FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Sunday, June 16, 2024

Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Gerald Gammon (330) 306-8965 Director of Music: Karen Fumerola Organist: Barbara Edwards

(*Please stand, if you are able, at each asterisk.)

Welcome to our Sunday service. Please use the time during the Prelude to prepare yourself for worship in quiet reflection and prayer and allow others to do the same. We also ask that you refrain from conversation during our service.

<u>Prelude</u> "Yield Not to Temptation" arr. David Smither (Lighting of the Candles) (Organ/Piano duet)

Greeting

Pastor: "The peace of Christ be with you." Rev. Marvin Barney

People: "And also with you."

Welcome and Announcements Sharon Longworth

Let us begin our worship today:

*Call to Worship: Sharon Longworth

Leader: Great and marvelous are Your deeds, Lord God Almighty!

People: Just and true are Your ways, King of glory.

Leader: Who will not fear You, O Lord, and bring glory to Your name?

People: For You alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you!

All: Let us pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Hymn #225 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

*Unison Invocation:

O God, Your constant love reaches to us from the heavens. We can always depend on Your faithfulness. Your righteousness towers over us like majestic mountains. Your justice is deeper than the deepest seas. We have the security of protection in the shadow of Your wings. We are blessed as You provide us with our every need. Indeed, You are the source of all life. We offer to You all praise, glory, and honor. In Jesus' name. Amen.

*Gloria Patri #812 "Glory Be to the Father"

Blessing of the Fathers Ron Schoch

Special Music "Footprints" Christy Lane

Soloist: Bill Paxson

Joys and Concerns/Time of Silent Prayer/The Lord's Prayer (debt and debtors)

Prayer Response "Three-fold Amen"

Offering Prayer/Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Come Follow Me" Marty McMane

Soloist: Bill Paxson

*Doxology #815 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

<u>Hymn</u> #682 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Scripture Genesis 3: 1-6 (pg. 2-3 O.T.) Sharon Longworth

Scripture **Ephesians 6: 10-17**(pg. 195 N.T.)

All Sing "Celtic Alleluia" Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker

Gospel Matthew 4: 1-11(pg. 3 N.T.)
Pastor: "This is the Word of our Lord"

All: "Thanks be to God."

Sermon "Armor for Life" Rev. Marvin Barney

*Hymn #502 "In My Heart There Rings a Melody"

*Benediction

<u>Postlude</u> "Be Strong in the Lord" *Tom Fettke*

(Organ/Piano)

Thank you, Bill Paxson, for your special music. God bless you for sharing God's message today.

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NOTE: Scripture readings are from NRSV Bible

ANNOUNCEMENTS

06/16/2024

Please call the church office or fill out a prayer card if you would like to put someone on the prayer chain or prayer list.

Next week: Liturgist/Lay Reader: Sheryl Cozad

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<u>Summer Hours</u>: Worship will remain at the 11:00 a.m. time due to scheduling conflicts.

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| Building Fund | | | | | |
| Current Expenses | \$6665.00 | \$1,142.00 | | | |
| Floating Five | \$ 20.00 | \$ 170.00 | | | |
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