

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
(CONGREGATIONAL)  
13740 Pearl Road  
Strongsville, Ohio 44136



Rev. Rebecca Stephenson, Pastor

SUNDAY – OCTOBER 30, 2016 – 10:00 A.M.

### WELCOME!

*We are grateful you chose to worship with us this morning.  
No matter who you are and where you are on life's journey,  
you are welcome here.*

*For questions about our church and ministries, you may call the  
church at (440) 238-6697. Please complete your Attendance Card  
and place it into the offering plate. We hope to see you again soon!*

† Please stand as you are comfortable.

PRELUDE                      HYMN                      "This Little Light of Mine"

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. *(Short music interlude.)*

Hide it under a bushel no, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Hide it under a bushel no, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Hide it under a bushel no, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. *(Short music interlude.)*

Don't let Satan blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Don't let Satan blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Don't let Satan blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. *(Short music interlude.)*

Let it shine till Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine till Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine till Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

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### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† HYMN 207                      "We Have Come to Join in Worship"

### † CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O God, how righteous is your Word  
**People: Transform us by your Word!**  
Leader: Your judgments are upright  
**People: Transform us by your Word!**  
Leader: Your precepts are unforgettable  
**People: Transform us by your Word!**  
Leader: Give us understanding and we will live  
**People: Re-form us, reconcile us,  
Transform us by your Word!**

### SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

### THE 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.**

RESPONSE                      "Teach Me to Pray"                      Jessie Mae Jewitt

ANTHEM                      "Majesty"                      Jack Hayford, arr. Jack Schrader

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY                      "Do You Love God?"                      Eleanor Wright

† DOXOLOGY 166                      Tune: "Lasst uns erfreunen"  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### † PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURES                      Genesis 42:1-5                      Hebrew Scriptures, p. 36

SERMON                      "Brother, Come to Egypt"

### 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.*

SOLO during Communion                      "Let Us Break Bread Together"  
Gary Hackett, Vocalist

† HYMN 235                      "Take the Name of Jesus with You"

### † BLESSING

† RESPONSE                      "God Be with You"                      William G. Tomer

† POSTLUDE                      "Now Unto Him"                      David Morris

### This morning's altar flowers are given—

*In Memory of Bill Fraunfelder  
Barb Fraunfelder*

### The steeple will light the sky this week—

*Happy Birthday to Gabe Sauter on October 31 and  
Congratulations to Hayley Craig and Joey McKane  
on Their Wedding on October 28  
With love, Grammy*

*To Praise and Glorify God  
Barb Fraunfelder*

**Our love and prayers are extended in sympathy** to the Morgan and Zielinski families on the passing of Chris last Sunday, October 23, 2016. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, November 26, 2016, at 11:30 a.m. at **our church**. After the service a luncheon in celebration of Chris' life will be held at 1:00 p.m. at the **VFW Hall, 25742 Royalton Road in Columbia Station**. Donations of desserts would be appreciated. Please contact Ginny Churnega Oerkfitz at (440) 554-4367 or email her at anchormate1@yahoo.com if you will provide a dessert. Thank you.

**Today is All Saints Sunday.** We will remember loved ones who have passed, dedicate memorials and honorariums, and celebrate the Sacrament of Communion.

**Happy Birthday today** to Zachary Williams!

**Thanksgiving Food Collection** continues through November 20. Our goal is 75 baskets for needy families within our community. Each week we will bring the following designated items:

- Oct. 16 cans of green beans, cans of corn
- Oct. 23 boxes of stuffing (like Stove Top) and jars of gravy
- Oct. 30 dessert mixes (like brownies, cake mixes, or cookie mixes) and cans of icing
- Nov. 6 cans of cranberry sauce and boxes of corn muffin mix
- Nov. 13 boxes of instant mashed potatoes or a 5-pound bag of fresh potatoes, canned or fresh yams
- Nov. 20 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**. \$20 covers the cost of the turkey or ham; \$40 covers the cost of a whole basket. All financial donations will be gratefully accepted, whatever the amount. If you know someone who would appreciate a basket, please complete the information on your attendance card, or tell Pastor Becky. Thank you for your support of this benevolent project.

