

**THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST (CONGREGATIONAL)**

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**June 21, 2015 9:45 A.M. Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

† *Those who are able may stand.*

**PRELUDE** *Praise the Lord in His Holy Temple* Yannerella

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INTROIT** *Just a Little Talk with Jesus* Cleavant Derricke

Quartet: Bruce Keenen, Bass; Gary Hackett, Tenor;  
Sarah Keenen, Alto; Elena Taylor, Soprano  
and the Strongsville UCC Band

**† CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: It's awesome when all of the people live together in  
unity!

**Many: When waters are rough,  
we hold each other tightly.  
When the sea begins to swallow us,  
we hold each other tightly and call on God.**

One: But we also need God and each other when there are  
no looming waves.

**Many: We can splash and play in the shallow end  
and venture into deeper waters with trusted  
friends. Delighting in refreshing currents of  
community and savoring each burst of laughter,  
let's invite others to join in the fun!**

† HYMN 121

*How Majestic Is Your Name*

**SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS**



## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 21, 2015

11:15 A.M.

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**SONGS** *Just a Little Talk with Jesus*  
*How Majestic Is Your Name*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SONG** *Shout Hallelujah*

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### † PASSING OF THE PEACE

**GATHERING SONG** *Sanctuary*

### JOYS AND CONCERNS

### PASTORAL PRAYER

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(debts)*

**OFFERING** *I'll Fly Away*

**THE WORD OF GOD**

Ephesians 6:1-4

NT, p. 172

**MEDITATION**

*Being a Father*

**SONG**

*Jehovah Jirah*

† **BENEDICTION**

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### SERVING TODAY

**Praise Band Director** – Elena Taylor

**Vocalists** – Barb Fraunfelder, Gary Hackett, Kyra Krause,  
Toni Newborn, Clay Williams

**Keyboard** – Elena Taylor

**Acoustic Guitar I** – Jake Williams

**Acoustic Guitar II** – Julia Soltis

**Bass Guitar** – Jack Stephenson

**Violin** – Julia Soltis

**Viola** – Jake Williams

**Clarinet** – Emily Phan

**Mallet Percussion** – Robert Toth

**Drum Pads** – Aidan Hurtig, Christian Habart-Scott

**Liturgist** – Betty Craig

**Graphics Operation** – Michele Mhlack

**Graduates** within our church family will be recognized during the 9:45 a.m. worship service next Sunday, June 28.

**Outdoor Worship and Church Picnic** will be held on Sunday, July 12. **Only one worship service** will be held that day—at **9:45 a.m.**

### JUNE 2015

- 21 Sun Father's Day
- 23 Tue Official Board Meeting, 7pm
- 24 Wed Free Wednesday Lunch in Pilgrim Hall, 11:30am-1pm  
Men's Luncheon, 11:30am at European's Best Restaurant
- 27 Sat Memorial Service for Marjorie Tressa, 2pm
- 28 Sun Graduates' Recognition during 9:45 worship  
Newsletter Pickup  
Kindred Spirits Singles Meeting, 1pm

### JULY 2015

- 1 Wed Free Wednesday Lunch in Pilgrim Hall, 11:30am-1pm
- 2 Thu Logansport Children's Choir Concert, 7pm
- 5 Sun Communion at both worship services
- 7 Tue Mission and Outreach Meeting, 7pm  
Worship Team Meeting, 7pm
- 8 Wed Free Wednesday Lunch in Pilgrim Hall, 11:30am-1pm
- 9 Thu Tent Revival Meeting, 7pm
- 12 Sun Outdoor Worship on Church Grounds at 9:45am  
(1 service only), followed by picnic meal and games
- 14 Tue Diaconate Meeting, 7pm  
Stewardship Meeting, 7pm
- 15 Wed Free Wednesday Lunch in Pilgrim Hall, 11:30am-1pm
- 21 Tue Trustees Meeting, 7pm  
Advertising Meeting, 7pm
- 22 Wed Free Wednesday Lunch in Pilgrim Hall, 11:30am-1pm  
Men's Luncheon at European's Best Restaurant, 11:30am
- 28 Tue Official Board Meeting, 7pm
- 26 Sun Kindred Spirit Singles Meeting, 1pm
- 29 Wed Free Wednesday Lunch in Pilgrim Hall, 11:30am-1pm

### SERVING NEXT SUNDAY – JUNE 28, 2015

Liturgist	9:45 a.m. Ted Bickley	11:15 a.m. Michele Mhlack
Greeters		Volunteers Needed
Ushers		Volunteers Needed
Coffee Hour		Gina Cathcart

## ANNOUNCEMENTS – JUNE 21, 2015

**Welcome, visitors!** We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us this morning. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

**This morning's altar flowers** are given—

*On June 21, 1964, a Father's Day Sunday afternoon,  
we were married at the Berea UCC Church.*

*Today we celebrate our blessings of  
family and new-found Strongsville UCC friends.*

Jim and Linda Dettmer

*In Honor of My Granddaughter, Lauren Deertz, on Her Birthday Today*  
Marty Winch

**Happy Birthday** today to Lauren Deertz!

**Happy Anniversary** today to Jim and Linda Dettmer and also to Beth and Harold Lewis!

**Happy Father's Day** to all dads in our church family!

**Music Ministry** – Our Praise Band will be recognized today at both worship services, and the Children's Choir will sing and be recognized during the 9:45 service.

**Official Board** will meet Tuesday, June 23, at 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday Free Lunch** – All are invited to attend this free weekly lunch, which is served 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in our own Pilgrim Hall.

