

Affirmation of Welcome

We are an Open and Affirming Congregation, welcoming all of God's children.

If you are single, married, divorced, separated, or partnered,

You Are Welcome Here!

If you are Asian, Hispanic, Black, or White,

You Are Welcome Here!

If you are male, female, or transgender,

You Are Welcome Here!

If you are 3 days old, 30 years old, or 103 years old,

You Are Welcome Here!

If you've never been in a church, if you are Buddhist, Roman Catholic, agnostic,
Or a life-long member of the UCC,

You Are Welcome Here!

If you are straight, gay, lesbian, or bisexual,

You Are Welcome Here!

If you are fully abled, disabled, or a person with differing abilities,

You Are Welcome Here!

Whoever we may be, wherever we are on our life's journey,

**We welcome one another to this place,
even as God welcomes us all in Jesus Christ!**

WELCOME TO VISITING PARENTS

We offer several child care options and fun activities for kids during worship hour:

- ✧ Infants and toddlers will be cared for in the nursery.
- ✧ Kindergarten through seventh grade will go to class after the Word to Young Worshipers.
- ✧ Crayons and paper for children are also available from ushers.

Please sign our guest book in the narthex before you leave, and join us for refreshments in Pilgrim Hall downstairs following the service. If you are interested in learning more about our church, or becoming a member, please speak to our pastor.

Large Print Bulletins are available. Please ask an usher for one. Hearing difficulty? Please talk to any usher about a Williams Sound Personal PA receiver available for your use in the sanctuary. Pillows for your back support are also available.

Office Hours:

Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.: 9:00 - 12:00

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JUNE 8, 2014 – PENTECOST

Meditation Music

Gracious Holy One, we know that we are one human family sharing one world together. Yet we have spent so much of our history in conflict with each other, and so much of our energy defining ourselves over and against others. Teach us the deep truth of our relationship with one another, our whole planet, and with you. Amen.

Gathering in God's Presence

** Please Stand as you are able.*

Prelude

Medley: There's a Spirit in the Air / Pentecostal Power
Recorder/Dulcimer Ensemble, with Percussion Group

Wilson/Gabriel

“Lord, send the old-time power,
the Pentecostal power!
Thy flood-gates of blessing
on us throw open wide!”
Charles H. Gabriel, 1912

Bearing the Light of Peace Bearing the Light of Christ

*** Call to Worship** - from the Second Chapter of Acts

L: When the day of Pentecost had come,

P: All the believers were gathered together in one place.

L: Suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a mighty wind,

P: And it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

L: There appeared to them tongues, like individual fires;

P: And a tongue rested on each one of them.

L: They were all filled with the Holy Spirit,

P: And they began to speak in different languages, as the Spirit gave them the ability.

L: On this Pentecost, loosen our tongues to proclaim your goodness, O God!

All: Inspire our hearts to sing-out your praise!

*** Hymn of Praise**

When in Our Music God Is Glorified

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*** Prayer of Invocation** [Unison]

Gracious Holy Spirit, come among us today and touch us with the fulness of your love. Enter our lives, free us from our fears, and guide us by your wisdom. Empower us to be your Church, today and every day. Impart to us the strength and courage we need to faithfully serve you in this place and in this world. Renew within us all, your abiding gifts of faith, hope, and love, so that we might continue to follow your light and praise you with joy! Amen!

***Song of Praise**

Glory to God

Pablo Sosa, 1988

Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the high - est,
And on earth be peace to all peo - ple with whom God is pleased.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 6/8 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

The Old Testament

Psalm 150

Pew Bible, page 583

The New Testament

Acts 2:1-21

Pew Bible, page 119

The Continuing Testament from *Think Differently About Difference*

by Eric Barreto

Time with Young Worshipers

Celebrating our Music Ministries

Youth Anthem

O, Who Will Build the Church Now
Joyful Noise Choir, assisted by Percussion Group

Kenyan tune

Musical Offering

O Breath of Life
Betsey Wilson, flute

Choplin

Sermon

When You Put It That Way....

Pastor Dave Shackle

Hymn of Reflection

Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

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The Church at Prayer

Silent Meditation

Prayers of the Church

Our Lord's Prayer *[the additional use of "Mother" is optional, according to One's Theological understanding]*

**...Our Father-Mother, 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.**

Organ Response

Presenting Our Tithes and Offerings

The Invitation

Offertory

As the Wind Song

S. H. Lim (Singapore)

“As the wind song through the trees,
as the stirring of the breeze,
so it is with the Spirit of God,
As the heart made strangely warm,
as the voice within the storm,
so it is with the Spirit of God.”
Shirley Erena Murray, 2004

***The Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all Blessings flow
Praise Christ the Word in flesh born low;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
One God, Triune, whom we adore. Amen.**

*** Prayer of Dedication [Unison]**

Gracious Holy Spirit, bless us now and the gifts that we bring. May your Life-affirming word of hope be spoken through us and through our gifts, in this place

and throughout our world. Grant that the fire of your passion, and compassion, may warm our hearts and radiate out from us as deeds of love and service. We ask in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior, Example, and Friend. Amen.

