NOVEMBER 2, 2014 9:45 A.M. ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

† Those who are able may stand.

PRELUDE Pastoral in F Major Hall M. Macklin

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT Come Before His Presence with a Song

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Bless the Sovereign at all times.

All: Salvation belongs to our God.

One: The Sovereign heard our cry and delivered us from our

fear.

All: Salvation belongs to our God.

One: No one who takes refuge in the Sovereign will be

condemned.

All: Salvation belongs to our God.

† HYMN 682 Guide Me. O Thou Great Jehovah

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

TIME OF REMEMBRANCE Music: The Quiet Reflection Rex Koury

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.

PIANO RESPONSE The Beautiful Garden of Prayer David H. Hegarty

ANTHEM God is My Rock Ken Konicek, Trumpet

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Elizabeth Marie Bekoscke Robert and Rachelle Bekoscke, Parents

Logan William Churnega Dale and Kendra Churnega, Parents

CONGREGATIONAL ASSENT

Pastor: Jesus Christ calls us to make disciples of all nations and to offer them the gift of grace in baptism. Do you, who

witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support, and care to Elizabeth and Logan, as they live

and grow in Christ?

People: We promise Elizabeth and Logan our love, support,

and care.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader: Let us unite with the church in all times and places in

confessing our faith in the triune God.

Leader: Do you believe in God?

People: I believe in God.

Leader: Do you believe in Jesus Christ? **People:** I believe in Jesus Christ.

Leader: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit? **People:** I believe in the Holy Spirit.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

DEDICATION OF MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

THE OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Power* Gary Hackett and Craig Hardy, Vocals

† DOXOLOGY (No. 815) † PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE Joshua 3:7-17 Hebrew Scriptures, p. 181

SERMON "Crossin' Over"

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

All are welcome to come forward, or Pastor Becky will come to you.

MUSIC during Communion The Sweetest Name of All Tom Coomes

† **HYMN 690** He Leadeth Me

† BENEDICTION

† BENEDICTION RESPONSE God Be with You † POSTLUDE If with All Your Hearts Felix Mendelssohn

Minister Rev. Rebecca Stephenson
Worship Accompanist Elena Taylor
Interim Choir Director Ken Mehalko
Liturgist Kenn Oerkfitz
Nursery Cathy Hawk
Coffee Hour Sarah and Sally Herzog

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

November 2, 2014 11:15 A.M.

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OPENING SONG 3 Almighty

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG 12 Change My Heart, O God

† CALL TO WORSHIP

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All: Salvation belongs to our God.

One: The Sovereign heard our cry and delivered us from our

fear.

All: Salvation belongs to our God.

One: No one who takes refuge in the Sovereign will be

condemned.

All: Salvation belongs to our God.

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

GATHERING SONG 67 Sanctuary

JOYS AND CONCERNS

WE REMEMBER THE SAINTS Music: The Quiet Reflection Rex Koury

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts)

DEDICATION OF MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

OFFERING Lamb of God

THE WORD OF GOD Joshua 3:7-17 Hebrew Scriptures, p. 181

MEDITATION "Crossin' Over"

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

All are welcome to come forward to partake of the Lord's Supper, or Pastor Becky will come to you, if you wish.

MUSIC during Communion The Sweetest Name of All Tom Coomes

SONG 58 Mighty Is Our God

† BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG 7 The Name of the Lord

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

Worship Accompanist Elena Taylor Song Leaders Barb Fraunfelder, Kyra Krause, Clay Williams Acoustic Guitar Jake Williams Electric Guitar Herbert Parker Bass Guitar Jack Stephenson Violin Julia Soltis **Emily Phan** Clarinet Drum Set Mike Soltis Aidan Hurtig, Christian Habart-Scott Drum Pads **Graphics Operation** Michele Mihlack Liturgist Lora Rung Coffee Hour Sarah Herzog

November 2014

- 2 Sun Communion, All Saints Sunday Dedication of Memorials
- 4 Tue Mission and Outreach Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Worship Team Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 10 Mon Women's Prayer Group/Women's Retreat Reunion at the Bickleys', 6:30 p.m.
- 11 Tue Diaconate Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 12 Wed Women's Luncheon at Coppertop in Valley City, 11:30 a.m.
- 12 Wed Organizational Meeting for Free Lunch Program, 12:00 noon
- 15 Sat December Newsletter Deadline
- 16 Sun Diaconate French Toast Breakfast, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- 18 Tue Advertising Team Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 23 Sun Dedicate Thanksgiving Baskets

Mitten Tree Begins

Stewardship Sunday - Dedicate Pledge Cards

Holiday Open House, 5:00 p.m.

