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Sunday – June 16, 2019 – 10:00 A.M.
Father's Day

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 "Come, Now is the Time to Worship" Doerksen

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Irene Joyce

INTROIT "We Bow Down" LeBlanc

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God, Creator of the fields of Eden, you delight in all creatures and things, including us!

People: God of glory, God of grace, your name is exalted in all the earth!

Leader: Christ, you walked the streets of our world, giving hope to all people, including us!

People: God of glory, God of grace, your Son is Savior of all creation!

Leader: God's Spirit, residing in our hearts, you bear truth and peace to us!

People: God of glory, God of grace, your love surrounds us every moment. Thanks be to God!

† HYMN 404 "Faith of our Fathers"

A READING FROM THE PSALMS Psalm 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 "Father, I Adore You" Strom

ANTHEM "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" Akers

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "Father Abraham"

THE OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Impromptu #4" Elkins

† **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

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS John 16: 12-15

SERMON Just. Too. Much.

† **HYMN 809** "God of Our Fathers"

† BENEDICTION

† **RESPONSE** "I'm Trading My Sorrows" Evans

† POSTLUDE

SERVING

TODAY, JUNE 16		NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 23
Jim Studer	Liturgists	Dave Williams
Elaine Coffey	Greeters	Sandra Gleichauf
Teri Barbish	Ushers	Marty Winch
Volunteer needed	Coffee Hour	Judi Pavisich
Tom Foley	Director of Music	Tom Foley
Mike Elkins	Associate Director of Music	Mike Elkins
Irene Joyce	Summer Sunday School	Sharon Heinrich
Brass Trio	Special Summer Music	Carol Konet

The altar flowers are given—

In honor of "Gigi's" 95th Birthday
Love Penny and Ollie

(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—

Celebrating 55 years of marriage on June 21!
Linda and Jim Dettmer
Happy Anniversary to Linda and Rob Stepan yesterday!
Love, your Church family

Happy Birthday to Lora Rung on June 10th

With love from your current and former Sunday School students

Happy Birthday today to Adria Bond!

The Diaconate will meet Tuesday, June 18 at 7 p.m.

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, go to **Worship**, and click on **Service Videos**.



PENNY SUNDAY—The next Penny Sunday Collection will go toward refurbishing the upstairs Sunday School classrooms and is **June 30**.

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. **Children will meet in the classroom adjacent to Pilgrim Hall.**



OFFERINGS RECEIVED

Weekly Offering Needed \$3,522.02
Last Week's Offering Received \$4,487.50
(Difference **\$965.48**)



As summer approaches, 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.



COMING SOON...LIFETOUCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY PROGRAM

Our last photo directory was over a dozen years ago! We will soon be 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. This is an important project that will take many folks helping out in order to be a success, so please contact the church office if you would like to assist in making the directory a reality.

STRENGTHEN THE CHURCH OFFERING

This special UCC offering is one of the five annual collections. It is used to support the expansion of ministry and growth of congregations. 20% of our contributions stay in our conference which includes Ohio, West Virginia, and Northern Kentucky. Envelopes are in the pews for your donations throughout June.

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., Steve Herzog, Paul Hirt, Debbie Krause, Bobbie Krisak, Karl Kuhlenschmidt, Sharon Kuhlenschmidt, Phyllis Kurz (mother of Karen Morgan), Millie Lafave, Lacey Marshall (daughter of Amanda and John), Laurie Meister, Michele Mhlack, Karen Morgan, Joyce Reed, Bill Ritchie, Ginger Rothel, Tilly Sekorky, 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), Sam Harteis (friend of Reeds), 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), Jeff Perrin (cousin of Barb Fraunfelder), Carrol Riley (father of Marjorie Morrison), Mike Rung (brother of Lora), 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.

Congratulations to **Olivia Clotworthy**, graduate of Strongsville High School. She is the 2019 recipient of the Sunday School Scholarship! Olivia, daughter of **Mike and Kristen Clotworthy** and granddaughter of **Dayna Czarnecki**, will be attending The Ohio State University in the fall, majoring in Environmental Science.





CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Are you interested in joining our family of fellowship by becoming a member of the Strongsville UCC? Please come to the parlor/conference room, **TODAY after the worship service**, to meet with Pastor Heidi. You will have the opportunity to join this congregation as a member next **Sunday, June 23** during worship. All are welcome!

HOW CAN YOU HELP OUT?

Sign-up sheets in Pilgrim Hall are waiting for **your name** to be added as a communion server, greeter, usher, coffee hour helper, or nursery helper! No experience is needed and everyone is welcome to be a part of our church life. COME HELP US ON MONDAY OR FRIDAY MORNINGS AS WE SORT THE PANERA DONATIONS—LOTS OF FUN AND CARBS!



