

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, September 18, 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. If you have not done so, please place your gift to the church in the receptacle near the Sanctuary entrance.

Prelude "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" Lowell Mason/
Greeting (Organ/Piano) arr. Ethel Smith
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: Sheryl Cozad

Choral Introit "Come, Come, Everybody Sing" Natalie Sleeth

*Call to Worship:

Leader: Dear God, You are forever faithful to Your people.

All: Help us to be faithful to You and Your love.

Leader: Lord, strengthen our resolve and faith.

All: Fill our hearts with the desire to please You, O Lord.

Leader: May we always be faithful in all You entrust us with.

All: May we be giving and sharing just as You are.

Leader: O God, make us sharers of the Truth and the Way.

All: And we ask for Your blessings in Jesus' name, amen.

Hymn #630 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

* Unison Invocation :

All: Lord Jesus, You are the master of all God's realm. We seek the favor of the Lord and want His trust. Help us to be more like You, O Lord, and send Your Spirit upon us so that we may be good stewards of all that Your Father has provided for us. We ask this in Your 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 "Alleluia" Jerry Sinclair

Duet Larry & Laura LoVerme

*Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered, died and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life in the world to come. Amen

Hymn #410 "Standing on the Promises"

Duet Larry & Laura LoVerme

Scripture Psalm 113 (pg. 563 O.T.) Sheryl Cozad

Scripture 1 Timothy 2: 1-7 (pg. 208 N.T.)
"Celtic Alleluia" Fintan O'Carrall & Christopher Walker

Gospel Luke 16: 1-13 (pg. 79 N.T.)

Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"

All: "Thanks be to God."

Sermon "Be Faithful" Rev. Gerald Gammon

Hymn #731 "Onward, Christian Soldiers"

Presentation and Blessing of the Gifts

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

*Benediction

Postlude "Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated" Henry Malan
(Organ/Piano)

We wish to thank our special guests, Laura & Larry LoVerme, of Cortland for their beautiful music and witness for Christ. Laura is Barb Edward's sister.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

09/18/2022

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: Donny Longworth

Thought for the week: “Am I faithful with what God has entrusted me with?”

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 increased to \$50 for two vases or \$25 each.

Back to School: Once again we are collecting school supplies to give to the children at the Warren City Schools. The basket will be in the lobby. Thanks for all your donations!

Rummage Sale: There will be a rummage sale on Saturday, October 22, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We will be selling hotdogs, sloppy joes, chips, pop, coffee, and having a small bake sale, along with a basket raffle. We need volunteers for October 19 & 21 for hour or two. We also ask that you mark your items before bringing them in on October 16. Thank you!

Thank You: Thanks you all for the phone calls, prayers, and beautiful cards. I am home now from the rehabilitation hospital and doing fine.

Barbara Sponaugle

August Income & Expenses

Income	\$6,326.00
<u>Expenses</u>	<u>\$7266.34</u>
Loss	-\$ 940.34

	9/4/22	9/11/22	9/18/22	9/25/22
Attendance	24	30		
Benevolent	\$ 5.00			
Building Fund		\$ 10.00		
Current Expenses	\$620.00	\$676.00		
Floating Five	\$ 21.78	\$230.00		
Flowers				
TOTAL	\$646.78	\$916.00		

PRAYER LIST

American People	Gary Noel
Joanne Bode	Mary Sabol
Betsy Chapley	Michael Sabol
Sandy Croyle	Bob Spencer
Ruth Gilbert	Barb Sponaugle
Debbie Heilman	Ukraine People
Betty Jamison	Gail Vidovich
Dick Leiby	Rob Waid
Glenn Mark	Janis Williamson
Peggy Marshall	John Wyko

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, Sept. 21	Choir Rehearsal @3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 28	Choir Rehearsal @3:30 p.m.
Sunday, October 2	World Communion/Neighbors In Need/Floating Five
Monday, October 3	Deacons/Elders @6:15 p.m./Consistory @7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 5	Men’s Fellowship breakfast @9:00 a.m.