

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, September 29, 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" *Phillip Keveren*
(Lighting of the Candles) (Organ)

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:

Choral Introit "This Is My Commandment"

*Call to Worship:

Leader: Lord Jesus, lead all of God's children home to our Father!

People: May we all follow You to Heaven!

Leader: Christ Jesus, You alone are the Way to the Father.

People: Lead us, O Lord, so that we may follow.

Leader: Son of the Father, You have entrusted us with the young. May we raise them to follow You and to know Eternity in Your kingdom.

People: We pray in Your holy name. Amen.

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

*Unison Invocation:

Lord Jesus, You have charged us to share the Gospel and Your love with all on Earth. Empower us with the strength and fortitude to bring Your message to the world! Walk with us and embolden us to carry out Your mission on Your behalf, and help us to be pleasing to Your Father. We pray in Your name. Amen.

*Gloria Patri #812 "Glory Be to the Father"

Anthem "There's a Spirit of Love in This Place" *Mark A. Miller*

Joys and Concerns/Time of Silent Prayer/The Lord's Prayer (debt and debtors)
Prayer Response "Lord, Listen to Your Children Playing" *Ken Medema*

Offering Prayer/Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Gentle Shepherd" (Choir) *William Gaither*

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

*Apostles Creed

Hymn #640 "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

Scripture **Psalm 19: 7-14** (pg. 469 O.T.) *Sheryl Cozad*

Scripture **James 5: 13-20** (pg. 231-232 N.T.)

Gospel **Mark 9: 38-50** (pg. 45 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 "Be an Example, Not a Hindrance" Rev. Gerald Gammon

*Hymn #605 "Living for Jesus"

*Benediction/Final Blessing

Choral Benediction "Go in Peace"

Postlude "Revive Us Again" *John Husband*
(Organ/Piano)

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NOTE: Scripture readings are from NRSV Bible

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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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 set a good example of Christ to others?

Next week: Liturgist/Lay Reader: Judy Fabian

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!

Welcome back, Choir: It is good to have you back and leading our singing of God's praises!

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.

	9/1/24	9/8/24	6/15/24	9/29/24
Attendance	18	22	25	
Benevolence		\$55.00		
Building Fund				
Current Expenses	\$420.00	\$1,038.00	\$351.00	
Floating Five	\$ 71.00	\$ 170.00	\$120.00	
Memorial	\$100.00			
TOTAL	\$591.00	\$1,263.00	\$471.00	

August Income	August Expenditures	August Net
\$375,060.50	\$9,305.32	\$365,755.18

Prayer List

Shut-in

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

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, Oct. 2	Men's Fellowship Breakfast 9:00 a.m. (Eat N Park)
Wednesday, Oct. 2	Choir Rehearsal 12:30 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 7	Elders/Deacons 6:15pm, Consistory 7:00pm
Wednesday, Oct. 9	Choir Rehearsal 12:30 p.m.