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Rev. Heidi Denman McDougall, Pastor
Sunday, June 19, 2022 – 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.

† Please stand as you are comfortable.

PRELUDE "As the Deer" Nystrom, arr. Larson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Joyce Reed

INTROIT "All Things Bright and Beautiful" Monk

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Troubled prophets and struggling families, you listen to our voices, whoever we are.

People: There is no one like you, God of the listening heart.

Leader: Those who live in fear, and those who look for signs, you fill us with hope and surprises.

People: There is no one like you, God of steadfast love.

Leader: Seekers of power, as well as those who serve the vulnerable, you challenge us to use our gifts for others.

People: There is no one like you, God of all people.

† HYMN 139 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

A READING FROM THE PSALMS Psalm 36:5-9
(New International Version)

Your love, Lord, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies.

Your righteousness is like the highest mountains,
your justice like the great deep.

You, Lord, preserve both people and animals.

How priceless is your unfailing love, O God!

People take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the abundance of your house;

you give them drink from your river of delights.

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

Leader: The Word of God, for us, the people of God;

People: Thanks be to God.

SHARING 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 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.

ANTHEM "Allegro con Spirito" Anonymous, 18th century

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Irene Joyce

OFFERING

Thank you for your continuing commitment to giving freely of your talents and your treasure, as you are able, in service to Christ in the world. Thank you. To give online, please go to:

<https://www.myeoffering.com/eonline/index.php/dashboard/login/5027>

OFFERTORY "My Father" Colins

† 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.

† DEDICATING OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS

A READING FROM HEBREWS Hebrews 10:23-25; 11:1-3, 12-13
(New Revised Standard Version)

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith, we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

SERMON "Therefore..." Rev. Oommen Thomas

† HYMN 404 "Faith of our Fathers"

† BENEDICTION

Now may the peace of God, which is beyond all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Know that wherever you are, God is with you. Amen.

† POSTLUDE "The Gift of Love" Trad. English Melody, arr. Larson

SERVING	
TODAY – JUNE 19	NEXT SUNDAY – JUNE 26
Judi Pavisich	Greeters Elaine Coffey
Pam Keenen	Liturgist Judi Pavisich
Judi Pavisich	Ushers Elaine Coffey
Luke Giuliano	Acolytes Chris Abruzzino/Riley Marshall
Tom Foley	Director of Music Tom Foley
Mike Elkins	Associate Director of Music Mike Elkins
Sharon Heinrich	Organist Sharon Heinrich
Doug Thorn/Jim Heinrich	Video/Sound Doug Thorn/Jim Heinrich
Lisa Heinrich	Special Music Ken Mehalko
Rev. Oommen Thomas	Special Guest Speaker

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, select **Worship**, and click on **Service Videos**.

The altar flowers are given—

In memory of our fathers, James Pavisich and John Couchey
--George and Judi Pavisich

Our steeple will light the sky this week—

In loving memory of Erik O. Jannsohn and James Joyce, Sr.

In honor of John Dickson

With love from their children



A NOTE OF THANKS—

Many thanks to Lisa Heinrich (flute), Sharon Heinrich (organ and keyboard), and Mike Elkins (flute and keyboard) for sharing their music with us today. And special thanks to Rev. Oommen Thomas for leading us in worship.



FREE LUNCH FOR ALL-Every Wednesday

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
PLEASE NOTE: CARRY OUT ONLY will be offered on June 22, because of

Garage Sale set-up. (Call 440- 238-5389 for To-Go meals.)

The Free Lunch for All program would like to thank Crumbl Cookies for their weekly support. Crumbl has been supplying us with several dozen cookies each week, which provide a sweet treat, not only for our lunch guests, but for YOU on Sunday morning, following worship!

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, Lloyd Bridle, Mary Carey, Gina Cathcart, Kathy Cockrell, Betty Craig, Christina Craig, Robert Craig, Sam Cuyler Jr., Sam Cuyler, Sr., Linda Elliott, Sue Hawk, Bob Heddleson, Steve Herzog, Paul Hirt, Wayne Krisak, Karl & Sharon Kuhlenschmidt, Millie Lafave, Judy Maur, Reggie McCray, Heidi & Chuck McDougall, Laurie Meister, Roy Merkle, Michele Mhlack, Lola Millhoane, Gary Paul, Joyce Reed, Dorothy & Bill Ritchie, Ginger Rothel, Tracey Seneff, Peter Smith, Maggie Struhar, Keith Sullen, Doug Thorn, Sharon Wilson, Claire Wills, Marty Winch, Carol Woodward, Gary Zielinski, Mary Ellen Zimmerman



Extended Church Family: Dorene Baldrige, Fred Beba (Theresa's husband), Jerry Carleton (Judi Pavisich's friend), Amy Carroll (Marty Winch's sister), Mary Ann Csory (Judi Pavisich's friend), John Dickson (Greg's dad), Kim Filiautra (Sarah Keenen's friend), Elizabeth Fulford (Lora Rung's friend), Dana Hardy (Craig's wife), Julie Kowell (Sarah Cathcart Wilhoit's friend), Andrew Majoros (Michele Mhlack's cousin), Diane Mason (Lora Rung's friend), Rudy Matjazic (Judi Pavisich'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), Tina Serrano (Elliott Joyce's grandma), Amanda Shannon (Sarah & Jon Hayes' friend), Bruce Unger (Steve & Sally Herzog's friend), Chris Vozniak (Lora Rung's friend), Weston (Chelsea Cathcart's friend's baby),), Tom (friend of Judi Pavisich), The people of Ukraine

Please contact Pastor Heidi if you would like to pray for others via the email prayer chain. h.e.denman@gmail.com



PLEASE NOTE: The Church Office will be closed on July 4th & 5th.

