



# BRECKSVILLE

## UNITED CHURCH of CHRIST

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

Divine Source of hope and mercy, may we faithfully follow the example of Jesus and seek to be the kind of people who look at the world through eyes of compassion. May we find joy and peace in our worship of you, and in our loving service to others. This we pray in the Name and Spirit of Jesus Christ. Amen.



**Sunday June 18, 2017 • 10:00 AM**

**Third 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, 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**

**Church Phone: 440-526-4364**

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## June 18, 2017 – Third Sunday After Pentecost

### **Meditation Music**

Sacred Source of kindness and compassion, in a world of disease and sickness, trouble and strife, there are many who need a helping hand. Help us turn our hearts to you, so that we may know how to reach-out to others with your caring and grace. Amen.

### ***Gathering in God's Presence***

*\* Please stand as you are able.*

#### **Prelude**

Protect Me, God: I Trust in You

Strover

"O God, you are my food and drink;  
my work for you is joy indeed;  
glad is the heritage that's mine."

Michael Saward, 1973

#### **Bearing the Light of Peace**

#### **Bearing the Light of Christ**

**\* Call to Worship** [based on *Psalms* 133 & 134]

Leader: How good and pleasant it is for God's people to live together in harmony!

**People: It is like the dew that refreshes the morning!**

L: It is like the fragrant oil of a holy anointing,

**P: As the Holy Spirit is poured-out upon the faithful!**

L: May Divine blessings renew us, today and every day of our lives!

**P: Let us give thanks and rejoice!**

L: Let us raise our hearts and voices to the Holy One,

**All: Let us praise the Creator of heaven and earth!**

#### **\* Hymn of Praise**

God Reigns o'er All the Earth

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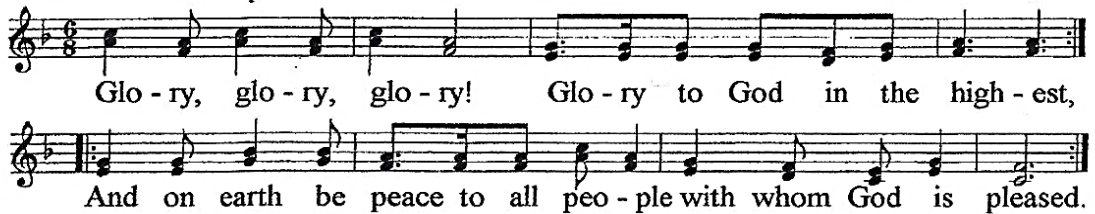
**\* Prayer of Invocation** [Unison]

**Divine Source of mystery and wonder, we thank you that you are with us at all times and in all places. Help us to recognize, and rejoice, that you are present in this moment. Help us to trust in your care in our times of difficulty and doubt. We thank you that you do not leave us alone in our struggles, but are always near, ready to strengthen and guide us. Help us to hear and respond to your call in our lives, so that we may share in the abundance of your gracious love. Amen.**

**\* The Song of Praise**

**Glory to God**

Pablo Sosa, 1988



**Time with Young Worshipers**

**Sacrament of Holy Baptism**

L: The Sacrament of Holy Baptism bears witness to the Divine Love and Grace that is extended to each of us at every stage of our lives.

**P: Today we celebrate God's love for this child, and offer ourselves as instruments of that love in her life.**

L: When parents brought their children to Jesus so that he might touch them, his disciples rebuked them; but when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them,

**P: "Let the children come to me and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the Realm of God.**

L: Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the Realm of God like a little child, shall not enter it."

**P: Then Jesus took the children into his arms and blessed them, laying his hands upon them.**

L: The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is an outward and visible sign of Divine Grace.

Because the promise of the Gospel is not only to us, but also to our children, baptism with water and the Holy Spirit is the mark of their acceptance into the care of Christ's Church, the sign and seal of their participation in God's forgiveness, and the beginning of their growth into full Christian faith.

**P: Out of the Water of Holy Baptism, we rise with new life, forgiveness and grace as members of the One Body of Christ.**

**Promises of the parents and Godparents**

Pastor: Do you desire to have your child baptized into the faith and family of Jesus Christ?

