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Turn your ear to me, come quickly to my rescue;
be my rock of refuge, a strong fortress to save me.
Since you are my rock and my fortress,
for the sake of your name lead and guide me.
Keep me free from the trap that is set for me,
for you are my refuge. Into your hands I commit my spirit;
deliver me, LORD, my faithful God.

My times are in your hands;
deliver me from the hands of my enemies,
from those who pursue me.
Let your face shine on your servant;
save me in your unfailing love.

OPENING MUSIC

“Your Hands”

Heller

Estera Jablonska, Evan Joyce, Elena Joyce, Irene Joyce

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

“Awesome God”

Mullins

Estera Jablonska, Evan Joyce, Elena Joyce, Irene Joyce

CALL TO WORSHIP

During the course of his ministry, over and over again, Jesus stretched out his hand and said, *Come!* To mothers and children alike, Jesus says, *Come!* To the motherless and to the childless: “*Come!* Come to me all who are weary, from essential work and from home schooling, from the exhaustion of quarantine, from the disruptions of Life. Come to me, and I will give you rest. *Come!* Follow me! Trust in God, believe also in me, and your soul will find its way home.”

HYMN

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, Name of God's redeeming love.

Hither to Thy love has blest me; Thou hast brought me to this place
And I know Thy hand will bring me Safely home by Thy good grace
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God
He, to rescue me from danger bought me with His precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor, Daily I'm constrained to be
Let that goodness like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

FIRST READING Psalm 31:1-5; 15-16 (New International Version)

In you, LORD, I have taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness.

SHARING AND PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

MUSIC

“Here I Am, Lord”

Schutte

Jackie Foley, Jimmy Foley, Bobby Foley, Tom Foley

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL OF US

BEING COMMUNITY WHEN WE ARE APART

OFFERTORY

“Be Thou My Vision”

Traditional

Erin Anderson and Mike Elkins

We have been blessed by the addition of three babies to our congregation in 2020! Family takes many different forms, doesn't it? Many of us have “mothers” who are aunts, or good friends, or neighbors—maybe a teacher. Who has been a mother figure in your life? How will you remember them today? Every day brings a new chance to offer our lives to Jesus in love and gratitude We appreciate your commitment to giving freely of your talents and your treasure, as you are able. Thank you. Follow the prompts for online giving at:
<https://www.myoffering.com/eonline/index.php/dashboard/login/5027>

or mail your offering to **Strongsville UCC 13740 Pearl Road
Strongsville, OH 44136**

You may also save a stamp and drop your envelope in the church mailbox at any time.

DEDICATING OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS

SECOND READING

John 14:1-14 (New International Version)

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?” Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”

REFLECTION

“A Long and Winding Road...”

HYMN

“God Will Take Care of You”

Be not dismayed whate'er betide. God will take care of you.
Beneath His wings of love abide, God will take care of you.
God will take care of you, Through every day, o'er all the way
God will take care of you; God will take care of you.

All you may need, He will provide. God will take care of you.
Nothing you ask will be denied. God will take care of you.
God will take care of you, Through every day, o'er all the way
God will take care of you; God will take care of you.

No matter what may be the test, God will take care of you.
Lean, weary one, upon His breast. God will take care of you.
God will take care of you, Through every day, o'er all the way
God will take care of you; God will take care of you.

BENEDICTION

I want to know everything:
the risks, the likelihood,
the statistics the future.
But, I know so little.
So precious little.
I understand so little,
and my instinct is to feel afraid,
to cling tighter to what I know,
to speak louder even things I don't know
but desperately want to believe are true.
Today,
I allow both the tiny drop I know,
and the fathomless ocean of what's unknown,
to run out of my hands,
and through my fingers.
I release them,
and am released. Amen.
--Rev. April Emick Fiet

POSTLUDE

“Ballade from Piano Pieces Op.118”
Megan Denman

Brahms

SERVING

TODAY – MAY 10

NEXT SUNDAY – MAY 17

Irene Joyce	Liturgist	Dave Williams
Tom Foley	Director of Music	Tom Foley
Mike Elkins	Associate Director of Music	Mike Elkins
Doug Thorn	Sound	Doug Thorn
Chuck McDougall	Video	Chuck McDougall

OFFERINGS RECEIVED

Weekly Offering Needed	\$3,473.27
Last Week's Offering Received	\$2,337.00
Difference	(-\$1,136.27)



Thank you very much for your support of our mission and ministry.

