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Rev. Heidi Denman McDougall, Pastor

Sunday – July 21, 2019 – 10:00 A.M.  
Guest Minister, Rev. Oommen Thomas



## 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 "You'll Never Walk Alone" Rodgers & Hammerstein

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Joyce Reed

INTROIT "El Shaddai" Card/Thompson

## † CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song, for the Lord has done marvelous things!

People: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Break forth in joyous song and sing praises!

Leader: Sing praises to God with the lyre and the sound of melody and song!

People: Let the earth clap its hands; let the mountains rise together before the Lord and shout with joy! Holy is the Lord who reigns over all!

† HYMN 182 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 42: 1-8

## SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

## PASTORAL 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.

PRAYER RESPONSE "Three-Fold Amen" x

ANTHEM "It Is Well" Bliss

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Linda Elkins

## THE OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Great is Thy Faithfulness" Runyan

## † 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 10: 38-42

## SERMON

What Time Is It?

Sermon Question:

What would you do if Jesus came to your house?

† HYMN 548 "As the Deer"

## † BENEDICTION

† RESPONSE/POSTLUDE "Climb Every Mountain" Rodgers & Hammerstein

## SERVING

### TODAY, JULY 21

Sharon Heinrich  
Elaine Coffey  
T. Barbish/E. Coffey  
Volunteer needed  
Tom Foley  
Mike Elkins  
Serena Abruzzino  
Sharon Metivier

### Liturgists

### Greeters

### Ushers

### Coffee Hour

### Director of Music

### Associate Director of Music

### Summer Sunday School

### Special Summer Music

### NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 28

Pastor Heidi  
The Rolland Family  
Volunteers needed  
Church Picnic!  
Tom Foley  
Mike Elkins  
Church Picnic!  
Gary Hackett

## WELCOME AGAIN TO OUR GUEST MINISTER

We joyfully welcome the return of Rev. Oommen Thomas to the pulpit this morning while Pastor Heidi and Chuck are in Colorado and Montana. He and his wife, Leela, are Strongsville residents and have been attending our church when Oommen is not preaching elsewhere. Rev. Thomas is a retired Presbyterian minister, having served St. Andrews and John Knox among other churches.

The altar flowers are given—

*In celebration of George & Joyce Reed's Birthdays on July 15 & 16, along with the 21<sup>st</sup> Birthday of their Granddaughter, Alison on July 17.*

The Reeds

*In Celebration of Karen Morgan's Birthday on July 20*

Love, Your Family

*Happy "Double Digit" Birthday McKenzi—We love you!*

From Your Loving Familia

(Please remember to take your altar flowers with you or give them to a friend after worship.)

Our steeple will light the sky this week—

*In gratitude to Jim Heinrich for coming to the rescue and repairing the refrigerator in the kitchen*

With sincere thanks, the Free Lunch Crew

**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.

Happy Birthday today to Paul Hirt, Matt Miller, and Tammy Beckett!

The Official Board will meet next Tuesday, July 23 at 7 p.m.

## 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. **Children will meet in the classroom adjacent to Pilgrim Hall. Thanks to Serena Abruzzino for teaching today.**



## SIGN UP NOW...LIFETOUGH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY PROGRAM



Our last photo directory was over a dozen years ago! We are now scheduling times for **Monday, August 19 and Tuesday, August 20** from 2 p.m. - 9 p.m. for our families and individuals to be photographed AT NO COST. Sign up for photo time slots continues **today** and 3 Sundays thereafter. We hope you will make the effort to be included in our church's photo directory. 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 \$2,142.50  
(Difference **-\$1,379.52**)



**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.**

## 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, Rev. Larry and Christina Craig, Sam Cuyler Jr., Dan Davis, Sue Hawk, Steve Herzog, Paul Hirt, 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), 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 deepest sympathy is extended to **Ginger Rothel** and family on the death of her sister, **Rita Smith**, in Missouri this past week. Please keep this family in your prayers.





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 also thank and welcome vocalist Sharon Metivier to our worship today. She is a Brunswick and Baldwin Wallace voice teacher who owes her start to the music program at Strongsville UCC! Her students have performed in the Miss Ohio Pageant, the Count Basie Center for the Arts in New Jersey, the University of Cincinnati, Baldwin Wallace University, Beck Center for the Performing Arts and many more. She and her husband, Mike, have two teenagers at home. Sharon is the daughter of Tom and Judy Gaumer.

