

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 4, 2014

9:00 A.M.

† Those who are able may stand.

### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING SONGS

6 *Better Is One Day*  
23 *God Is Still Speaking*

### † CALL TO WORSHIP

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**People: Singin' out "It's the Lord's new day."**

Leader: It's callin' us to gather

**People: to meet and sing and pray.**

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**People: Sounds so sweet and strong and clear.**

Leader: I hear the old bell singin',

**People: "Christ Jesus' day is here."**

### † PASSING OF THE PEACE

### GATHERING SONG

67 *Sanctuary*

### JOYS AND CONCERNS

### PASTORAL PRAYER

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### OFFERING

*How Beautiful*

Paris

† BRING GIFTS FORWARD 88 *We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise*

### SCRIPTURE

John 20:19-31

New Testament, p. 101

### MEDITATION

*"I Doubt It"*

### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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Pastor Becky will come to you, if you wish.*

### CLOSING SONGS

41 *I Love You, Lord*  
40 *I Love to Praise Him*

### † BENEDICTION

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No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Songs are from the white *Contemporary Worship Songbook*.

### Serving Today

Music Director / Drums  
Keyboardist  
Song Leaders  
Liturgist  
Graphics Operation

Andrew Purdum  
Peter van Reesema  
Barb Fraunfelder, Kyra Krause  
Barb Fraunfelder  
Austin Grayzanic

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**May 4, 2014 11:00 A.M. Third Sunday of Easter**

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## PRELUDE

*Amazing Grace*

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## † HYMN 48

*Mighty Is Our God*

## SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

## 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.**

## PRAYER RESPONSE

Native American Flute

## ANTHEM

*Nobody Knows the Trouble I See*

Spiritual

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*If you are seated in the alcove and would prefer sitting in the sanctuary, please feel free to move to the sanctuary after the Children's Sermon.*

## THE OFFERINGS

**OFFERTORY** (insert)

*Do, Lord, Remember Me*

† **DOXOLOGY** (No. 815)

† **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

## SCRIPTURE

Matthew 5:1-16

New Testament, p. 3

## SERMON

*The Power of Song*

*Come, Sunday*

*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

*Swing Low, Sweet Chariot*

## HYMN (insert)

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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## † HYMN (insert)

*Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

## † BENEDICTION

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Native American Flute

## † POSTLUDE

*When the Saints Go Marching In*

**We welcome and thank our guest musicians** this morning:

Ron Davis, Vocals; Don Day, Bass; and David Cola, Drums. **Our thanks also to** Mike Elkins, Piano; and Ken Mehalko, Woodwinds.

## SERVING TODAY

Director of Music

Worship Accompanist

Vocals

Woodwinds

Bass

Drums

Liturgist

Greeter

Ushers

Nursery

Andrew Purdum

Mike Elkins

Ron Davis

Ken Mehalko

Don Day

David Cola

Jim Studer

Lola Millhoane

Tom and Judy Gaumer

Rachel Zielinski

### ***Our Vision . . .***

*A world filled with God's love, where all are welcome at God's table.*

### ***Our Mission Statement . . .***

*Wherever you are on life's journey, the Strongsville United Church of Christ (Congregational) welcomes all to become passionate followers of Christ through Unconditional Love with Justice and Peace † Meaningful Prayer † The Celebration of Worship † Uplifting Music † Mutual Support † Joy of Service † Honoring Creation † the Giving Spirit, where all are welcome at God's table.*

### **May 2014**

- 4 Sun Sacrament of Communion  
ORC Breakfast, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Trustees Meeting, after 11:00 a.m. worship  
KFC Informal Meeting in classroom across from Parlor,  
after 11:00 a.m. worship
- 7 Wed Women's Fellowship Meeting, 10:00 a.m.
- 9 Fri Pick up plant orders, 1:00-5:00 p.m. at the church
- 10 Sat Cleanup and planting flowers on church grounds, 9am-12noon  
ORC deadline to purchase Four Course Feast dinner tickets
- 11 Sun Mother's Day
- 12 Mon Moms' Group Meeting, 9:30-11:00 a.m.
- 13 Tue Diaconate Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 14 Wed Women's Luncheon
- 17 Sat ORC Four Course Feast Fundraiser at the church, 5:00 p.m.
- 18 Sun Methodist Confirmation Breakfast in Pilgrim Hall, 8:30-10am  
Sunday School Ice Cream Party, after 11:00 a.m. worship
- 22 Thu Men's Luncheon at European's Best Restaurant, 11:30 a.m.
- 25 Sun KFC Meeting, after 11:00 a.m. worship  
Kindred Spirit Singles Meeting, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.
- 27 Tue Official Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

### **Serving Next Sunday – May 11, 2014**

Liturgist	Dale Hawk 9 a.m.	Lynne McCray 11 a.m.
Graphics Operation for 9 a.m.		Sharon Heinrich
Greeters	Gina Cathcart and Dorothy Ritchie	
Ushers	Volunteers Needed	
Nursery for 11 a.m.	Rachel Zielinski	
Coffee Hour	Sarah Herzog	

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAY 4, 2014**

**Welcome, visitors!** We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us this morning. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here. **Members, please wear your nametags** to assist others to get to know you.

