

**THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

(Congregational)  
13740 Pearl Road  
Strongsville, Ohio 44136

**TRINITY SUNDAY**  
**JUNE 11, 2017 – 10:00 A.M.**

Rev. Mendle Adams, Guest Minister



**WELCOME!**

**We are grateful you chose to worship with us this morning. No matter who you are and where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.**

**For questions about our church and ministries, you may call the church at (440) 238-6697. Please complete your Attendance Card and place it into the offering plate. We hope to see you again soon!**

† Please stand as you are comfortable.

**PRELUDE** *Two Cuban Dances* Cervantes

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Irene Joyce

**STRENGTHEN THE CHURCH** Lora Rung

**† CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: In the name of the Creator, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit.

**Many: Amen.**

One: In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

**Many: In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God.**

One: In the beginning the Spirit of God swept over the face of the waters.

**Many: In the beginning God said, "Let us make humankind in our image."**

One: And so we came into being, created by God who exists in community.

**Many: We are here as God's community to worship the Source of our being.**

† **HYMN 3** *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

**RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES** Rachel Zielinski, Moderator

**SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**THE PASTORAL PRAYER**

**OUR 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.**

**RESPONSE** Native American Flute Ken Mehalko

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *Allegro K. 168* Mozart

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** Annette Karr and her dog Wink

**THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY** *Dance Creole* C. Chaminade

† **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**

**SCRIPTURES** Nehemiah 5:13 and Psalm 32:1-11

**SERMON** *The Stolen Amen* Rev. Mendle Adams

† **HYMN 375** *Jesus Shall Reign*

† **BENEDICTION**

† **ORGAN RESPONSE** *The Love of God* Frederick M. Lehman

† **POSTLUDE** *The Cascades* Scott Joplin

**The flowers** on the altar this morning are given—

*In Honor of Phyllis Kurz's 93<sup>rd</sup> Birthday*

The Morgan and Zielinski Families

*In Loving Memory of Our Mom and Grandma, Jean Rung*

Sam, Lora, Samuel and Braxden

**The steeple will light the sky this week—**

*Happy Birthday to Dan Sauter on June 14*

Grammy

**Happy Anniversary today** to Roy and Carol Merkle!

**Our congratulations** to Sarah Herzog and Dale Toth who were married yesterday!

This morning we welcome and thank . . .

**Rev. Mendle Adams** (our guest minister) **and his wife Charlene**

**Annette Karr and her dog Wink** for presenting the Children's Message

**The Satori Clarinets** for their worship music:

**Richard Ingersoll, Brian Maskow, Ken Mehalko, and Mike Sherwood**

**Summer Sunday School is now in session.** Parents, Grandparents, Uncles, Aunts: Please sign up to teach one Sunday during the months of June, July, and August. The signup sheet is posted on Pilgrim Hall's bulletin board. No experience is necessary, and all materials are provided. Please see Irene Joyce if you have questions. We thank Mrs. Aimée Jannsohn for teaching the class this morning.



**Adult Social Group** will take a Lolly the Trolley tour of Lake View Cemetery on Saturday, June 17. We need 30 people-- please sign up on Pilgrim Hall's bulletin board or contact Adria, 440-227-8410. Total cost of tour is \$895.00 + tax (\$32.22 per person). We will be picked up at SUCC at 10 a.m. for a

1 to 1-1/2 hour tour of Lake View Cemetery and return to SUCC at 2 p.m. Reservations and money are due now. All adults are welcome.

**Update from the Pulpit Search Committee** – The Committee has begun the task of completing our Local Church Profile. A survey was developed to collect information from the congregation for the Profile. The survey is being distributed now. Your prompt completion and return of the survey will be appreciated. Committee Members:

Ted Bickley, Judy Carte, Kristen Clotworthy, Ingrid Dickson, Jim Dettmer, Sally Herzog, Bill Schneider

**Kitchen Supplies** – Please check with Betty Craig or Ginny Oerkfitz before assuming we need a certain product. We do not need drinking straws or toothpicks. We can always use luncheon napkins, 9 oz. cold cups, lemonade or punch mix, coffee, tea bags, Ziploc plastic bags (sandwich, quart or gallon sizes), paper towels. These things are used weekly for coffee hour and the free lunch program. Thank you for your donations.

**Garage Sale Postponed** – The Garage Sale, originally scheduled for July 8, 2017, has been postponed. Please hold on to your treasures for a little while longer. We appreciate your patience and understanding. Thank you very much.