- 24 Mon Assemble Thanksgiving Baskets in Pilgrim Hall
- 25 Tue Official Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Deadline for Submitting Dates of Fundraising Events

- 27 Thu Thanksgiving Day
- 30 Sun Advent Begins, Hanging of the Greens

KFC Penny Sunday

December Newsletter Distribution/Pickup

CHURCH MUSIC REHEARSALS

Wednesday Evening

Praise Band – 8:00 to 9:30 p.m.

Thursday Evening

Children's Choir – 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Children's Band – 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Bell Choir for Beginners – 6:45 p.m. Bell Choir for All – 7:05 to 8:00 p.m.

Chancel Choir – 8:00 to 9:30 p.m.

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 9, 2014

Liturgist 9:45 a.m. Jim Studer 11:15 Jim Nicoulin Greeter for 9:45 a.m. Linda Plain Ushers for 9:45 a.m. Sharon Heinrich and Linda Plain Nursery for 9:45 a.m. Beth Giuliano Graphics Operation for 11:15 a.m. Rosemary Bechtel Coffee Hour Sarah Hayes

ANNOUNCEMENTS - NOVEMBER 2, 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.

This morning's flowers are given--

In Loving Memory of Bill Fraunfelder on His Birthday
Barb Fraunfelder

In Honor of Chris and Karen Morgan's 44th Wedding Anniversary
The Morgan and Zielinski Family

Happy Birthday today to Lori Deertz!
Happy Anniversary today to Sharon and Mike Metivier!

Thank you to all who supported yesterday's Turkey Dinner!

The Mission and Outreach Committee will meet on Tuesday, November 4, at 6:30 p.m. at the church.

Worship Team will meet Tuesday, November 4, at 7:00 p.m.

Free Lunch Program will begin on Wednesday, December 5. To help with this program, please indicate so on your Attendance Card today.

An Organizational Meeting will take place on Wednesday, November 12, at noon. Lunch will be served.

Open House - Coming up on November 23 is our annual Open House with Strongsville's Lighting Ceremony on the Square. We will again have a Live Nativity with Charlie the camel. We will also have organ music, DFS Singers, bell ringing, and more! We need lots of help with this church-wide event! We see more than 300 visitors come through our doors. We have lots of places for you to help. Please sign up on the back of your Attendance Card or on the sheet in Pilgrim Hall. If you would like to donate toward the cost of the live animals, please see Rachel Zielinski.

Mission and Outreach – A beautiful quilt, handmade by Ha Bennett, will be raffled off on Sunday, November 16. Proceeds from ticket sales will be used by the Mission and Outreach Committee (of which Ha is a member) for a variety of programs we are supporting in mission work locally and globally. Raffle tickets prices are \$10 for one and \$15 for two, and they are available from members of the Committee: Kelly Bickley, Lora Rung, Elizabeth Snook, and Pastor Becky. Tickets are also available in the Church Office. The queen-size quilt will be on display each Sunday morning.

THANKSGIVING BASKET FOOD COLLECTION – 2014

Our goal is to prepare 75 baskets for needy families in our community. Each week we will bring to church the following items, which will be placed in our sanctuary

- Oct. 19 cans of green beans, cans of corn
- Oct. 26 boxes of stuffing (like Stove Top) and jars of gravy
- Nov. 2 dessert mixes (like brownies, cake mixes, or cookie mixes) and cans of icing
- Nov. 9 cans of cranberry sauce, boxes of corn muffin mix
- Nov. 16 boxes of instant mashed potatoes or a 5-pound bag of fresh potatoes, canned or fresh yams
- Nov. 23 turkeys or hams

To make a cash donation instead, please make your check payable to **Strongsville United Church of Christ**. On the memo line, write **Thanksgiving Basket**. Thank you! All financial donations will be accepted. \$20 covers the cost of the turkey or ham; \$40 covers the cost of a whole basket.

To suggest a recipient for a Thanksgiving Basket, please provide the information on the back of your Attendance Card; and put the card into the offering plate. Thank you.

