



THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

(Congregational)
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Minister

Sunday – June 24, 2018 – 10:00 A.M.
Penny Sunday

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lora Rung

INTROIT “Abide with Me” William H. Monk
with J.S. Bach, Praeludium in C

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather together from our homes and our
communities, longing for your presence.

People: **Fill us, Loving God, with faith that can withstand the
torrents of life.**

Leader: You bring us together, from our occupations and
preoccupations in life that so often seem to tear us apart.

People: **Give us courage, Fearless One, to challenge injustice
wherever we find it, and to offer words of healing and
love to those whose lives are broken.**

Leader: Gentle Spirit, lead us home to you.

People: **Wash away our apathy; fill us with your empathy.
Come, Loving God. Come, Lord Jesus. Come, Holy
Spirit. Amen.**

† HYMN 481 “Come Just As You Are”

SHARING 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 “Piano Improvisation”

ANTHEM “Be Thou My Vision” Irish Tune
Mike Elkins, piano

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE OFFERINGS

BAND OFFERTORY “Shout to the Lord” Darlene Zschech

† **DOXOLOGY** **HYMN 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**

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 4: 35-41

SERMON Running Out of Breath

† **HYMN 3** “Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty”

† **BENEDICTION**

† **RESPONSE** “Great is thy Faithfulness” William M. Runyan

† **POSTLUDE**

SERVING

TODAY – JUNE 24

Irene Joyce
Sarah Hayes
Chuck McDougall
Myron Costin
Linda Elkins
Elena Taylor

Liturgist

Greeters

Ushers

Coffee Hour

Summer Sunday School

Director of Music

NEXT SUNDAY – JULY 1

Kelly Bickley
Linda Plain
Bickleys/Plain/Winch
Myron Costin
Ingrid Dickson
Elena Taylor

The altar flowers are given—

*In honor of Sharon Heinrich's many years
of service as our Church Secretary.*

Bill and Dorothy Ritchie, Gina Cathcart and Sharon Ritchie

Our steeple will light the sky this week—

*Happy Anniversary to Rob and Sandra Wentz on June 27
with love, Grammy*

Happy Birthday today to Christopher Dragony!

Happy Anniversary today to Bob and Sandy Pogozeleski!

Music Ministry –Thank you to Mike Elkins and to the SUCC Band, for
providing music for today's worship.

The Official Board will meet this Tuesday, June 26 at 7 p.m.

Update from The Pulpit Search Committee: After an exhaustive and
thorough process of searching for our settled pastor, and prayerful
consideration, your Pulpit Search Committee has chosen a candidate to
lead our church. The Committee received almost fifty profiles which
were carefully and diligently investigated. Through countless meetings,
emails and most importantly, lots of prayer, it became clear to us that
God had sent us the minister who is the best fit for our congregation. It
is with great joy that we recommend to extend the call to **Reverend
Heidi Denman McDougall** to be our settled pastor.

To that end, a **Congregational meeting** will take place on **August 12,
2018**, immediately following the worship service, for the purpose of
voting to accept the Search Committee's recommendation. There will
also be a "meet and greet" (for most of us, just a greet) on Saturday,
August 11 to welcome and talk with Pastor Heidi and her husband,
Chuck.

The Committee would like to thank the congregation for its ongoing
support, patience and prayers these past thirteen months, as we
determined whom we would unanimously chose to recommend.

Your Pulpit Search Committee: Ted Bickley, Judy Carte, Kristen Clotworthy, Jim
Dettmer, Ingrid Dickson, Sally Herzog. and Bill Schneider

ALL-CHURCH CLEANUP DAY! Saturday, June 30,
beginning at 9 a.m. Meet at the church and join your
Trustees to offer TLC (and maybe some strong-arm
tactics to those weeds) to the Royalton Road house as
we prepare to receive a new tenant! We will be weeding
and cleaning, mostly outside. Bring gloves, wear a hat
and sunscreen. We will provide lunch afterward. You
know what Mom always said: MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK! See
you then! If you can help, please write WORK DAY on your attendance card
or speak to Pastor Heidi after worship.



**Summer Sunday School combined
classes continue** – 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
sign up on the sheet on the bulletin

board in Pilgrim Hall if you are willing to help. Classes will meet in the
Confirmation classroom adjacent to Pilgrim Hall. **Thanks to Kelly
Bickley for putting together the lessons, based on “Fruit of the
Spirit,” and to Linda Elkins for teaching today!**

Please join us next Sunday, July 1, for A Service of Sacraments,
as we celebrate the baptism of Ella Rose Hayes, daughter of Sarah
and Jon Hayes and granddaughter of Cathy and Dale Hawk. We will
also gather around the Lord's Table to share the sacrament of Holy
Communion together. We are saving a seat-- for you.

Membership – If you are interested in becoming a member of Strongsville UCC, please contact Pastor Heidi or call the church office, (440) 238-6697.

TODAY’S PENNY SUNDAY will go toward our own Sunday School programs and scholarships. Last month, we collected \$111.56.

RETIREMENT RECEPTION—You are invited to join your church friends as we celebrate Sharon Heinrich for her 26+ years of dedication and faithfulness as our church secretary, on Sunday, July 15, following the worship service. If you have not yet done so, please return your message for her memory book as soon as possible.

