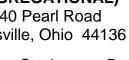
# THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST (CONGREGATIONAL)

13740 Pearl Road Strongsville, Ohio 44136



Rev. Rebecca Stephenson, Pastor





#### **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, vou 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. (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. (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. (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! Your precepts are unforgettable Leader: People: Transform us by your Word! Give us understanding and we will live Leader:

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"

**† BENEDICTION** 

† 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.

Thrift Shop, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday:

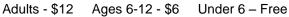
Journey in Faith Class, 7 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.

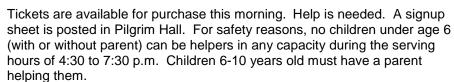
Dinner Preparation in Pilgrim Hall Friday:

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





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 Mihlack 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 Oerkfitz

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

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

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

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 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 Koyach at Parkside Villa, Dolores Mihlack 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 **Turkey Dinner Preparation** 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
- Journey in Faith Class, 7-9pm 17 Thu 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
- Memorial Service for Chris Morgan, 11:30am 26 Sat
- Bell Choir plays for worship 27 Sun 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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