



BRECKSVILLE

UNITED Church of CHRIST

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

***When we are
lost, the best
thing we can do
is to stop. Go
on further and
we are likely to
become even
more lost.***

***Leave the spot
where we first
realized we
were lost, and
it's harder for
rescuers to find
us. So stop!
Trust that
someone is
coming to find
you. In our
Christian faith,
we know who
that someone
is: it is God!***

God LOVES YOU....

Everyday!

www.Daily-Bible-Verse.net

Sunday September 15, 2019 • 10:00 AM

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Pastor

• Allan Lane

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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September 15, 2019 –Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Meditation Music

The Holy Spirit is at work in our neighborhood even now, sweeping up the streets and down the alleyways of human life, looking for those who are struggling, looking for those who are opening up their minds and their hearts to the possibility of something new and something better in their lives. The Holy Spirit is calling us to join in that search, and to share the God in our lives.

Gathering in God's Presence

** Please Stand as you are able.*

Prelude

Prelude

Buxtehude

Bearing the Light of Peace

Bearing the Light of Christ

*** Call to Worship**

Leader: O Divine Majesty, the cherubim and seraphim never cease praising you.

People: Let us join our voices to theirs in endless praise.

L: The church triumphant never stops singing joyous songs before you.

P: Let us join our voices to theirs in endless song.

L: The prayers of the poor and the suffering never stop rising up to you.

P: Let us join our voices to theirs to seek economic justice and to end suffering.

L: From the time of Abraham through the time of Jesus, and even now, our ancestors have worshipped you in grace and truth.

P: Let us join our voices to theirs in the great community of faith that passes through time, that people yet to come might look back on our faith with thanksgiving.

L: Let us join our voices to worship God!

*** Hymn of Praise**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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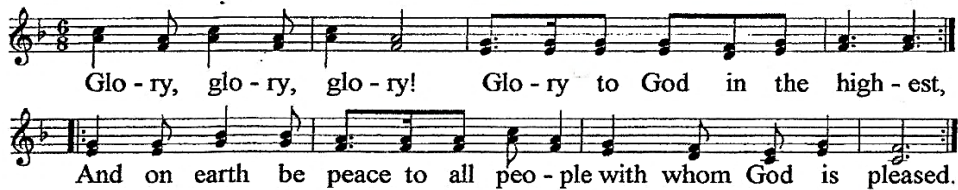
*** Prayer of Invocation [Unison]**

Gracious Holy One, we live in a world of rejection, and you are a God of inclusion. We live in a world of hatred, and you are a God of love. We live in a world of injustice, and you are a God of righteousness. We call on you to enter into our worship this morning in the power of the Holy Spirit, to help us find the courage to embrace, to love, to work for justice in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen

*** The Song of Praise**

Glory to God

Pablo Sosa, 1988



The Old Testament

Psalm 14 - What fools say in their hearts

Pew Bible, page 495

The Epistle

1 Timothy 1: 12-17 - Who is the number one sinner?

Pew Bible, page 208

The Gospel

Luke 15: 1-10 - Lost and Found

Pew Bible, page 78

Time with Young Worshipers

Anthem

I Thirst for You

Irish traditional, arr. Haas/True/Debick

[Becky Anderson, Betsey Wilson, flute]

Sermon

Lost and Found

Pastor Allan Lane

Hymn of Reflection

Help Us Accept Each Other

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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

Tierce en taille de la première ton

Lebègue

*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 and Abundant Source of All, from you we have received all that we have
and all that we are, and to you we now return a portion of that blessing so that
others may flourish. We are grateful for the chance to work beside you in the
transformation of the world. Receive these gifts and offerings as a token of our
desire to give ourselves to you. Amen

Holy Communion

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

The Invitation

Receiving the Bread and Cup

Communion Music

Remembrance (Communion Song)

Maher/Redman

"See His body, His blood;
know that He has overcome
ev'ry trial we will face.
And none too lost to be saved,
none too broken or ashamed.
All are welcome in this place."
Matt Maher and Matt Redman, 2009

The Blessing

Going with God's Love

- * Hymn of Departure Called as Partners in Christ's Service #495
- *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 written on a treble clef. 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 the notes: A, E, A, D, Bm, E, A, C#7, F#m, Bm, E7sus4 E7, A.

*Benediction

Postlude Fugue Buxtehude

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLOWING MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Anna Mary Fisher, Bill Toneff, Richard Sacher, brother of Jan Renovetz, Jan Wardlaw, Suzanne Patrick, Niece of Kathy Smith, Pat Bailey, Jill Black, Stan McCain, Phyllis Molnar, Lenore Harris, Justin Brownlow, Dottie Faust, "Edna House", Jon Thompson, Tina Ortiz, Dassie Matsuoka, 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 Sunday, September 8, 2019 – Adults: 76 Kids: 19 Total: 95

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 childcare 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.

TODAY'S FLOWERS are given by Nathan & Heather Hunt, for Loved Ones who can't be with us in person. May they rest in peace and continue enjoying their next journey.

