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Sunday – August 4, 2019 – 10:00 A.M.
Sacrament of Communion

WELCOME!

We are grateful you chose to worship with us this morning. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.
 For questions about our church and ministries, please call the church at (440) 238-6697. Please complete your Attendance Card and place it in the offering plate. We hope to see you again soon!

† Please stand as you are comfortable.

PRELUDE "Day By Day" arr. Sedio
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Irene Joyce
INTROIT "It is Well" Bliss

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: God of the past, who whispered in the prophets' ears, and rescued us from the slavery of sin:
People: We are here to give you thanks.
 Leader: God of the future, who is tearing down the old world, raising up your kingdom in our midst:
People: We are here because we trust you, and want to be part of your kingdom plan.
 Leader: God of the present, who creates us as one people of many colors and creeds:
People: We are here to praise you, because you are good.
 Leader: God of life, who surprises us in so many wonderful ways:
People: We celebrate your grace, giving us a fresh start every day.
Thanks be to God!

† **HYMN 13** "Sing Hallelujah Praise the Lord"

READING FROM THE PSALMS Psalm 107:1-9

PRAYING IN SILENCE

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,
ALL: Hear our prayers. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE "Three Fold Amen" Traditional

ANTHEM "Amazing Grace/Beach Spring" arr. Moore

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" arr. McChesney

† **DOXOLOGY 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**

READING FROM THE GOSPELS Luke 12: 13-21

SERMON Enough

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Pastor: When we could be revived by God's grace, instead we find ourselves fearing God's judgment, doubting God's joy in us, even fearing God has turned away from us. Let us come to the One who heals us and calls each of us by name.

UNISON PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

People: God of grace, continue to teach us better ways of living and doing. You gather us from our foolishness, so we might be led into acts of mercy. You redeem us from our mistakes, so we might bend down and feed those who hunger for hope. Your compassion, so warm and tender, is gifted to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, in whose name we pray. (silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: Do not be afraid. More than anything else, God would rather turn fetid swamps into pools of crystal clear water; bonds of sin into cords of compassion; sinners into servants.

People: God loves us. God forgives us. God lifts us to new life. Thanks be to God. Amen.

A BRIEF GREAT THANKSGIVING

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

All are welcome to come forward to partake of the Lord's Supper, or the communion servers will come to you if you wish.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION "Here is Bread" arr. Maynard

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.

† **HYMN 592** "Jesus Calls Us"

† **BENEDICTION**

† **RESPONSE** "In Christ There is No East or West" Reinagle

† **POSTLUDE** "Be Thou My Vision" arr. Raabe

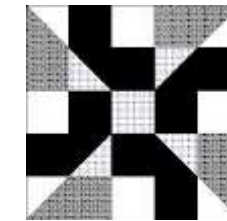
SERVING

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| TODAY, AUGUST 4 | | NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 11 |
| Betty Craig | Liturgists | Michele Mhlack |
| Linda Plain | Greeters | Billie Cantrell |
| Linda Plain | Ushers | Teri Barbish |
| Judi Pavisich | Coffee Hour | Volunteer needed |
| Tom Foley | Director of Music | Tom Foley |
| Mike Elkins | Associate Director of Music | Mike Elkins |
| Mary Densmore | Summer Sunday School | Eddy Bond |
| We3Ring | Special Summer Music | The Keenens |
| Sharon Heinrich | | |

The altar flowers are given—
In memory of Lynne Golden's birthday on July 30th
Lynne was Carol's daughter and Sandy's sister
 Carol Merkle and Sandy Pogozelski

Our steeple will light the sky this week—
In loving memory of Brooke M. Akins
 The Jannsohn, Joyce, Dickson Family

The Worship Team will meet today 4 at 11:30 a.m.



Women's Fellowship Meeting
 at the Home of Claire Willis
Tuesday, August 6, 2019 – 11:00 a.m.
 Meet at church at 10:45 a.m. to carpool, or directions available at church.
 Bring your own lunch; dessert and beverages will be provided.

Devotions: Elaine Coffey * * * Program: "Quilts by Claire"

FROM THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Summer Sunday School— 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 add your name to our sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in Pilgrim Hall if you are willing to help—only 1 Sunday is left to fill!