**Thank you all who supported last Saturday's Garage Sale!** The Garage Sale made \$1,641.10, the Sunday School Bake Sale, \$360.50; and The Thrift Shop, \$244.00.

**Our love and prayers** are extended in sympathy to Rich Tressa and family on the passing of his mother, Marjorie Tressa, on April 29, 2015. A memorial service will be held at our church this Saturday, June 27, at 2:00 p.m. A funeral luncheon will follow the service. All are welcome.

	Weekly Offering Needed	\$3,190	
Offering Received 6/14	Traditional \$2,620	Contemporary \$239	2,859
		Difference	(\$331)

**“Unexpected Places” – General Synod 2015** – Every two years, General Synod brings together thousands of faithful members of the United Church of Christ for formal church witness, inspirational worship, and fellowship with friends (new and old). From June 26 through 30, 2015, thousands from across the country (and abroad) will gather for General Synod 30 in Cleveland, Ohio — the birthplace of the United Church of Christ. To register or for more information, see the website: <http://synod.uccpages.org/> **The Mission and Outreach Committee is looking for volunteers to help at General Synod!** The registration fee for a volunteer is \$60. **The Mission and Outreach Committee will pay for half of any volunteers’ registration fee, so you need only pay \$30, not \$60.** Mission and Outreach will provide funds for 5 volunteers. Since Synod is right in our backyard, let’s graciously offer our time and money June 26-30!! Please talk to Judy Carte or Kelly Bickley to volunteer!

**Logansport Children’s Choir** will present a concert in our Sanctuary on Thursday, July 2, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. The choir is from Logansport, Indiana, and is wrapping up a tour in Canada and the northeastern United States. A “meet and greet” reception will take place in Pilgrim Hall at 6:00 p.m., and light refreshments will be served. There is no charge for the concert, but a freewill offering will be received for our pipe organ’s restoration.

You are cordially invited to a **Retirement Celebration for Jack Stephenson on Saturday, July 11, 2015**, at his and Pastor Becky’s home, 2214 Substation Road in Medina. Festivities will begin at 2:00 p.m. with fishing, swimming, hot tubbing and games; hors d’oeuvres at 5:00; dinner at 6:00; and then dancing. The Strongsville City Jazz Band will perform at 5:00 p.m., followed by Spaß! (Erhardt Bell’s German band) at 7:00 p.m. Dress is casual; bring your swim suite! All are welcome!

**Strongsville Food Bank** – Donations are down. Canned fruit is especially needed right now. Your support is appreciated.

**Save the date of Sunday, July 19, at 4:00 p.m.** for a Baby Shower at the parsonage for our Diaconate chairperson, Denise Bell. Everyone is welcome—including guys and children!! Please remember to bring swim suits for the pool and hot tub!

**Cookbook** – For our church’s 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2017, Strongsville UCC will print a new, one-of-a-kind cookbook! We want to include old recipes passed down through generations from your families and friends. Also we want new recipes you currently love! Please submit all recipes in an envelope with your name and phone number to Marty Winch or

Dianne Maringer; or place the envelope under the church office door. Thank you for sharing your recipes.

**Greeters and Ushers are really needed on Sunday mornings!** If you can help, please sign up on the bulletin board in Pilgrim Hall. Thank you.

**Gordon Food Service** – A reminder that GFS gives the church a rebate on purchases. When you check out, just tell them you are from Strongsville UCC. Also, they now have partnered with Market Days and have a section for those items. Remember, you can purchase gift cards at church, and the gift card program helps the Organ Restoration Fund.

**Our church flowers** need watering and deadheading (removing dead blooms)—especially the petunias. To help, please sign up on the bulletin board in Pilgrim Hall. We are scheduling help for Fridays at 12 noon. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated. For details, please contact Melinda Slavik at (440) 783-1148. Thank you.

## OUR PRAYER LIST

*Hospitals no longer provide names of members who are patients. If you or a family member would like a visit, please call the church at (440) 238-6697. This list is updated weekly. If you wish someone to remain on the list, please call the church, (440) 238-6697.*

**Long-Term Care or Homebound Members:** Ethyl Jeglie at Elmcroft of Sagamore Hills, Janet Kato at Western Reserve Masonic Community in Medina, Sandra Kornick at Falling Water, Betty Kovach at Parkside Villa, Debbie Krause, Connie Rebar, Erla Mae Schultz at Medina Village

**Church Family:** Denise Bell, Erhardt Bell, Nancy Cochran at Pearlview, Holly Elkins, Michele Mhlack, Pam Peacock, Denzil Richards, Barb Stayrook, Keith Sullen at Parkside Villa, Pastor Becky Stephenson, Leah Tressa Forget

**Extended Church Family:** Ryan Brubeck, Emelyn Carels (sister of Irene Jannsohn), Dylan Churnega (grandson of Ginny Churnega Oerkfitz), Zachary Crouse (grandson of Barbara Morgan), Rebecca Deeb (Godaughter of Lora Rung), Angie Dickinson (friend of Lola Millhoane), Donna Fargo (mother of Sally Herzog), Elizabeth Fulford (friend of Lora Rung), Irene Hagemeyer (niece of Betty Craig), Phyllis Keenen (mother of Bruce), Pat Kolba (mother of Kelly Bickley), Dorothy Kovatich (mother of Bob), Lily (student of Lora Rung), Maggie (friend of the Bickleys), Pat Masuga (mother of Dan), Debbie Morey (sister of Steve Herzog), Carrol Riley (father of Marjorie Morrison), Trudie Taylor (sister of Karen Morgan), Bob Tomko (cousin of Ed Sobek), Kathleen Wickline (mother of Darla), Marilyn Woodward (mother of David and Carol)