

BRECKSVILLE

UNITED CHURCH of CHRIST

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

Gracious Holy One, as we strive to confront the evils and wrongs of this world, may we follow Christ's example of how to speak the truth with love and grace. May our awareness of our own inadequacies and limitations also make us more considerate and compassionate toward the failings and faults of others. This we ask in Christ's name. Amen.



Brecksville United Church of Christ

CELEBRATING 200 YEARS

Enter, Rejoice & Come In!

Sunday June 26, 2016 • 10:00 AM

Sixth 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

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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

Church Phone: 440-526-4364

e-mail: buccoh@sbcglobal.net – web address: www.BrecksvilleUCC.org

June 19, 2016 – FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Meditation Music

Divine Source of Wisdom and Courage, every day we face a mixture of continuity and change, the familiar and the unfamiliar. As we face the risks and challenges of living - whether we opt for safety and security, or stretch ourselves toward new possibilities - be with us, we pray. And may your Gracious Presence give us the confidence we need to move faithfully forward. Amen.

Gathering in God's Presence

** Please Stand as you are able.*

Prelude

March in C

Telemann

Bearing the Light of Peace

Bearing the Light of Christ

*** Call to Worship**

Leader: This is a marvelous day to celebrate new life!

People: To open our eyes to the beauty of creation!

L: To open our ears to the sounds of this world!

P: To open our hearts to the people all around us!

L: This is a day of gladness and joy!

P: We give thanks to Jesus, who welcomes us all!

L: We give thanks to the Spirit, who refreshes our souls!

All: We give thanks to the Holy One, who loves us, restores us, and fills us with joy!

*** Hymn of Praise**

Enter, Rejoice, and Come In

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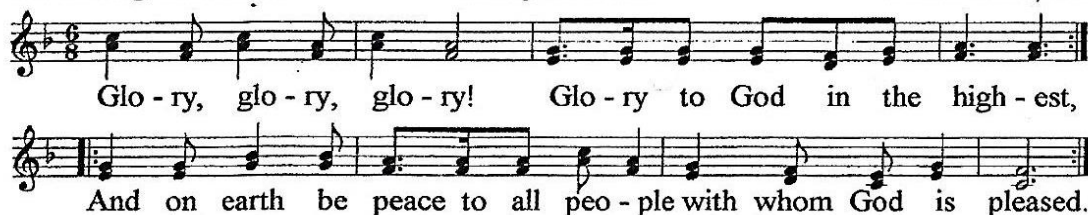
*** Prayer of Invocation [Unison]**

Creative Source of Life, we come into your presence with thanks for all that fills us with joy: the love of family and friends, the comfort of our homes, the challenge of work, and the delight of leisure. We thank you for this Church Home, and for all your gracious gifts that we receive and experience here. Help us to respond to your many blessings with lives that are generous and thankful, compassionate and joyful! This we pray in the Name and Spirit of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*** The Song of Praise**

Glory to God

Pablo Sosa, 1988



The Old Testament

Isaiah 35:1-10

Pew Bible, page 663

The New Testament

Mark 7:31-37

Pew Bible, page 42

The Continuing Testament

The BUCC Affirmation of Welcome

Time with Young Worshipers

Musical Offering

Simple Gifts
[Erin Tomlinson, flute]

Shaker Melody

“When true simplicity is gained
to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed,
to turn, turn, will be our delight
till by turning, turning we come round right.”
Shaker song, 18th century

Sermon

Opening Statement, Closing Argument

Pastor Dave Shackle

Hymn of Reflection

You Are Called to Tell the Story

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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

There Is Room for All

Harding

"There is room for all in the shadow of God's wing;
there is room for all, sheltered in God's love.
And I rejoice and sing,
'My refuge and my rock, in whom I trust.'
There is room for all, there is room for all!"
Bruce Harding, 2006

***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 joy we share our gifts. Amen.**

*** Prayer of Dedication [Unison]**

**Holy Source of all good things, receive and bless these gifts that we bring, and
bless us as we offer ourselves to be partners in your redeeming and healing work
in this world. Give to us all your Spirit of kindness and generosity, openness and
love; we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Teacher, Redeemer, and Friend.
Amen.**

Going with God's Love

*** Hymn of Departure**

God, You Have Set Us

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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*



***Benediction**

Postlude

Toccata In A Minor

Krebs

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLOWING MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Jim Pay, Joy Garapic, Bridget Sproul, Jan Rahnenfuehrer, Dorie Gabor, Jim Kaul, William Zmich (Marla Corrado's Father), Lenore Harris, Ann Toneff, Jill Black, Tina Ortiz, Dassie Matsuoka, Jan & G. Wardlaw, Bill Harris, Doris Schmid, Kirk & Lee Sanderson, Kathleen Stewart, Doug Lightbody, 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 19, 2016 – Adults: 92 Kids: 15 Total: 107

BUCC ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE WELCOME all our guests who are worshipping with us today. Please sign our guest book and join us downstairs in Pilgrim Hall for our Coffee Hour.

