

## THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

(Congregational)  
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Pastor

# JANUARY 2022 NEWSLETTER

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### The writing on the wall.

It's everywhere. Sometimes it's really beautiful. But I seldom look at graffiti and see God—until recently.

Before I made my way to Strongsville UCC, when I drove to work at Church in the Circle, I would usually take the Shoreway. I love driving along the lakeshore, seeing kites dipping and soaring over Edgewater Park, catching glimpses of sailboats bobbing peacefully—or fighting the winds and waves. Such a lovely setting, much nicer than fighting traffic.

One day, a bright, April day, as springtime was beginning to find its way to the North Coast, as I passed Edgewater and banked around the curves towards downtown, I saw it. An unremarkable bit of bright red graffiti sprayed on a bridge support.

*I am thankful for you!*

I smiled to myself, my heart strangely warmed. The next time we drove that way, I made sure my husband saw it, too, this sweet, anonymous message of love to the world. Nice!

The next time I drove past, I looked for “my” message and was disappointed to see that the city had been hard at work, painting over curse words, gang symbols—and gratitude. My heart sank. I hadn't realized how much that silly bit of spray paint had touched my soul. >sigh<

A week or so later, as I drove that route along the Shoreway again, watching a big ore boat slugging its way across Lake Erie, spotting families playing spring softball, I saw it.

*I am still thankful—for you!!*

Thank you, unknown friend. I am thankful for you, too. More than you know.

*Speak softly, but carry a big can of paint. –Banksy*

Peace, Love and Gratitude,  
Pastor Heidi

## WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2 – 10 a.m.

*Second Sunday after Christmas*

**Sacrament of Communion**

**Greeters: Ingrid & Greg Dickson**

**Liturgist: Linda Ponstingle**

**Ushers: Volunteer Needed**

**Special Music: Roger Davis & Jennifer Sekorky**



SUNDAY – JANUARY 9 – 10 a.m.

*The Baptism of Christ—First Sunday after Epiphany*

**Greeter: Volunteer needed**

**Liturgist: Pam Keenen**

**Ushers: Volunteers needed**

**Special Music: Chancel Choir**

SUNDAY—JANUARY 16 – 10 a.m.

*Second Sunday after Epiphany*

**Greeter: Volunteer Needed**

**Liturgist: Herb Hampson**

**Ushers: Volunteers Needed**

**Special Music: Bell Choir**

SUNDAY – JANUARY 23 – 10 a.m.

*Third Sunday after Epiphany*

**Penny Sunday**

**Greeter: Judi Pavisich**

**Liturgist: Rick Teagno**

**Ushers: Judi Pavisich**

**Special Music: Chancel Choir**



SUNDAY – JANUARY 30 – 10 a.m.

*Fourth Sunday after Epiphany*

**Annual Meeting Sunday**

**Greeter: Elaine Coffey**

**Liturgist:**

**Ushers: Elaine Coffey**

**Special Music: Chancel Choir**



ANNUAL  
CONGREGATIONAL  
MEETING

**PLEASE NOTE:** Our worship services are video recorded each week and posted on our YouTube channel for all to enjoy. Just go to [strongsvilleucc.com](http://strongsvilleucc.com), go to **Worship**, and click on **Service Videos**.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCynOZfg4uKoX7HMnKORbXiQ/videos>

And we're back.....

### MASKS REQUIRED

After having to cancel our Christmas Eve and Hymn Sing services, we are planning to return to in-person worship on **Sunday, January 2, 2022.**

As an extra measure of caution, **we will be requiring mask usage for everyone before, during, and after the service.** We will also celebrate the Sacrament of Communion, but will use the modified version of individually bagged elements as we have done earlier in the year. The worship team is now healthy and safe and ready to worship with you! Thank you for being a part of our church family.

**Please Note: The Church Office will be closed on Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>.** We will be picking up the camel for our outdoor Nativity scene from Bronner's in Frankenmuth, Michigan. The 6' camel was purchased with Memorial Funds and special donations.



