

BRECKSVILLE

UNITED CHURCH of CHRIST

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

Compassionate One, open our eyes to pay attention to those who are weighed down, unnoticed, overlooked, and ignored. Help us recognize when we trample or disregard the gifts that people have to offer. Give us the courage to speak-up and question, and not to succumb to silence, or appeal to rules that bind. Amen.



Sunday August 21, 2016 • 10:00 AM

Fourteenth 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.

Summer Office Hours:

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

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August 21, 2016 –FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Meditation Music

Gracious Holy One, we know that we are all one human family, we belong to each other and we are responsible to each other. We pray that you will give us the courage and the tenacity we need to work for justice in our world, and the inspiration we need to make our community a place of exceptional welcome and care. Amen.

Gathering in God's Presence

** Please Stand as you are able.*

Prelude Oh, Sing, My Soul, Your Maker's Praise 16th century German

Bearing the Light of Peace

Bearing the Light of Christ

*** Call to Worship-** from *Psalms* 100

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Holy One, all the earth!

People: Worship the Holy One with gladness; come into God's presence with singing!

L: Know that the Holy One is our Maker,

P: We are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture.

L: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and God's presence with praise!

P: Give thanks to the Holy One, and bless God's Holy name!

L: For the Holy One is good, showing steadfast love that lasts forever!

All: The Holy One's faithfulness endures to all generations!

*** Hymn of Praise** From All That Dwell Below the Skies #27

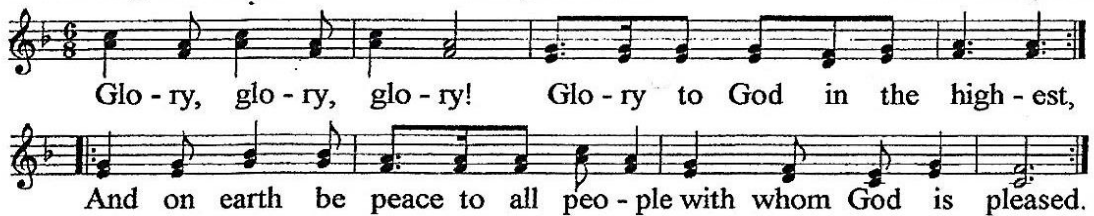
*** Prayer of Invocation** [Unison] - adapted from our *Pilgrim Hymnal* of 1931.

Gracious Holy One, you have given us your Word to be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Inspire us all with your Holy Spirit, that from your Living Word we may discover your good and gracious will for our lives. Help us to know you more fully, that we may love you more deeply. And may we learn to faithfully serve you, in and through our service to humankind; to the glory of your Holy Name. Amen.

*** The Song of Praise**

Glory to God

Pablo Sosa, 1988



The Old Testament

Exodus 3:9-15

Pew Bible, page 50

The New Testament

Luke 10:1-11

Pew Bible, page 71

The Continuing Testament - from *Commented Bible Passages*

from *Taize*

Time with Young Worshipers

Musical Offering

Brother James' Air
[Betsey Wilson, flute]

Bain

Sermon

From Generation to Generation

Pastor Dave Shackle

Hymn of Reflection

The Church of Christ, in Every Age

#306

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

We Will Take What You Offer
[Assisted by Youth Percussion Group]

Bell

“We will take what you offer,
we will live by your word;
we will love one another
and be fed by you, God.”
John L. Bell, 1998

***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]**

Eternal Holy One, you created the heavens and the earth, giving breath to every living thing. We thank you for all the gifts of creation and for the gift of Life itself. Accept now these gifts and offerings, that they may help others in need and advance the work of your Realm. This we pray in the name of Christ our Leader, Example, and Friend. Amen.

Holy Communion

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

The Invitation

Receiving the Bread and Cup

The Blessing

Communion Music

Church Sonata in E-Flat Major

Mozart

Going with God's Love

*Hymn of Departure Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

#347

*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 music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive. The lyrics are: Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. Chords are indicated above and below the notes: A, E, A, D, Bm, E, C#7, F#m, Bm, E7sus4, E7, A.

*Benediction

Postlude

Church of God, Elect and Glorious

Taylor

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLOWING MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Family of Jim Kaul, Jim Pay, Family of Jan Rahnenfuehrer, Dorie Gabor, 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, August 14, 2016 – Adults: 80 Kids: 16 Total: 96

BUCC ANNOUNCEMENTS

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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.

OUR NEW COMMUNION WARE has been given to us by Betty Kaul in memory of her late husband, Jim Kaul. As we use these beautiful pieces today, and in the days and years to come, it reminds us of our everlasting connection with all those wonderful people of faith who have touched - and continue to touch - our lives.