Two Great Opportunities for Practical Learning:

What are ADVANCE DIRECTIVES?

When any adult over 17 is admitted to a hospital they will be asked if they have Advance Directives. We will review the four components of Advance Directives- The Living Will, Health Care Power of Attorney, Organ Donation and Guardian Designation. Let's get the care that you desire for yourself!

The presentation will be on Tuesday, September 17 from 7pm-8:30pm in Pilgrim Hall.

Discharge Planning Options after a hospital stay

Care decisions for yourself or loved on comes very quickly. It is important to understand the options available to you after a Hospital stay or if someone is struggling in the community. This education session will provide you information on what options are available and you're your insurance will and will not cover.

The presentation will be on Tuesday, September 24 from 7pm-8:30 pm in Pilgrim Hall.

BUCC MUSIC MINISTRY - It's never too late to check out any of our vocal or instrumental groups here at the church. Here is a list of groups with the days and times they meet:

Adult Choir (high school students welcome) - Thursdays from 7:00-8:30 PM

Joyful Noise Choir (K-5th grade) - Thursdays from 5:30-6:15

Recorder/Dulcimer/Guitar Ensemble (all ages welcome) - Thursdays from 4:30-5:00

Youth Percussion Group (6th grade up, adults welcome) - to be announced

Instrumentalists - Please contact Dave to let him know you're interested in playing and what instrument you play.

Private piano lessons with Dave Debick - see Dave to schedule

Note: Joyful Noise age bracket is flexible - pre-K also welcome to participate.

ART CLASSES WITH LIZ will be moving to Tuesday evenings, beginning on 9/24.

PAPER RECYCLING BIN – You may have noticed that we now have a Paper Recycling Bin in the Parking lot. Please bring your paper recyclables and help us fill it up!

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.

PLEASE BE SURE to enter your meeting and event schedule on the office calendar. This is used to list your times in both the ***Weekly Bulletin*** and in the ***Monthly Pillar***.

Readings

The Old Testament Psalm 14 - What Fools Say in Their Hearts

- ¹ Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God."
They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds;
there is no one who does good.
- ² The LORD looks down from heaven on humankind
to see if there are any who are wise,
who seek after God
- ³ They have all gone astray, they are all alike perverse;
there is no one who does good,
no, not one.
- ⁴ Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers
who eat up my people as they eat bread,
and do not call upon the LORD?
- ⁵ There they shall be in great terror,
for God is with the company of the righteous.
- ⁶ You would confound the plans of the poor,
but the LORD is their refuge.
- ⁷ O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion!
When the LORD restores the fortunes of his people,
Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad.


The Epistle 1 Timothy 1:12-17 - Who Is The Number One Sinner?

¹² I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³ even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴ and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶ But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷ To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. ^[a] Amen.

The Gospel Luke 15:1-10 - Lost and Found

15 Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. ² And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵ When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

The Parable of the Lost Coin⁸ “Or what woman having ten silver coins,  if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Sept. 15	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
Tuesday, Sept. 17	7:00-8:30 pm	Advanced Directives Pilgrim Hall
Wednesday., Sept. 18		*Jeannette Off*
Thurs., Sept.19		*Jeannette Off
	1:00 pm	Bible Study
	4:30-5 pm	Recorder/Dulcimer/Guitar
	5:30-6:15pm	Joyful Noise
	7-8:30 pm	Adult Choir
	7-8:30 pm	Art Class with Liz
Sunday, Sept. 15	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
	11:00 am	CE Meeting

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SUNDAY SERVICE
SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

Lay Reader:	Sam Koch
Head Usher:	Jan Renovetz
Ushers:	Chad & Bridget Sproul Kim Wallis, Cliff Cribbs
Acolyte:	Jillian Davis
Peace Candle:	Cameron Ward
Sound:	Kevin Smith
Comms Grtr:	Max Roha
Flowers:	Julie Bernard
Nursery:	Erin Tomlinson
C.E Teacher:	Beth Rehling
Counters:	Jim Duffy, Stu Bailey
Servers:	Joy Garapic, Sue Stenzel
Snacks:	Pat Rehm, Maureen Stanley
Clean-Up:	Dave & Kathy Pastor

PARTICIPANTS IN NEXT SUNDAY SERVICE
SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

Lay Reader:	Jill Zedan
Head Usher:	Sue Stenzel
Ushers:	Dot & Stu Bailey, Beth Rehling, Michelina Fawcett
Acolyte:	Joshua Anderson
Peace Candle:	Peter Kucmins
Sound:	David Pastor
Comms Grtr:	Valerie Tyler
Flowers:	Jan Renovetz
Nursery:	Courtnei Began
C.E. Teacher:	Robin Coyer-Westerberg
Counters:	Marge Culver, Jon Thompson
Servers:	Kathy & Leroy Ford
Snacks:	Diane Gressley, Heidi Spanger
Clean-Up:	Cliff & Jane Cribbs