Weekly Offering Needed      \$3,900  
Weekly Offering Received 10/23/2016      1,482  
Difference      - \$2,418

## THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

**Wednesday:** Free Lunch Program, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Fitness Club, 7 p.m. – All are welcome.  
Children's Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.  
Band Rehearsal (for adults and children), 8 p.m.

**Thursday:** Thrift Shop, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Journey in Faith Class, 7 p.m.  
Bell Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m.  
Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.

**Friday:** Dinner Preparation in Pilgrim Hall

**Saturday:** Turkey Dinner

## TURKEY DINNER

This Saturday – November 5, 2016

Seatings: 4:30 P.M. 5:45 P.M. 7:00 P.M.  
Reservations: (216) 598-6198

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



Tickets are available for purchase this morning. Help is needed. A sign-up 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.

**200th Anniversary Church Cookbooks** – Please see Dianne Maringer to get your copy. Price per book is \$12; mailing the book is an additional \$3.

**Children's Choir Rehearsals** are on Wednesdays from 7:30 p.m. till 8:00 p.m. **Children interested in being part of the Band** may stay for 8:00 p.m. Band rehearsal.

### SERVING TODAY

Greeters – Lynne McCray and Sharon Heinrich  
Morning Announcements – Sally Herzog  
Liturgist – Pam Keenen  
Coffee Hour – Allen and Michele Mhlack  
Director of Music – Elena Taylor  
Bell Choir Director – Barb Fraunfelder  
The Chancel Choir  
Ken Mehalko – Clarinet  
Bass Guitar – Jack Stephenson  
Acoustic Guitar – Gary Hackett  
Electric Guitar – Jake Williams  
Mallet Percussion – Rob Toth  
Drum Set – Mike Soltis  
Technical Setup and Operation – Doug Thorn  
Sound System – Jim Heinrich

### SERVING NEXT SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 6, 2016

Greeter – Linda Plain  
Morning Announcements – Sally Herzog  
Liturgist – Dan Masuga  
Usher – Linda Plain  
Coffee Hour – Ginny Churnega Oerkitz

**Basics of Yoga** – Are you a yoga novice? A professional pretzel? Or somewhere in between? Fit Club is hosting a live "Basics of Yoga" session, HERE at the church, on Sunday, November 6, at 5:00 p.m., taught by Lauren Joy Fraley, certified yoga instructor from Puma Yoga. This class is totally free and geared toward anyone who would like to find out more about yoga. Bring water and a yoga mat. (If you don't have a mat, let us know and we will provide one for you!) After our session, we plan to go to Core Life Restaurant on Royalton Road for a healthy meal together. We will have a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in Pilgrim Hall or you can see Kelly Bickley or Irene Joyce, and let us know that you are interested. This is the day after the Turkey Dinner, so we will be extra motivated to get up and get moving.

**Women's Fellowship** will have an Organizational Meeting on **Monday, November 7**, (not tomorrow, but the following Monday) at 10:00 a.m. to pick a definite day for meetings and to plan programs for the coming year. Their schedule for candy making is

Make	9:00 a.m.	November 21, 28
Package	10:30 a.m.	December 2
Sell	after church	December 4, 11

Candy will be sold after church during Coffee Hour on December 4 and 11. No candy will be sold before those dates, and no advance orders will be taken.

**Decorating for Christmas will take place after worship on Sunday, November 13.** Help is needed. Pizza will be provided after decorating.

