

BRECKSVILLE

UNITED Church of CHRIST

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

Holy Source of Hope and Compassion, you call and gather your children from all parts of the earth, inviting us to walk in your gracious ways. On this day, and throughout our days, may we strive to set-aside those things that tend to divide us, and focus on those wonderful things that can unite us and make us One Family. Amen.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

*....He Took Bread, Blessed And Broke It, And Gave
It To Them. Then Their Eyes Were Opened....
Luke 24:30-31*

Sunday, October 7, 2018 • 10:00 AM
World Communion Sunday

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, or pangender

You Are Welcome Here!

If you are fully abled, 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!



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, please speak to our pastor.

Large Print Bulletins are available. Simply ask an usher. Hearing difficulty? Please talk to any usher about a Personal Sound receiver available for your use. Pillows for back support are also available, if needed

Office Hours:

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

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October 7, 2018 – World Communion Sunday

Meditation Music

Divine Source of Wisdom and Grace, teach us to respect one another. Help us learn from those who express their faith in ways that are different from our own. Deepen our understanding and appreciation of Life's beautiful diversity, and help us to recognize your Sacred Presence with surrounds us each day. Amen.

Gathering in God's Presence

** Please stand as you are able.*

Prelude

Medley: Maker of All, from Land and Sea/
Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

Dykes/South African tune

*[Recorder/dulcimer/guitar ensemble; Youth Percussion Group;
Becky Anderson and Erin Tomlinson, flute]*

Join high with low, join young with old,
In love that never waxes cold;
Under one Shepherd, in one fold,
Make us all one."
Christopher Wordsworth, 1871

Bearing the Light of Peace

Bearing the Light of Christ

* Call to Worship

Leader: Come to the Table, all those who hunger and thirst,

People: For Christ is here to fill us and refresh us.

L: Come to the Table, all those who are hurting and alone,

P: For Christ is here with healing and comfort.

L: Come to the Table, all those who seek to serve the Holy One and humankind,

P: For Christ is here to guide and strengthen us.

L: As Christ' Living, Loving Body in this world,

P: We offer ourselves to help feed the hungry bodies and souls around us.

L: As we share of the One Bread and Cup,

P: The joy and peace of Christ unites us.

L: Though we come from many different places and backgrounds,

All: Christ's compassion and grace truly makes us One!

* Hymn of Praise

Thank Our God for Sisters, Brothers

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*** Prayer of Confession**

All: Creating and sustaining Holy One, your great commandment in Christ is that we love one another as Christ has loved us. We confess that we fail to embrace your liberating love. We divide where you would unite. We exclude where you would embrace. Forgive our hardness of heart. Mend our broken Human Family. Breathe into us the living power of your amazing and abundant love and grace, we ask in the name of Christ, our Brother, Example and Friend. Amen.

*** The Assurance of Pardon**

L: One fact remains and will never change: God has loved us, loves us still, and will love us always. This is the Good News that brings us new life.

All: Thanks be to God!

*** Passing the Peace**

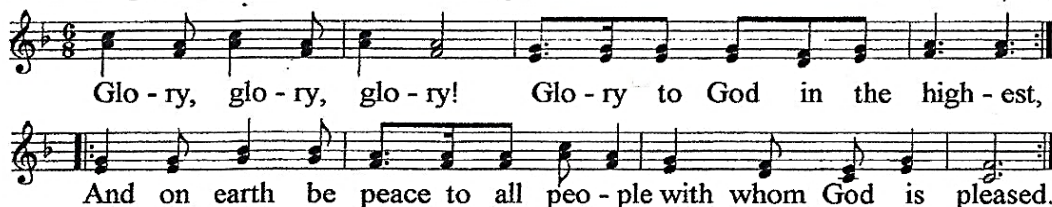
L: As God's forgiven and renewed people, let us now greet one another with the peace of Christ. The Peace of Christ be with you!

P: And also with you!

