

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST (CONGREGATIONAL)

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October 19, 2014 9:45 A.M. Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

† *Those who are able may stand.*

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE / INTROIT *Down by the Riverside* arr. Niehaus

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: How shall we know that we have found favor in your sight, O God?

All: **How do children know that they are created in your image?**

One: How do we raise up youth to always know your presence goes with them?

All: **How do we find this faith within ourselves, O God?**

One: With Moses, we implore, "Show us your glory."

All: **With the children, we seek your graciousness now.**

† HYMN 21 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

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.

RESPONSE Native American Flute

ANTHEM *Presto* Franz Joseph Haydn

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 *Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child* arr. Grael

† DOXOLOGY (No. 815)

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

† HYMN 688 *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

SCRIPTURE John 21:15-17 New Testament p. 101

SERMON *"Feed My Sheep"*

† HYMN 564 *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*

† BENEDICTION

† ORGAN RESPONSE *Take the Name of Jesus with You*

† POSTLUDE *Go Down Moses* arr. Reinshagen

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

We thank the Satori Winds for their special music this morning:
Ken Mehalko, Mike Sherwood, Brian Maskow, Richard Ingersoll, Sr.

SERVING TODAY

Worship Accompanist
Interim Choir Director
Liturgist
Greeters
Usher
Nursery
Coffee Hour

Elena Taylor
Ken Mehalko
Pam Keenen
The Bickley Family
Roy Merkle
Gina Cathcart
Rachel Zielinski

October 19, 2014 **11:15 A.M.**

OPENING SONG **13** *Come, Now Is the Time for Worship*
Aidan Hurtig and Christian Habart-Scott, percussionists

SONG 78 *The Mission*

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GATHERING SONG 67 *Sanctuary*

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(debts)*

OFFERING *I Love You, Lord*

MEDITATION *"Feed My Sheep"*

SONG **65** *Rejoice*

CLOSING SONG *27 He Is Exalted*

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*.

We thank Mike Elkins for filling in as worship accompanist while Elena is away today.

Worship Accompanist	Elena Taylor
Guitar	Jake Williams
Bass Guitar	Jack Stephenson
Drums	Aidan Hurtig, Christian Habart-Scott
Song Leaders	Barb Fraunfelder, Kyra Krause, Clay Williams
Graphics Operation	Rosemary Bechtel
Liturgist	Sharon Heinrich
Coffee Hour	Rachel Zielinski

October 2014

- 19 Sun Begin Thanksgiving Food Collection
KFC trip, after 9:45 a.m. service
Congregational Meeting is **CANCELED**.
- 20 Mon Women's Prayer Group Meeting together with *Heaven is For Real* Study, 7:00 p.m.
- 21 Tue Advertising Team Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 23 Thu Men's Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. at European's Best Restaurant
- 25 Sat Decorate Sanctuary for Fall Season, 9:00 a.m.
- 26 Sun KFC Penny Sunday
Kindred Spirit Singles Meeting, 2:00 p.m.
- 27 Mon *Heaven is For Real* Study, 7:00 p.m.
- 28 Tue Official Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 31 Fri Prepare for Turkey Dinner in Pilgrim Hall

November 2014

- 1 Sat Turkey Dinner
- 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.
- 16 Sun Diaconate French Toast Brunch
- 18 Tue Advertising Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 22 Sat Decorate Pilgrim Hall for Christmas
- 23 Sun Dedicate Thanksgiving Baskets
Mitten Tree Begins
Stewardship Sunday
Holiday Open House, 5:00 p.m.
- 24 Mon Assemble Thanksgiving Baskets
- 25 Tue Official Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 27 Thu Thanksgiving Day
- 30 Sun Advent Begins, Hanging of the Greens
KFC Penny Sunday

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY – OCTOBER 26, 2014

Liturgist	9:45 a.m. Jim Studer	11:15 Jack Stephenson
Greeter for 9:45 a.m.		Roy Merkle
Ushers for 9:45 a.m.		Gary and Kathie Paul
Nursery for 9:45 a.m.		Rachel Zielinski
Graphics Operation for 11:15 a.m.		Vicky Masuga
Coffee Hour		Dianne Maringer

ANNOUNCEMENTS – OCTOBER 19, 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—

Happy 12th Birthday to Our Granddaughter Gabby on October 18
Happy 11th Birthday to Our Grandson Grant on October 24
Grandparents, George and Joyce Reed

The steeple will light the sky this week—

Happy Birthday to Kristina Craig on October 22
With love, Grammy

The Heaven Is for Real study that Pastor Becky is leading continues on the Mondays of October 20 (**tomorrow**), and 27 at 7:00 p.m. at the church. The movie is based on the book of the same name and will be shown during the study time, and discussion will follow. All are welcome.

