

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
(Congregational)
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Pastor

Worship Sundays at 10 a.m. (+online)

NOVEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

If the only prayer you ever pray is Thank You, that will be enough. –Meister Eckhart

Everything.

Thank you. Such simple words to speak, but loaded with so much more. There's a delightful pair of children's books written by Sesyle Joslin, with illustrations by the amazing Maurice Sendak, called *What Do You Say, Dear?* and *What Do You Do, Dear?* Both are whimsical reminders for children that when someone does something nice for you, like when a knight bravely slays a dragon to keep him from attacking your castle, you should always say . . . thank you.

Two simple words. Packed with so much more. And yet sometimes, it seems, we just get so, so *busy* we don't have *time* to offer thanks, to one another—or to God.

It only takes a moment, but it can change a person's day. Think how much joy it must give Creator God, especially this time of year in our corner of the world as trees turn from green to fiery gold and red, as chipmunks stuff their cheeks with more acorns than I would have thought possible and our Mitten Tree appears, ready to be loaded with hats and mittens, preparing for the winter ahead. So much good stuff—all freely given from God's Bounty and our hands.

November brings us face-to-face with that *one day*, that *holiday (Holy Day)* when we gather around the table with family and friends, pause and offer gratitude to God and to one another. Even the poorest among us has so much to be grateful for! And if you are among the ones with *even more*, give thanks, of course—but then find a way. Find a way to share your bounty with others in need. Eugene Peterson translates Paul's words like this: *Be cheerful no matter what; pray all the time; thank God no matter what happens. This is the way God wants you who belong to Christ Jesus to live* (1 Thessalonians 5:18).

It's simple. And it can change the world. Thank *you*—and thanks be to God!

Peace, Love, Hope and Thanksgiving,
Pastor Heidi

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3 – 10 a.m.

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Greeter: Linda Plain

Liturgist: Barb Fraunfelder

Music: Chancel Choir



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10 – 10 a.m.

Stewardship Sunday

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Greeters: Roger & Judy Davis

Liturgist: Mary Ellen Zimmerman

Music: Chancel Choir



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17 – 10 a.m.

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Volunteer Recognition

Greeters: Barbara & John Toth

Liturgist: Pam Keenen

Music: Bell Choir



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24 – 10 a.m.

Reign of Christ

Hanging of the Greens

Penny Sunday

Greeter: Volunteer needed

Liturgist: Bruce Keenen

Music: Chancel Choir



Join us for hot cider, live music, animals at our LIVE NATIVITY EVENT 5 P.M. – 7 P.M.

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**, go to **Worship**, and click on **Service Videos**. **HERE'S THE LINK TO OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL:**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCynOZfg4uKoX7HMnKORbXfQ/videos> Thanks to Doug Thorn for posting these each week.



ALL ARE WELCOME AT GOD'S TABLE!

As we seek to walk ever more closely with Jesus and welcome all without question or singling anyone out, we will now be offering gluten-free bread to ALL who come forward to the Table for Holy Communion. ALL means ALL at The United Church of Christ (Congregational)!

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Alano Lázaro Morales and our own Autumn Dale Zoscak and Summer Anne Zoscak, who were baptized and welcomed into the family of

God on October 27, 2024.

IN CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY



Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family and friends of **Laurie Meister**, who died on October 14, 2024 at the age of 78. A memorial service and luncheon will be held at the church on Saturday, November 9th. Visitation will be at 10:30 a.m. with the service at 11:30 a.m. followed by the luncheon in Pilgrim Hall.

BOOK STUDY TURNING THE PAGE

On **November 18th**, Pastor Heidi and Linda Elkins will be leading some Advent activities. At the beginning of the calendar year, we will begin a study of a book called *Sisterhood*. They will continue to meet on the **third Monday of each month at 7 p.m.**



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST 50 YEAR MEMBERS!



The following church members will be recognized at our worship service on October 13, 2024.

- Dale Hawk (04/07/1974)**
- Linda Clark (04/11/1974)**
- Lynn Milhorn (08/16/1974)**

LIVE NATIVITY EVENT:

For this year's Open House on **Sunday, November 24th**, we will offer an event similar to last year's and celebrate outside with the community. We will have all the favorite live animals, including Charlie! We need volunteers to participate in the Live Nativity (in shifts). Easy to wear costumes are provided and all ages are encouraged to be a part of this wonderful tradition.

