

SHARING OF 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

Our steeple will light the sky this week-Happy Birthday to Pam Craig on February 22<sup>nd</sup> Love, Mom





Ash Wednesday is March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Pastor Heidi will offer three opportunities for those who wish to receive ashes. The Sanctuary will be open 6:45-7:30 A.M. for quiet meditation and to receive a blessing and the mark of the Cross. Come and go as you wish. Then at

10:00 A.M., Women's Fellowship will meet for fellowship, but will begin their time together with a brief service and imposition of ashes for those who desire to participate. At 7:00 P.M., Pastor Heidi will lead a meditative service, culminating in the reception of ashes. All are welcome to join us.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY Beginning Wednesday, March 9, Pastor Heidi, along with Linda Elkins, will be leading a six-week Lenten Bible Study called, "Reading Between the Lines: Exploring Our Story through Biblical Stories." We will meet from

1:00-2:00 p.m., in Pilgrim Hall. Materials will be provided; if you wish to bring your Bible, please do so. The study will center around the Lectionary passages from Luke. Feel free to email Pastor Heidi with any questions. If you are interested in joining us, please let Pastor Heidi or the church office know.



Our sympathy is extended to Larry and Debbie Wentz and family on the death of Larry's dad. Robert R. Wentz on February 13, 2022, at the age

of 85. Robert was a Freemason, the father of five, the grandfather of nine, and great-grandfather of 11.





Sign-up sheets are waiting for **your name** to be added as a communion server, greeter, usher, coffee hour helper, or bread/pastry sorter. Don't know how to do any of those things? No worries-we will show you everything you need to know! No experience is

needed and everyone is welcome to be a part of our church life. If you like to cook . . . or bake . . . or reach out to others in love . . . as winter and circumstances continue to make it hard to stav connected, your Diaconate Committee is organizing a Pastoral Care Ministry Team and would LOVE to have you take part! (You do not need to be a member of the Diaconate to participate, and you may come and go as you are led.) Watch for more details to come!

Today, many of our church families are at Templed Hills Camp in Bellville, Ohio at the All-Family Winter Retreat.



A NOTE OF THANKS-Thank you to our own Tom Foley, Mike Elkins, and Sharon Heinrich for their music today.



STUDY GROUP

# 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, Elaine Coffey, 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, George Kapcar, Tony Koussa, Wayne Krisak, Karl & Sharon

Kuhlenschmidt, Millie Lafave, Judy Maur, Reggie McCray, Heidi & Chuck McDougall, Laurie Meister, Roy Merkle, Michele Mihlack, Lola Millhoane, Gary Paul, Judi Pavisich, Joyce Reed, Dorothy & Bill Ritchie, Ginger Rothel, Peter Smith, John & Maggie Struhar, Keith Sullen, Doug Thorn, Sharon Wilson, Sally Vetovitz, Claire Wills, Marty Winch, Mary Ellen & Bob Zimmerman

Extended Church Family: Ron Adams (Judi Pavisich's friend), Dorene Baldridge, 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), Lou Conté (Diana Creecy's partner), 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), Kelly Kling (Strongsville Emergency Food Bank), Julie Kowell (Sarah Cathcart Wilhoit's friend), Andrew Majoros (Michele Mihlack's cousin), Diane Mason (Lora Rung'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), 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

**OFFERINGS RECEIVED** 

Weekly Offering Needed \$3,649.37 Last Week's Offering Received \$2,609.00 Difference -(\$1,040.37)

Thank you very much for your support.

PLEDGE CARDS RECEIVED TO DATE: 62 \_\_\_\_\_

# 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month,

February 17, 2022 — 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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(We're still open on Thursdays from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

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# **UPCOMING BOARD MEETING**

• The Official Board will meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month, **February 22<sup>nd</sup>** at 7 p.m. in the Parlor.



# COURTESY PLEASE!

Tissues are provided in the sanctuary for people's use. Please be considerate and do not leave used tissues in the pews; dispose of them as you leave the service. Thanks!

# PENNY SUNDAY

# We hope you are saving those pennies, nickels, dimes, guarters, and yes, DOLLARS for our next Penny Sunday collection on February 27<sup>th</sup>! All money collected will go to Heifer Project, International.

LIMITED RESERVATIONS--Call (440) 238-5389 (To-go meals will be available.)

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FREE LUNCH FOR ALL

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2022

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Reminder: When the Strongsville City Schools are closed for weather, the Free Lunch for All will not be served that day. We love you and want you to stay safe.



# **NEW WINDOWS COMING SOON**

At a special meeting of the congregation on Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, the congregation unanimously voted to accept a proposal from Smart Choice Windows to replace the windows upstairs and downstairs in the Sunday School wing of the church building, including the Nurserv, classrooms, stairwells, and Pastor's office. Smart Choice (formerly known as Solar Windows & More) installed the windows in our

sanctuary and the side room in 2018.

# HAVEN'T YOU DONE THIS ALREADY?

Are you shopping online? If so, why not benefit the church while you make your purchases from Amazon? It's incredibly easy! Here's what you do:

1. Instead of typing amazon.com into your search bar, type in

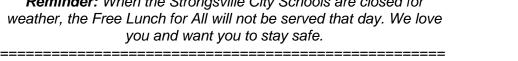
#### smile.amazon.com.

- 2. Select United Church of Christ Congregational Strongsville by clicking this link: https://smile.amazon.com/ch/34-1298100
  - 3. Shop as you would normally-that's it!

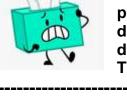
Your addresses, billing information, and shopping cart are still saved and your Prime membership privileges still apply. A small percentage of your purchase price will go toward supporting the church. Strongsville UCC has received \$433.77 from Amazon to date.







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# **OFFICERS FOR 2022**

Elected January 30, 2022

\* = 1 year term

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Moderator	Greg Dickson
Vice-Moderator	
Treasurer	Sally Herzog
Clerk	Judy Gaumer
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Sunday School Co-Superintendents Linda Elkins Serena Abruzzino	
Board of Trustees	
Myron Costin Diana Creecy Bill Giuliano* (Vice-chair) Herb Hampson	
Dale Hawk Sarah Hayes Sandy Pogozelski*	
Dave Sekorky Ed Sobek* Rachel Zielinski (Chair)	
Endowment Fund Subcommittee	
Greg Dickson Linda	Stepan Joyce Reed*
Diaconate	
Teri Barbish Barbara Camp*	Elaine Coffey Cathy Hawk*
	Sharon Maresco Linda Ponstingle
	rie Teagno Barbara White*
Christian Education Committee	
Serena Abruzzino* Mary Densmore	
	a Marshall Lora Rung
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Richard Densmore Ingrid Dickson	
Pam Keenen* Ken Mehalko* Rob Stepan	
Stewardship Committee Sue Gigliotti* Beth Giuliano* Judi Pavisich	
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Judy Carte* Sarah Ha	
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DON'T BE A VICTIM!

Neither the church nor Pastor Heidi will ever ask you to exchange gift cards for cash or purchase gift cards on their behalf. If you receive a call, text, or email about this dubious proposition, please disregard.

