## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **AUGUST 14, 2016 10:00 A.M. WORSHIP**

† Please stand as you are comfortable.

**PRELUDE** 

"Vater Unser Im Himmelreich" (Our Father Who Art in Heaven) Johann Krieger

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Irene Joyce

**OPENING SONGS** 

"Breathe" "The Name of the Lord"

Marie Barnett Clinton Utterbach

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Dale Hawk

Leader: God has entrusted us with the gift of life;

life which is responsible to Christ our Lord.

People: Every day we live is a day which cannot be relived.

We must do our best while it is ours.

Leader: The gift is from God.

But He expects us to invest ourselves in it, that life may become more rewarding.

People: May God help us to be faithful with our gifts

as we invest our lives in the joy of His love.

† HYMN 215

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

SHARING IOYS AND CONCERNS

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

**OUR 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.

**RESPONSE** 

"People Need the Lord"

Greg Nelson and Phill McHugh

**ANTHEM** 

"Psalm 27"

arr. Ross Johnson

Gary Hackett, Soloist

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Santomen

THE OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** 

"I Love to Praise Him"

Jennifer Randolph

\* **DOXOLOGY** 166 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Tune: "Lasst uns erfreunen"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Him above, ve heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**SCRIPTURES** 

Luke 19:11-27

New Testament, p. 71

**SERMON** 

"What Do I Do with Myself"

Rev. Joseph Santomen

† HYMN 688

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

† BENEDICTION

† RESPONSE

"Come Just as You Are"

Joseph Sabolick

† POSTLUDE

"Allegro in D Major"

Johann Christian Kittel

Fitness Club tomorrow—Monday, August 15—is cancelled. The remaining August classes are August 22 and August 29 at 7:00 p.m.

**Tuesday meetings:** Advertising and Technology, 7:00 p.m. Trustees, 7:00 p.m.

The memorial service for Betty Kircher is Saturday, August 20, at our church. Visitation is 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., the service is at 11:00 a.m. in our sanctuary, and a luncheon is in Pilgrim Hall after the service.

**Adult Social Group** will go to Blossom on Saturday, September 3, at 8:30 p.m. to see *Raiders of the Lost Ark* on the big screen, with the score performed live by the Cleveland Orchestra. If you're interested, please contact Adria or Eddy Bond **now**, who will work on a group rate (for 10 or more) and/or a rate for Seniors. Price would be either \$44.20 or \$28.20 per ticket for a seat in the Pavilion, with fireworks after the concert. We will carpool; or if there is enough interest, we could rent a "Party Bus." All adults are welcome! Adria and Eddy Bond Phone (440) 572-5871 or Email ad.bond@sbcglobal.net

**Pictorial Directory** – We continue to take photos of families and church events. Please contact Cathy Hawk (440) 781-7512 or Sarah Hayes (440) 781-7513 to schedule your photo session.

> Weekly Offering Needed \$3,900 Weekly Offering Received on 8/7/2016 2,709 Difference -\$1.191

**Tomorrow is the September Church Newsletter deadline.** You may leave your article(s) in the church office today.

Pastor Becky will again teach a 12-week Journey in Faith Membership Class. The class will begin on Thursday evening, September 8, 2016. Class is held at the church from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Members, as well as potential members, are welcome and encouraged to attend. Both members and nonmembers will enjoy the camaraderie within the group and the knowledge that Pastor Becky shares. Please mark your Attendance Card if you wish to attend the class.

**Church Street Ministries -** The Executive Board of Church Street Ministries has moved to consolidate the two stores (East and West) at the West location at 1480 W. Bagley Road. This consolidation is to reduce overhead and put CSM on a better financial footing. The west location will now be known as The Second Mile Shop and will receive all donations of clothing, furniture and household goods. The Food Pantry and outreach center will remain at 398 W. Bagley Road, Suite 12. Please spread the word about our new location. The former West Furniture Store has been remodeled and is now open for business. It has many nice household furnishings from the former East Store. Please come and check us out! We welcome donations of good usable home furnishings, furniture and clothing. Sandy Uhl, Secretary **CSM Executive Board** 

### **AUGUST 2016**

Women's Retreat at Pilgrim Hills 12-14 15 Mon September Newsletter Deadline

16 Tue Advertising and Technology Committee Meeting, 7pm Trustees Meeting, 7pm

17 Wed Free Lunch Program, 11:30am to 1pm

20 Sat Memorial Service at church for Betty Kircher Visitation 10-11am, Service 11am, Luncheon Follows

21 Sun Bell Choir Plays for Worship

22 Mon Fitness Club, 7pm

23 Tue Official Board Meeting, 7pm

24 Wed Free Lunch Program, 11:30am to 1pm Men's Luncheon at European's Best Restaurant, 11:30am

25 Thu Worship Committee Meeting, 7:30pm

200th Anniversary Team Meeting, 10am 28 Sun Church Newsletter Pickup

29 Mon Fitness Club, 7pm

30 Tue Christian Ed Committee Meeting, 7pm

31 Wed Free Lunch Program, 11:30am to 1pm

## **SEPTEMBER 2016**

3 Sat Adult Social Club at Blossom for 8:30pm performance

5 Mon Labor Dav

8 Thu Journey in Faith Class begins, 7:00 p.m.

Women's Fellowship Meeting, 10am – Please notice the **FRIDAY** meeting day.