*** The Song of Praise**

Glory to God

Pablo Sosa, 1988



The Old Testament

Psalm 36:5-11

Pew Bible, page 510

The New Testament

Luke 24:13-16; 28-35

Pew Bible, page 90

The Continuing Testament

And the Table Will Be Wide

by Jan Richardson

Youth Anthem

Unity

Moone

[Joyful Noise Choir]

Time with Young Worshipers

Musical Offering

We Are One

Welch

Sermon

Bread and Wine, Tea and Pastry

Pastor Dave Shackle

Hymn of Reflection

Let There be Peace on Earth

by Jill Jackson and Sy
Miller

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
Through our One Creator, Family all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.
With every step I take let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment with peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

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

There's a Spirit of Love in This Place

Miller

* 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, Source of our lives and Giver of every good gift: accept these offerings that we present to you today. May they serve as symbols of our love and commitment to you and to your saving work in this place and in this world. May they also be a sign of our willingness to give our whole lives and selves in dedicated service to you and to your message of love and peace. We pray in the Name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

Holy Communion

Communion Hymn

**As We Gather at Your Table
[verses 1 & 3]**

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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: It is truly good and right to give you thanks, Divine Source of all Life, for you have called us into your Church to serve you by serving the entire human family, and to proclaim your Good News to all the world. In gratitude we accept your call, and praise your Holy Name, 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

Communion Music

Medley: Dear God, Your Love Is All Around Me/The Great
Thanksgiving Peace
(Great Britain)/Monteiro (Brazil)/Trad. Punjabi melody
[Assisted by Youth Percussion Group]

"Sorrow, pain and grief may do their worst.
Here's the wine of life that quenches all our thirst.
Remember Christ, and put forgiveness first.
We give thanks as we drink of your love."
Jill Robinson, 2006

Prayer of Thanksgiving [Unison]

Bountiful Giver of Life, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your Table by granting us the presence of the Living Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of your Spirit. Amen.

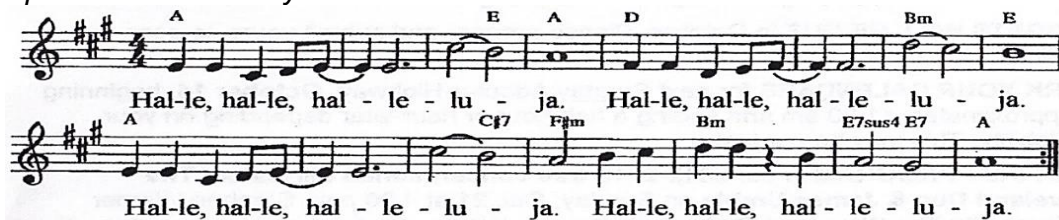
Going with God's Love

* 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*



*Benediction

Postlude

You, Lord, We Praise in Songs of Celebration

15th century German

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLOWING MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Michele Namitka and Family, Pat Bailey, Fred Pesek, Jill Black, Stan McCain, Phyllis Molnar, Lenore Harris, Justin Brownlow, Dottie Faust, "Edna House", Jon Thompson, Tina Ortiz, Dassie Matsuoka, Doris Schmid, Kirk & Lee Sanderson, Kathleen Stewart, Doug Lightbody, Mary Dagostino, 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 September 30, 2018 – Adults: 50 Kids:8 Total:58

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 Jill Black & Jim Duffy in Honor of the Birthday of our late Sister, and Mother, "Little Lou."

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY originated in the Presbyterian Church in 1936. On the first Sunday in October that year, Communion was intentionally celebrated in all Presbyterian churches in the United States and overseas. From the beginning, it was encouraged that other denominations make use of this occasion, and after a few years the idea began to spread, particularly after the world-wide devastation of World War II. Today we celebrate the fact that all people are One in Christ, and that the Table we gather around is not our own, but is open to all

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.

TODAY IS THE DAY for the next BUCC hunger meal. The site is Iglesia Emmanuel Church. The menu and places to sign up to help are on the board in the narthex. We could use one or two more person on the first shift.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE what Cleveland Roots is doing lately? If so, plan to attend the Cleveland Roots Pepper Festival and Open House on Sunday, October 14, 2018 from 12 noon to 4 PM. In addition to food, there will be family entertainment, music, demonstrations, and activities for children. This will be a chance to learn more about the mission of Cleveland Roots and its efforts to alleviate food deserts.

ADVENT BOOK Scripture Verses will be available today. Please see Jon Thompson to choose yours. The deadline this year is Sunday, October 28 (*last Sunday in October*). See Advent Book Guidelines & Suggestions in your October, 2018 Pillar.

SEASONAL CHOIR - Our first practice for this year's Christmas cantata will be this Thursday, October 11 from 7:00-8:00 PM. Rehearsals will run weekly through December 16, the date of the cantata presentation. If you enjoy singing in a group setting, but cannot commit to regular choir, seasonal choir provides an excellent opportunity for choral singing, fellowship, and spiritual preparation for the Feast of the Nativity. Listening CDs are provided to make the learning process easier. If you have any questions, contact Dave D.