SIGN UP NOW...LIFETOUCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY PROGRAM



Our last photo directory was over a dozen years ago! August 19 & 20 SOLD OUT. We will be scheduling additional times for **Wednesday, August 21 and Thursday, August 22** from 2 p.m. – 9 p.m. for our families and individuals to be photographed AT NO COST. Each family unit that is photographed will receive a FREE 8" x 10" photo of their directory pose and a copy of the completed directory. Of course, everyone will have the option to purchase photographs from Lifetouch. Sign-ups will continue through the first two weeks of August. Please plan to make time to be included. Thanks! Here is the link to book online: <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/yrddh1dc/> If you will not be available to be photographed during our assigned times, please call Lifetouch at **866-756-0281** for information about other venues.

OFFERINGS RECEIVED

Weekly Offering Needed \$3,522.02
 Last Week's Offering Received **\$6,069.68**
(Difference \$2,547.66)



During the summer months, the church often faces a shortfall. Please remember to keep up with your offerings and pledges as you enjoy the gift of God that is summertime.



WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS
Marriage blessings are extended to Nicole (Rachid) and Lewis Stevens, who were married by Pastor Heidi yesterday in Seville, Ohio!

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, Martha Liebert, Marge McKinney, Karen Rak, Connie Rebar, Trish Shields

Church Family: Izabella Abruzzino, Serena Abruzzino, Joan Beckwith, Mary Carey, Elaine Coffey, Rev. Larry and Christina Craig, Sam Cuyler Jr., Dan Davis, Sue Hawk, Steve Herzog, Paul Hirt, Carole Kapcar, Debbie Krause, Bobbie Krisak, Karl Kuhlenschmidt, Sharon Kuhlenschmidt, Phyllis Kurz (mother of Karen Morgan), Millie Lafave, Lacey Marshall, Laurie Meister, Michele Mhlack, Christopher Minnick, Karen Morgan, Bill Ritchie, Ginger Rothel, Linda Stepan, Sally Vetovitz, Kyle Woodward

Extended Church Family: Amy Carroll (sister of Marty Winch), Lyla Joy Crowley (great grand-niece of Irene Jannsohn), Rebecca Gordon (niece of Irene Jannsohn), Kim Filiatraut (friend of Sarah Keenen), Elizabeth Fulford (friend of Lora Rung), Sandra Manos (mother of Eli), Diane Mason (friend of Lora Rung), Pat Masuga (mother of Dan), Zachary McKeever (great-nephew of Pastor Heidi and Chuck), Carrol Riley (father of Marjorie Morrison), Mike Rung (brother of Lora), Amanda Shannon (friend of Sarah & Jon Hayes), Judy & Bob Stenger (friends of Judi Pavisich), Joe Valli (brother-in-law of Vicky and Dan Masuga), Brad Williams (friend of Judi Pavisich), Daphne Wilson (niece of Irene Jannsohn)

Our church has an e-mail prayer chain.

Please see Pastor Heidi if you would like to be added.



Our church supports the Strongsville Emergency Food Bank. They are especially in need of peanut butter & jelly, soup, canned fruit, tuna, and family meals. Please bring donations of non-perishable food items and place them in the collection box nestled in the corner of Pilgrim Hall next to the bulletin board.

SUMMER MUSIC

We thank We3Ring--Edward Krzes, Nicki Haire, and Cheryl Onesky--for sharing their handbell music with us this morning. Special thanks also to Sharon Heinrich for enriching our worship with her musicianship on the organ and keyboard.

Upcoming special music for August:

the Keenen Family, Jim Studer, and the Satori Winds, in addition to music from our own Tom Foley, Mike Elkins, and the SUCC Band. Plan to attend worship every Sunday to be inspired!

LOVE AND TRANQUILITY

A CD of Native American Flute, "Love And Tranquility" is still available for purchase! Music features Ken Mehalko on Native American Flute, Mike Elkins on keyboards and other musicians affiliated with our church. Sales will benefit our music ministry program. Suggested donation is \$15. CDs are available through the church office. We have fewer than a dozen CDs left!