Going with God's Love

* Hymn of Departure

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

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Carrying the Light of Christ into the World

Acolyte

* Circle of Community

As we move to form a circle around the pews, we will sing **Halle, Halle, Hallelujah (3 times) Hallelujah, Hallelujah**. After the benediction is pronounced, we will sing it once more. Our circle is open near the door as a symbol of our welcome to new people to our community of faith.

Two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is written on a treble clef. The lyrics are: Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. The first staff has chord markings: A, E, A, D, Bm, E. The second staff has chord markings: A, C7, F#m, Bm, E7sus4 E7, A. The piece ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

*Benediction

Postlude

Grand Chorus Guilmant

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLOWING MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Lee Sanderson, Jill Black (Jim Duffy's Aunt), Jim & Betty Kaul, Ruth Thorpe, Doug Lightbody, Kathleen Stewart, Tina Ortiz, Frank Ditzig, Mary D'Agostino, Shirley Duncan, Donn Whyte, Cindy Burton, people who are unemployed and under employed.

(Please let the office know of any additions, corrections or changes to our prayer lists.)

Attendance Sunday, June 8, 2014 – Adults: Kids: Total:

BUCC ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE WELCOME all our guests who are worshiping with us today. Please sign our guest book and join us downstairs in Pilgrim Hall for refreshments and conversation.

TO ALL LADIES OF BUCC Our newly formed Ladies Group met successfully last month, and is off to a great start! We are meeting this month on Wed. June 18 at 11:30 am at the Brecksville Metro Parks Pavilion across the road from the Nature Center. Bring a bag lunch, and a cold drink (coffee provided). If you missed last month please attend – we need **YOU** and your ideas. All are welcome! Caroline Chandler and Dorie Gabor

MISS MINDY’S CLASS one person’s trash is our treasure! Miss Mindy’s class is looking for your old containers, jars, egg cartons, etc. Please bring in your old pudding, yogurt, butter containers, old pickle, and baby food jars. Please ask Mindy where she would like your items to be left. Thank you!

WHAT A GREAT PROBLEM TO HAVE! Even with a good number of us regularly parking at Central School, we continue to have a bit of a parking “problem”. In an effort to remain hospitable to our visitors and help those arriving late, we ask that others of you who can readily do so, park in the school lot next door. This is just another way in which we can signal our desire to be accessible and welcoming to all.

NEW MEMBERS WILL BE RECEIVED AT BUCC on Sunday June 22nd at our Morning worship service. If you are interested in joining, learning more about Membership - or about our congregation or denomination - please talk with Pastor Dave.

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION Come one, come all to Donn Whyte's house on Thursday, July 3 at 8 PM. Please bring an appetizer to share. BYOB. Special show begins at 10 PM. Bring a chair.

OUR ADOPTED--HIGHWAY NEEDS A NEW PARENT! After approximately 15 years of taking care of our BUCC Adopt-A-Highway program, Jane Cribbs is ready to let that baby leave the nest. We are looking for a new parent or guardian to keep a watchful eye on this program. This involves coordinating information with the Ohio Department of Transportation, scheduling events with Pastor Dave, and encouraging our members and friends to sign-up and participate. Mindy Harris and Jesse Wade will continue their good work with the events. Please talk to Jane or Pastor Dave if you are willing to help with this.

LET'S SEE THOSE BEAUTIFUL FACES! If you haven't yet done so, please sign a Photograph & Video Release Form and return it to the Church Office. We continue to gather some marvelous pictures of BUCC events that would make our great website even greater. However, we want to respect those who may not want their picture included. Therefore, we will only post images of those who have a signed release form in our Records. Thank You!

2014 GAY GAMES HOSTING/HOUSING the 2014 Gay Games presented by The Cleveland Foundation are coming to Cleveland+Akron from August 9-16. The Games will welcome more than 10,000 participants and nearly 20,000 guests to the cities, with individuals participating in more than 35 sport and culture events over the course of the week. We are looking for people to open their home for that week, allowing one or more participants to stay with them during their visit. You don't need to feed the participants or drive them to their events, though you are welcome to do so. This is a fun way to be more involved in the in the Games and meet people that are visiting from around the world! If you are interested in signing up as a host or learning more, please contact Chelsea Kertes at ckertes@gg9cle.com or 1.216.479.6314.

JUNE FOOD PANTRY Powdered and canned Milk.