### IN CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Church member **Margaret (Marge) McKinney** passed away on December 23, 2021 after a long illness. Our deepest sympathy to her daughter, **Karen McKinney**, and her grandson, **Manny DeHerrera**.

Our deepest sympathy to **Kristen Burgess** and her family on the death of her uncle, **Jimmy Walkem**, who had been on our prayer list for a few weeks. He passed away on December 25, 2021 after a difficult battle with cancer.

Our heartfelt condolences to **Marjorie Morrison, Darla Wickline** and family on the death of Marjorie's dad, **Carrol Riley**, on December 28, 2021.

### BABY CONGRATULATIONS

Welcome to the world, **Paige Evelyn Horvath**, born Monday, November 29 at 6:40 p.m. Paige checked in at 8 lbs 9 oz, and 20-1/2" long. Congratulations to parents **Blythe and Steve**, and siblings **Avery, Stephen** and **Audrey** and grandparents **Pastor Heidi** and **Chuck McDougall!**



### OUR PRAYER LIST

*Please provide updates for this list to the church office. Thank you.*

**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 Heddeson, Steve Herzog, Paul Hirt, George Kapcar, Tony Koussa, Wayne Krisak, Karl & Sharon Kuhlenschmidt, Millie Lafave, Vicky Masuga, Judy Maur, Reggie McCray, Heidi & Chuck McDougall, Laurie Meister, Roy Merkle, Michele Mhlack, Lola Millhoane, Gary Paul, Judi Pavisich, Joyce Reed, Dorothy & Bill Ritchie, Ginger Rothel, Peter Smith, John & Maggie Struhar, Keith Sullen, Sharon Wilson, Sally Vetovitz, Peg Weakley, Claire Wills, Marty Winch, Mary Ellen & Bob Zimmerman



**Extended Church Family:** Dorene Baldrige, Fred Beba (Theresa's husband), Jackie Berkheimer (Judi Pavisich's friend), Amy Carroll (Marty Winch's sister), Jerry Cergol, (Barb Fraunfelder & Dennis Smith's friend), Ron Colosimo (Judi Pavisich's friend), Lou Conte (Judi Pavisich's friend), Mary Ann Csory (Judi Pavisich's friend), Deb Dickson (Greg's sister-in-law), John Dickson (Greg's dad), Kim Filiatraut (Sarah Keenen's friend), Elizabeth Fulford (Lora Rung's friend), Dana Hardy (Craig's wife), Marty Hassel (Judi Pavisich's friend), Kelly Kling (Strongsville Emergency Food Bank), Julie Kowell (Sarah Cathcart Wilhoit's friend), 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)

**Please contact Pastor Heidi if you would like to pray for others via the email prayer chain.**  
[h.e.denman@gmail.com](mailto:h.e.denman@gmail.com)

### THANK YOU NOTES

Many, many thanks from **Pastor Heidi** and **the pastor's wife (Chuck)** for the delicious soups and dinners, the cards, the texts, the lawn care. . . . I could go on. You are blessing in our lives in oh, so many ways. Truly, we are all in this-- together. Peace to your spirit.

### MITTEN TREE

**Thank you** to everyone who donated to the Mitten Tree. Eight large bags filled with hats, mittens, socks, and scarves were given to various shelters and missions serving the needy and homeless in Cleveland.





**PENNY SUNDAY**  
Save those pennies,  
nickels, dimes, quarters,  
and yes, DOLLARS for our  
next Penny Sunday

collection, January 23<sup>rd</sup>! All money  
collected will go to Heifer Project,  
International.

