

BRECKSVILLE

UNITED CHURCH of CHRIST

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***Loving, Serving and Accepting All People
with God's Life-Changing Power***

Holy Spirit of love and grace, help us to seek healing, community, and unity. Inspire us to remove those barriers that keep us from reaching out to one another. Fill us with your Compassion, that makes us whole and restores our lives. Amen.



***Jesus Took Her By The Hand And Said To Her "Little Girl,
Get Up!"
Mark 5:41***

Sunday June 28, 2015 • 10:00 AM

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

Pastor

• Rev David Shackle

Director of Music

• David Debick

Financial Secretary

• Joy Garapic

Ministers

All of our Members

Office Manager – Jeannette Kroeger

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 28, 2015 Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

Meditation Music

Divine Source of Wisdom and Strength, we pray for the courage and faith to take those actions necessary for healing in our own lives, and in the communities of which we are a part. Amen.

Gathering in God's Presence

** Please Stand as you are able **

Prelude

The Woman Hiding in the Crowd

Rowan

“The burdens now that weigh us down,
the sins we fear to speak,
the ache of heart and empty soul
we lay before your feet.”
J. Dudley Weaver, Jr., 2009

Bearing the Light of Peace

Bearing the Life of Christ

*** Call to Worship**

Leader: Our Divine Source creates the heavens and the earth,

People: And asks us to care for them with respect.

L: Jesus welcomes us as his sisters and brothers,

P: And invites us to become One family.

L: The Holy Spirit fills us with power and compassion,

P: And calls us to live in harmony and peace.

L: The Holy One speaks to us in many ways,

P: So that we who are many, may learn to be One.

L: Let us joyfully raise our voices,

All: And praise our God together!

*** Hymn of Praise**

To You, O God, All Creatures Sing
[verses 1 & 2]

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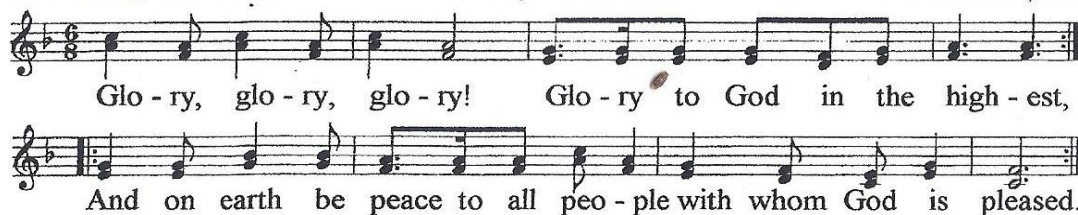
* Prayer of Invocation [Unison]

Compassionate Holy One, as we reach out to you, we discover that you are indeed reaching out to us. Warm our hearts with your love, so that we might care deeply for the people of our community and our world. Transform our caring into acts of kindness and deeds of justice, so that we might faithfully follow in the path that Jesus Christ has set before us. Amen.

* The Song of Praise

Glory to God

Pablo Sosa, 1988



Old Testament

Psalms 130:

Pew Bible, page 573

New Testament

Mark 5:21-43

Pew Bible, page 39

Continuing Testament from *Equal Marriage Rights for All*

UCC General Synod

Time with Young Worshipers

Musical Offering

Healing Is in Your Hands
[Sean Dory, Tenor]

Carson/Nockles/Nockles/
Redman/Tomlin

Sermon

I Know It's a Touchy Subject....

Pastor Dave Shackle

Hymn of Reflection

Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant?

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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 Those Who Place on God Reliance Trad. Hebrew melody,
arr. Hopson

“As the mountains hug the valley,
so embraced are God's beloved.”
Michael Morgan, 1999

***Offertory Hymn**

**We bring our gifts because we care,
They are a part of what we share.
Our love is strong, it heals, uplifts.
With hearts of love we share our gifts. Amen.**

*** Prayer of Dedication** [Unison]

Gracious Holy One, may the light of your love shine in and through us today. Bless these gifts, that they might be used to further your work in this community and in our world. Bless us as we seek to give of ourselves in serving you, by serving others. We ask in the name of the One who gave himself for us all, Jesus Christ our Savior, Example, and Friend. Amen.