Next week at the Picnic:

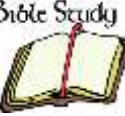
Music will feature guitarist/vocalist Gary Hackett.

### 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.



### 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, July 26 at 7:30 PM at the Ehrnfelt Senior/Recreation Center. The Strongsville City Jazz Swing Band will perform music from the American Song Book with vocalists Kim Wasielewski and Ron "The Jazz Man" Davis.



### 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.

### THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE HOMETOWN PRIDE PARADE!



Whether you donated candy, decorated the float, rode, marched, or watched the parade—your support is appreciated! Thanks especially to Rachel Zielinski and Sarah Hayes for taking charge of this fun activity.

### NEXT WEEK IS THE OUTDOOR WORSHIP AND PICNIC at Volunteer Park in Strongsville

12410 Lunn Road, just west of Prospect, between Prospect and Foltz

Sunday – JULY 28, 2019 – 10:30 A.M.



Outdoor Worship in the Pavilion followed by Potluck Picnic Meal and Games  
Pavilion with Picnic Tables and Electricity  
Restrooms – Playground – Baseball Fields-- Batting Cages

Hot dogs, buns, beverages, paper plates and disposable silverware will be provided; please bring a chair and either a side dish, salad or dessert to share. While we will be providing disposable table settings, in the interests of environmental awareness, guests are invited to bring reusable dinnerware from home if they so desire. If you have not already done so, please sign up for the potluck on the bulletin board in Pilgrim Hall.

### YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR FREE LUNCH FOR ALL



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

### JULY 2019 DATES TO REMEMBER

- 21 Sun Worship 10am  
Coffee Hour
- 23 Tues Official Board Meeting, 7pm
- 24 Wed Free Lunch for All, 11:30am-12:30pm
- 25 Thurs Thrift Shop 10am-4pm  
Men's Lunch Gourmé Restaurant 11:30am
- 28 Sun Worship 10:30am—CHURCH PICNIC  
AT VOLUNTEER PARK
- 31 Wed Free Lunch for All, 11:30am-12:30pm



### 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/](http://www.sanyukachildren.org/sanyuka-choir/).

### CHURCH SECURITY

Friendly reminder: If you are the last person to leave the building, please make sure doors are locked and lights are turned off. Also, please push or pull on the doors to make sure they are securely CLOSED. Thanks!



### HELP NEEDED



Attention all folks who enjoy our Panera goodies at Sunday's Coffee Hour: We 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! Please 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.

### 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.



Please say you will help by writing "Work Party" on the back of your attendance card and placing it in the offering plate. Doughnuts have been promised.

### CHURCH OFFICERS FOR 2019

Officers elected on Jan. 27, 2019, 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 Superintendent Kristen Clotworthy\*

### Board of Trustees

- Greg Dickson\* Mike Clotworthy
- Myron Costin Tom Gaumer Bill Giuliano\*
- Dale Hawk\* Bob Kovatich Sandy Pogozeleski\*
- Ed Sobek\* Linda Stepan\* Rob Stepan\*

### Endowment Fund Subcommittee

- Irene Jannsohn\* Joyce Reed \*

### Diaconate

- Serena Abruzzino Jennifer Barry\* Eddy Bond\* Barbara Camp\*
- Kristen Clotworthy\* Judy Gaumer Cathy Hawk
- Sarah Hayes\* Linda Plain\* Linda Ponstingle\*\* Nicole Rachid\*
- Dawn Rolland Marty Winch\*

### Christian Education Committee

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

### Music Committee

- Ingrid Dickson\* Ken Mehalko\*
- Pam Keenen Tom Foley Mike Elkins

### Stewardship Committee

- Rosemary Bechtel Sue Gigliotti\* Beth Giuliano Bill Schneider\*\*

### Mission and Outreach Committee

- Judy Carte\* Bobbie Krisak\* Tony Koussa\*\*
- Michele Mhlack\* Gary Paul\* Lora Rung Bev Wehr