

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday, September 29, 2019
Sunday School 9:30 a.m. - Worship Service 10:45 a.m.

(*Please stand, if you are able, at each asterisk.)

Prelude "Give Me Jesus" *Spiritual*

(Lighting of the Candles)

Greeting

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements Ron Schoch

Choral Introit "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" *Spanish melody/
arr. Craig Courtney*

*Call to Worship

Leader: Almighty and gracious God, You give us so much!

All: Help us to appreciate and take care of all that You have blessed us with.

Leader: O God, through Your love we have received many blessings.

All: May we be worthy of Your trust in us.

Leader: Heavenly Father, You sent us Jesus to teach us how to live.

All: May His example be in our hearts always.

Leader: Bless us, O Lord, that we might have the wisdom to care for all that You have entrusted us with.

All: Lord, let us forever find favor in Your sight and may we be good stewards of the blessings You have granted us. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Hymn of Praise #677 "Glorious Is Thy Name Most Holy"

*Unison Invocation:

All: O God, You are a loving and gracious Master. Send Your Spirit to guide us always. May the blessings You have bestowed upon us be nurtured and taken care of. Help us, through Your love, to always do Your will and to care for those in need. Direct our words and actions so that they do not offend, but rather bring joy and love to all things. We glorify You, O Lord, through Jesus Christ, Your Son. 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 #634 "More Love to Thee" *William Doane*

Anthem "River in Jordan" *Jack Feldman/arr. John Leavitt*

Children's Message Rev. Gerald Gammon

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offering Prayer

Offertory "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service" *The Sacred Harp*

*Doxology

Hymn #670 "Make Me a Blessing" (1 & 3)

Scripture **Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15** (pg. 736 O.T.) Sharon Longworth

Scripture **Luke 16:19-31** (pg. 79-80 N.T.)

Sermon "We Are Stewards of God's Blessings" Rev. Gerald Gammon

*Hymn of Commitment #436 "Freely, Freely"

*Benediction

*Parting Blessing #670 "Make Me a Blessing" *George Schuler*

Postlude "Allegro" from Second Organ Concerto *Handel*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

9/29/19

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.

The flowers have been placed on the altar to the honor and glory of God by John & Becky Kunkel, and in honor of their 50th anniversary.

Next Week - Liturgist: Beverly DeSavigny Lay Reader: Marilyn Leiby

Thought for the week: “Am I a good steward of all God has blessed me with?”

Thanks: Thank you to all who helped with the cookie order! The cookies were well received and very much appreciated.

Back to School!: The First Ladies will continue to collect school supplies. Please bring in items as you acquire them and put them in the container provided. We thank you for supporting this effort!

Communion Element Preparation: There will be a brief training session for Communion Element Preparation on Sunday October 6, 10:00 a.m. in the kitchen. All those who would like to learn how to prepare the elements are invited to attend. This session is for anyone who is considering volunteering for this special task. It is not difficult and requires very little time. Please join us.

Bake Sale/Bazaar: Pre-Order forms are available in the lobby. If you or someone you know would like to get a head start on purchasing baked goods from our November 2nd sale, please use these forms to submit your order.

Finance Committee: There will be a brief meeting of the Finance Committee following church services today.

Food Drive: Today is the beginning of our food drive! Let's do even better than we did last year!. We will begin receiving canned goods. Sunday, October 6, will be designated for dry packaged foods and toiletries. On Sunday, November 17, we will take in fresh foods and produce. We are starting early this year hoping to collect more food than last year for the Warren Family Mission.

	9/1/19	9/8/19	9/15/19	9/22/19	9/29/19
Attendance		47	32	34	
Benevolent		\$ 50			
Floating Five	\$ 233	\$ 180	\$ 10	\$ 120	
Flowers	\$ 60				
Building Imp			\$448	\$ 200	
Bake Sale/Baz	\$ 110			\$ 200	
Current Exp	\$1225	\$1309		\$2271	
TOTAL	\$1628	\$1539	\$458	\$2791	

Deacons: We are looking for two members of the church who are interested in serving as Deacons. Deacons serve for a three-year term and serve the church in many ways. If you are interested, please let Pastor Gerry know of your interest.

PRAYER LIST

Clyde Baker	Sandy Mills
Donna Beavers	Tiffany Priestler
Candy Bode	Jerry Stepehens
Fred Bode	Karen Terko
Tammy Boyle	Sue Torno
Herb Cottrell	Jim Waller
Barbara Edwards	Bob Wiland
Sheri French	Marna Williams
Don Howren	Layes Wood
Betty Jamison	Mary Kate Zweidinger
Marlin Martin	

Bode/Clark family

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, September 29
Wednesday, October 2
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Sunday, October 6

Monday, October 7
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Start of Food Drive
Men's Fellowship breakfast @9:00 a.m.
Choir Practice @6:30 p.m.
Neighbors in Need/World Communion/
Floating Five
Elders/Deacons mtg. @6:16 p.m.
Consistory @6:30 p.m.