ATTENTION

BAKERS! We are asking for donations of a couple dozen cookies to pass out on that evening. **SIGN-UP SHEETS ARE ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN PILGRIM HALL.**



NOVEMBER 17th is VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION SUNDAY! Join us during worship as we show our appreciation for our hardworking volunteers in our church. A reception in Pilgrim Hall will follow.



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

THE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT IS COMING!

Rehearsals will take place during and after Sunday School classes each week prior to December 15th—

OUR PAGEANT DAY, when we will have our pageant during the worship service!



PENNY SUNDAY.

Thanks to everyone who donated in our September Penny Sunday Collection. We collected \$461.40 toward our Live Nativity animals. Thanks also to our October givers--We collected \$425.60 toward our Thanksgiving Basket Project. Please save your coins, dollars, and checks (to UCC) for our next Penny Sunday on **November 24, 2024**. Money will go to UCC Disaster Relief.



Thanks to everyone who participated in TRUNK OR TREAT last month! We had a great time!



OUR PRAYER LIST

Please provide updates for this list to the church office.

Long-Term Care or Homebound: Irene Jannsohn, Karen Rak, Connie Rebar, Maggie Struhar



Church Family: Serena Abruzzino, Judy Carte, Sam Cuyler Jr., Brandi Garsteck, Sue Hawk, Bruce Keenen, Sarah Keenen, Kay Konicek, Bobbie & Wayne Krisak, Karl & Sharon Kuhlenschmidt, Jim Maresco, Roy Merkle, Lola Millhoane, Ginny & Kenn Oerkfitz, Gary Paul, Judi Pavisich, George & Joyce Reed, Dorothy Ritchie, Tracy Seneff, Peter Smith, Gayle Sperber, Linda Stepan, Sharon Wilson, Claire Wills, Marty Winch

Extended Church Family: Yvonne Adams (Judi Pavisich's friend), Linda Allwood (Dale Hawk's sister), Dorene Baldrige, Denece (Sherry Ahern's sister-in-law), Amy Carroll (Marty Winch's sister), Barbara Davis (Don & Sandy Gleichauf's friend), John Dickson (Greg's dad), Allison Emerson (Colette's sister), Kim Filiatraut (Sarah Keenen's friend), Elizabeth Fulford (Lora Rung's friend), Joanne Gariepy (Sally Herzog's friend), Kathy Ghetti (friend of Ginger Rothel), Jennifer Gleichauf (Don & Sandy's daughter-in-law), Sarah & David Gleichauf (Don & Sandy's grandson & wife), Dana Hardy (Craig's wife), Barb & Dale Holmberg (Tiffany Hassel's parents), Diane Mason (Lora Rung's friend), Linda McNabb (Ginger Rothel's sister-in-law), Sylvia Pakish (Don & Sandy Gleichauf's friend), Jeff Peacock (former member), Zora Roundtree (FL4A volunteer), Mike Rung (Lora's brother), Amanda Shannon (Sarah & Jon Hayes' friend), Vicki Smith (Venner Clarinets), Chris Vozniak (Lora Rung's friend), The people of Ukraine, Sudan, Gaza, and Israel, victims of violence, those affected by natural disasters

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



BE A GREETER! A new sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area is waiting for your name to be added as a greeter. No experience is necessary—we will show you everything you need to know. Being a greeter is a wonderful way to get to know people and welcome them to worship.



MUSIC NOTES

Many thanks to our Chancel Choir, Bell Choir, Children's Choir, Ken Mehalko, Sandy

O'Shea, and of course, Tom Foley, Mike Elkins, and Sharon Heinrich, for their music in October!

ATTENTION SINGERS

Would you like to sing with us for Christmas? Maybe you can't commit to our entire choir season, but would like to join the choir during Advent and Christmas. Please see Tom Foley or Mike Elkins if you'd like to be a part of our Music Ministry.