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TODAY 'S FLOWERS are given by George & Carole Snider in Congratulations and Blessings to their Grandson Bill Caster & Katherine Bogue on their Wedding June 18th.

HAVING TROUBLE HEARING PARTS OF THE SERVICE? Please talk to any usher about the Williams Sound - Personal PA Receiver, available for your use. These simple-to-use units can help improve your worship experience, by amplify those parts of the Service that may be more difficult to hear.

COMPUTER HELP - Mary D'Agostino is looking for help in learning a new computer program that uses voice activated capabilities. The program name is "Dragon Naturally Speaking". If anyone is willing to try to help her, please contact the office at 440-526-4364.

"200 YEARS OF SERVING" Many of the bicentennial cookbooks have been sold. Thanks very much for your support! We are putting some in the church office for people to purchase during the week, and on Sundays any one of the cookbook committee can get you as many cookbooks as you would like to purchase. We will also have them available for the Church Open House during Brecksville Home Days, June 25 – 26. They are also available for purchase on the website [www. Cookbookshoppe.com](http://www.Cookbookshoppe.com).

PARTY! PARTY! PARTY! At Donn Whyte's house on Sunday, July 3. Come by at 8:00 pm. Bring an appetizer to share (if you want to). Show starts at 10:00 pm!

KEY SHORTAGE Since our exterior locks were changed to more secure ones about 10 years ago, we have signed out 70 keys and have run out of keys again. The price from our locksmith is now \$10 each. The Facilities Ministry has decided to try a "recycle your unused key" campaign rather than purchasing more keys. If you have two keys in your family, or are no longer involved with a ministry, or just don't use that key anymore for whatever reason, place it in an envelope with Jeanette's name on it and place it on her desk. She will see that your key is properly signed in and that you receive our copy of your driver's license. If you have lost a key, we will be pleased to accept payment for it.

FYI these keys are for all exterior doors except the South Entry and have a number stamped on them. (1to 60 and 1A to 10A) Usually they are with an unnumbered interior key. We would like to have these also, but feel free to retain yours if you need it. Your Facilities Ministry

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 BLESSINGS JAR is for your use to drop in a note and/or money in response to a special blessing you have received during the week. We would like to recognize your blessing in the Pillar if you wish.

THE PEACE CANDLE is placed up front every Sunday to remind us of Jesus' teachings on peace and peacemakers. We pray that peace between nations, within our country, community, families, and ourselves will become a priority for all.

The Readings

The Old Testament - Isaiah 35:3-10

Encourage those who are burdened with care, and strengthen the feeble. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Behold the Holy One, who comes with saving power and intense determination to rescue you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way.... And the redeemed of the Holy One shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

The New Testament - Mark 7:31-37

Then Jesus returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. Jesus took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

The Continuing Testament - The Brecksville United Church of Christ Affirmation of Welcome

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, June 25

**Brecksville Home Days
1-8 pm Open House**

Sunday, June 26

10:00 am Worship Service
11:00 am Coffee Hour
**Brecksville Home Days
1-8 pm Open House**

Wed., June 29

6:00 am Early Birds

Thurs., June 30

1:00 pm Bible Study

Sunday, July 3

10:00 am Worship Service
11:00 am Coffee Hour

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SUNDAY SERVICE

JUNE 26, 2016

Lay Reader:	Tina Ortiz
Head Usher:	Bob Chandler
Ushers:	Dave & Julie Bernard Linda Kriynovich, Ed Lusk
Acolyte:	Grace Hunt
Peace Candle:	Lily Hunt
Sound:	Tim Wallis
Comns Grtr:	Kim Wallis
Narthex Grtr:	Jill Zedan
Flowers:	Jan Renovetz
Nursery:	Valerie Tyler
Counters:	Jim Duffy, Donn Whyte
Servers:	Carole Snider
Clean-Up:	Anne Melfo & Doug Fawcett

PARTICIPANTS IN NEXT SUNDAY SERVICE

JULY 3, 2016

Lay Reader:	Cliff Cribbs
Head Usher:	Evie Novak
Ushers:	Dot & Stu Bailey Darlene Kelly, Michelle Namtka
Acolyte:	Jillian Davis
Peace Candle:	Olivia Klonowski
Sound:	Doug Fawcett
Comns Grtr:	Kathy Smith
Narthex Grtr:	Fred Pesek
Flowers:	Betty Gifford
Nursery:	Valerie Tyler
Counters:	Nancy Stella, Jan Renovetz
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Clean Up:	Bridget Sproul