**Parents: We do.**

Pastor: Will you encourage her to resist the power of evil, and to receive the freedom of new life in Christ?

**All: We will, with the help of God.**

Pastor: Will you teach and encourage her that she may be inspired to know and follow Jesus Christ?  
**All: We will, with the help of God.**  
Pastor: Do you promise to grow with her in the Christian faith and to help her be a faithful member of the Church - by modeling Christ's Compassion in your lives, by furthering Christ's mission in the world, and by offering her the on-going nurture of the Church?  
**All: We do, with the help of God.**

**The Congregational Promise**

Pastor: Members and friends of Brecksville United Church of Christ: As witnesses of this Baptism, will you pray for Makenzie and her family as they grow together in faith?  
**People: We promise them our prayerful support, as they carry Christ's love with them from this place.**

**Baptismal Act and Presentation**

<b>The Old Testament</b>	Exodus 3:11-15	Pew Bible, page 50
<b>The New Testament</b>	Matthew 9:35-10:4	Pew Bible, page 9
<b>The Continuing Testament</b>	from <i>The Call of Moses</i>	by Larry Broding
<b>Musical Offering</b>	Thankful [Jon Thompson, bass]	Foster/Sager/Page
<b>Sermon</b>	<i>Name It and Claim It!</i>	Pastor Dave Shackle
<b>Hymn of Reflection</b>	Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness [verses 3 and 4]	#286

***The Church at Prayer***

**Silent Meditation**

**Prayers of the Church**

**The Prayer of Jesus**

*[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

Come, Bring Your Burdens to God  
[Assisted by Youth Percussion Group]

So. African melody

#### \* 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]

Gracious Holy One, we ask your blessing on us and the gifts that we bring. May your redeeming word of hope be spoken through us and through our gifts, in this place and throughout our world. Grant that our connection with you and with one another may warm our hearts and radiate from us as deeds of love and service. We ask this in the Name and Spirit of Jesus Christ. Amen.

### ***Sacrament of Holy Communion***

#### Words of Institution

#### Prayer of Consecration

#### The Invitation

#### Receiving the Bread and Cup

#### Communion Music

Andante religioso and Allegretto from Sonata IV

Composer:  
Mendelssohn

#### The Blessing

### ***Going with God's Love***

#### \* Hymn of Departure

Jesus Loves Me

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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

Thanks Be to God Our Savior

Scheer

### PLEASE KEEP THE FOLOWING MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Lenore Harris, Justin Brownlow, Dottie Faust, "Edna House", Jon Thompson, Bill Simpson, Jim Pay, Bill Toneff, Tina Ortiz, Dassie Matsuoka, Jan & G. Wardlaw, 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, June 11, 2017 – Adult: 75 Kids: 7 Total: 82

## 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.

**TODAY WE WELCOME *Makenzie Marie Oliver***, daughter of Chad and Casey Oliver, into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. A special welcome also to her Godparents - Caitlin Moore and Adam Oliver - and other family members and friends visiting with us on this special day!

**TODAY'S FLOWERS** are given by Maureen Stanley in Loving Memory of my parents Anniversary; Ray & Edna Stanley, June 19, 1948.

**OUR HYMN OF THE MONTH** for June is *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*, written by James K. Manley. Manley was born in 1940 at Holyoke, Massachusetts, and received his education at Whittier College, Pacific School of Religion, and Claremont School of Theology. He was ordained to the ministry of the United Church of Christ in 1966. Manley "felt the urging of the Holy Spirit to write this hymn" after he had completed the rough draft of his Doctor of Ministry thesis. A new arrangement was created for *The New Century Hymnal* in 1995.

As we move into our long Church Season of Pentecost, this hymn serves as a good reminder of the many ways in which the Spirit has moved - and continues to work - through the lives of God's people. If you find a particular hymn with words that move you, please let Pastor Dave or Dave Debick know, and we will try to use it as a future Hymn of the Month.

**CHURCH PICNIC** - Sunday, July 9 at 2:00pm. Swim, games, fun! Hamburgers & Hotdogs provided. Watch for Sign-up sheet for side dishes!