FROM OUR FRIENDS AT SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY CHORUS:



Please mark your calendar for Sunday, **December 8th** at 3 p.m. for our Christmas concert at the Berea United Methodist Church (170 Seminary Street in Berea).

Come and hear this community choir, which is under the direction of Tom Foley, accompanied by Carol Konet. Many of our own SUCC Chancel Choir members also sing in the Southwest Community Chorus. We hope you will support our singers and celebrate the Christmas season with music!

SWINGIN' SOUNDS OF THE SEASON CHRISTMAS JAZZ CONCERT

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13th
at 7 p.m. **LIVE MUSIC** featuring **Strongsville's Jazz Band and vocalist Cindy Smith** Tickets will be \$10 (\$5 for kids under 10) and we will have a reception following the concert. Please contact **Ingrid Dickson** or **Pam Keenen** if you can donate finger foods for the reception.



FROM OUR FRIENDS AT STRONGSVILLE COMMUNITY BAND:

Come to our Christmas Concert on **Sunday, December 15 - 3:00** at Strongsville Middle School Auditorium!

GIFT CARDS

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR PROGRAM. You may place orders by calling **Jim Joyce** at 216-346-4161 in advance. **Limited stock is available for purchase on Sunday mornings. ORDER FOR CHRISTMAS NOW!**





MISSION OUTREACH NEWS:

We are collecting full-sized candy bars and individually wrapped mints for our Veteran's Project until November 3rd. There will be a bin in the Gathering area.

SHARING TREE

The Mission Outreach committee is teaming up with the Strongsville Community Food Bank as well as many other churches and local businesses. From November 3rd –

November 24th, you will find a tree with "ornaments" in the Gathering Area. Each ornament is paired with a child who could use a little help this holiday season. If you would like to participate, simply take an ornament, purchase one \$30 gift card at any of the stores listed on the ornament. **We'll have \$10 gift cards to Target and Walmart in stock, so if you'd like to support our gift card program, you can get 3 of those—win-win!**

Then, simply hand the ornament and gift card(s) in to **Jen Sekorky** or Irene in the church office no later than **November 24th**.



FROM OUR FRIENDS AT THE FOOD BANK:



The Strongsville Emergency Food Bank has always been supported by our congregation.

Please remember, we do not accept expired goods. The needs for the food bank in November would be pasta, pasta sauce, and canned tuna.



HURRICANE HELENE & MILTON

Many of our own congregation's friends and family members were affected by month's hurricane, suffering damage to property, body, and peace. If you would like to make a contribution to help those impacted by the devastation wrought by the recent hurricanes, the United Church of Christ has established a special appeal:

<https://support.ucc.org/hurricane-helene-relief?erid=1488600&trid=2f5a5440-09c5-47bb-b697-80178d3c508e>

Or you may give a check to UCC with "Hurricane Relief" in the memo line to the Church Office.

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Now Accepting donations for our Thanksgiving "Basket" project

We will not be collecting actual food items for those in need, but we still want to provide food assistance to those who may require it, so we will be accepting monetary

donations or donations of food gift cards for the families on our list. If you would like to contribute, please give the gift cards to the church office or place a check in the offering plate, labeled "THANKSGIVING." **Also, if you know of someone in need, please contact Pastor Heidi or the church office. Deadline is November 10th.**

And the Mitten Tree...

We will collect hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, and socks for the needy this year. From November 3rd through

December 1st, bring your items to the church during office hours and they will be placed on the Mitten Tree. After the 1st, the items will be given to the homeless shelter and the tree will become the **Family of Faith tree**. If you have not donated an ornament for yourself/your family, you may bring it to the church office and your ornament will join the others on our tree!



BOMBAS SOCKS UPDATE

Believe it or not, we finally distributed the last of the 12 cartons of Bombas socks—that's 5,000 pairs! The socks have gone to several area organizations and even out of state, including:



- The men's homeless shelter on Lakeside Avenue in Cleveland
- Women's prison ministry
- Anton Grdina School in Cleveland
- Snow School in Berea
- Veterans' Outreach
- Care rooms at 2 local elementary schools (1 in Strongsville, 1 in Brook Park)
- Hurricane victims in North Carolina

We should be getting another shipment of socks soon, so that we may continue warming the feet of those in need. Many, many thanks to Bombas for their generosity and for being a ministry partner with Strongsville UCC!



