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Sunday, October 11, 2020 – Online
Strongsville UCC 203rd Anniversary Sunday

OPENING MUSIC "Spirit Song" Wimber

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT "Here I Am to Worship" Hughes

CALL TO WORSHIP

As we are sheltering in place, away from those sacred spaces where we long to gather once more, still we are gathered as God's people, drawn into God's holy Presence, where brokenness is healed through pure grace. From virtual communities all over the world, where families gather in their living rooms or at their dining room tables, still we are gathered as God's faithful community, serving, living and caring wherever we are, however we can. From neighborhoods made up of those of every class, every race, every branch of faith, still we are gathered as witnesses to God's hope and peace which have not disappeared, even through this season of uncertainty. **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Come Thou fount of ev'ry 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 His name, 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, Wand'ring from the fold of God;
 He, to rescue me from danger, Bought me with His precious blood.

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

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FIRST READING Psalm 13 (New Revised Standard Version)

How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever?
 How long will you hide your face from me?
 How long must I bear pain in my soul,
 and have sorrow in my heart all day long?
 How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?
 Consider and answer me, O LORD my God!
 Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep the sleep of death,
 and my enemy will say, "I have prevailed";
 my foes will rejoice because I am shaken.
 But I trusted in your steadfast love;
 my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.
 I will sing to the LORD,
 because he has dealt bountifully with me.

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 "Colors of the Wind" Menken and Schwartz

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL OF US

"All Things Bright and Beautiful" Monk

BEING COMMUNITY WHEN WE ARE APART

OFFERTORY "Surely the Presence" Wolfe
 From the time we are little, many parents teach their children: "What do you say, dear?" We remind our children that we often get good things we don't deserve, and gratitude is the best response! As we again commit our lives and our resources to finding new, innovative ways to continue to walk with Jesus, take time to pause, lift your heart and give thanks to the One who remains steadfast, no matter what. We appreciate your commitment to giving freely of your talents and your treasure, as you are able. Thank you. To give online, you may go to:

<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

Luke 17:11-19 (*The Message*)

It happened that as he made his way toward Jerusalem, he crossed over the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten men, all lepers, met him. They kept their distance but raised their voices, calling out, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" Taking a good look at them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." They went, and while still on their way, became clean. One of them, when he realized that he was healed, turned around and came back, shouting his gratitude, glorifying God. He kneeled at Jesus' feet, so grateful. He couldn't thank him enough—and he was a Samaritan. Jesus said, "Were not ten healed? Where are the nine? Can none be found to come back and give glory to God except this outsider?" Then he said to him, "Get up. On your way. Your faith has healed and saved you."

REFLECTION

That's Gratitude for Ya!

HYMN

"Be Thou My Vision"

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me, Save that Thou art.
Thou my best thought, By day or by night.
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee And Thou with me, Lord
Thou my great Father; I Thy true son.
Thou in me dwelling, And I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, Nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance Now and always.
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, My treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won.
May I reach heaven's joys bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, Whatever befall
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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BENEDICTION

Now may the peace of God, which is beyond all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Know that wherever you are, God is with you.
Amen.

POSTLUDE

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Dorsey

The steeple will light the sky this week—

*With Love and in Celebration of daughter Chelsey Kay and
Jeremy Cox's marriage on September 20th and my parents Bill &
Dorothy Ritchie's 68th Wedding Anniversary on September 26th
Gina & Chris Cathcart*

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

SERVING

TODAY – OCTOBER 11

NEXT SUNDAY – OCTOBER 18

Irene Joyce	Liturgist	Irene Joyce
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
Riley Sheppard, Ken Mehalko	Special Musicians	Satori Winds

**Happy Birthday today to Sue Hawk, Roger Davis, and Matt Minnick!
Happy Anniversary to William and Ginny (McKenzie) Basenback!**

OFFERINGS RECEIVED

Weekly Offering Needed	\$ 3,473.27
Last Week's Offering Received	\$ 5,960.00
Difference	+\$ 2,486.73



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

NEIGHBORS IN NEED

NIN is another of the special offerings through the United Church of Christ that provides funds to work for justice for all people. Donations accepted for this special offering throughout the month of October.



OUR PRAYER LIST

Please provide updates for this list to the church office.

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



Church Family: Joan Beckwith, Eddy Bond, Mary Carey, Elaine Coffey, Betty Craig, Rev. Larry and Christina Craig, Sam Cuyler Jr., Linda Elliott, Riley Hawk, Sue Hawk, Steve Herzog, Paul Hirt, Carole Kapcar, George Kapcar, Debbie Krause, Tony Koussa, Lori Kovatich, Karl & Sharon Kuhlenschmidt, Millie Lafave, Lacey Marshall, Brigitte Matchett, Judy Maur, Laurie Meister, Michele Mihlack, Lola Millhoane, Judi Pavisich, Joyce Reed, Bill Ritchie, Alysha Rolland, Ginger Rothel, John & Maggie Struhar, Keith Sullen, Jamie & Josh Trinckes, Sharon Wilson, Sally Vetovitz, Peg Weakley, Claire Wills, Marty Winch

Extended Church Family: Ron, Yvonne, & Ronnie Adams (Judi Pavisich's friends), Dorene Baldrige, Amy Carroll (Marty Winch's sister), Judy Carte's son-in-law, Ryan, Ruby Cuyler (Sam's sister), Donna Fargo (Sally Herzog's mom), Elaine Franzen (Barbara Craig's mom), Kim Filiatraut (Sarah Keenen's friend), Elizabeth Fulford (Lora Rung's friend), Dana Hardy (Craig's wife), Kelly Kling (Strongsville Emergency Food Bank), Rev. Kent Knife (retired pastor from MHUCC), Diane Mason (Lora Rung's friend), Pat Masuga (Dan's mom), Donna McDonald (the Ritchies' friend), Zachary McKeever (Pastor Heidi and Chuck's great-nephew), Linda McNabb (Ginger Rothel's sister-in-law), Mae O'Shea (Sandy O'Shea's mom), Carrol Riley (Marjorie Morrison's dad), Terry Robson (the Camps' friend), Mike Rung (Lora's brother), Amanda Shannon (Sarah & Jon Hayes' friend), Sherry Sheeks (Mark Camp's sister), Chris Vozniak (Lora Rung's friend), Brad Williams (Judi Pavisich's friend), Daphne Wilson (Irene Jannsohn's niece)

Please contact Pastor Heidi if you would like to pray for others via the email prayer chain.

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On Saturday, October 31, 2020,

between 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Drive through the church parking lot and donate your pennies, dimes, nickels, quarters, dollars, and checks to UNICEF and receive a pumpkin from the Sunday School (as well as a treat to start filling your Trick or Treat bags)!



THRIFT SHOP BONUS HOURS

3rd Monday of the month
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Starts October 19th

Come on down and shop our fall/winter Bargains down at the Shop during these extra hours.

(We're still open every Thursday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.)

