

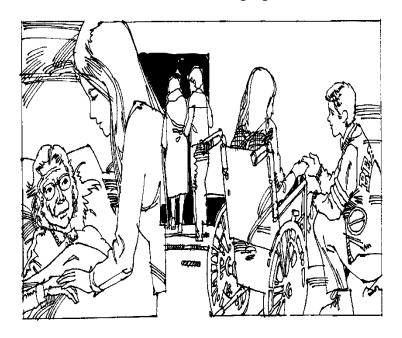
Our Patient Heavenly Parent, we your children have so many questions. We impatiently demand things, and often want to know where the path will lead - even before we begin the journey. Give peace to our hearts and help us to trust that Life's ultimate answers will be found when we rest in your perfect love and grace. Amen.

Brecksville

United Church of Christ

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



"Whoever Wishes To Be First Among You, Must Be The Servant Of All." Mark 10:44

> Sunday October 18, 2015 • 10:00 AM Twenty First Sunday After Pentecost

Pastor
• Rev David Shackle

Director of Music Financial Secretary

• David Debick • Joy Garapic All of our Members

Ministers

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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Meditation Music

Divine Source of Wisdom, teach us that greatness is not noisy but quiet; not forceful but gentle; not controlling but freeing. Help us recognize how your greatness continues to touch our lives in these humble ways, and grant us the confidence we need to follow Christ's path of compassionate service. Amen.

Gathering in God's Presence

* Please Stand as you are able.

Prelude Jesus Christ Is Waiting French melody

"Jesus Christ is waiting, waiting in the streets; no one is his neighbor, all alone he eats. Listen, Lord Jesus, I am lonely too. Make me, friend or stranger, fit to wait on you." John L. Bell (b. 1949) and Graham Maule (b. 1958)

Bearing the Light of Peace Bearing the Life of Christ

* Call to Worship

Leader: On this new day, the gift of Life is renewed in you and me.

People: Praise the Holy One for today! Praise the Creative Spirit in our midst!

L: Let us celebrate the Divine Presence among us;

P: Let us welcome in the Spirit!

L: Let us listen and respond to The Sacred One, who meets us in new ways;

P:The Holy One who is with us as we worship here, and as we walk in the world.

L: Inspire us, O Gracious One, and guide our lives;

All: Empower us all to be your loving people!

* Hymn of Praise

Praise to the Living God

#8

* Prayer of Invocation [Unison]

Gracious Holy One, you call us to love you with our whole being, and to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. By your Spirit, teach us how to work with you to help those who are hurting, and bring new life where there is heartache and despair. Make us willing instruments of your grace and peace, so that all your people may be inspired to love and serve you with joy! Amen.



The Old Testament
The New Testament
The Continuing Testament

Isaiah 53:4-12 Mark 10:35-45 Not to Be Served but to Serve Pew Bible, page 683 Pew Bible, page 47 by Andrew King

Time with Young Worshipers

Musical Offering

Love Consecrates the Humblest Act

Debick

Text: Silas B. McManus (1845-1917)

Sermon

Have You Lost Your Mind?

Pastor Dave Shackle

Hymn of Reflection

Be Now My Vision

#451

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 Offertoire: La St. François Corrette

*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]

Faithful Holy One, your love comes to us not only in word, but also through the actions and the person of Jesus Christ. Through our gifts and our actions, may people see evidence of the true and holy love which we claim and proclaim. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Teacher, Example, and Friend. Amen.

Holy Communion

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

The Invitation

The Blessing

Communion Music Prière Dubois

Going with God's Love

* **Hymn of Departure** Jesus, Still Lead On #446

*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

We, Thy People, Praise Thee

Haydn

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLOWING MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Ann Toneff, Jill Black, Tina Ortiz, Dassie Matsuoka, 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, October 11, 2015 – Adults: 100 Kids: 15 Total: 115

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 Sherrill & Bill Witt for the Joy of our Music Ministry all year round.

OUR ANNUAL CHURCH RETREAT is this coming Saturday, October 24th from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. This year we will be at a new [and closer] location - Furnace Run Metro Park .Our theme this year is "Evangelism: Not Nearly as Scary as Halloween!" Our Retreat provides a great opportunity to gather in a beautiful setting to relax, refresh and get to know ourselves and one another better - so sign up today! Anyone interested in helping coordinate games, music, or other activities for this event - or would like to know more about it - please talk with Pastor Dave.

AUTHOR JAN LINN TO SPEAK AT BUCC - Author Jan Linn will be the keynote speaker for the WRA/EOA Fall Meeting on Saturday, Oct. 31st. BUCC will host a lecture/discussion with Linn on Thursday, Oct. 29th, from 2:00 -3:30 pm. The topic will be Linn's latest book, *A Different Jesus*. This book is a fairly easy-read, though it covers a deeply important topic: An understanding of Christianity that is big enough to embrace today's multi-cultural, interfaith world. Rev. Linn is co-pastor of Spirit of Joy Christian Church [Disciples of Christ] in Apple Valley, Minnesota.

