



THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

(Congregational)
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Minister



Sunday – July 8, 2018 – 10:00 A.M.

WELCOME!

We are grateful you chose to worship with us this morning. No matter who you are and where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

For questions about our church and ministries, you may call the church at (440) 238-6697. Please complete your Attendance Card and place it into the offering plate. We hope to see you again soon!

† Please stand as you are comfortable.

PRELUDE "People Need the Lord" Greg Nelson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Irene Joyce

INTROIT "Breathe" Marie Barnett

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: You awaken the sun, O God, to guide us into the new day.

People: We sing your praise, O God; we lift our voices as one.

Leader: You speak your Word, O God, and the way to your Kingdom grows clearer.

People: Your hope, O God, fills our souls, echoing throughout this place.

Leader: Guide us, O God, to those who seek your face;

People: Help us, O God, to speak your Love to all whose empty hearts are longing to be filled.

† HYMN 10 "Majesty"

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE "Amen"

ANTHEM "I Can Only Imagine" Bart Millard
Sandy O'Shea, vocalist

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE OFFERINGS

BAND OFFERTORY "Healing Rain" Matt Bronleewe

† **DOXOLOGY** **HYMN 815** Tune: *Old Hundredth*
Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 6: 1-13

SERMON What Do We Really Need?

SPECIAL MUSIC "All that I Need is God" Rick Muchow

† **HYMN 444** "I Love to Tell the Story"

† **BENEDICTION**

† **RESPONSE** "Who Am I" Mark Hall

† **POSTLUDE** "What a Friend I've Found" Brian Doerkson

SERVING

TODAY – JULY 8	Liturgist	NEXT SUNDAY – JULY 15
Michele Mihlack		Betty Craig
Judy Carte	Greeters	Lola Millhoane
Roy Merkle	Ushers	Chuck McDougall
Myron Costin	Coffee Hour	Jim Joyce
Sharon Heinrich	Summer Sunday School	Irene Joyce
Elena Taylor	Director of Music	Elena Taylor

The altar flowers are given—

In honor of our 43rd Wedding Anniversary

Mike and Linda Elkins

In memory of our Retreat Buddy, Jeff Thompson

The Strongsville UCC Retreat crew

Our steeple will light the sky this week—

Happy Anniversary to Joe & Barbara Craig on July 14
with love, Mom

Music Ministry –Thank you to Sandy O'Shea and to the SUCC Band, for providing music for today's worship.

The Trustees will not meet this Tuesday, June 10. Instead, they will meet **Monday, July 16 at 7 p.m.**

From the Pulpit Search Committee: After an exhaustive and thorough process of searching for our settled pastor, and prayerful consideration, your Pulpit Search Committee has chosen a candidate to lead our church. The Committee received almost fifty profiles which were carefully and diligently investigated. Through countless meetings, emails and most importantly, lots of prayer, it became clear to us that God had sent us the minister who is the best fit for our congregation. It is with great joy that we recommend to extend the call to **Reverend Heidi Denman McDougall** to be our settled pastor.

To that end, a **Congregational meeting** will take place on **August 12, 2018**, immediately following the worship service, for the purpose of voting to accept the Search Committee's recommendation. There will also be a "meet and greet" (for most of us, just a greet) on Saturday, August 11 from 3 pm – 5 pm to welcome and talk with Pastor Heidi and her husband, Chuck.

The Committee would like to thank the congregation for its ongoing support, patience and prayers these past thirteen months, as we determined whom we would unanimously chose to recommend.

Your Pulpit Search Committee: Ted Bickley, Judy Carte, Kristen Clotworthy, Jim Dettmer, Ingrid Dickson, Sally Herzog. and Bill Schneider



Summer Sunday School combined classes continue – Parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts, friends are invited to sign up to teach a lesson for our combined class on a Sunday in the summertime. Materials are provided and no experience is necessary. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin

board in Pilgrim Hall if you are willing to help. Classes will meet in the Confirmation classroom adjacent to Pilgrim Hall. **Thanks to Kelly Bickley for putting together the lessons, based on "Fruit of the Spirit," and to Sharon Heinrich for teaching today!**

Membership – If you are interested in becoming a member of Strongsville UCC, please contact Pastor Heidi or call the church office, (440) 238-6697.



RETIREMENT RECEPTION—You are invited to join your church friends as we celebrate Sharon Heinrich for her 26+ years of dedication and faithfulness as our church secretary, next Sunday, July 15, following the worship service. If you have not yet done so, please return your message for her

memory book as soon as possible.

OUR PRAYER LIST

If you or a family member would like a visit, please call the church at (440) 238-6697. Please provide updates for this list. Thank you.

Long-Term Care or Homebound: Betty Bushea at Danbury Senior Living in Brunswick, Janet Kato at Kemper House, Connie Rebar, Trish Shields

Church Family: Eddy Bond, Rev. Larry and Christina Craig, Steve Herzog, Margot James, Bobbie Krisak, Karl Kuhlenschmidt, Sharon Kuhlenschmidt, Martha Liebert, Sandra Manos (mother of Eli), Lacey Marshall (daughter of Amanda and John), Lynne McCray, Laurie Meister, Karen Morgan, Joyce Reed, Barbara Toth, Leah Tressa Forget, Sally Vetovitz, Dave Woodward, Kyle Woodward



Extended Church Family: Luke Bazan (friend of Judi Pavisich's granddaughter), Michele Cortese (friend of the Heinrichs), Kim Filiatraut (friend of Sarah Keenen), Joyce Freeman (sister of Carol Woodward), Elizabeth Fulford (friend of Lora Rung), Karen Greenway and daughters (friends of Judi Pavisich), Sam Harteis (friend of Reeds), Diane Mason (friend of Lora Rung), Pat Masuga (mother of Dan), Carrol Riley (father of Marjorie Morrison), Keith Stewart (cousin of Carol Woodward), Frank Toth (father of Rob), Joe Valli (brother-in-law of Vicky and Dan Masuga)



Our deepest sympathy is extended to **Joyce Reed** and her family. Joyce's brother, Dale Mlincek, passed away in his sleep on Tuesday, June 26. His funeral was held Friday, June 29 in Kentucky.

OFFERINGS RECEIVED

Weekly Offering Needed \$3,649.31
Last Week's Offering Received \$2,556.25
(Difference -\$ 1,093.06)



Stewardship – Just a reminder that the church still has expenses during the summer months when you may be away and church activities slow down. If possible, please continue your regular giving by mailing your offering to the church: Strongsville UCC, 13740 Pearl Road, Strongsville, OH 44136. For your convenience, church-addressed mailing envelopes are available in the Gathering Area on the cabinet. Another option is electronic giving (myEoffering) for anyone interested. Instructions for myEoffering are in the July Church Newsletter. Thank you very much for your continued financial support of our church. **Also, if you miss attending church on a Sunday and would like a copy of the bulletin e-mailed to you, please notify the church office.**

ADULT SOCIAL CLUB NEXT SCHEDULED EVENTS

Mark your calendars now for these Sunday events, unless noted otherwise. We will carpool; there will be no more buses.

July 22 – All Church Picnic at Volunteer Park on West Lunn Road
August 19 --Botanical Gardens and Dinner in Little Italy

Please see Linda Plain to make reservations for the August trip.

FROM OUR FRIENDS AT STRONGSVILLE COMMUNITY BAND:



Friday, July 13 at 7:30 PM on the Strongsville Commons. "Lets Go To Disney" will take you on a musical journey to the wonderful world of Disney. Audiences are invited to wear attire of their favorite Disney characters. (In case of rain the concert will be held at the Ehrnfelt Senior/Recreation Center).

AN INVITATION

Friends of our church member Janet Kato are invited to stop by and celebrate her 85th birthday today, July 8 from 11 am until 2 pm at Kemper House
10890 Prospect Road
Strongsville, OH 44149

If you would like to send a card to the above address, Janet and her family would be very grateful to be remembered by our church congregation.

COMING SOON...OUTDOOR WORSHIP AND PICNIC at Volunteer Park in Strongsville

12410 Lunn Road

just west of Prospect, between Prospect and Foltz

Sunday – JULY 22, 2018 – 10:30 A.M.