**The Mitten Tree** will be in the Gathering Area from November 13 to December 4, 2016, for collecting donations of hats, gloves, mittens and scarves for Brookside Center. Brookside is an ecumenical center that provides clothing and necessities to the poor and needy and is located on Pearl Road in Cleveland. After worship on December 4, the Mitten Tree items will be removed. The tree will become the **Family of Faith Tree**, which we will decorate with Christmas ornaments donated by members and friends. **If you have not yet donated an ornament – or – if you'd like to donate an additional ornament, please bring it to the church office and include your name.** Official Board will prepare a tag with your name, attach the tag to your ornament, and hang the ornament on the Family of Faith Tree. Please know that **your ornament will NOT be returned to you**, but it will be part of the Christmas decorations each year. **Please do not bring expensive heirloom ornaments.** Thank you for celebrating with your church family in both the Mitten Tree and the Family of Faith Tree!

**New Choir Robes** – The Music Committee, along with the Endowment and Memorial Fund, is having a drive to purchase new choir robes. To support this drive, please pick up a Sponsorship Form from the rectangular table in the Gathering Area. Thank you for your support.

**If you are donating for a choir robe, a separate check** should be written to the UCC Memorial Fund as these funds are handled separately. Thank you.  
Lori Kovatich, Financial Secretary

**Holiday Open House is Sunday, November 20.** Help is needed. To help, please mark the back of your attendance card or sign up on Pilgrim Hall's bulletin board. Thank you!

## 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, (440) 238-6697. Please provide updates for this list. Thank you.*

**Long-Term Care or Homebound Members:** Eric Brand, Betty Bushea, Margot James, Ethyl Jeglie at Elmcroft of Sagamore Hills, Janet Kato at Western Reserve Masonic Community in Medina, Betty Kovach at Parkside Villa, Dolores Mhlack at Southern Hills, Harvey Pincombe, Connie Rebar, Trish Shields, Doris Soucie, Trudie Taylor at Royal Oak Nursing and Rehab Center, Howard Wilson

**Church Family:** Pam Peacock at Southwest General, Denzil Richards, Melinda Slavik, Leah Tressa Forget, Kyle Woodward

**Extended Church Family:** Bri Brostek, Thom Cerny, Dylan Churnega, Zachary Crouse, Audrey Curry, Angie Dickinson, Edie Deitcher, Kim Filiatraut, Elizabeth Fulford, Matthew Geletka, Dan Karoly, Sue Mason, Pat Masuga, Debbie Morey, Carrol Riley, Trish Shields, Keith Stewart, Kathleen Wickline

## OCTOBER 2016

30 Sun Communion, All Saints Sunday, Dedicate Memorials  
Kids for Christ "Penny Sunday"

## NOVEMBER 2016

3 Thu Journey in Faith Class, 7-9pm  
4 Fri Turkey Dinner Preparation  
5 Sat Turkey Dinner – 4:30, 5:45, 7:00pm seatings  
**7 Mon Women's Fellowship Organizational Meeting, 10am**  
10 Thu Journey in Faith Class, 7-9pm  
13 Sun Decorate the church for the Christmas season, after worship  
17 Thu Journey in Faith Class, 7-9pm  
20 Sun Thanksgiving Baskets Dedicated in worship  
Holiday Open House, 5-8pm  
21 Mon Assemble Thanksgiving Baskets, 9am in Pilgrim Hall  
Women's Fellowship Candy Making, 9am in Pilgrim Hall  
23 Wed Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service at **Methodist** Church, 7:30pm  
24 Thu Thanksgiving Day  
26 Sat Memorial Service for Chris Morgan, 11:30am  
27 Sun Bell Choir plays for worship  
Poinsettia Order Deadline  
First Sunday in Advent – Hanging of the Greens  
28 Mon Women's Fellowship Candy Making, 9am in Pilgrim Hall

## MUSIC REHEARSALS DURING THE WEEK

Children's Choir - 7:30pm on Wednesdays  
Band (for adults and children) - 8pm on Wednesdays  
Bell Choir - 7pm on Thursdays  
Chancel Choir - 8pm on Thursdays

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