

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST (CONGREGATIONAL)

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November 9, 2014 9:45 A.M. Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

† *Those who are able may stand.*

PRELUDE *March for St. Cecilia's Day* George F. Handel

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *This Is the Day*

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† **HYMN 665** *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

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 *Interlude on Waltham* Edward Broughton

ANTHEM *Here I Am*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Joseph Santomen

THE OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Prelude No. 10 in E Minor* Carulli
Jake Williams, Guitar

† **DOXOLOGY** (No. 815)

† **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

† **HYMN** *When the Storms of Life Are Raging*

SCRIPTURE Mark 4:35-41 New Testament, p. 33

SERMON "Do You Still Have No Faith?" Rev. Joseph Santomen

† **HYMN 539** *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

† **BENEDICTION**

† **BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *Shalom to You*

† **POSTLUDE** *Praise Ye the Lord* Robert J. Hughes

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Worship Accompanist
Interim Choir Director
Liturgist
Greeter
Ushers
Nursery
Coffee Hour

Elena Taylor
Ken Mehalko
Jim Studer
Linda Plain
Linda Plain and Sharon Heinrich
Beth Giuliano
Sarah Hayes

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 9, 2014

11:15 A.M.

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OPENING SONG

81 *This Is the Day*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG

49 *Lamb of God*

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GATHERING SONG

67 *Sanctuary*

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(debts)*

OFFERING

Open the Eyes of My Heart

THE WORD OF GOD Mark 4:35-41 New Testament, p. 33

MEDITATION

"Do You Still Have No Faith?"
Rev. Joseph Santomen

SONG

54 *Lord, Be Glorified*

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CLOSING SONG

58 *Mighty Is Our God*

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Songs are from the white *Contemporary Worship Songbook*.

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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
Clarinet	Emily Phan
Drum Set	Mike Soltis
Drum Pads	Aidan Hurtig, Christian Habart-Scott
Graphics Operation	Rosemary Bechtel
Liturgist	Kenn Oerkfitz
Coffee Hour	Sarah Hayes

November 2014

- 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 Church Luncheon at Coppertop in Valley City, 11:30 a.m.
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

December 2014 – a brief listing only

- 7 Sun KFC Meeting to make Christmas cards between the worship services
Trustees Meeting, after 9:45 a.m. worship
- 14 Sun Mission and Outreach Quilt Raffle Drawing, between the two worship services
- 28 Sun KFC Penny Sunday
January 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 16, 2014

Liturgist	9:45 a.m. Ted Bickley	11:15 Jack Stephenson
Greeters for 9:45 a.m.		Kris Fischer and Michael
Ushers for 9:45 a.m.		Volunteers Needed
Nursery for 9:45 a.m.		Tom Gaumer
Graphics Operation for 11:15 a.m.		Vicky Masuga
Coffee Hour		Rosemary Bechtel

ANNOUNCEMENTS – NOVEMBER 9, 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.

Our steeple will light the sky this week—

Happy Birthday to Zach Craig on November 13

With love, Grammy

Our love and prayers are extended in sympathy to Bob Kovatich and family on the passing of his father, Albert Kovatich, this past Friday, November 7, in Pennsylvania.

Women's Prayer Group/Women's Retreat Reunion will take place tomorrow—Monday, November 10—at the Bickleys' at 6:30 p.m.

Diaconate will meet Tuesday, November 11, at 7:00 p.m.

Church Luncheon (formerly called Women's Luncheon) will be held at 11:30 a.m. at Coppertop Restaurant, 5740 Center Road (Route 303) in Valley City. If you want to carpool, please meet at the church at 11:00 a.m. All are welcome. Please contact Lola to make your reservation, (440) 238-3037.

An Organizational Meeting for the Free Lunch Program will take place on **Wednesday, November 12, at 2:00 p.m.** at the church. **PLEASE NOTICE THE TIME CHANGE!** All are welcome to help with this program, which will begin on Wednesday, December 3.

Open House - Coming up on Sunday, **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. 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, **December 14 – between the worship services**. 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.

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!

The profit from the Turkey Dinner on November 1 is \$2,342.27.
Thanks again to all who supported the dinner in any way.

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.

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 us in fellowship.

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, 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 (Goddughter 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 Hagemeyer (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)

French Toast Breakfast

Sunday, November 16, 2014

8:30 am till 12:30 pm

All you can eat breakfast includes
French toast, eggs, sausage, bakery, juices, coffee and tea.

At Strongsville United Church of Christ

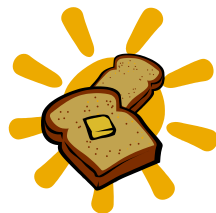
13740 Pearl Road, Strongsville, Ohio

Tickets are \$8.00 for 13 and older

\$4.00 for children 5-12

Free for children 4 years and under

Please call 216-598-6198 for reservations.



To benefit the Diaconate for church worship programs.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CANDY SCHEDULE

Make Candy at 9:00 A.M.	Monday, November 17 Wednesday, November 19
Package Candy at 10:30 A.M.	Friday, November 21
Sell Candy after Traditional Worship	Sunday, November 30 Sunday, December 7

Candy will be sold after the Traditional Service during Coffee Hour on November 30 and December 7. **No candy will be sold before those dates, and no advance orders will be taken.**