



THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
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Sunday – April 17, 2022 – 7:00 A.M.
Easter Sunrise Service



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.

† Please stand as you are comfortable.

WELCOME

Pastor Heidi

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day of our Lord's Resurrection:

People: The day our tears are wiped away, the day our hearts are healed. The day our fears are replaced with unbounding joy! Where, O Death, is your victory?

Leader: This is the day of our Lord's Resurrection:

People: The tomb is empty! Where now, O Death, is your sting?

Leader: This is the day of the Lord's Resurrection:

ALL: Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

† OPENING SONG

“Joy to the World”

Joy to the World! The Lord is come;
Let earth receive her king.

Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room

And heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and nature sing
And heav'n, and heav-en and nature sing!

Joy to the World! The Savior reigns;
Let me their songs employ,

While fields and floods, rocks hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sin and sorrow grow,
nor thorns infest the ground.

He comes to make His blessing flow
Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

† GATHERING SONG

“Morning Has Broken”

Morning has broken, like the first morning.
Blackbird has spoken, like the first bird.
Praise for the singing, praise for the morning,
Praise for them springing fresh from the Word.

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven.
Like the first dewfall, on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
Sprung in completeness where His feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning.
Born of the one light Eden saw play.
Praise with elation, praise every morning;
God's recreation of the new day.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

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.

OFFERING

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

REFLECTION ON JOHN 20:1-18 “I have seen the Lord!” Walter Wangerin

† CLOSING SONG

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once, He all doth save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!
Christ hath opened paradise, Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ hath led, Alleluia!
Foll'wing our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

† BENEDICTION

As you go out into God's world this week, be Easter people! Be those who say, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? Jesus is not here. He is risen.” Be ready to be surprised with what God will do next. Look for the risen Christ in those you meet. Let the Holy Spirit nudge you and guide you. The tomb is empty because Jesus is out in the world, and now we must go out into the world too! May the joy and wonder of that first Easter morning live in your hearts today, and every day. Amen.



Thank you Dale Hawk and the breakfast crew!

SERVING

SUNRISE SERVICE

Pastor Heidi
Cathy Hawk
Volunteers Needed
Tom Foley
Mike Elkins

APRIL 17

Liturgists
Greeters
Ushers
Director of Music
Associate Director of Music
Organist
Special Music

10 A.M. WORSHIP

Dave Williams
Bobbie Krisak
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Tom Foley
Mike Elkins
Sharon Heinrich
Brass ensemble, Choir,
Keyboard trio

Our steeple will light the sky this week—

Happy Birthday to Evan Joyce on April 20th!

In loving memory of Aimée Jannsohn on her birthday, April 23rd.

Celebrating our 55th Wedding Anniversary in April

Rev. Oommen and Leela Thomas

PENNY SUNDAY—NEXT WEEK



Our next Penny Sunday is **April 24th** and money will go to **Chefs for Ukraine** through **World Central Kitchen**.

Please save your coins, cash, and checks (to Strongsville UCC).

HOLY HUMOR SUNDAY is next week, **April 24!** Life's too short and too precious to be serious all the time! So put on your bright spring colors or your pj's, bring a (clean) joke or story you'd be willing to share, and come worship with the Confirmation kids!



OUR PRAYER LIST

Please provide updates for this list to the church office.



Long-Term Care or Homebound: Janet Kato, Ruth Milidonis, Karen Rak, Connie Rebar, Trish Shields

Church Family: Serena Abruzzino, Joan Beckwith, Eddy Bond, Mary Carey, Kathy Cockrell, Betty Craig, Christina Craig, Sam Cuyler Jr., Sam Cuyler, Sr., Linda Elliott, Tom Foley, Ramona Glaze, Sue Hawk, Bob Heddleson, Steve Herzog, Paul Hirt, Bruce Keenen, Wayne Krisak, Karl & Sharon Kuhlenschmidt, Millie Lafave, Judy Maur, Reggie McCray, Heidi & Chuck McDougall, Laurie Meister, Roy Merkle, Michele Mhlack, Lola Millhoane,