URGENT NEED If anyone has a spare computer they'd be willing to donate for use in the music office, please contact Dave Debick or Jim Duffy.

ADVENT BOOK There are still many passages available for the Advent Book. See Jon Thompson for more details. There is a much earlier deadline this year – all Advent Book items should be emailed to Jeannette no later than November 8.

QUARTERLY STATEMENTS are available in the Commons Area. Please pick them up to save the cost of "mailing"

COMMITTEE EXPENSES from October 2014 through September, 2015 will be available in the Commons area on Sunday. Please have a committee member pick them up in order to prepare the 2016 budget.

CALLING FOR ALL RECIPES!! Please get your recipes in as soon as you can so that they can be typed. Also, it would be wonderful if you could include personal information about the recipe. For example, "this was my grandmother's favorite recipe for chocolate cake and she passed it on to me!" If it is more convenient you can email your recipe to me at: culinarybee@gmail.com. Thank you for your help in making this the best cookbook ever!

WOMEN UNITED Hi Ladies of the Church! Our next meeting will be Wednesday 10/21/2015 at 11:30AM. Bring a lunch and Friends are always welcome. Our Culinary Bee, Bettina Ortiz will lead us in some great baking/decorating ideas. As always Coffee and Tea will be provided.

Please note the slightly used items and antique sale announced previously for the month of October has been cancelled and another project will be taking its place. More on that later.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY is looking for you...catch us at Coffee Hour.

On 10/25...Members of the Christian Education, Stewardship, Membership, Communications and Outreach Ministries will be available during Coffee Hour with an opportunity for you to learn about their ministry.

On11/1.....Spiritual Life, Facilities, Parish-Staff Relations/Personnel - (see above)

On 11/8OCWM, Leadership Development and Finance - (see above)

Readings

The Old Testament - Isaiah 53:4-12

Surely The Righteous One has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Holy One has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a distortion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the will of the Holy One to overcome him with affliction. By giving his life as an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Holy One shall prosper.

Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his experience. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

The New Testament - Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." He said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" They said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, when you enter your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the other ten disciples heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you. Whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be a slave of all. For the Human One came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

The Continuing Testament - Not to Be Served but to Serve - by Andrew King

NOT TO BE SERVED BUT TO SERVE

Is that you, Lord, changing the diaper in the nursing home, holding the spoon for the woman in her wheelchair, wiping down the toilet and the floor;

is that you serving the dinner at the homeless shelter, sorting the cans at the food bank, mowing the aged neighbor's lawn;

is that you, Lord, bandaging the wounds of the bomb victim, erecting the tent for the refugees, handing out the water and the food;

is that you driving the patient to the treatment center, sitting through the night with the family, making the call to the forgotten friend;

is that you, Lord,
lighting the candle in the darkness,
keeping vigil for compassion and justice,
loving in us and through us and with us
until the world that you love has been changed?

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Oct. 18	10:00 am 11:00 am 11:00 am 5:30 pm 6:00 pm	Worship Service OCWM Coffee Hour Youth Percussion Youth Ministry
Tuesday, Oct. 20	10:30 am 7:00 pm	CWRU Parlor Bicentennial Ministry
Wed, Oct. 21	6:00 am 11:30 am 4:30 pm	Early Birds Women United Recorder/Dulcimer
Thurs, Oct 22	1:00 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm	Bible Study Joyful Noise Seasonal Choir Choir
Saturday, Oct. 24	10-4:00	Church Retreat – Furnace Run Park
Sunday, Oct. 25	10:00 am 11:00 am	Worship Service Coffee Hour

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SUNDAY SERVICE

OCTOBER 18, 2015

Lay Reader: Cliff Cribbs Head Usher: **Kathy Smith**

Ushers: Fred Pesek, Beth Rehling

David Ritchev, Heidi Spangler

Acolyte: **Grace Hunt**

Peace Candle: Lily Hunt

Sound: Max Roha, Tim Wallis

Comns Grtr: **Carole Snider** Narthex Grtr: **Dorie Gabor**

Flowers: Jan Renovetz Nursery: Gina Cook

Counters: Jan Renovetz, Bruce McCain

Servers: **Dottie & Jim Farwell**

Clean-Up: Jon Thompson, Jill Zedan

Snacks: Kate Klonowski, Marge Culver

PARTICIPANTS IN NEXT SUNDAY SERVICE **OCTOBER 25. 2015**

Lav Reader: **Dot Bailey Head Usher: Evie Novak**

Ushers: Joe & Betsey Wilson

Bob Chandler. Jane Cribbs

Carrie Coyer-Westerberg Acolyte:

Peace Candle: **Amy Coyer-Westerberg**

Mike Westerberg Sound:

Comns Grtr: **George Snider** Narthex Grtr: Joanne Cook

Flowers: Julie Bernard

Shauna Bigelow Nursery:

Counters: Donn Whyte, Jim Duffy **Robin Coyer-Westerberg** Servers:

Caroline Chandler

Bridget & Chad Sproul

Clean Up: Gina Cook, Marilyn Wrights Snacks: