



BRECKSVILLE

UNITED CHURCH of CHRIST

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

Compassionate
Holy One, we do
try to live
by faith.
Sometimes the
way seems
clear, but at
other times it's
difficult to know
what is
righteous and
just, good and
true. May we
trust you to
correct and
guide us, O
Holy One, as we
step by faith
into the
unknown future
Amen.

The Bread Of Life And The Cup Of Salvation

Sunday August 7, 2016 • 10:00 AM

Twelfth 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 7, 2016 –TWELTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Meditation Music

Divine Source of Compassion and Grace, when we are engulfed by fears and anxiety because we feel that we stand alone, remind us of your constant Presence. Urge us onward. Help us to persevere. Overcome our fear and doubt with your great gifts of faith, hope and love. Amen.

Gathering in God's Presence

** Please Stand as you are able.*

Prelude

Antdante

Saint-Saens

Bearing the Light of Peace

Bearing the Light of Christ

*** Call to Worship**

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Leader: Blessed be the name of the Holy One from this time forth and for evermore!

People: From the rising of the sun to its setting, let us praise the name of our Creator.

L: It is good to give thanks to the Holy One, to sing praises to the Most High.

P: To declare God's steadfast love in the morning and faithfulness by night.

L: People of faith, let us praise the Holy One together:

All: Glory be to God on high!

*** Hymn of Praise**

Rejoice, You Pure in Heart

#55

*** Prayer of Confession [Unison]**

Eternal Holy One, we look to your saving power and grace. Enter those parts of ourselves that disturb us and heal them. Use our broken places as the places where you bring us together in community. Transform our own weakness into compassion for the weakness of others. Give us that graceful combination of humility and self-esteem that we may see ourselves and others as you see us - your restored and loved people. Amen.

*** The Assurance of Pardon**

L: One fact remains and does not change: God has loved us, loves us now, and will love us always. This is the Good News that brings us new life.

All: Thanks be to God!

*** Passing the Peace**

L: As God's forgiven and renewed people, let us now greet one another with the peace of Christ.

The Peace of Christ be with you!

P: And also with you!

*** The Song of Praise**

*** The 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 Old Testament	<i>Psalm 65</i>	Pew Bible, page 577
The New Testament	Luke 12:22-32	Pew Bible, page 74
The Continuing Testament	<i>Choosing Love over Fear</i>	by Bryant McGill

Time with Young Worshipers

Musical Offering	Broken and Spilled Out <i>[Jon Thompson, bass]</i>	Composer: Bill George
Sermon	<i>I'm Worried about My Anxiety...</i>	Pastor Dave Shackle
Hymn of Reflection	Surely No One Can Be Safer	#487

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

Gymnopedie

Satie

*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]

We offer ourselves with these gifts, Gracious Holy One, confident that you have a purpose for them and for us. Expand our vision to see the signs of your love which surround us every day. Open our hearts to embrace new ways to serve you and others. Renew our compassion and inspire our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Hope and our Joy! Amen!

Holy Communion

Communion Hymn

Eat This Bread
[sung twice]

#788

The Thanksgiving

Leader: The Holy One be with you.

People: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts!

P: Our hearts rejoice in our Creator's Presence!

L: Let us give thanks for the Spirit's abundant love!

P: It is good to raise our thanks and praise!

L: Because you show us your perfect Love in the person of Jesus Christ, who endured the Cross for the sake of us all, it is right that we should give you thanks and praise, saying,

All: Holy, holy, holy, Source of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O Holy One Most High!

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

The Invitation

Receiving the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving [Unison]

Gracious Holy One, we give thanks that you have refreshed us at your Table through these gifts of Bread and Cup. We ask that you now strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace; through Jesus Christ our ever-present Savior. Amen.

Going with God's Love

*** Hymn of Departure**

Give Up Your Anxious Pains
[sung to *God Reigns o'er All the Earth*]

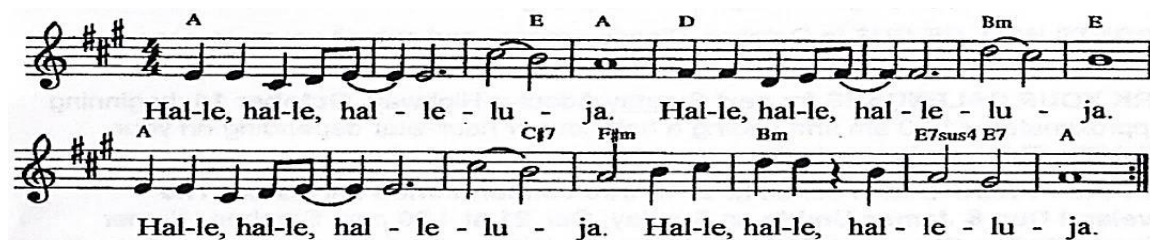
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*** Carrying the Light of Christ into the World**

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

Adagio

Tchaikovsky

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, July 31, 2016 – Adults: 70 Kids: 9 Total: 79

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.

