Expenses	\$20,970.00	\$1,030.00	\$631.00	\$491.00
Floating Five	\$ 39.00	\$ 170.00	\$120.00	\$220.00
Flowers		\$ 50.00		\$ 50.00
TOTAL	\$21,014.00	\$1,300.00	\$751.00	\$761.00

July Income	July Expenditures	July Net
\$4,596.00	\$3,828.80	\$767.20

Prayer List

Shut-in

Becky Callahan	Denise Long	Donna Beavers
Jerry Currie	Dean Mahalick	Ruth Gilbert
Rodger Davis	Peggy Marshall	Betty Howren
Steve Doracin	Larry Mattison	Dick Leiby
Phil Fletcher	Deann Muck	Marilyn Leiby
Erika Gammon	Norma Patchin	Glenn Mark
Wesley Gault	Carter Plott	Norma Patchin
Ruth Gilbert	Mary Sabol	Barb Sponaugle
Phil Graham	Joe Vugrincic	
Dick Leiby	Layes Wood	
Marilyn Leiby	Hailee	
Those affected by the conflicts throughout the world		

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, September 2
 Wednesday, September 4
 Sunday, September 8
 Monday, September 9

Labor Day—OFFICE CLOSED
 Men’s Fellowship Breakfast 9:00 a.m.
 Communion/Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m.
 Elders/Deacons 6:15 p.m./Consistory 7:00 p.m.