Our church supports the Strongsville Emergency Food Bank. They are especially in need of peanut butter & jelly, soup, canned fruit, 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—vocalists, instrumentalist, ensembles are invited to provide music for a Sunday in the summer. Please see Tom Foley if you would like to be a part of the music ministry while the choir and bell choir are on hiatus. **Thank you to our brass trio of Jim Heinrich, Ken Konicek, and Tom Foley, as well as our trusty UCC Band, for sharing their music with us today!**



LOVE AND TRANQUILITY

A **CD** of Native American Flute, “Love And Tranquility” is now available for purchase! Music features **Ken Mehalko** on Native 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.**



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. Thanks to everyone who saved other bottle caps—that goal was reached and a memorial bench will be made out of all those caps!

SAVE THE DATE! HOMETOWN PRIDE

Our church will have a float in the **Strongsville Homecoming Parade** on **Wednesday, July 17**. We will need helpers, float decorators, walkers, and riders! Please see Rachel Zielinski, Kristen Clotworthy, or Sarah Hayes if you would like to participate.



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!



WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Women's Fellowship will have a potluck picnic at church **Tuesday, July 2**, at 11:00 a.m. *Please notice the change in venue.* If you'd like to attend, please sign up on the bulletin board in Pilgrim Hall and advise what side dish, salad, or dessert you will bring. Chicken, Sloppy Joes, coffee, tea, paper plates, cups, and napkins will be provided. All ladies are welcome!



Women's Fellowship will again put together about 60 Tote Bags for the Strongsville Food Bank children, ages 5 to 12. The finished bag is about 11" x 12". Donations of any of the items listed below (or monetary donations so we can purchase items) are appreciated. Please put monetary donations into an envelope marked “Tote Bag Project” and place it in the church office. **Collection concludes June 30, 2019.** The collection box is under the bulletin board in Pilgrim Hall. Travel size is best and can be found at Marc's or Target. Please do **NOT** provide FAMILY-size items.

soap (<i>facial size or smaller</i>)	small tissue packets	stuffed toys (<i>smaller than 8"</i>)
shampoo	small cars or trucks	pencils
body lotion	decks of cards	small bubbles bottles
deodorant	activity books	little toys/games/books
tooth brushes	coloring books	washcloths
toothpaste (<i>small tubes</i>)	combs or brushes	crayons (<i>16 or 24 count</i>)



GARAGE/BAKE SALE! Saturday, June 29-- 9 A.M. to 2 P.M.

We know you've been holding on to your treasures, but it's time to part with them. Please donate household items, sporting goods, décor, kitchen items, small electronics, books, toys, furniture, and any usable item that is not liquid to the Garage Sale. **Set up is June 26 and we need help! Come at 7 p.m. on the 26th, 27th or 28th or 8 a.m. on the 29th and lend a hand. Stay for an hour or two and help us get ready for the sale and have fun, too!**

DONATIONS WILL ALSO BE NEEDED FOR THE SUNDAY SCHOOL'S BAKE SALE!

Cookies, brownies, cupcakes, pies, breads, and cakes are needed to sell. This is our main fundraiser and everyone's support is appreciated. Please bring wrapped baked goods to the church any time on Friday, June 28th or before 9 a.m. on the day of the sale Saturday, June 29th. Thank you!



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 – Horseshoe Pits
Bocce Ball Courts – Baseball Fields--Batting Cages

Hot dogs, buns, beverages, paper plates and disposable silverware will be provided; please bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share.

If you have not already done so, please indicate the number of kids and adults on the back of your attendance card and place it in the offering plate today. Thanks!

JUNE 2019 DATES TO REMEMBER

16	Sun	Worship 10am--Father's Day New member class Coffee Hour
18	Tues	Diaconate Meeting 7pm
19	Wed	Free Lunch for All, 11:30am-12:30pm Fit Club to <i>Romeo et Juliette</i> 7 pm
20	Thurs	Thrifty Shop 10am-4pm
23	Sun	Worship 10am—New Members Received Coffee Hour
25	Tues	Official Board Meeting, 7pm
26	Wed	Free Lunch for All, 11:30am-12:30pm Set Up for Garage Sale 7pm
27	Thurs	Thrifty Shop 10am-4pm Men's Lunch Gourmé Restaurant 11:30am
29	Sat	Garage Sale/Bake Sale 9am – 2pm
30	Sun	Worship 10am--Penny Sunday Coffee Hour



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	Karen Morgan*

Sunday School Superintendent
Kristen Clotworthy*

Board of Trustees		
Greg Dickson*	Mike Clotworthy	
Myron Costin	Tom Gaumer	Bill Giuliano*
Dale Hawk*	Bob Kovatich	Sandy Pogozelski*
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 Mihalack*	Gary Paul*	Lora Rung	Bev Wehr*

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR FREE LUNCH FOR ALL



Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Our Free Lunch Program was awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Deaconess Foundation to support our work in the community!