**OFFERINGS RECEIVED**

Weekly Offering Needed \$3,865  
Weekly Offering Received 6/4/2017 \$3,621  
Difference (\$244)



**Updating Our Website and TVs** – If you have updates for our church Website or TV screens at church, please inform:

Michele Mihlack 216-324-9799 or [m.mihlack@gmail.com](mailto:m.mihlack@gmail.com) or  
Irene Joyce 216-267-5043 or [ij3e@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ij3e@sbcglobal.net)  
Thank you!

**Strengthen the Church** is a special mission offering to reimagine and build the future of the UCC. Shared at the conference and national levels, Strengthen the Church largely supports youth ministries and full-time leaders for new churches in parts of the country where the UCC voice has not been heard. As God calls our congregations to be the church in new ways, your generosity will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches and develop the spiritual life in our youth and young adults. Offering envelopes are in the pew racks. Our congregation will receive this offering throughout the month of June. Thank you for your support.

**Sunday, June 25, is our Annual Church Picnic** on our own grounds. The outdoor service is at the normal worship time of 10:00 a.m. A picnic lunch and games will follow. Details will be forthcoming. All are welcome!



## JUNE 2017

11 Sun Graduates' Recognition  
Special Children's Message with Annette Karr and Wink the Dog  
14 Wed Free Lunch Program, 11:30am-1pm  
Fit Club, 7pm  
15 Thu Newsletter Deadline  
17 Sat Adult Social Club: Lolly the Trolley, 10am in church parking lot  
18 Sun Father's Day  
20 Tue Diaconate Meeting, 7pm  
21 Wed Free Lunch Program, 11:30am-1pm  
Fit Club, 7pm  
Adult Social Club Meeting, 7pm  
25 Sun Picnic Sunday: Worship at 10am outdoors,  
followed by potluck picnic lunch and games  
27 Tue Official Board Meeting, 7pm  
28 Wed Free Lunch Program, 11:30am-1pm,  
Men's Luncheon, 11:30am  
Fit Club, 7pm

## OUR PRAYER LIST

*Hospitals no longer provide names of members who are patients. 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, Margot James, Ethyl Jeglie at Elmcroft of Sagamore Hills, Janet Kato at Western Reserve Masonic Community in Medina, Connie Rebar, Trish Shields

**Church Family:** Betty Babics at Concordia Rehab, Steve Herzog, Irene Jannsohn, Don Kovach, Martha Liebert at Parkside Villa, Pam Peacock, Jan Stough, Leah Tressa Forget, Shirley Weinhold, Kyle Woodward, Rachel Zielinski

**Extended Church Family:** Logan Churnega (grandson of Ginny Churnega), Audrey Curry (mother of Pam Keenen), Kim Filiatraut (friend of Sarah Keenen), Sue Mason, Piper Masuga (granddaughter of Dan and Vicky and great-granddaughter of Lola Millhoane), Debbie Morey (sister of Steve Herzog), Carrol Riley (father of Marjorie Morrison), Keith Stewart (cousin of Carol Woodward), Frank Toth (father of Rob), Joe Valli (brother-in-law of Vicky and Dan Masuga)



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Our church is celebrating its 200th Anniversary this year. As part of that celebration, we are planning an **Anniversary Luncheon on October 15**, right after the church service that Sunday. The luncheon will be held at the Strongsville Recreation Center Banquet room. If you think you may attend the luncheon, please let Joyce Reed know or sign up on the sheet on Pilgrim Hall's bulletin board, where you can indicate your preliminary attendance and number of guests coming. Thank you. The 200th Anniversary Committee

**200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cookbooks** – 45 cookbooks are still available at a cost of \$12.00 each. We also have six old church cookbooks from 2006 at a cost of \$10.00 each. If you got a cookbook and did not yet pay, please give your payment to Dianne Maringer or Joyce Reed, or place payment under the church office door. Thank you!

## SERVING TODAY

**Greeter:** Barb Bridle

**Morning Announcements:** Irene Joyce

**Liturgist:** Betty Craig

**Summer Sunday School Teacher:** Aimee Jannsohn

## SERVING NEXT SUNDAY – JUNE 18, 2017

**Greeters:** The Bickley Family

**Morning Announcements:** Irene Joyce

**Liturgist:** Dale Hawk

**Ushers:** Ted and Kelly Bickley

**Summer Sunday School Teacher:** Dan Davis and Irene Joyce

**Coffee Hour:** Volunteers Needed