**THE UPSTAIRS PAINTING PROJECT** is  
scheduled to begin on January 3<sup>rd</sup>!

## MUSIC NOTES

Many thanks to Roger Davis, Carol Konet,  
Richard Densmore, Sarah Keenen, Craig  
Hardy, Ken Mehalko, Sharon Heinrich, Jim  
Heinrich, Tom Foley, Mike Elkins, Robert  
Foley, Jackie Foley, and of course, our  
faithful Chancel Choir (Richard Densmore,  
Bruce Keenen, Rob Toth, Clay Williams,  
Dave Williams, Irene Jannsohn, Irene  
Joyce, Sarah Keenen, Diana Creecy, Ingrid Dickson,  
Pam Keenen, Sharon Maresco, Sarah Toth) and the  
Bell Choir (Elaine Coffey, Linda Elkins, Linda  
Ponstingle, Barbara Toth, Sharon Heinrich, Ingrid  
Dickson, Sarah Toth, Irene Joyce, Barb Fraunfelder,  
Mary Densmore, Rob Toth and subs Mike Elkins &  
Nicki Haire) for sharing their music with us in December  
for our worship services and rehearsals.



Thank you to everyone who made our Swingin' Sounds  
of the Season Jazz concert such a success, especially  
**Ken Mehalko** for arranging the Jazz Band to play for us  
(*gratis*), and **Pam & Bruce Keenen, Ingrid Dickson,  
Sarah Keenen, Sharon Heinrich, and Irene Joyce** for  
organizing the reception. Our music ministry program  
earned \$1,080.00.

## CHURCH CHRISTMAS MAIL BOX

Please remember to check the box  
for greetings you received.



The Church Mail Boxes will be up an extra week  
(through January 16<sup>th</sup>), so that our church friends may  
gather their greetings from their church family.  
Thank you.

## WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

**Next meeting: January 5 – 10 a.m.**

View the movie, "Three  
Godfathers," in Pilgrim Hall



## QUILT RAFFLE

**Congratulations to Becky Unger (a friend of Sally  
Herzog), winner of the quilt!**

Women's Fellowship raised \$150.00 on the raffle.



**FREE LUNCH FOR ALL HAS RESUMED!**  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month  
at 11:30 a.m.

(Limited space for seating; carryout is available  
with reservations)

**Reservations only. Please call  
440-238-5389 by the Friday prior**

The 2021 Heartland Conference Make a  
Difference grant committee chose our grant  
proposal for funding. The Free Lunch program  
will be receiving a check in the amount of  
**\$825.00.**

Thank you to Bryan Roub and the Roub  
Foundation for their generous gift of \$1,000 for  
the Free Lunch for All program.

**KEEP RECYCLING YOUR PAPER, MAGAZINES,  
AND CARDBOARD!**

*PLEASE FLATTEN ALL BOXES WHEN  
RECYCLING CARDBOARD.*



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## GIFT CARDS

**AN EASY WAY TO BENEFIT THE CHURCH!**



You can order gift cards by calling **Jim  
Joyce** at 216-267-5043 in advance with  
your order. **Limited stock is available for  
purchase on Sunday mornings.**

Thank you to those who continue to support this project by  
purchasing gift cards!

**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.



## UNSUNG HEROES

Did you know that **Jim Dettmer** collected blankets for the victims of Kentucky tornadoes for Strongsville Rotary? Thanks to Jim and to everyone who donated blankets.



Did you know that **Doug Thorn** put together the heartwarming virtual Christmas Eve online service after our hurried cancellation of in-person worship? Thank you for your skill and willingness to help out!

## MISSION-OUTREACH COMMITTEE UCC DISASTER RELIEF

In response to the recent devastating storms that have decimated parts of the country (especially Kentucky), the United Church of Christ is accepting donations to aid the victims of severe weather. To contribute, please go to <https://www.ucc.org/appeal-severe-storms-2021/> and follow the prompts. You also mail a check made payable to the **United Church of Christ PO BOX 71957 Cleveland, OH 44194**. Please be sure to note "2021 Severe Storms" on your check in the memo section.