NAME TAGS are available for you to wear in the church and at coffee hour. These are helpful to visitors and members alike, to help us to get to know our people. If you are missing a name tag, please let the Office know.

THE READINGS

The Old Testament - Psalm 150

Praise the Holy One! Praise God in the sanctuary; praise God in the highest heavens!
Praise the Holy One for mighty deeds accomplished; praise God according to God's surpassing greatness!

Praise the Sovereign One with trumpet sound; praise God with lute and harp!

Praise the Creator with tambourine and dance; praise God with strings and pipe!

Praise the Almighty with clanging cymbals; praise God with loud clashing cymbals!

Let everything that breathes praise the Holy One! Praise be to God!

The New Testament - Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled the

entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven staying in Jerusalem. And at this sound a crowd gathered and was bewildered, because they all heard them speaking, in each one's native language. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native tongue? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and converts, Cretans and Arabs - in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's great deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "People of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show signs in the heaven above and on the earth below - blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Holy One's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of God shall be saved.'

The Continuing Testament - from *Think Differently About Difference* - by Eric Barreto [edited]

Christians have often hoped for a time when our racial and economic differences cease, when in Christ we would all be indistinguishable. Such impulses are sincere, but misguided. The story of Pentecost helps us understand how God sees human diversity: as one of God's greatest gifts to the world. At Pentecost, God doesn't erase our differences, but embraces the fact that we are all so wonderfully different. Many have viewed Pentecost as a direct response to the Tower of Babel - a fantastic story that seeks to explain how people once united by common ancestors eventually became peoples with many different languages. At Pentecost, we can finally understand one another because the Spirit enables all to understand. This is a significant misreading. If Pentecost were a reversal of Babel, why would the Spirit enable

everyone to hear the Gospel preached in their own language? Why not cause everyone to understand one, universal language?

At Pentecost, God chooses to meet us where we are: in the midst of a multitude of languages and experiences. The Spirit translates the Good News of Jesus into numerous languages. If you think this is easy, then you've never tried learning a new language! Language is messy and intricate, rooted in wide and complex cultural ways of thinking and living. Even when we speak the same language, we still have a hard time understanding one another. At Pentecost, God meets us in the messy chaos of our different languages, and chooses to speak our many languages. God's choice clear: to join us in the midst of the messiness and difficulties of speaking different languages, eating different foods, and living in different cultures.

The problem we face across cultures, is not our differences. It's when we imbue those differences with judgements and prejudice; when our differences become a way to determine who is in and who is out - who is better and who is inferior. It is then that we corrupt the Divine Gift of Diversity. So, let us set aside those prejudices that infect our relationships with one another. They are poisons that lead to hatred and destruction. But let us also set aside the equally infectious, equally destructive delusion that our differences are a problem to be solved; that the solution to our many problems is a color-blind society where, as Stephen Colbert so brilliantly satirizes, we "don't see race." Such self-delusion is may be as harmful as direct prejudice, for they both work on the same logic: That it's better to be the same than to be different. For God's Wonderfully Diverse Family, nothing could be further from the truth.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 6/8/2014	10 am	Worship Service
	11 am	Coffee Hour
	Happy Father's Day!	
Monday 6/9/2014	7pm	Spiritual Life
Wednesday 6/11/2014	6 am	Early Birds
	11:30 am	Women United - Park
Thursday 6/12/2014	1pm	Bible Study
	4:30pm	Crafters for Christ
Sunday 6/15/2014	10 am	Worship Service
	11 am	Coffee Hour/Strawberry Social
	7 pm	Concert – Sanctuary

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SUNDAY SERVICE

JUNE 15, 2014

Lay Reader:	Bridget Sproul
Head Usher:	Caroline Chandler
Ushers:	Paul & Janet Nicholas, Jill Zedan, Sue Maier
Acolyte:	Lindsey Maier
Peace Cndl:	Garrett Demko
Sound:	Kevin Smith
Comm Grtr	Dot Bailey
Narthex Grtr:	Jon Thompson
Flowers:	Tina Ortiz
Nursery:	Kate Klonowski
Counters:	Kathy Pastor, Betty Kaul
Servers:	Dorie Gabor
Clean-Up:	Jan Renovetz

PARTICIPANTS IN NEXT SUNDAY SERVICE

JUNE 22, 2014

Lay Reader: David Pastor
Head Usher: Jon Thompson
Ushers: Joanne Cook, Val Duffy
Sue Stenzel, Max Roha
Acolyte: Naomi Klonowski
Peace Candle: Olivia Klonowski
Sound: Mike Westerberg
Comm Grt: Ann Kelley
Narthex Grtr: Fred Pesek
Flowers: Jan Renovetz
Nursery: Kathy Pastor
Counters: Bruce McCain, Jan Renovetz
Servers: Janet Nicholas
Clean-Up: Chad & Bridget Sproul