PLEASE DON'T FALL FOR A SCAM!

Pastor Heidi will never ask you for cash or gift cards via text or email. If there is a need, she will approach you in person.



CARB CREW

Are you able to give less than an hour of your time on a Monday or Friday morning to pick up and/or sort Panera bread, bagels, and pastries? Please contact the church office if you can help with this worthwhile ministry.

Thank you so much to our faithful bread transporters & sorters: **Teri Barbish, Colette Emerson, Carole Kapcar, Roz Fotos, Maria Graeff, Linda Elkins, Cherie Teagno, Wayne & Bobbi Cook, Jane Kossin & Ed Geyer** and **Sharon Lempner**, who are enabling the Panera Bread ministry to continue!

NEWS FROM THE KITCHEN



Did you know? The "tip jar" you see next to the coffee on Sunday mornings is there for a reason. The "tips" go directly to keeping the coffee, tea, sugar, creamer, etc., supplied. Your generosity is appreciated!



Did you know that **Karen Tomoff** (Alex's wife) knitted beautiful prayer shawls to be used for incarcerated women? Thank you, Karen!

Did you know that **Herb Hampson** has helpfully been delivering donated items to Snow School? Thanks a bunch for taking the time, Herb!

Did you know that **Jim Joyce** installed a register to cover an unsightly hole in the wall in the copier room after a leaky pipe was repaired? It sure looks a lot better—thank you, Jim.

Did you know that **Jim Heinrich** replaced a broken toilet seat in the restroom off the Gathering Area—the day after it was broken! Thanks for your prompt repair, Jim!

ADDRESS CHANGES/ADDITIONS

If you move or change your phone number, please be so kind as to let the church office know—thanks!

Cherie Teagno

Cell phone only: 216-225-1557

Laura & Dan Winrod

8472 Waterside Drive
Sagamore Hills, OH 44067



ROYAL OAK PAPER RECYCLING—NEW COMPANY!



Our paper recycling bin will now be serviced by Royal Oak Recycling. Please continue to deposit your **FLATTENED** cardboard and your papers in the bin. However, please do not place papers/cardboard outside the bin if it's full. Thanks!

FREE LUNCH FOR ALL--Wednesdays

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Thank you to our faithful volunteers!



UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

- The Board of Trustees will meet on the second Tuesday of the month, **November 12th** at 7 p.m. in the Parlor.
- The Diaconate will meet on the third Tuesday of the month, **November 19th** at 7 p.m. in the Parlor
- The Official Board will meet on **December 3rd** at 7 p.m. in the Parlor.



IN OUR COMMUNITY

Girl Scout Troop #71363 is stocking and maintaining a "Hygiene Library," which is located on the lawn near the parking lot facing Royalton Road.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP— November



Our monthly program is planning for the Christmas Tea, electing officers, and scheduling programs for 2025. Our Daytime meeting is **Wednesday, November 6th**, at 1 pm at church.

Evening meeting is **Friday, November 15th**, Hot dogs, mac & cheese, and chicken nuggets with children so parents can go shopping. As always, all ladies are welcome!

ALL LADIES ARE INVITED TO OUR CHRISTMAS TEA Saturday, December 7th at 1 p.m.



THRIFT SHOP

The Thrift Shop is **OPEN every Thursday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.** Come and shop lots of interesting

merchandise at amazing prices. Donations are accepted during our Thursday sale hours, but please try to limit your donations to what you can carry downstairs. **Please do not abandon items outside the church doors.**

THANK YOU TO OUR DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS, AND ALL THE SUPPORT FROM OUR CONGREGATION AND COMMUNITY!

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR LAST MONTH



The altar flowers are given—
October 6th

*With gratitude to our volunteers who help with our community outreach--Dale & Cathy Hawk
In Loving Memory of Marilyn Raum
The Raum Family*

October 13th

In celebration of our Granddaughters Mallory & Gabbie, our Grandson Grant's and our Great Grandson Taron's Birthdays this month. Love, Grandpa George and Grandma Joyce Reed

October 20th

*God Bless our church!
Susann Lerch*

October 27th

*In Loving Memory of Bruce A. Lerch
Susann Lerch*



THE FLOWER CHART FOR 2025 IS POSTED IN PILGRIM HALL. Please sign up for fresh flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one or just for yourself. Cost is \$36 for two vases; \$18 for one.