Gary Paul, Judi Pavisich, Sandy Pogozeleski, Joyce Reed, Dorothy & Bill Ritchie, Ginger Rothel, Tracey Seneff, Peter Smith, John & Maggie Struhar, Keith Sullen, Doug Thorn, Sharon Wilson, Claire Wills, Marty Winch, Owen Woodward, Mary Ellen Zimmerman

Extended Church Family: Ron Adams (Judi Pavisich's friend), Dorene Baldrige, Fred Beba (Theresa's husband), Amy Carroll (Marty Winch's sister), Jerry Cergol, (Barb Fraunfelder & Dennis Smith's friend), Hunter Colao (Barb & Mark Camp's grandson), Mary Ann Csory (Judi Pavisich's friend), John Dickson (Greg's dad), Kim Filiatraut (Sarah Keenen's friend), Elizabeth Fulford (Lora Rung's friend), Dana Hardy (Craig's wife), Julie Kowell (Sarah Cathcart Wilhoit's friend), Andrew Majoros (Michele Mhlack's cousin), Diane Mason (Lora Rung's friend) Rudy Matjazic (Judi Pavisich's friend, Donna McDonald (the Ritchies' friend), Zachary McKeever (Pastor Heidi and Chuck's great-nephew), Linda McNabb (Ginger Rothel's sister-in-law), Mae O'Shea (Sandy O'Shea's mom), Thomas O'Shea (Sandy's dad), Terry Robson (Barb & Mark Camp's friend), Mike Rung (Lora's brother), Tina Serrano (Elliott Joyce's grandma), Amanda Shannon (Sarah & Jon Hayes' friend), Chris Vozniak (Lora Rung's friend), Sandra Wentz (Debbie's daughter-in-law), Weston (Chelsea Cathcart's friend's baby)

Please contact Pastor Heidi if you would like to pray for others via the email prayer chain. h.e.denman@gmail.com

IN CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy to **Ken Mehalko** and **Bev Wehr** and family on the death of Ken's sister, **Marlene Willham**, who passed away at the age of 81 on April 12, 2022 after suffering a stroke.



OFFERINGS RECEIVED

Weekly Offering Needed \$3,649.37
Last Week's Offering Received \$4,548.00
Difference +\$ 898.63

Thank you very much for your support.



PLEDGE CARDS RECEIVED TO DATE: 62

UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

- **The Diaconate** will meet on the third Tuesday of the month, **April 19th** at 7 p.m. in the Parlor.
- **The Official Board** will meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month, **April 26th** at 7 p.m. in the Parlor.



DIACONATE "WING" NIGHT FRIDAY, MAY 6th from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

at the Grindstone Tap House in Berea. It is \$25 per ticket. Ticket includes boneless wings, pizza, pasta, salad, draft beer, well drinks, wine, soda. There will be a basket raffle, sideboards, and a great chance to socialize. Tickets are available in Pilgrim

Hall after the service. Please provide cash or check only.

In addition, we are looking for basket donations for wing night.

There will be a sign up for your name and your themed basket on the bulletin board in Pilgrim Hall.



THRIFT SHOP

The Thrift Shop is **OPEN** on Thursdays from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. with lots of interesting merchandise. Donations are being accepted, but you must **call** the church first to arrange a time for drop-off.

THRIFT SHOP BONUS HOURS The 3rd **Thursday** of the month, **April 21, 2022 — 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! The Southwest Community Chorus and Chamber Singers will present their **2022 Spring Concert** on **Sunday, May 8 at 3:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church at 170 Seminary Street in Berea.** This year's performance, entitled *Awaken the Music*, is the first SWCC concert since Christmas 2019 when COVID forced the cancellation of the next four presentations. The chorus features our Director of Music, Tom Foley as director, accompanist Carol Konet, and church singers—Ingrid Dickson, Irene Joyce, Sarah Keenen, Pam Keenen, Bruce Keenen, Sharon Maresco, Dave Williams, and UCC guest singer, Craig Hardy. Tickets, available at the door, cost \$15 for adults and are free for children 12 & under. We like looking into the audience and seeing our fellow church members, so please try to attend!