Going with God's Love

***Hymn of Departure** O for a World #575

***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



*Benediction

Postlude

Sonata in C Major

Scarlatti

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLOWING MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Dassie Matsuoka, Ann Toneff, Dan Renovetz, Jan & G. Wardlaw, Bill Harris, Doris Schmid, Kirk & Lee Sanderson, Doug Lightbody, Kathleen Stewart, 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 21, 2015 – Adults:68 Kids: 10 Total: 78

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 our Coffee Hour.

WE WELCOME 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 are also available from ushers for children.

TODAY'S FLOWERS are given by Bill & Sherrill Witt for the Glory of UCC's everywhere.

PASTOR DAVE WILL BE ON VACATION until July 5th. In the event of a pastoral emergency, please contact Pastor David Durkit at 216-832-3453.

SCHEDULING DURING JULY, & AUGUST: Please let Caroline Chandler know if you cannot serve during the vacation months. An e-mail at chandler9143@roadrunner or a phone call at 440-526-9714 would be fine.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS COMING! We will be partnering again this year with the Independence Presbyterian Church to create an amazing and fun experience for our pre-school (3-5 years) and school-aged (K-5th grade) kids this summer. Save the date for the week of August 3rd - August 7th for "Camp Discovery" at the Independence Presbyterian Church. Details are being planned, but there's sure to be "s'more" fun to be had this summer at Vacation Bible School! Feel free to contact Kate Klonowski if you are interested in volunteering: keightykay@gmail.com or 216-534-3498.

CAN'T WE TALK ABOUT SOMETHING MORE PLEASANT?" That's the title of the book we are talking about. We'll cover it July 6 @ 1:00 in the parlor (use side entrance). It is a memoir by Roz Chast. Next book is "Orphan Train" by Chistina Baker Kline, which can be picked up after the discussion. Questions--call Dot Bailey 440-526-4881.

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING The annual BUCC golf outing will be held at 2:00 pm Saturday, July 11th at: **The Windmill Lakes Golf Center, 1511 East Aurora Rd (Route 82), Macedonia, Ohio 44056**

This event is open to everyone, young and old at any skill level! We will play 9 holes on a course where the longest hole is only 88 yards! There will also be a putting contest and skills competition. The defending champions are Stu Bailey & Vickie Szabo!

Please contact David Pastor at 440.552.4403 or ridave@hotmail.com with any questions or comments.

USED PRINTER INK CARTRIDGES We collect used printer cartridges and Recycle them to turn in to Office Max for credit toward our office supplies. Please put your empty cartridge in the Office in a basket marked "**Max**" We appreciate your help!

PLEASE BE SURE to enter your meeting and event schedule in the office calendar. This is used to list your times in both the ***Weekly Bulletin*** and in the ***Monthly Pillar***.

MONTHLY CALENDAR ONLINE the Church Calendar is also printed on our website: www.brecksvilleucc.org. It is filled with up to date events, and times, even last minute changes. Please check it out.

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

The Readings

The New Testament - Mark 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live."

So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John. When they came to Jairus' house, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and

said to her, “Talitha cum,” which means, “Little girl, get up!” And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

The Old Testament - Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Holy One, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications! If you, O Holy One, should regard iniquities, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered. I wait for the Holy One, my soul waits, and in the Divine Word I hope. My soul waits for the Holy One more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who wait for the dawn. O Israel, hope in the Holy One! For with the Righteous One there is steadfast love and great power to redeem. It is the Holy One who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

Continuing Testament - excerpts from *Equal Marriage Rights for All* [Adopted at the Twenty-fifth General Synod of the UCC on July 4, 2005]

WHEREAS the Bible affirms and celebrates human expressions of love and partnership, calling us to live out fully that gift of God in responsible, faithful, committed relationships that recognize and respect the image of God in all people; and
WHEREAS the life and example of Jesus of Nazareth provides a model of radically inclusive love and abundant welcome for all; and
WHEREAS we proclaim ourselves to be listening to the voice of a Still Speaking God and that at all times in human history there is always yet more light and truth to break forth from God’s Holy Word; and....