STEEPLE LIGHTING

Week of October 6th

*In loving memory of Alfred "Jiggs" Graves
Roberta Carpenter*

Week of October 13th

*With thanks to Dale Hawk, our newest 50 year member, for all he does
Happy Birthday to Samantha Wentz on October 16^h
With love, Grammy*

Week of October 20th

*Happy Birthday to Kristina Craig on October 22nd!
With love, Grammy
In honor of Pastor Heidi on Pastor Appreciation Month*

Week of October 27th

*Happy Anniversary to Hayley & Joey McKane on October 28th! And Tracey & Natalia Hill October 29th!
Happy Birthday to Gabe Sauter on October 31st!
With love, Grammy
In loving memory of Barb Camp*

To light the steeple, the minimum donation is \$5.00. Multiple dedications are welcomed for each week. Please email strongsvilleuuc@gmail.com. Thank you to everyone who lights our steeple!

CHURCH FAMILY CARE TEAM

If you like to cook or bake or reach out to others in love . . . as winter and circumstances continue to make it hard to stay connected, your Diaconate is organizing a Pastoral Care Ministry Team and would LOVE to have you take part! (You don't need to be a member of the Diaconate to participate, and you may come and go as you are led.)



ALL SAINTS DAY

Our family of faith knows and believes that we are joined in spirit by those whom we have loved and lost in this life, joined in ways we do not yet understand but in which we hope. On All Saints Sunday, we will remember those who have been a part of this church, related in important ways to the life of this church who have gone on to meet their Lord this past year.

Robert C. Sperber* 11/16/2023
Bruce A. Lerch (husband of Susann Lerch) 11/22/2023
Marie Bury* 12/21/2023
Kenneth G. Konicek* 12/25/2023
Phyllis J. Kurz* 12/30/2023
Carol Miller (mother of Sharon Lempner) 12/31/2023
Thomas O'Shea (father of Sandy O'Shea) 01/04/2024

George Pavisich (husband of Judi Pavisich) 01/05/2024

John L. Maringer* 01/31/2024

Ruth M. Milidonis* 03/20/2024

Mark E. Deertz (uncle of Lauren Raymond, Katelyn Boden, & Rebecca Deertz) 03/29/2024

Joan C. Beckwith* 04/07/2024

Richard G. Teagno* 04/13/2024

Dr. Derrick Lonsdale* 05/02/2024

William G. Clements (uncle of Bill & Becky Robinson) 05/16/2024

Reggie McCray (husband on Lynne McCray) 06/23/2024

William J. Ritchie* 06/30/2024

Marilyn L. Raum* 07/26/2024

Sandy Shipley (friend of the Zielinski family) 09/18/2024

Laurie Meister* 10/14/2024

*indicates church member/attendee or former church member/attendee



IMPORTANT INFO—Do you know where the AED and First Aid Kit are located in the church? They are adjacent to the doorway in Pilgrim Hall, just to the right of the confirmation classroom.

FROM OUR FRIENDS AT STRONGSVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Are you interested in learning more about the Foster Care System in Cuyahoga County? SUMC (13500 Royalton Road) is hosting an informational luncheon **on Saturday, November 9th at 11 a.m.** at their church. For more information and reservations to the event, please contact Gail Spence at gspence0213@gmail.com.