FROM THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Gentlemen of the church, please enjoy a special treat from the students and staff of our Sunday School as you depart worship this morning.

Happy Father's Day!





Feeling the need for some culture in the midst of Garage Sale craziness? Pastor Heidi and Chuck's daughter **Megan Denman** will be performing in a series of concerts on June 23, 24 and 25 at 7:00 p.m., Harkness Chapel, 11200 Bellflower Rd. 44106. "She Scores" will feature the works of living, regional, female composers, and are free and open to the public.



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.

HELP WANTED: Do you know anything about collectibles and/or antiques? If so, we need you! From time to time, donations come into the Thrift Shop that may be worth selling online or in a consignment shop. If you have any knowledge in this area, please contact Cathy Hawk about how you can help.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL is underway!

Who Do YOU Say I Am?

Investigating the Mystery of Jesus
Using Detective Work and Mystery Solving
We have a couple of Sundays still available to teach—
please sign up in Pilgrim Hall. Call **Linda Elkins, (440) 655-8891** with questions.



OFFERINGS RECEIVED

Weekly Offering Needed \$3,649.37
Last Week's Offering Received \$1,242.00
Difference (-\$2,407.37)

Thank you very much for your support.

PLEDGE CARDS RECEIVED TO DATE: 65



IDEAS WANTED!

The Long Range Planning Committee is interested in your ideas on ways to make improvements for our Church. Some feedback already provided includes an extension of our parking lot and a new structure on the Royalton Road lot that could house outdoor gatherings. If you have any ideas, please email them to Sandy Pogozeleski at pogoze5@gmail.com. All ideas will be discussed at the Board of Trustees meeting for feasibility, funding and prioritization. Projects exceeding \$5,000 require approval by our Congregation.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! SUNDAY, JULY 31st

Join your church family for fun and fellowship our church grounds following outdoor worship. Please bring a salad, side dish, or dessert—the main dish and beverages will be provided.



COMING THIS WEEK! CHURCH GARAGE SALE

FRIDAY, JUNE 24th
from 6 P.M. – 8 P.M. **AND**
SATURDAY, JUNE 25th
from 9 A.M. – 2 P.M.



Donations accepted through Thursday, June 23rd.

We accept household items, home décor, sporting equipment, craft supplies, books, games, toys, small electronics, furniture, kitchenware and dishes, plus clothing & shoes (for the Thrift Shop) **We DO NOT accept liquids of any kind, hazardous materials, or large televisions.**

Please keep in mind: "If you wouldn't buy an item in the condition it's in, please don't foist it on the church." Also, please plan to carry your items yourself or bring a helper (or two). Thanks!

We'll need lots of volunteers, too—

On the days of the sale and every day and evening the week before, beginning around 7 p.m. and sorting until about 9 p.m.

Please see Rachel Zielinski or Irene Joyce if you can give a couple of hours of your time from June 19-24 (or just show up)!

**WE ALSO NEED DONATIONS OF LARGE
MARC'S SHOPPING BAGS and
NEWSPAPERS FOR WRAPPING ITEMS.**



BAKE SALE TO BENEFIT THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

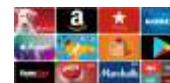
At the Garage Sale

Please bring your wrapped/bagged baked goods on Friday, June 24th before 6 p.m. or Saturday, June 25th before 9 a.m.

GIFT CARDS

**WITH THOSE GRADUATION PARTIES COMING UP, YOU CAN
GIVE GIFT CARDS TO YOUR FAVORITE GRAD
AND 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.**



COME ONE, COME ALL! OUTDOOR CLEAN-UP DAY SATURDAY, JULY 16th at 9 a.m.

Our church property needs a little attention, so we're looking for volunteers to do a little yard work. If you can spare an hour or two, come and help. Cold beverages will be provided.

UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

- **The Diaconate** will meet on the third Tuesday of the month, **June 21st** at 7 p.m. in the Parlor.
- **The Official Board** will NOT meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month in June. Members will be asked to email monthly reports.



From our Friends at Strongsville Community Band--2022 Concert Schedule

The Strongsville Community Band kicks off its 33rd season on Friday, June 24 at 7:30 p.m. on the front lawn of Strongsville Middle School. The concert will feature music from popular Hollywood movies which includes The Avengers, Superman, some of Henry

Mancini's hits and others. The concert is **free**.

Friday, July 1 7:30 p.m.

Strongsville Middle School Lawn

Friday, July 8 7:30 p.m.

Strongsville Middle School Lawn

Friday, July 22 7:30 p.m.

Strongsville City Jazz Swing Band

Strongsville Middle School Lawn

Friday, July 29 7:30 p.m.

Rotary Senior Center Cookout/Band Concert

Ehrnfelt Event Center

Friday, August 5 7:30 p.m.

Strongsville Middle School Lawn

Friday, August 12 7:30 p.m.

Strongsville Middle School Lawn

Friday, August 19 7:30 p.m.

Bad Weather Make-up Concert

Strongsville Middle School Lawn

CHURCH OFFICERS FOR 2022

*Elected January 30, 2022 * = 1 year term
**appointed by the Official Board*

Moderator: Greg Dickson **Vice-Moderator:** Jen Barry
Treasurer: Sally Herzog **Clerk:** Judy Gaumer

Sunday School Co-Superintendents

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Herb Hampson Dale Hawk Sarah Hayes

Sandy Pogozeleski* Dave Sekorky Ed Sobek*

Rachel Zielinski

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Barbara White*

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Linda Elkins Amanda Marshall Lora Rung

Music Committee

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