....WHEREAS children of families headed by same-gender couples should receive all legal rights and protections; and
WHEREAS legislation to ban recognition of same-gender marriages further undermines the civil liberties of gay and lesbian couples and contributes to a climate of misunderstanding and polarization, increasing hostility against gays and lesbians....

....THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Twenty-fifth General Synod of the United Church of Christ affirms equal marriage rights for couples regardless of gender and....

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Twenty-fifth General Synod calls for an end to rhetoric that fuels hostility, misunderstanding, fear and hatred expressed toward gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons....

Opportunities For The Week

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| Sunday, June 28 | 10 am | Worship Service |
| | 11 am | Strawberry Social |
| Wednesday, July 1 | 6am | Early Birds |
| | 7 pm | Bicentennial Ministry |
| Thursday, July 2 | 1pm | Bible Study |
| Friday, July 3 | | *Office Closed* |
| Sunday, July 5 | 10 am | Worship Service |
| | 11am | Coffee Hour |

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SUNDAY SERVICE

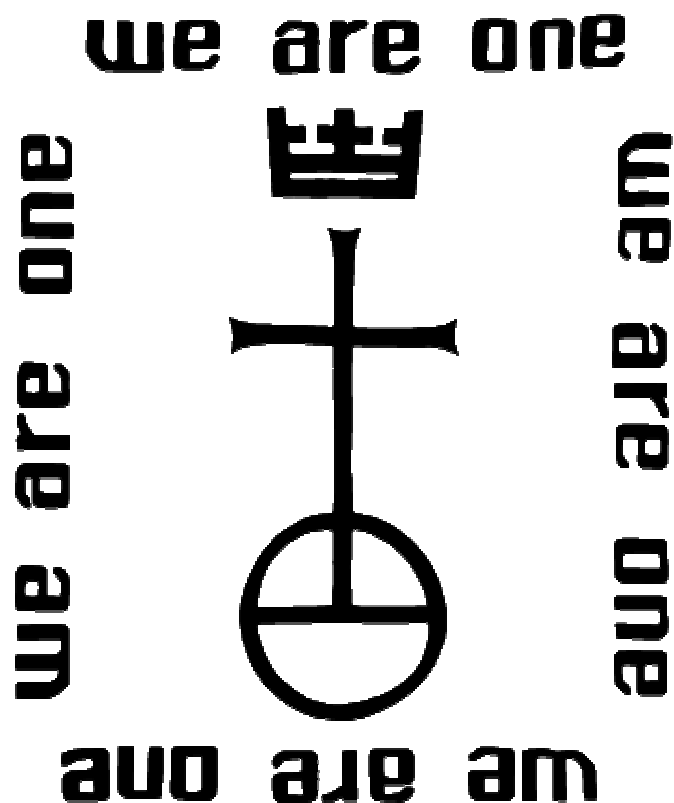
JUNE 28, 2015

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| Lay Reader: | Dot Bailey |
| Head Usher: | Caroline Chandler |
| Ushers: | Julie & Dave Bernard Kathy & David Pastor |
| Acolyte: | Jillian Davis |
| Peace Candle: | Evan Merritt |
| Sound: | Max Roha |
| Comns Grtr: | Stu Bailey |
| Narthex Grtr: | Dorie Gabor |
| Flowers: | Julie Bernard |
| Nursery: | Peg Duffy |
| Counters: | Jim, Kaul, Jan Renovetz |
| Servers: | Joy Garapic |
| Clean-Up: | Jane and Cliff Cribbs |

PARTICIPANTS IN NEXT SUNDAY SERVICE

JULY 5, 2015

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| Lay Reader: | Evie Novak |
| Head Usher: | Jon Thompson |
| Ushers: | Sue & Lindsey Maier David Ritchey, Fred Pesek |
| Acolyte: | Briana Brown |
| Peace Candel: | Lucy Brown |
| Sound: | David Pastor |
| Comns Grtr: | Marge Culver |
| Narthex Grtr: | Lenore Harris |
| Flowers: | Marla Corrado |
| Nursery: | Peg Duffy |
| Counters: | Katy Pastor, Sue Stenzel |
| Servers: | Joanne Cook |
| Clean Up: | Chad & Bridget Sproul |



The 20th General Synod of The United Church of Christ

June 26-30, 2015

Cleveland, Ohio