To the Glory of God The flowers are given...

To honor all the Ukrainians struggling with war this Easter Season. We are praying for you and for peace.
Serena, Kenneth, Izzy, McKenzi, & Chris Abruzzino

In Loving Memory of Caroline Davis
In Loving Memory of Papa, Daniel Veloski
Kristen Burgess and Brian Kohler

In Honor of our Family and Friends
Mark and Barbara Camp

Happy Easter around the World!
In Loving Memory of My Grandparents—
Peter and Edna Lansell, LeRoy and Rusha Ritchie
Gina Cathcart

In Memory of Gordon Cockrell
Harry and Kathryn Johnson
Harold and Wava Cockrell
Kathryn Cockrell and Family

In Loving Memory of Michael E. & Deborah M. Dickson
Ingrid and Greg Dickson and Family

In Honor of Tom Foley
In Loving Memory of William J. Foley
Carol Foley

Happy Easter!
Roz Fotos

In Loving Memory of Bill Fraunfelder and Don and Betty Bushea
Barb Fraunfelder

In Loving Memory of Our Parents and Grandparents,
Betty and Don Babics and Joanne Gigliotti
The Gigliotti Family

In Loving Memory of Our Parents and Grandparents,
Don and Lois Winch and Bill and Ruth Giuliano
Bill and Beth Giuliano, Nicole and Luke Giuliano

In Loving Memory of my Mom, Lillian Goff
In Loving Memory of my Dad, Bob Goff
Chris Goff

In Loving Memory of Charles and Thelma Hawk
In Loving Memory of Richard and Sally Mack
Dale and Cathy Hawk

In Loving Memory of Robert Heinrich
In Loving Memory of Albert and Elsie Ruman
The Heinrich Family

In Celebration of the lives of
Erik O. Jannsohn, James J. Joyce Sr. and Mary Joyce-Smith
Eric R. Jannsohn, Aimee J. Jannsohn, and Brooke M. Akins
Irene A. Jannsohn, Ingrid and Greg Dickson, Irene and Jim Joyce



Prayers for all the beautiful souls in the world
and for the lost to find their way
Wayne & Bobbie Krisak

In celebration of the Life of Christ
and his faithful disciples at Strongsville UCC.
May we continue to worship and honor God together.
Rev. Heidi and Chuck McDougall

In Loving Memory of Debbie Krause—Miss you every day!
With love, Mom and Kenn

In Loving Memory of
Joyce Oerkfitz and Richard Churnega
With love, Kenn and Ginny

Easter Blessings to our Family and Friends!
George and Judi Pavisich

In Loving Memory of Wayne and Luella Perrin
Love, their Children

In Memory of Family Members
Paul and Eileen Mlincek, Dale Mlincek
George Reed Sr. and Marie Wolf
George and Joyce Reed

In Loving Memory of Peter and Edna Lansell
In Loving Memory of LeRoy and Rusha Ritchie
Bill and Dorothy Richie

In Loving Memory of Our Grandparents,
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Clements
In loving Memory of Our Parents, Roger and Lorna Robinson
In Loving Memory of Our Aunt Rhea Clements
Becky and Bill Robinson

In Loving Memory of My Son, Scott L. Shafer
Debbie Shafer

In Memory of Rev. and Mrs. George A. Smith
In Honor of All Special Olympians
Peter R. Smith

In Loving Memory of Tad and Gen Thorn, Bernice Cooper,
Susan Stevenson Tressa, Charles Garner, Debbie Krause,
Jan Slough, and Mike Lucan
Happy Easter to All!
Sandy O'Shea, Doug, Schyler, and Devin Thorn

Good Health for our Friend, Darrell Gerhart
John and Barbara Toth

Celebrating our Grandchildren:
Paige, Kristen, Noah, Taylor, Riley, and Elizabeth
Bev Wehr and Ken Mehalko

Thank you to all who placed lilies or tulips
on the altar today. Please wrap your lily in a
sleeve from the Gathering Area and
remember to take it with you after church,
because lilies do not last very long.