Church Cookbook – As part of our church's 200th anniversary in 2017, we will be printing a new, one-of-a-kind . . . cookbook! We would like to include old recipes passed down through generations from your families and friends. Also we want any new recipes you are currently loving! Please submit all recipes in an envelope with your name and phone number to Marty Winch, Dianne Maringer, or place under the church office door. Thank you.

A Facilities Visioning Team is being formed. This team will begin the process of visioning what our church facilities might look like in the future. Perhaps it will include expanded parking, new Sunday School rooms, more storage space or a larger sanctuary. If you're interested in being part of the Facilities Visioning Team, please talk with Pastor Becky.

Altar Flowers – The flower chart is expanded to accommodate multiple vases on Sunday mornings. To provide an additional vase (or more) on a Sunday that was already reserved for two vases, please write your name by the date you want on the new charts in Pilgrim Hall. (Previous reservations were transferred to the new charts.) If you provide flowers and only attend the 9:45 service, please take your flowers with you when you leave after the 9:45 service. Thank you for providing flowers!

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: Janet Kato at Western Reserve Masonic Community in Medina, Betty Kovach at Parkside Villa, Debbie Krause, Connie Rebar, Erla Mae Schultz at Medina Village

Church Family: Denise Bell, Marie Bury at Parkside Villa, Nancy Cochran, Dan Davis, Irene Jannsohn, Dolores Matchett, Barbara Morgan, Betty Yarnell

Extended Church Family: Bob Allwood (brother-in-law of Dale Hawk), Marianne Allwood (niece of Dale Hawk), Don Antos (friend of Judy Carte), June Brewer (niece of Ed Powers), Ryan Brubeck, Audrey Curry (mother of Pam Keenen), Zachary Crouse (grandson of Barbara Morgan), Rebecca Deeb (Goddaughter of Lora Rung), Victor DiChiro (father-in-law of Rob Wentz), Pam Doubell (friend of Sue Gigliotti), Donna Fargo (mother of Sally Herzog), Ruth Fraley (relative of the Jannsohn family), Irene Hagemeier (niece of Betty Craig), Phyllis Keenen (mother of Bruce), Christine Knudsen (friend of Lora Rung), Nancy Leasure (friend of Pastor Becky), Pat Masuga (mother of Dan), Barbara Sommers (mother of Sheri Martin), Tom Studer (brother of Jim), Trudie Taylor (sister of Karen Morgan), Edward Taylor (brother-in-law of Karen Morgan), Bob Tomko (cousin of Ed Sobek), Donna Wadden (friend of Gayle Sperber), Marilyn Woodward (mother of David and Carol)

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Strongsville UCC

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE AND LIVE NATIVITY Sunday, November 23, 2014 5:00 to 8:00 P.M.

Live Nativity with Live Animals, Music, and Refreshments

BLUE CHRISTMAS Friday, December 19, 2014, 7:30 p.m.

at Strongsville UCC

A worship service of remembrance and hope, remembering those who have passed away, while seeking hope for all of us as we enter this Christmas season.

You are not alone . . . we welcome you.

Come, join in fellowship with us.

Strongsville UCC Diaconate

FRENCH TOAST BREAKFAST

Sunday - November 16, 2014

8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Adults – \$8.00 Children 5-12 years – \$4.00 4 years and under – Free

French Toast, Eggs, Sausage, Coffee Cake, Beverages



A TIME TO GROW OUR MEMBERSHIP

For our Stewardship Campaign this week, we are looking at A Time to Grow Our Membership. How might you help? Here are some things to consider—

What can you do as an individual?

Bring a friend or neighbor to church to worship with us

- maybe try the Contemporary Worship Service together

Bring a friend and/or neighbor to church functions

- to the church Open House or the next dinner

Talk about our church and our activities with excitement

- at social settings, at the Rec Center, with your family members

Listen to what others are saying

- about their church or their beliefs
- become comfortable speaking about your church and your beliefs

What can we do as a church?

Be sure our doors are open and the lights are on

- to show we are welcoming to all

Invite people to come

- advertise the church in many different ways
 - newspapers, banners, posters on bulletin boards
 - in public places and social settings
- play our steeple carillon
- allow special groups to use our facilities

Continue to hold special functions

- our annual Open House with the Live Nativity
- our Variety Show
- our Blue Christmas Worship Service

What ideas do you have?

Share them with any member of the Stewardship Committee: Kris Fischer, Aimee Jannsohn, Irene Jannsohn, Kenn Oerkfitz, Barb Fraunfelder