TODAY'S FLOWERS are given by George & Carole Snider in Congratulations & Blessings to their Granddaughter Michelle Caster and James Fitzgibbon on their upcoming marriage, August 27, 2016

TODAY'S FLOWERS are also given by Dot & Stu Bailey in Celebration of their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

WE OFFER YOU the use of one of our Williams sound receivers to help enhance your hearing experience during worship. It helps avoid the noise from others in your pew, distracting sounds of Route 82 traffic, and echoes within the sanctuary. They are easy to use and each has a volume control for your optimum hearing. The units will work whether you have hearing devices or not. You can bring your preferred head phones from home to use or borrow one of ours. If you wear a hearing device, an even better experience awaits you having your audiologist set your device with the option for telecoil pick up and using one of the teleloops which are available. Please talk to any usher and take advantage of our latest technology.

WORSHIP IN THE PARK - NEXT SUNDAY AUG. 28th - Come join us in Richfield Woods Park for coffee, juice and bagels at 10:00, followed by worship at 10:30 with our friends of the Richfield UCC. Maps to the park and to the Richfield UCC [in the unlikely event of rain] are available in the Church Office.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR MEETINGS SCHEDULE! For the groups that meet at **BUCC** on a regular basis, please refer to the calendar on the wall in the office. There is a list of Central School events that will take place throughout the year where we will all share the parking lot, **so plan accordingly!**

CHANGE IN DONATION LOCATION The basket for donated food, toiletries, dental, and other items has moved a distance of about 12 feet. It is now next to the door to the church office. This is to minimize any distraction from the lovely one of a kind bicentennial quilt in the upper commons. Also the peace pole is now more prominent.

"SAVE THE DATE! A celebration 200 years in the making will take place at **HALE FARM & VILLAGE** on Sunday evening, **OCTOBER 16TH**. Please mark your calendar TODAY!"

"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. They are also available for purchase on the website [www. Cookbookshoppe.com](http://www.Cookbookshoppe.com).

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. (1 to 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 - Exodus 3:9-15

The Holy One said to Moses “The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.” But Moses said to the Holy One, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” The Holy One replied, “I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship me on this mountain.”

But Moses said to the Holy One, “If I come to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is God’s name?’ what shall I say to them?” God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM! Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘I AM has sent me to you.’” “God also said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘The Holy One, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you’: This is my name forever, and this is my title for all generations.”

The New Testament - Luke 10:1-11

After this Jesus appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Creator of the harvest to send out laborers into the harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you.”

“Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; heal the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The Divine Realm has come near to you.’ But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the Divine Realm has come near!’”

The Continuing Testament - from *Commented Bible Passages from Taizé*
[edited]

There is nothing more intimate than faith. But isn't it true that we often believe as others do, and because others believed in God before us? At key moments of my life I have met believers. Their life seemed authentic to me. I saw that they were similar to me, with questions and struggles like mine. And they believed in God.

Arguments for or against faith are a bit like particles and antiparticles in physics. They mutually annihilate one another. Almost every argument in favor of God has its opposite argument. That is why discussions about God's existence generally end-up as a tie.

When face-to-face with a believer, however, things are different. The existence of a person cannot be dismissed or refuted as easily as an argument can. That believer's clear existence raises the question: "If faith in God has shaped the life of that man or woman and made it authentic, cannot that same faith give authenticity and meaning to my life as well?"

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Aug. 21	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
	11:30 am	CE Meeting
Tues., Aug. 23	7:00 pm	Bicentennial Meeting
Wed., Aug. 24	6:00 am	Early Birds
Thurs., Aug. 25	1:00 pm	Bible Study
Sunday, Aug. 28	10:00 am	Coffee, Juice, Bagels
	10:30 am	Worship in the Park – Richfield Woods Park

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SUNDAY SERVICE

AUG. 21, 2016

Lay Reader:	Sam Koch
Head Usher:	Anne Melfo
Ushers:	Joanne Cook, Vicki Szabo Matt Wolbert, Fred Pesek
Acolyte:	Naomi Klonowski
Peace Candle:	Olivia Klonowski
Sound:	David Pastor
Comms Grtr:	Dot Bailey
Narthex Grtr:	Kathy Smith
Flowers:	Dot Bailey
Nursery:	Courtnei Began
Counters:	Sue Stenzel, Marge Culver
Servers:	Carole Snider
Clean-Up:	Jane & Cliff Cribbs

PARTICIPANTS IN NEXT SUNDAY SERVICE

AUG. 28, 2016

****WORSHIP IN THE PARK****

10:00 am Coffee, Juice, Bagels

10:30 am Worship in the Park – Richfield Woods Park