The Strongsville Emergency Food Bank has always been supported by our congregation. We would like

to resume having you drop donations off at the church. **Jennifer Sekorky** has taken over for **Judy Carte** as our liaison to the Food Bank. Thanks to Judy for her many years serving in that role. Please remember, we do not accept expired goods. The needs for the food bank in January would be RAVIOLI/FAMILY MEALS or PORK AND BEANS.

Our church family provided 60 nylon drawstring bags filled with two candy bars and two pairs of socks. The Sunday School classes helped our committee fill the bags and added the notes they had made along with the Christmas flyer from our church made by Irene Joyce. These bags were delivered to Church Street Ministry on 11/29. These gifts were given out during December to the Veterans they serve in all Cuyahoga County. All extra socks and candy, along with \$150 cash donations were included as well. Many thanks to all of you for making this happen.

## SPONSORSHIP OF CAROLINE IN INDIA

Our church sponsors a child in India through the **United Church of Christ**. Cost is **\$30 per month**. Sign-ups for 2022 will be posted in Pilgrim Hall!

## WE NEED YOU IN 2022!

Sign-up sheets in Pilgrim Hall 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.



## PASTRY PEDDLERS!



Thank you so much to our faithful bread transporters and sorters: **Judy Carte, Jim Dettmer, Maria Graeff, Mike Elkins, Cathy Hawk, Sharon Heinrich, Sally Herzog, Linda Kapcar, Sharon & Jim Maresco, Sharon Lempner, and Rick & Cherie Teagno**, who continue to make the Panera Bread ministry possible! Special thanks this month to Cathy Hawk and Irene Joyce, who have been delivering the bread and pastries to the Pentecostal Church of Christ in Cleveland for distribution twice a week.

## GIVING OPTIONS



If you are interested in giving electronically, Here's how: You can customize your giving based on how, when, and how much through **E-Offering**. Log on to our church website at [www.strongsvilleucc.com](http://www.strongsvilleucc.com) and click "Donate Now". You will be taken to the church's myEoffering page. Simply click on the "Sign-up" button and you will then fill in your personal information and "Register". Follow the prompts to set up your payment, one-time or ongoing. You can also set up your giving through Bill Pay on your bank's website. **You may also mail a check to**

### Strongsville UCC

**13740 Pearl Road Strongsville, OH 44136 or drop it off in the church's mailbox.**



## GOD'S WORK—OUR HANDS

**Our 2022 Stewardship campaign: pledge cards received to date: 59**

## NEWS FROM OUR FINANCIAL SECRETARY

**Mike Elkins**



Below is a monthly report listing the budget income we need to receive from Pledges and Offerings and the amount received from **November 28 through December 19, 2021**. **Thank you to everyone who supports our church and its ministries.**

Offering Needed \$14,597.48 for 4 Sundays  
Offering Received 13,971.22  
**(-\$ 626.26)**

## STEEPLE LIGHTING

### Week of December 5<sup>th</sup>

*In loving memory of our parents, Don & Betty Bushea  
And Anita & Bill McKenna  
Barb Fraunfelder & Dennis Smith*

*In memory of my grandmother, Jane C. Graves  
Roberta Carpenter*

### Week of December 12<sup>th</sup>

*Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Karen!  
With Love, Judi & George Pavisich*

*Happy Birthday to Jonathan on December 18<sup>th</sup> and  
Happy Birthday to Rachel on December 30<sup>th</sup>!  
Love Mom & Dad (Dianne & John Maringer)*

### Week of December 19<sup>th</sup>

*Wishing my church family & friends a  
Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy  
2022! Love you all, Lola Millhoane*

### Week of December 26<sup>th</sup>

*For my parent's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary,  
celebrated in Heaven*

Allen Mhlack

*Happy Heavenly Christmas Eve Birthday, Mom  
Love, Dianne Maringer*

To light the steeple, the minimum donation is \$5.00. Multiple dedications are welcomed for each week. **Please email the church at [strongsvilleuuc@gmail.com](mailto:strongsvilleuuc@gmail.com). Thank you to everyone who lights our steeple!**