ON SUNDAY NOVEMBER 4 AT 4:00 PM, Brecksville UCC will host the **Yiddishe Cup Klezmer Band**. Formed in 1988, Yiddishe Cup is one of the top Klezmer Bands in America. Klezmer music is a hybrid of Eastern European Jewish folk music, American swing, Yiddish theater tunes and Israeli horas. A free-will offering will be received, and a light reception will follow the program. Plan on joining us on Nov. 4 for some toe-tapping ethnic music. Bring a friend, and bring your dancing shoes!

Readings

The Old Testament - Psalm 36:5-11

Your steadfast love, O Holy One, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O Gracious One.

How precious is your steadfast love, O Compassionate One! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart!

Do not let the foot of the arrogant tread on me, or the hand of the wicked drive me away.

The New Testament - Luke 24:13-16; 28-35

Now on that same day [Easter] two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him....

....As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Continuing Testament

And the Table Will Be Wide - by Jan Richardson

And the table will be wide.
And the welcome will be wide.
And the arms will open wide to gather us in.
And our hearts will open wide to receive.

And we will come as children who trust there is enough.
And we will come unhindered and free.
And our aching will be met with bread.
And our sorrow will be met with wine.

And we will open our hands to the feast without shame.
And we will turn toward each other without fear.
And we will give up our appetite for despair.
And we will taste and know of delight.

And we will become bread for a hungry world.
And we will become drink for those who thirst.
And the blessed will become the blessing.
And everywhere will be the feast.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Oct. 7	10:00 am	Worship Service/ *Neighbors in Need Offering
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
	<u>*See Jon Thompson for you Scripture Verse for the 2018/19 Advent Book*</u>	
	11:00 am	CE Library
	11:00 am	Spiritual Life
	Hunger Meal Iglesia Immanuel	
Monday, Oct. 8	7:00 pm	Facilities – Library
Wednesday, Oct. 10	7:00pm	Council
Thurs., Oct. 11	1:00 pm	Bible Study
	4:30 pm	Recorder/Dulcimer/Guitar
	5:30 pm	Joyful Noise
	7:00 pm	Seasonal Choir
	8:00 pm	Choir
Friday, Oct. 12	*Office Closed*	
Sunday, Oct. 14	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
	5:30 pm	Youth Percussion
	6:00 pm	Youth Ministry

CHURCH RETREAT - On Saturday October 14th from 10:00 am - 4:00 p.m. all BUCC Adults, teens and friends have the opportunity to join together for our annual Retreat at Ledge Lake Shelter in the Hinckley Reservation. This year's theme will be *Peace and Justice... You can't Have One Without the Other!* Along with our planned activities, we will also share a noon meal and take some time to get to know one another a bit better. We ask that everyone bring something to add to the meal, or to share as a snack. [Jan Renovetz can offer suggestions, if needed - 330-467-9357] There will be a sign-up sheet circulating after worship services, or you can call the Church Office [440-526-4364] to let us know you're coming. Maps to the Shelter are also available in the office, and please feel free to call me if you have any questions. - Pastor Dave

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SUNDAY'S SERVICE
OCTOBER 7, 2018

Lay Reader:	Cliff Cribbs
Head Usher:	Jon Thompson
Ushers:	Beth Rehling, Darlene, Kelly, Sam Koch, Matt Wolbert
Acolyte:	Jillian Davis
Peace Candle:	Olivia Klonowski
Sound:	Ben Tomlinson
Comns Grtr:	Dot Bailey
Flowers:	Carole Snider
Nursery:	Courtnei Began
C.E Teacher:	Beth Rehling
Counters:	Nancy Stella, Carole Snider
Servers:	Cliff & Sue Stenzel
Clean-up:	Jan Renovetz, Jill Zedan
Snacks:	Jane Cribbs, Erin Tomlinson

PARTICIPANTS IN NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE
OCTOBER 14, 2018

Lay Reader:	Jim Duffy
Head Usher:	Jill Zedan
Ushers:	Dave & Julie Bernard Joe & Betsey Wilson
Acolyte:	Carrie Coyer-Westerberg
Peace Candle:	Amy Coyer-Westerberg
Sound:	Doug Fawcett
Comns Grtr:	Marge Culver
Flowers:	Jan Renovetz
Nursery:	Marla Corrado
C.E Teacher:	Kate Klonowski
Counters:	Bruce McCain, Matt Wolbert
Servers:	Joan Cook, Betty Kaul
Clean-Up:	Dave & Kathy Pastor
Snacks:	Dot Bailey, Gina Cook