Free Family Fun Day, 10am to 2pm 10 Sat

11 Sun Rally Day for Sunday School Box Lunch Auction Fundraiser for Sunday School, after worship

**Everyone is invited for fellowship and coffee** in Pilgrim Hall after worship this morning.

Today's altar flowers are given—

In Loving Memory of the Taylor / Roberts Families
Doris Soucie

Our steeple will light the sky this week-

Happy Anniversary to Bill and Pam Craig on August 19 With love, Mom

> In Gratitude for the Life of Betty Kircher, the Brightest Light in All of Our Lives! The Kircher Family

We welcome Rev. Joseph Santomen and his wife Betsey, and we thank him for leading us in worship today. Rev. Santomen is the retired minister from Strongsville United Methodist church, where he served for 10 years. Rev. Santomen has been retired 21 years; this is the 55th year of ordination in the United Methodist Church. For the past 19 years, Rev. Santomen has been preaching in the Adirondacks at Caroga Lake, New York. In addition, Rev. Santomen is a long-time Rotarian; he is the president of the Strongsville Food Bank Board; and for the past four years has been teaching the Bible Study class at the Strongsville United Methodist Church. On September 6, Rev. and Mrs. Santomen will celebrate their 58th wedding anniversary.

**Women's Retreat –** Pastor Becky and about 19 ladies in our church family are at the fourth annual Women's Retreat in Pilgrim Hills this weekend.

**Our love and prayers are extended in sympathy** to Bruce Keenen and family on the passing of his mother, Phyllis Keenen, on Wednesday, August 10. The funeral took place yesterday, August 13, in Pickerington, Ohio.

#### **SERVING TODAY**

Band Director and Worship Accompanist – Elena Taylor
Bell Choir Director –Barb Fraunfelder
Bass Guitar – Jack Stephenson
Acoustic Guitar – Gary Hackett
Electric Guitar – Jake Williams
Mallet Percussion – Rob Toth
Drum Set – Mike Soltis
Vocalist – Clay Williams
Technical Setup and Operation – Doug Thorn
Sound System – Jim Heinrich
Graphics Operation – Michele Mihlack
Greeter – Roy Merkle
Morning Announcements – Irene Joyce
Liturgist – Dale Hawk
Sunday School Teacher – Irene Joyce



#### **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, (440) 238-6697. Please provide updates for this list. Thank you.

**Long-Term Care or Homebound Members**: Ethyl Jeglie at Elmcroft of Sagamore Hills, Janet Kato at Western Reserve Masonic Community in Medina, Betty Kovach at Parkside Villa, Connie Rebar

**Church Family**: Eric Brand, Betty Bushea, Jim Davis, Steve Herzog, Betty Jacobson, Chris Morgan, Pam Peacock, Harvey Pincombe, Karen Rak, Denzil Richards, Keith Sullen, Elena Taylor, Leah Tressa Forget, Sally Vetovitz, Kyle Woodward

**Extended Church Family**: Bri Brostek (friend of Gina Cathcart), Ryan Brubeck, Thom Cerny (friend of Bob Kovatich), Dylan Churnega (grandson of Ginny Churnega Oerkfitz), Zachary Crouse (grandson of Barbara Morgan), Audrey Curry (mother of Pam Keenen), Angie Dickinson (friend of Lola Millhoane), Edie Deitcher (friend of Barbara O'Boyle), Donna Fargo (mother of Sally Herzog), Kim Filiatraut (friend of Sarah Keenen), Elizabeth Fulford (friend of Lora Rung), Loretta and Brian Gogerty (friends of the Lunch Program), Irene Hagemeier (niece of Betty Craig). Amanda Hover (granddaughter of the late Betty Kircher), Nathan Johnson (father of Natalie Daniels) Dan Karoly (friend of The Thrift Shop ladies), Pat Kolba (mother of Kelly Bickley), Sue Mason, Pat Masuga (mother of Dan), Dolores Mihlack (mother of Allen) at Southern Hills, Debbie Morey (sister of Steve Herzog), Carrol Riley (father of Marjorie Morrison), Trish Shields (friend of Pastor Becky), Ralph Sitko (friend of Dorothy Ritchie), Keith Stewart (cousin of Carol Woodward), Trudie Taylor (sister of Karen Morgan) at Villa Camillus, Bob Tomko (cousin of Ed Sobek), Kathleen Wickline (mother of Darla)



#### **SERVING NEXT SUNDAY - AUGUST 21, 2016**

Graphics Operation – Michele Mihlack
Greeter – Barbara Bridle
Morning Announcements – Natalie Daniels
Liturgist – Jim Studer
Sunday School Teacher – Jamie Habart
Ushers – Volunteers Needed
Coffee Hour – Volunteer Needed



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#### WELCOME!

We are grateful you chose to worship with us today. 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!