## ALTAR FLOWERS FOR DECEMBER

The altar flowers are given—

### December 5<sup>th</sup>

*In loving memory of my parents, Alma and Caleb  
Diana Creecy*

*In Honor of Sarah Keenen's Birthday  
on December 6<sup>th</sup>! --Pam & Bruce Keenen*

### December 12<sup>th</sup>

*In loving memory of my Grandpa, Joe Davis, who  
passed away on this date 25 years ago  
Jennifer Sekorky and family*

### December 19<sup>th</sup>

*For my parent's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, celebrated in Heaven  
Happy Birthday to Michele today!*

Allen Mhlack

The Abruzzino Family

### December 26<sup>th</sup> Poinsettias

You may provide fresh flowers on any Sunday you wish because multiple vases are accepted on Sunday mornings. The cost is \$15 for one vase, \$30 for two vases. Near the flower chart in Pilgrim Hall are forms for submitting your bulletin information or better yet, email the church at [strongsvilleuuc@gmail.com](mailto:strongsvilleuuc@gmail.com). Envelopes for enclosing your payment to the church office are also available. Thank you!

**A NEW FLOWER CHART FOR 2022 IS POSTED IN PILGRIM HALL**



## CHURCH OFFICERS FOR 2021

Officers elected on Jan. 26, 2020, have an asterisk\* by their names.

\*\* = appointed by the Official Board

**Moderator** Rachel Zielinski  
**Vice-Moderator** Rob Toth\*  
**Treasurer** Sally Herzog  
**Clerk** Judy Gaumer\*

### Sunday School Co-Superintendents

Linda Elkins\*\* Serena Abruzzino\*\*

### Board of Trustees

Greg Dickson Mike Clotworthy\*  
Myron Costin\* Bill Giuliano  
Dale Hawk Sandy Pogozeleski  
Ed Sobek Linda Stepan Rob Stepan

### Endowment Fund Subcommittee

Irene Jannsohn\* Joyce Reed

### Diaconate

Jennifer Barry Barbara Camp Gina Cathcart\*  
Kristen Clotworthy Elaine Coffey\* Cathy Hawk\*  
Sarah Hayes Linda Plain Linda Ponstingle  
Nicole Stevens Marty Winch Barbara White\*  
Mary Ellen Zimmerman\*

### Christian Education Committee

Serena Abruzzino\* Kristen Clotworthy Mary Densmore  
Linda Elkins Suzi Foley Sandy O'Shea  
Lora Rung

### Music Committee

Richard Densmore\* Ingrid Dickson  
Ken Mehalko Pam Keenen\*  
ex officio: Sharon Heinrich Tom Foley Mike Elkins

### Stewardship Committee

Serena Abruzzino\* Sue Gigliotti\* Beth Giuliano  
Judi Pavisich\*\* Bill Schneider\*\*

### Mission and Outreach Committee

Judy Carte Sarah Hayes\*\* Bobbie Krisak  
Michele Mhlack Gary Paul Lora Rung\*  
Jennifer Sekorky\*\* Bev Wehr

## ADDRESS CHANGES/ADDITIONS

To update your Church Directory:

Michele Mhlack- 440-488-0460

Allen Mhlack- 440-488-0067



## 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,

January 20, 2022 — 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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

## UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS



- **The Board of Trustees** will meet on the second Tuesday of the month, **January 11<sup>th</sup>** at 7 p.m. in the Parlor.
- **The Diaconate** will meet on the third Tuesday of the month, **January 18<sup>th</sup>** at 7 p.m. in the Parlor.
- **The Official Board** will meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month, **January 25<sup>th</sup>** at 7 p.m. in the Parlor.

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## ANNUAL REPORTS

**Chairs of church organizations:** Annual reports are due in the church office the first week of January. Please be kind and get your reports in on time. Thank you!!! Once completed, Annual Reports will be available for pickup prior to the Annual Meeting.



## ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will take place Sunday, **January 30, 2022**, and will be preceded by the traditional Pancake Brunch. All are encouraged to

attend this meeting.

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## FINANCIAL OFFICERS OF CHURCH GROUPS:

Please turn in your financial statements to the Auditing Committee through the church office ASAP. It is extremely important that all books be audited before the Annual Meeting on January 30, 2022. All organizations are required to submit:

1. ALL bank books (savings and/or checking).
2. ALL bank statements for each month for each account. Checking accounts statements should show completed reconciliation on the back.
3. ALL monthly recap forms.
4. ALL bank deposit slips, withdrawal slips and bank check receipts (if received), attached to monthly recap forms.
5. ALL receipts and bills paid.
6. Copy of Annual Financial Report (original provided to church office for Annual Report).

Thank you for your cooperation.

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## WOULD YOU LIKE A WAY TO SERVE GOD AND SERVE YOUR CHURCH AT THE SAME TIME?

**How about volunteering to serve on a church board or committee?**



The Nominating Committee, through the Official Board, will be looking for church members to fill the many open positions on our boards. Please consider saying **YES** when a member of the Nominating Committee asks you to serve. Some of the

positions that are available include:

**Moderator**, who presides over the Official Board and represents the church in the community

**Vice-Moderator**, who works in tandem with the Moderator, serves on the Nominating Committee, and enlists volunteers for dinners and other Official Board events.

**Treasurer:** Manages the outgoing finances of the church in conjunction with the Financial Secretary

**Diaconate**, which oversees the worship operations and church services. The committees of the Diaconate are Acolytes, Altar, Coffee Hour, Funeral, Greeters, Membership, Nursery, Pastoral Relations, Special Events and Ushers.

**Board of Trustees**, which oversees the finances and physical plant of the church. The committees of the Trustees are Building and Grounds, Finance, and Long-Range Planning and Memorial/Endowment.

**Mission & Outreach**, which sponsors projects and our church's benevolence in the local, national, and international communities, including the 5 for 5 offerings through the United Church of Christ

**Stewardship**, which administers a yearly campaign to assess and inspire giving of time, talent, and treasure

**Christian Education**, which oversees the Sunday School and Adult Education programs

**Music Committee**, which supervises all aspects of the Music Ministry

Remember the old but true saying, *Many hands make light work*. Plan to be a part of one of these boards or committees. Thank you for your consideration.

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## ANNUAL ALL FAMILY WINTER RETREAT

**February 18 - 20, 2022**

Templed Hills Camp  
in Bellville, Ohio



The Church's Annual All-Family Winter Retreat will take place on President's Day weekend 2022: The sign-up sheet to attend and the sign-up sheet for things to bring and to volunteer will soon be posted on the bulletin board in Pilgrim Hall. Please reserve your spot and room now, as rooms will be first-come, first-served. The cut-off to sign up—January 9<sup>th</sup>—will be strictly enforced. Space is limited to 14 families. Also, please let us know if you have any special dietary needs. Finally, those that wish to come down on Saturday only—we would be happy to have you there, but we also need your reservation by January 9<sup>th</sup>, and the cost is \$10 per meal. Please contact Irene Joyce or Rachel Zielinski if you have any questions.

### Here is the cost:

ADULTS (12 and up): \$75  
CHILDREN (6-11): \$20  
CHILDREN (5 and under): FREE

### Important dates to remember:

JANUARY 9, 2022: Reservations close; **MONEY DUE**  
JANUARY 9, 2022: Special dietary needs reported  
FEBRUARY 13, 2022: Retreat planning meeting in the church after the worship service

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**To the Glory of God,  
the poinsettias are given...**



*Special prayers & love to our loved ones that cannot be here with us for Christmas, whether serving our country or in God's heaven called home.*