Happy Birthday today to Dorothy Ritchie and Keith Sullen!

Happy Anniversary today to Allen & Michele Mihlack!

The steeple will light the sky this week—

In celebration of our 30th Anniversary on May 12th

Judi and George Pavisich

Birthday wishes to Dorothy Ritchie today

With love from her family

Happy Birthday to Patti Johnson on May 11th

With love, Mom

Our Altar Flower donation this week—

*In loving memory of our mother and grandma, Betty Babics,
on Mother's Day*

The Gigliotti and Kubancik Families

CALL FOR CARDS

Our longest (and oldest) church member, Ramona Glaze will turn 100 years old on May 25, 2020. If you would like to send congratulations, please send a card to:

Ramona Glaze
18036 Ledgepoint Place Strongsville, OH 44136



THANK YOU TO OUR MOTHER'S DAY MUSICAL SPECIAL GUESTS:

**Evan Joyce, Elena Joyce, Estera Jablonska
Jimmy Foley, Jackie Foley, Bobby Foley
Erin Anderson and Megan Denman**

OUR PRAYER LIST



Please provide updates for this list to the church office.

Long-Term Care or Homebound: Janet Kato at Kemper House, Martha Liebert, Marge McKinney, Karen Rak, Connie Rebar, Trish Shields

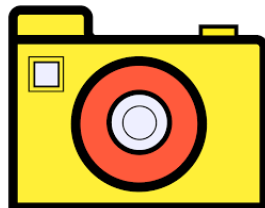
Church Family: Joan Beckwith, Elaine Coffey, Rev.

Larry and Christina Craig, Robert Craig, Sam Cuyler Jr., Dan Davis, Sue Hawk, Steve Herzog, Paul Hirt, Carole Kapcar, George Kapcar, Debbie Krause, Karl and Sharon Kuhlenschmidt, Millie Lafave, Lacey Marshall, Judy Maur, Laurie Meister, Michele Mihlack, Bill Ritchie, Alysha Rolland, Ginger Rothel, John and Maggie Struhar, Keith Sullen, Josh Trinckes, Sharon Wilson, Sally Vetovitz, Peg Weakley, Claire Wills, Marty Winch

Extended Church Family: Fred Beba, Amy Carroll (sister of Marty Winch), Hunter Colao (grandson of Mark & Barb Camp), Lyla Joy Crowley (great grand-niece of Irene Jannsohn), Elaine Fuelling (friend of Judi Pavisich), Rebecca Gordon (niece of Irene Jannsohn), Kim Filiatraut (friend of Sarah Keenen), Elizabeth Fulford (friend of Lora Rung), Dana Hardy (wife of Craig), Kelly Kling (Strongsville Emergency Food Bank), Rev. Kent Knife (retired pastor from MHUCC), Diane Mason (friend of Lora Rung), Pat Masuga (mother of Dan), Donna McDonald (friend of the Ritchies), Zachary McKeever (great-nephew of Pastor Heidi and Chuck), Linda McNabb (sister-in-law of Ginger Rothel), Mae O'Shea (mom of Sandy O'Shea), Carrol Riley (father of Marjorie Morrison), Terry Robson (friend of the Camps), Mike Rung (brother of Lora), Amanda Shannon (friend of Sarah & Jon Hayes), Sherry Sheeks (sister of Mark Camp), Brad Williams (friend of Judi Pavisich), Daphne Wilson (niece of Irene Jannsohn)

CONGREGATIONAL PHOTO POSTPONED!

The Congregational Photo which had been scheduled for Sunday, May 10th has been postponed until further notice. We will try to reschedule for a later date.



GRADUATES

Even though high schools and colleges are not holding in person graduations, we would still like to recognize our graduates. We do not know what form that recognition will take yet, but please let us know if someone is graduating within your family. We are interested to have an accurate list of graduates from high school, college, and schools of higher learning.

Name of graduate: _____

School: _____

Graduation Date (month at least): _____

Church Family member: _____

Relationship to church member: _____

Activities: _____

Honors and Awards: _____

Diploma / Degree Earned: _____

Future Plans: _____

Parents/Grandparents: _____

Please email the above information, **along with a photo of the graduate**, to the church office at strongsvilleucc@gmail.com by **Sunday, June 7.**