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.

FOR OUR COMMUNION SERVICE, grape juice is used instead of wine for the purpose of showing solidarity with those among us who may be in recovery from addiction

THANK YOU - We thank Pat Frank for sharing her musical gifts with us this morning on the organ.

TODAY'S FLOWERS are given by Bill & Ann Toneff in Celebration of their 68th Wedding Anniversary.

WOMEN UNITED - Next Meeting Wednesday August 17th at 11:30 AM. Bring a sack lunch. Coffee and tea will be provided. Joy will share a video which was broadcast on Channel 25's Montage Series. Her mother, Eva Nenadel, was the subject of one segment and it will follow her piano playing and enjoying camp with The Society for the Blind. **ALL ARE WELCOME, bring a friend.**

WORSHIP IN THE PARK - 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.

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 - *Psalms* 65

Praise is due to you, O Holy One; and to you shall vows be performed, O Gracious One who answer prayer! To you all people shall come. When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions. Happy are those whom you bless and bring to live in your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple. By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O Source of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might. You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples. Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the dawn and the sunset sing for joy! You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of the Holy One shall not run dry; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it. You water the earth's furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth. You crown the year with your bounty; your valleys overflow with richness! The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy, the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy!

The New Testament - *Luke* 12:22-32

Jesus said to his followers, "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet the Holy One feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If you then are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest?"

Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even King Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if the Creator so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will God clothe you - O you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying.

For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Heavenly Parent knows that you need them. Instead, eagerly strive for the Divine Realm, and all these things will be given to you as well. Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is the Holy One's good pleasure to give you the Holy Realm."

The Continuing Testament - *Choosing Love over Fear* - by Bryant McGill [edited]

Fear is the most insidious and suffocating emotion there is. It causes you to feel small and powerless, it is paralyzing to Life. When we are afraid of failure, judgment, loneliness or rejection, we try to play-it-safe to avoid Fear's pain and uncertainty. When we are afraid, we advance cautiously - or not at all - trying to keep things the same and "safe". However, no matter how hard we try to keep things constant, change is inevitable. Even inaction will slowly change you from what you *could* have been, to what you never will be. This is how we are stunted by Fear. Fear is a thief because it robs you before you even begin. Fear shrinks the marvelous potential of your Life experience.

Conversely, Love expands and opens your Life potential. Love is courageous. Love is strength. Love embraces and celebrates Life. Love stands-up and moves forward. The moment we confront our fears, we are declaring that we are contenders for Life and for Love. When we truly love Life, we are moved to deeply explore Life's amazing potential and possibilities. Only when you decide to truly live can you be free of your fears; and only when you are free of your fears can you truly live! Embracing Life and overcoming Fear are one and the same.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Aug. 7	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour/OCWM –Lib.
Monday, Aug. 8	7:30 pm	Facilities
Wed., Aug. 10	6:00 am	Early Birds
	7:00 pm	Council
Thurs., Aug. 11	1:00 pm	Bible Study
Sunday, Aug. 14	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour/Leadership Development - Library

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SUNDAY SERVICE

AUG. 7, 2016

Lay Reader:	Stu Bailey
Head Usher:	Dot Bailey
Ushers:	Linda Kriynovich, Jan Renovetz, Dan & Ian Stewart
Acolyte:	Ryan Stewart
Peace Candle:	Lucy Brown
Sound:	Tim Wallis
Comns Grtr:	David Pastor
Narthex Grtr:	Jon Thompson
Flowers:	Dorie Gabor
Nursery:	Kathy Pastor
Counters:	Nancy Stella, Jim Duffy
Servers:	Jill Zedan
Clean Up:	Bridget Sproul

PARTICIPANTS IN NEXT SUNDAY SERVICE

AUG. 14, 2016

Lay Reader:	Diane Gressley
Head Usher:	Evie Novak
Ushers:	Wes Novak, Beth Rehling George & Carole Snider
Acolyte:	Michalina Fawcett
Peace Candle:	Garrett Demko
Sound:	Max Roha
Comns Grtr:	Jill Zedan
Narthex Grtr:	Fred Pesek
Flowers:	Kathy Pastor
Nursery:	Jon Cook
Counters:	Stu Bailey, Jan Renovetz
Servers:	Joy Garapic
Clean-Up:	Jan Renovetz