

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, September 15, 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 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” *John Wyeth/*
(Lighting of the Candles) (Organ/Piano) *arr. Tedd Smith & John Hustad*

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: John Kunkel

Leader: Lord God, You are the glory in our lives!

People: **May our mouths sing of Your glory!**

Leader: Gracious Father, in You, through Christ, we find our purpose.

People: **Aid us to serve You and Your people well in word and deed.**

Leader: Let us forever spread the glory of our Creator and share the many blessings we have received through His love.

People: **We pray in Jesus’ holy name. Amen.**

*Hymn #221 “All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord”

*Unison Invocation:

Lord Jesus, You have called us, and we have answered. We are Your followers and work to continue Your mission of love. We ask, Dear Lord, that as we act as the Body of Christ, that You forever walk with us, guiding us, helping us, so that someday we can follow You to Your Father’s kingdom and bring as many others with us as we can. We love and pray in your most Holy Name, Jesus. 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 “Holy, Holy, Holy” *Argentine folk song*

Offering Prayer/Giving of our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory “He Was There All the Time” *Gary Paxton/arr. Jeff Schrader*

*Doxology #815 “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

*Apostles Creed
Hymn #349 “O How He Loves You and Me”

Scripture **Proverbs 1: 20-33** (pg. 584-585 O.T.) John Kunkel
Scripture **James 3:1-12** (pg. 230 N.T.)
Gospel **Mark 8: 27-38** (pg. 43-44 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 “Matters of Perspective” Rev. Gerald Gammon

*Hymn #598 “Take Up Thy Cross”

*Benediction/Final Blessing

Postlude “Soon and Very Soon” *André Crouch*
(Organ/Piano)

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NOTE: Scripture readings are from NRSV Bible

ANNOUNCEMENTS

09/15/2024

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.

Thought for the week: Do I try to see other perspectives?

Next week: Liturgist/Lay Reader: Sheryl Cozad

Change of Venue: Many members of our congregation have expressed an interest in how the folks at Living Lord Lutheran Church conduct their Sunday services. To allow an opportunity for those interested, we will join their congregation for worship on **Sunday, September 22 at 9:30 a.m.** Pastor Gerry will preside over the service that day as a pulpit pastor. The Living Lord Lutheran Church is located in Howland at 851 Niles Cortland Rd. NE, (Route 46). Please come join us in shared fellowship. (There will not be a service here that Sunday).

School Supplies: Thank you to all who contributed to the school supply drive! Your generosity will help teachers and students have a more successful school year!

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.

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 the Women's Group for the beautiful cards and also let the church family know that I recently spoke with Ruth Gilbert and she sounds very good.
Marilyn Leiby

	9/1/24	9/8/24	9/15/24	2/22/24	9/29/24
Attendance					
Benevolence					
Building Fund					
Current Expenses	\$420.00				
Floating Five	\$ 71.00				
Memorial	\$10.00				
TOTAL	\$591.00				

August Income	August Expenditures	August Net
\$375,060.50	\$9,305.32	\$365,759.18

Prayer List

Shut-in

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

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