CHURCH OFFICERS 2024

**Elected January 28, 2024 **Appointed by Official Board*

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

Sunday School Co-Superintendents

Linda Elkins Mary Densmore

Board of Trustees

Bill Giuliano* Chris Goff Mike Elkins*
Les Fox* Herb Hampson* Cathy Hawk
Sarah Hayes* Sandy Pogozeleski* Cheryl Sobek
Dan Winrod Laura Winrod Rachel Zielinski*

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Greg Dickson* Dave Williams*

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Teri Barbish* Jean Bittinger Elaine Coffey*
Bobbi Cook Wayne Cook Judy Davis Judy Fox*
Carole Kapcar Cherie Teagno* Barbara White
Mary Ellen Zimmerman

Christian Education Committee

Serena Abruzzino Mary Densmore Linda Elkins*
Colette Emerson* Sarah Hayes** Amanda Marshall*
Lora Rung

Music Committee

Karen Bates* Ingrid Dickson*
Pam Keenen Ken Mehalko Mike Willis
ex officio: Sharon Heinrich Tom Foley Mike Elkins

Stewardship Committee

Sue Gigliotti* Judi Pavisich Bill Schneider
Rob Toth* Mary Willis

Mission and Outreach Committee

Diana Creecy* Sarah Hayes* Lora Rung
Jennifer Sekorky* Peter Smith Bev Wehr*
Mary Ellen Zimmerman

GIVING OPTIONS



If you are interested in giving electronically, you can set up your giving through Bill Pay on your bank's website or on our church's

website: www.strongsvilleucc.com. You may also

mail a check to The United Church of Christ (Congregational) 13740 Pearl Road Strongsville, OH 44136 or drop it off in the church's mailbox.

FROM OUR FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Gary Zielinski

Below is a monthly report listing the budget income we need to receive from Pledges and Offerings and the amount received from **October 6 through October 27, 2024**.

Thank you to everyone who supports our church and its ministries.

Offering Needed \$14,468.04 for 4 Sundays

Offering Received \$13,797.75

-\$ 670.29

PLEDGE CARDS RECEIVED : 2



All checks to the church should be made out to **United Church of Christ or UCC or United Church of Christ (Congregational)**.

Please do not use "Strongsville" or "SUCC" in the "Pay to the Order of" line. Thanks!

THANKS TO THE HILLS

Thanks to the Hills, a time to gather for gratitude, thanksgiving and celebration at **Templed Hills, will be November 16th, 10am to 4pm**. Mark your calendars today and save the date! They will have activities all day including



hiking, crafts, sing-a longs, gaga ball, archery, fishing, campfires with treats, a garage sale and silent auction of Templed Hills memorabilia, and a Closing Worship and farewell blessing of Templed Hills.

The event will be free. A potluck style Thanksgiving lunch is scheduled, and the Conference will provide all the hot food. Guests are invited to bring cold or shelf stable sides, salads, and desserts to share. A free will offering will also be taken. Guests will also have the option to "rent a room/continental breakfast" to share with family or friends for Friday and/or Saturday night. We will have the traditional camp coffee cake, fruit and other goodies for the Continental breakfast. Saturday night dinner and evening activities are on your own. However, we will keep the campfire going weather and interest permitted.

Reservations for Saturday event are highly encouraged and reservations for Friday and/or Saturday night are required.

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN FOR 2025 WHAT DO YOU BRING TO THE CAMPFIRE?



United Church of Christ 2025 Estimate of Giving

In recognition of God's many blessings to me, I am happy to join with others in the following commitment for 2025:

Name _____

Address _____

I plan to give \$_____ each

week month other _____ to be used for

Our Congregation's Ministries and Operations
\$_____

Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM)
\$_____

I would like to talk with someone from the Endowment Committee about including the church or church-related institution in my Will.

I would like to talk with someone about using the automatic deduction plan from my checking/savings account.

Signed _____

Date ____/____/____



ALTAR POINSETTIA FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

Order deadline is **Sunday, December 8, 2024**. Please complete this form and give it to the Church office with your cash or check payment. The cost is \$7.00.

Wording for bulletin: _____

Given by: _____

Number of plants: ___ x \$7.00/plant = \$ _____

I WILL: TAKE MY PLANT(S)

LEAVE FOR A SHUT-IN

Please make your check payable to **United Church of Christ**, and place it with your order in the offering plate, under the office door, or mail it to:

Strongsville United Church of Christ

13740 Pearl Road Strongsville, OH 44136

Thank you for placing a poinsettia plant on the altar!

For Treasurer's Records 2024 Christmas Poinsettia

Total number of plants: _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Envelope number: _____ Cash/Check # _____

Name: _____

Order deadline is Sunday, December 8, 2024.



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