**OUR CHRISTIAN ED AND SPIRITUAL LIFE MINISTRIES** will be organizing a group to march in the Cleveland Pride Parade. The parade is June 24th and starts near Erieview Plaza in Cleveland at 12:00. The route ends at Voinovich Park and is just about a mile long. We will need to line up by 11:00 and will be given our staging location closer to the date. This is a great opportunity for us to present BUCC as a truly open and affirming congregation and to attract new members who may not know that we are here.

**SUMMER MONTHS** are busy. This is a fact. If you know when you will not be available to be included in the schedule please email me at [stenzelsj@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stenzelsj@sbcglobal.net) with the details. Sue Stenzel

**WOMEN UNITED** It is Picnic Time! On June 28th at 11:30 AM we will meet at the Metroparks Pavilion across from the Nature Center off Rt 82. Bring a salad or sandwich or perhaps a dish to share. For further info and directions call Dorie Gabor at 440-552-4029. All church women and friends are welcome.



**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](http://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 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.

**DID YOU MISS** last Sunday's service or do you just want to have a chance to rehear Pastor Dave's sermon. The Sunday services are recorded in their entirety on audio CDs each week. You can borrow a CD in the church office and listen to it at your convenience at home or in your car. Several recent weeks' recordings are always available. Check them out and check them out.

## ***Readings***

### **The Old Testament - Exodus 3:11-15**

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 said, "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, "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?" The Holy One said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.' " The Holy One 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 my title for all generations."

## **The New Testament - Matthew 9:35-10:4**

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the Divine Realm, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the ruler of the harvest to send out laborers into the harvest."

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

## **The Continuing Testament - from *The Call of Moses* - by Larry Broding [edited]**

The Hebrews believed that the name of something or someone revealed the power of the thing or individual; to know one's source of power meant having power over that person. So, when Moses asks for God's name, he not only asks for a revelation into God, he seeks power over God. However, when he received God's name, it is Moses who is changed. The dialogue between God and Moses ends, and the mission of Moses begins. God changes Moses through the power of the name; Moses does not change God.

Many times when we try to change God's will through prayer, we become frustrated. No wonder! Like Moses we seek God's power, only to find we are not in charge. God changes us, we do not and cannot change God. Like Moses, God changes us by calling us by name, and by challenging us to do God's will of setting people free.

## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK**

<b>Sunday, June 18</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
		<b>*Happy Father's Day!*</b>
	<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Coffee Hour</b>
<b>Wednesday, June 21</b>	<b>6:00 am</b>	<b>Early Birds</b>
<b>Thursday, June 22</b>	<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>
<b>Friday, June 23</b>		<b>*Office Closed*</b>
<b>Sunday, June 25</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
		<b><i>*Strengthen the Church Offering*</i></b>
	<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Coffee Hour</b>
	<b>11:30 am</b>	<b>Survey Response Session</b>

**PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SUNDAY SERVICE**

**JUNE 18, 2017**

Lay Reader:	Jim Duffy
Head Usher:	Jill Zedan
Ushers:	Joanne Cook, Fred Pesek Jess Barnes, Wes Novak
Acolyte:	Grace Hunt
Peace Candle:	Lily Hunt
Sound:	David Pastor
Comms Grtr:	Max Roha
Flowers:	Sue Stenzel
Nursery:	Robin Coyer-Westerberg
Counters:	Donn Whyte, Sue Stenzel
Servers:	Joy Garapic, Sue Stenzel
Clean-Up:	Bridget & Chad Sproul
Snacks:	Beth Rehling, Gina Cook Wrights, Kathleen Stewart

**PARTICIPANTS IN NEXT SUNDAY SERVICE**

**JUNE 25, 2017**

Lay Reader:	Kathy Smith
Head Usher:	Jan Renovetz
Ushers:	Jill Zedan, Betty Kaul Tim & Kim Wallis
Acolyte:	Michelina Fawcett
Peace Candle:	Drew Demko
Sound:	Doug Fawcett
Comms Grtr:	Dave Bernard
Flowers:	Jan Renovetz
Nursery:	Kathy Pastor
Counters:	David Pastor, Dave Bernard
Servers:	Julie Bernard, Carole Snider
Clean-Up:	Peg & Jim Duffy
Snacks:	Bettina Ortiz, Heidi Spangler