THANK YOU -- Thanks to everyone for their cards, prayers, and well-wishes. I have finished my treatments and am starting to build up my strength.
Karen Morgan

Stewardship – Just a reminder that the church still has expenses during the summer months when you may be away and church activities slow down. If possible, please continue your regular giving by mailing your offering to the church: Strongsville UCC, 13740 Pearl Road, Strongsville, OH 44136. For your convenience, church-addressed mailing envelopes are available in the Gathering Area on the cabinet. Another option is electronic giving (myEoffering) for anyone interested. Instructions for myEoffering are in the July Church Newsletter. Thank you very much for your continued financial support of our church.

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, Connie Rebar, Trish Shields

Church Family: Eddy Bond, Rev. Larry Craig, Steve Herzog, Margot James, Bobbie Krisak, Karl Kuhlenschmidt, Sharon Kuhlenschmidt, Martha Liebert, Sandra Manos (mother of Eli), Lacey Marshall (daughter of Amanda and John), Lynne McCray, Laurie Meister, Karen Morgan, Joyce Reed, Barbara Toth at Fairview Hospital, Leah Tressa Forget, Sally Vetovitz, Dave Woodward, Kyle Woodward

Extended Church Family: Luke Bazan (friend of Judi Pavisich’s granddaughter), Michele Cortese (friend of the Heinrichs), Kim Filiatraut (friend of Sarah Keenen), Joyce Freeman (sister of Carol Woodward), Elizabeth Fulford (friend of Lora Rung), Karen Greenway and daughters (friends of Judi Pavisich), Sam Harteis (friend of Reeds), Diane Mason (friend of Lora Rung), Pat Masuga (mother of Dan), 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)

OFFERINGS RECEIVED

Weekly Offering Needed \$3,649.31
Last Week’s Offering Received \$1,947.00
(Difference -\$ 1,702.31)



ADULT SOCIAL CLUB NEXT SCHEDULED EVENTS

Mark your calendars now for these Sunday events, unless noted otherwise.
We will carpool; there will be no more buses.

Today, June 24 – Greater Cleveland Aquarium
July 22 – All Church Picnic at Volunteer Park on West Lunn Road
August 19 --Botanical Gardens and Dinner in Little Italy

Please see Linda Plain to make reservations for the August trip.

FROM OUR FRIENDS AT STRONGSVILLE COMMUNITY BAND:
Friday, June 29 at 7:30 PM on the Strongsville Commons.

“Take Me Out To The Ballgame” is a tribute to baseball that will feature the title song and favorites as Casey At The Bat, Selections from “Damn Yankees” and other baseball related songs. Audiences are invited to wear baseball attire of their favorite ball teams. (In case of rain the concert will be held at the Ehrnfelt Senior/Recreation Center). Plus...”Slider” will be there!



AN INVITATION

Friends of our church member Janet Kato are invited to stop by and celebrate her 85th birthday on Sunday, July 8 from 11 am until 2 pm at Kemper House
10890 Prospect Road
Strongsville, OH 44149

If you would like to send a card to the above address, Janet and her family would be very grateful to be remembered by our church congregation.

PLEASE NOTE: Free Lunch for All will **NOT** be served on Wednesday, the Fourth of July holiday. **Also, the Thrift Shop will be closed on Thursday, July 5.**



COMING NEXT MONTH...

Strongsville UCC

OUTDOOR WORSHIP AND PICNIC
at Volunteer Park in Strongsville

12410 Lunn Road

just west of Prospect, between Prospect and Foltz

Sunday – JULY 22, 2018 – 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.



JUNE 2018

24 Sun Penny Sunday
Adult Social Club trip to the aquarium
26 Tue Official Board Meeting, 7pm
27 Wed Free Lunch for All, 11:30am-12:30pm
Men’s Luncheon, 11:30am
Fit Club, 7pm
30 Sat All Church Clean-up Day 9am

JULY 2018

1 Sun Worship with Communion, 10am
4 Wed No Free Lunch for All, No Fit Club
5 Thurs Thrift Shop Closed

CHURCH OFFICERS FOR 2018

Officers elected on January 28, 2018, have an asterisk* by their names.

Moderator	Rachel Zielinski
Vice-Moderator	Bill Schneider
Treasurer	Lori Kovatich *
Clerk	Karen Morgan

Sunday School Superintendents Irene Joyce, Jamie Trinckes

Board of Trustees

Ed Bond *	Jim Dettmer	Jim Heinrich
Lloyd Bridle	Greg Dickson	Bob Kovatich *
Mike Clotworthy*	Tom Gaumer *	Kenn Oerkfitz
Myron Costin *	Dale Hawk	Ed Sobek

Endowment Fund Subcommittee

Irene Jannsohn * Joyce Reed *

Diaconate

Serena Abruzzino *	Gina Cathcart	Sarah Hayes
Jennifer Barry	Kristen Clotworthy	Linda Plain
Kelly Bickley	Judy Gaumer *	Dawn Rolland *
Barbara Camp	Cathy Hawk *	Marty Winch

Christian Education Committee

Kelly Bickley	Sandy O’Shea	Jamie Trinckes
Irene Joyce	Lora Rung	

Music Committee

Ingrid Dickson	Pam Keenen *	Elena Taylor
	Ken Mehalko	

Stewardship Committee

Rosemary Bechtel *	Barbara Bridle	Sharon Heinrich
Adria Bond	Sue Gigliotti	Laurie Meister
Ed Bond	Beth Giuliano *	

Mission and Outreach Committee

Judy Carte	Michele Mhlack	Lora Rung *
Brandi Garsteck	Gary Paul	Bev Wehr