Women's Prayer Group will participate in the *Heaven Is for Real* Bible Study by having their October meeting with the study tomorrow—Monday, October 20, at 7:00 p.m. at church. The study is led by Pastor Becky. Please join us for a night of learning, prayer, and fellowship with Pastor Becky.

Advertising Team will meet Tuesday, October 21, at 7:00 p.m.

Men's Luncheon will be held on Thursday, October 23, at 11:30 a.m. at European's Best Restaurant. As always, all men are welcome!

We will decorate the sanctuary for the Fall Season this Saturday, October 25, at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome to join in the fun!

Strongsville Food Bank News – The new location is up and running as of Tuesday, October 7, and is resuming its usual schedule. The Food Bank is located on Zverina Drive, behind the old library (now the city communications center). The Food Bank is scheduled to have an opening ceremony on Friday, October 31, at 8:30 a.m. Items most needed this month are oatmeal and pancake mix. The new facility has refrigeration for perishables. After the upcoming meeting, I hope to have further information to share about that. Judy Carte

Andrew Purdum has resigned as Music Director. We thank him for his six and a half years of service. During the next few weeks, our Music Ministry will be re-organized. If you have suggestions or would like to be part of one of the groups, please speak to a Music Committee member: Pastor Becky, Elena Taylor, Barb Fraunfelder, Ken Mehalko, Ingrid Dickson, Rob Stephan or Pam Keenen.

CHURCH MUSIC REHEARSALS

Beginning This Week – October 15, 2014

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.

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!

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.

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.

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.

Paper Recycling – Please collapse boxes before placing them into the recycling bin. Thank you!

On All Saints Sunday, November 2, 2014, we will dedicate memorials and remember loved ones who have passed. On the back of your attendance card today, please write the names of those you want to remember. On November 2 their names will be printed in the bulletin, and candles will be lit in their memory. **Please place ALL attendance cards into the offering plate.**

Strongsville UCC

TURKEY DINNER

Saturday – November 1, 2014

Seatings at

4:30 P.M. 5:45 P.M. 7:00 P.M.

Reservations Only – (440) 238-8192

Adults - \$10 Ages 6-12 - \$5 Under 6 – Free

Tickets are available for purchase every Sunday in October between the worship services.

Help is needed, and a signup sheet is posted in Pilgrim Hall. For safety reasons, no children under age 6 (with or without parent) can be helpers in any capacity during the serving hours of 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Children 6-10 years old must have a parent helping them.

THE THRIFT SHOP WILL BE OPEN.



CHRISTMAS CANDY

The Women's Fellowship enjoy making and selling candy every Christmas. However, we are finding it a bit harder to do! Due to health concerns, not all of our women are able to continue to help in the same capacity.

How about you? (men and women) Could you lend us a hand?

We make candy in the church's kitchen:

Monday, November 17 and Wednesday, November 19
9:00 am until about noon

You may help us on both days, or just one, for the whole time or just an hour or two. If you wish, bring a brown bag lunch and we'll eat together and share in fellowship. It's truly a good time!

Sorry to say, but we need to know we have more help or we will NOT be making candy for Christmas. PLEASE see or contact any of the following to tell us you can help or ask for any clarification.

Betty Craig 440-238-5389 Lola Millhoane 440-238-3037
Barb Fraunfelder 440-331-3673

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, Dolores Matchett, Barbara Morgan, Betty Yarnell

Extended Church Family: Bob Allwood (brother-in-law of Dale Hawk), Marianne Allwood (niece of Dale Hawk), June Brewer (niece of Ed Powers), Ryan Brubeck, Audrey Curry (mother of Pam Keenen), Zachary Crouse (grandson of Barbara Morgan), Rebecca Deeb (Godddaughter 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), 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)

THANKSGIVING BASKET FOOD COLLECTION – 2014

Our goal is to prepare 75 baskets for needy families within our community. Each week we will bring to church the following designated 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 and 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.