Outdoor Worship in the Pavilion
followed by Potluck Picnic Meal and Games

Pavilion with Picnic Tables and Electricity,
Restrooms – Playground – Horseshoe Pits, Bocce Ball Courts,
Baseball Fields, Batting Cages

Hot dogs, buns, beverages, paper plates and disposable silverware will be provided; please bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share and lawn chairs if you would like. **Please sign up on the list located on the bulletin board in Pilgrim Hall.**



MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

Elena Taylor's last Sunday as our Music Director will be August 19. On that day, we will have a reception for her to wish her and her family well on her new adventures as they move to New Jersey! We have truly enjoyed Elena's talent, faithfulness, and musicianship during her time with us, first at Organist, then as Music Director. She will be missed, but we know that she will continue to bring glory to God wherever she goes.



The Board of Trustees, on the recommendation of the Music Committee, has voted to hire **Thomas M. Foley** as our Music Director. Tom will begin his service with us on August 23. Tom and his wife, Suzi, are residents of Strongsville and are members here at Strongsville UCC, with Tom having served as Music Director here from 1998 – 2007. The Foleys have three children: Jimmy, a future freshman at Ohio University, Jackie, a future freshman at the University of Cincinnati, and Bobby, a rising junior at Strongsville High School. We welcome Tom and his family back to Strongsville UCC! **The first meeting of the Chancel Choir and any interested singers will be on Thursday, August 23 at 7 p.m.**

JULY 2018 UPCOMING DATES

- 8 Sun Worship 10am
- 10 Tue Trustees Meeting to be moved to 7/16
- 11 Wed Free Lunch for All, 11:30am-12:30pm
Fit Club, 7pm
Band Rehearsal 7pm
- 16 Mon August 2018 Newsletter Deadline **TRUSTEE MEETING 7pm**
- 15 Sun Worship 10am
Retirement Reception for Sharon Heinrich
- 17 Tue Diaconate Meeting, 7pm
- 18 Wed Free Lunch for All, 11:30am to 12:30pm
Fit Club, 7pm
Adult Social Club Meeting, 7pm
- 22 Sun Outdoor Worship and Church Picnic **10:30am**
at Volunteer Park
- 24 Tue Official Board Meeting, 7pm
- 25 Wed Free Lunch for All, 11:30am-12:30pm
Men's Luncheon, 11:30am
HOMECOMING PARADE 5 pm
Fit Club, 7pm
Band Rehearsal 7pm
- 29 Sun Worship 10am

CHURCH OFFICERS FOR 2018

Officers elected on January 28, 2018, have an asterisk* by their names.

Moderator	Rachel Zielinski
Vice-Moderator	Bill Schneider
Treasurer	Lori Kovatich *
Clerk	Karen Morgan

Sunday School Superintendents Irene Joyce, Jamie Trinckes

Board of Trustees

Ed Bond *	Jim Dettmer	Jim Heinrich
Lloyd Bridle	Greg Dickson	Bob Kovatich *
Mike Clotworthy*	Tom Gaumer *	Kenn Oerkfitz
Myron Costin *	Dale Hawk	Ed Sobek

Endowment Fund Subcommittee

Irene Jannsohn * Joyce Reed *

Diaconate

Serena Abruzzino *	Gina Cathcart	Sarah Hayes
Jennifer Barry	Kristen Clotworthy	Linda Plain
Kelly Bickley	Judy Gaumer *	Dawn Rolland *
Barbara Camp	Cathy Hawk *	Marty Winch

Christian Education Committee

Kelly Bickley	Sandy O'Shea	Jamie Trinckes
Irene Joyce	Lora Rung	

Music Committee

Ingrid Dickson	Pam Keenen *	Elena Taylor
	Ken Mehalko	

Stewardship Committee

Rosemary Bechtel *	Barbara Bridle	Sharon Heinrich
Adria Bond	Sue Gigliotti	Laurie Meister
Ed Bond	Beth Giuliano *	

Mission and Outreach Committee

Judy Carte	Michele Mhlack	Lora Rung *
Brandi Garsteck	Gary Paul	Bev Wehr