*Happy Birthday, Jesus!*  
**The Abruzzino/Krisak Family**

*In honor of our children and grandchildren: Brandt, Gelin, and Aidan Camp  
and Abby, Hunter, and Hannah Colao*  
**Mark and Barbara Camp**

*Merry Christmas to my parents, Bill and Dorothy Ritchie  
In memory of my grandparents, Pete & Edna Lansell and Leroy & Rusha Ritchie*  
**Gina Cathcart**

*Honoring our Sunday School Teachers*  
**Diana Creecy**

*In honor and memory of our Davis family, living and deceased  
In honor and memory of our Penasa family, living and deceased*  
**Roger and Judy Davis**

*In loving memory of family and friends. We miss you.*  
**Jim and Linda Dettmer**

*In honor of all the many musician who grace our Sunday services!*  
**Carol Foley**

*In loving memory of Bill Fraunfelder and Don & Betty Bushea*  
**Barb Fraunfelder**

*In memory of our parents and grandparents, Donald & Betty Babics  
In memory of our mother and grandmother, Joanne Gigliotti*  
**The Gigliotti Family**

*In loving memory of Charles and Thelma Hawk  
In loving memory of Richard & Sally Mack*  
**Dale and Cathy Hawk**

*In loving memory of Aimee J. Jannsohn, Eric R. Jannsohn,  
Michael E. Dickson, and Brooke M. Akins*  
**The Jannsohn-Dickson-Joyce Family**

*In loving memory of Erik O. Jannsohn  
and Mary Joyce-Smith & James J. Joyce, Sr.*  
**The Joyce-Jannsohn-Dickson Family**

*Merry Christmas to the Kuzmickas family!*  
**Bruce and Pamela Keenen**

*Merry Christmas, Trevor and Abby!*  
**Love, Aunt Sarah Keenen**

*In memory of Len Kurz, Karen Morgan, and Trudie Taylor*  
**Phyllis Kurz**

*In memory of those gone before: in honor of those just beginning the journey;  
in praise and worship of Almighty God*  
**Pastor Heidi and Chuck McDougall**

*In loving memory of John B. Millhoane from your loving family  
In memory of family members we lost this year.*  
**Lola Millhoane**

*With special thanks to the anonymous donor whose generosity provided funds for extra music and musicians*  
**The Music Committee**

*In loving memory of Joyce Oerkfitz and Richard Churnega  
In loving memory of Debbie Churnega Krause*  
**With love, Kenn and Ginny Oerkfitz**

*With love to family and friends in heaven and on earth*  
**Judi and George Pavisich**

*In remembrance of those we have lost this past year.  
I wish you all peace, goodwill, and a happy healthy New Year!*  
**Linda Plain**

*In memory of our family members, George Reed, Sr. and Marie Wolf and Paul and Eileen Mlincek and loving pet, Teddi Rose*  
**Joyce and George Reed**

*In loving memory of Pete and Edna Lansell  
In loving memory of LeRoy and Rusha Ritchie*  
**Bill and Dorothy Ritchie**

*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 Marian and Joseph Davis, Mary and Rudolph Penasa,  
Delores and Orville Marshall, and Betty and Emery Sekorky*  
**Jen and Dave Sekorky**

*In memory of Rev. George A. and Eleanor B. Smith  
In honor of all Special Olympians around the world*  
**Peter R. Smith**

*In memory of our parents Rev. K.M. Mathew and Mrs. Mathew and Dr. K.M. Thomas and Mrs. Thomas*  
**Rev. Oommen and Leela Thomas**

*In loving memory of Charlie Garner, Susan Stevenson Tressa, Jan Stough, Mike Lucan,  
Walter and Geneva Thorn, Bernice Cooper, and Debbie Krause*  
**Sandy O'Shea, Schyler, Devin, and Doug Thorn**

*Celebrating our children and grandchildren*  
**Bev Wehr and Ken Mehalko**

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**Granny and Grandpa Willis**

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In loving memory of Richard and Kathleen Zielinski*  
**The Zielinski Family**

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