BIBLE STUDY IN THE FALL

Please watch your bulletins and newsletters for our Adult Bible Study, "Uppity Women of the Bible," coming in September! See Linda Elkins if interested.



FROM OUR FRIENDS AT STRONGSVILLE COMMUNITY BAND

Friday, August 9 at 7:30 PM at the Strongsville Middle School Lawn. The summer concert series will conclude with a special tribute to our Armed Forces. Special guest director will be Captain Ryan Nowlin of the United States Marine Band, "The Presidents Own" from Washington D.C. (In case of rain the concert will held at the Ehrnfelt Senior/Recreation Center).

Hudson Band Stand Concerts in Hudson, Ohio

Sunday, August 11-Strongsville Community Band at 6:00 PM



YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR FREE LUNCH FOR ALL



Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

AUGUST 2019 DATES TO REMEMBER

- 4 Sun Worship 10am--Communion
Coffee Hour
Worship Team
- 7 Wed Free Lunch for All, 11:30am to 12:30pm
- 8 Thurs Thrift Shop 10am-4pm
- 10 Sat Outdoor Work Party 7am
- 11 Sun Worship 10am
Coffee Hour
- 13 Tues Trustee Meeting 7pm
- 14 Wed Free Lunch for All, 11:30am to 12:30pm
- 15 Thurs Thrift Shop 10am-4pm
- 18 Sun Worship 10am
Coffee Hour
- 19 Mon Lifetouch Photo shoots 2pm-9pm
- 20 Tues Lifetouch Photo shoots 2pm-9pm
- 21 Wed Free Lunch for All, 11:30am-12:30pm
Lifetouch Photo shoots 2pm-9pm
- 22 Thurs Thrift Shop 10am-4pm
Men's Lunch Gourmé Restaurant 11:30am
Lifetouch Photo shoots 2pm-9pm
- 25 Sun Worship 10am--Penny Sunday
- 27 Tues Official Board Meeting, 7pm
- 28 Wed Free Lunch for All, 11:30am-12:30pm
Band Rehearsal 8pm
- 29 Thurs Thrift Shop 10am-4pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal 8pm

CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUME
THURSDAY, AUGUST 29 at 8 p.m.
BELL CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUME
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 at 7p.m.



COMING SOON: SANYUKA CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Our church will be hosting a concert by a choir comprised of orphaned children from Uganda.



Mark your calendar for **Saturday, September 7** at 3 p.m. for an afternoon of music and celebration with children's voices and traditional instruments.

There will be no charge for the concert, but they will have a free will offering to benefit the Sanyuka Children's Ministries. The children will also have Ugandan handicrafts and CDs available for concert goers to purchase. www.sanyukachildren.org/sanyuka-choir/.

THANK YOU



Thanks to everyone who helped to organize the Church Picnic last week, especially **Linda Plain** and the members of the Diaconate!

HELP NEEDED

Sign-up sheets for ushers, greeters, communion servers, and coffee hour helpers are located in Pilgrim Hall on the bulletin board. Please consider being a part of the life of our church by volunteering



for one or more of these jobs. We also need volunteers to pick up the bread and pastries on Friday and/or Monday mornings as back-up to our regular pick-up people. If no one picks up the baked goods, we won't have any baked goods! Contact the church office to help.

Architectural Drawings for the proposed ramp from the Gathering Area to Pilgrim Hall are in the Gathering Area for anyone interested in viewing them. Hiring a contractor is the next step in this complex project and we are in the process of gathering bids.

IT'S A PARTY--A WORK PARTY!

Wouldn't you love to get up at the crack of dawn on a Saturday morning, spend an hour or two helping your church friends tidy up the Royalton Road vacant property and garage/shed area, and then have the whole day to do what you want to do? Well, mark your calendar for **Saturday, August 10 at 7 a.m.** (If you come at 8 a.m., you will still be welcome!) Bring garden tools, a hat, and a good attitude. Doughnuts have been promised.



PLEASE SAVE YOUR WHITE PLASTIC WATER BOTTLE CAPS!

White water bottle caps (ONLY) are needed to help a little girl in Florida with a rare cancer. For every 1,000 caps collected, she will receive a free cancer treatment. A can to collect them is located in Pilgrim Hall by the coffee pots.