**Today's altar flowers** are given—

*In Loving Memory of John B. Millhoane—  
You are in our hearts always and forever.  
Your Loving Family*

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

*Happy Birthday to Hayley Craig on May 7 and to Debbie Wentz on May 9  
Grammy and Mom*

*Congratulations to Natalie Daniels  
on Her Graduation on May 3, 2014, from Tiffin University with a  
Masters of Humanities Degree in English  
Love ya and good luck, Your Church Mom*

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Strongsville UCC  
**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
Fundraiser for the  
Pipe Organ Restoration Fund  
**TODAY – 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.**



All You Can Eat—Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs,  
Coffee, Tea, Milk, Juice  
**\$8.00 Adults – ages 13 and over      \$5.00 – ages 6-12**  
**Free – Children under 6 years**

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**Coffee Hour** – We have decided to extend our Coffee Hour every Sunday to gather together after **both** services. Anyone can bring bakery, fresh fruit, etc. Please join us for food, fellowship, and fun!  
The Diaconate

**KFC Club for Kids** – An informal meeting of parents to gauge interest will take place today after the 11:00 service in the classroom across from the parlor and the first "official" meeting will be Sunday, May 25, after the 11:00 service.

**Women's Fellowship** will meet on Wednesday, May 7, at 10:00 a.m. in the Parlor. The program will be presented by Sarah Sobel from Alzheimer's Association. Betty Craig is the hostess and will lead

devotions. Please bring your own lunch; coffee, tea and dessert will be provided. As always, all ladies are welcome!

**Spring Plant Sale** – For those who ordered plants, please **pick them up this Friday, May 9, between 1:00 and 5:00 p.m. at the church.** For questions, please see or call Barb Fraunfelder, (440) 331-3673.

**Flower Planting and Outdoor Cleanup** – We will plant flowers and clean up our church grounds on **Saturday, May 10, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon** at the church. For additional information, please contact Rachel Zielinski (cell: 440-864-3209), or see Jim Heinrich. Please bring your work gloves, gardening tools, trowels, sunscreen, and sun hat. A sign-up is on the bulletin board in Pilgrim Hall. Thank you!

**Four Course Feast** – This Organ Restoration Committee fundraiser will feature the finest food from Marty Winch and will take place at the church on Saturday, May 17, at 5:00 p.m. Dinner cost is \$50 per person. Green order forms with details for this dinner are on the Greeters' Table in the Gathering Area. **Please use one order form per person.** Thank you very much for your support of the restoration of our pipe organ. **Deadline for dinner orders is Saturday, May 10.**

**HEY KIDS!** Are you from the age of 0 to 10? Do you want to have some fun with friends from church and help people in our community?

**THEN JOIN US FOR:**

**K. F. C. - Kids for Christ!**



Parents and Adults: Starting this summer, the K.F.C. club will begin meeting once a month. We will be going on "Mini-Mission Trips" to help people around the community and alternate these with activities just to have some good old fun together! Please speak with Kelly Bickley or Jamie Habart if you are interested in helping out or have any suggestions! We welcome all to join our club, even adults, especially if you enjoy the energy and wonderment of children! **An informal meeting will take place today after the 11:00 service in the classroom across from the parlor to gauge interest, and the first "official" meeting will be Sunday, May 25, after the 11:00 service.** Please note: all KFC events will require a parent to attend with their child(ren).

**Women's Fellowship** will not collect items for tote bags this spring. They will do that project from July 13 through August 10, which is closer to the start of school. A list of needed items will be printed at that time. Thank you. Chairman Betty Craig

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### 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 inform the church of updates to this list.*

**Long-Term Care or Homebound Members:** Betty Kovach at Parkside Villa, Debbie Krause, Connie Rebar, Erla Mae Schultz at Medina Village

**Church Family:** Jim Davis at Parkside Villa, Jerry Gugliotta, Janet Kato at ManorCare of Parma, Margot James, Don Kovach, Dolores Matchett, Ruth Milidonis, Barbara Morgan, Margaret Stayrook at University Hospitals Rehabilitation Hospital in Beachwood, Susan Tressa

**Extended Church Family:** June Brewer (niece of Ed Powers), Ryan Brubeck, Logan Churnega (grandson of Ginny Churnega), Megan Craig (granddaughter of Rev. Larry and Christina Craig), Audrey and Gene Curry (parents of Pam Keenen), Zachary Crouse (grandson of Barbara Morgan), Rebecca Deeb (Goddughter of Lora Rung), Victor DiChiro (father-in-law of Rob Wentz), Donna Fargo (mother of Sally Herzog), Ruth Fraley (relative of the Jannsohn family), Carrie Fieck (sister of Marti Powers), Elizabeth Fulford (friend of Lora Rung), Irene Hagemeyer (niece of Betty Craig), Kate Heisler (friend of Lora Rung), Phyllis Keenen (mother of Bruce), Erik Kratky (friend of Sarah Hawk), Mary Ann Kreutzer (mother of Ginny Dangelo), Rick Mahon (friend of the Woodwards), Pat Masuga (mother of Dan), Barbara Sommers (mother of Sheri Martin), Trudie Taylor (sister of Karen Morgan), Bob Tomko (cousin of Ed Sobek), Marilyn Woodward (mother of David and Carol)