

Welcome to **OUR SAVIOUR'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
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\* *All who are able please stand* L: *Leader; P: People*  
Prelude Accompanists: Nicole Burdick  
Words of Welcome and Good News.

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: In deep gratitude we come to worship God.

**P: We recognize God as the source of all goodness.**

L: All good gifts come from the Spirit of God: love, peace, joy, patience, kindness, gentleness are all of God.

**P: We come with grateful hearts, not for things, but for who God is. We gather to show our gratitude in song and prayer.**

\*HYMN: "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" R305/Projected

**\*INVOCATION**

***ALL: Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach us to give to you all that we have and all that we are, that we may praise you not with our words only, but with our whole lives. Amen.***

\*RESPONSE & INVITATION: "Spirit of the Living God" B283/Projected  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

WITNESS OF FAITH: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-9

WITNESS OF FAITH: Psalm 15

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

L: Let us confess our sin, trusting in God's grace.

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

***ALL: Holy God, we do not deserve to be in your dwelling place. We have not led a blameless life. We have not done what is right in your sight or spoken the truth that you have sealed in our hearts. We have done evil to both those we love and to those we refuse to love as we should. We have not been faithful stewards of that which we have been blessed and have hoarded that which should be shared with the least of these. Hear our cry, God of our hope, as we confess that which weighs us down.***

*Redeeming God, save us from our foolishness and guide us to your wisdom. Gather us in your righteousness and redemption. Forgive us for we are seeking your light and your salvation. Cleanse us of our brokenness that we might do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Amen.*

**\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

L: Because we are not worthy to enter God's dwelling, God came to dwell with us through the body and being of God's Son, Jesus Christ. Christ came to be with us, amongst us, and for us. Hear the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**P: Thanks be to God!**

\*Passing of the Peace [Let us bless one another in Christ as we are comfortable.]

WITNESS OF FAITH: James 1:17-27

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

A TIME OF LEARNING: "Grace" Projected  
The Animated Bible Project Series: The character of God

\*STATEMENT OF FAITH: The Apostle's Creed (old language) Projected

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place  
I can feel God's mighty power and God's Grace  
I can hear the brush of angel's wings  
I see glory on each face  
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place**

HYMN: "He Leadeth Me" (1862) Projected  
With Reawaken Hymns

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

Prayer of Our Savior:

**Our Father, 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.**

HYMN: "Come to the Table" with Sidewalk Prophets Projected

MEDITATION: "The James Way" Rev. Mundell

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

[Offering options by the sanctuary entrances/social media/mail/office.]

L: Giving is not a casual act—it relates God’s work to our work. Peter writes: “As each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace, that God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.” Let us give as people whose work is inextricably linked to God’s great works of creation, redemption and empowerment.

OFFERTORY

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below.  
Praise God above, you heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*ALL: Giving God, we dedicate this offering to the work of Your kingdom here on earth. May this collection be used wisely and diligently, that Your love may be known widely. As we dedicate this offering, we offer ourselves too, for these gifts are but tokens of ourselves. Take and use us, that our hands may reach out in service, our feet may walk the difficult path of reconciliation, and that our words may be words of peace. For this we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.*

HYMN: “Let Us Break Bread Together” vs. 1&2

R210/Projected

HOLY COMMUNION

\*BENEDICTION: “Go Now In Peace”

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know he will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.**

\*Postlude

## **THIS WEEK'S EVENTS**

- Thurs. August 29 9:00 am - Mind, Body, Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily  
5:45 pm - Lego Multiverse  
6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel with Communion
- Sun. Sept. 1 9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary with Communion  
10:00 am - Blood Pressure Clinic with Nurse Emily  
6:15 pm - Lego Multiverse
- Mon. Sept. 2 [Labor Day - Office Closed](#)
- Tues. Sept. 3 5:30 pm - Free Community Meal at Our Saviour's UCC  
6:30 pm - Pack 3735 Den Meeting

## **NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS**

- Thurs. Sept. 5 9:00 am - Mind, Body, Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily  
5:15 pm - Senior Choir Practice  
5:45 pm - Lego Multiverse  
6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel
- Sun. Sept. 8 9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary  
10:15 am - Sunday School  
4:30 pm - Pack 3735 Committee Meeting  
6:15 pm - Lego Multiverse
- Mon. Sept. 9 1:00 pm - Science Club  
6:30 pm - Church Council Meeting
- Tues. Sept. 10 5:30 pm - Free Community Meal at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church  
6:30 pm - Pack 3735 Den Meeting

## **QR CODES FOR CONTRIBUTIONS AND WORSHIP BULLETINS**



Please feel free to use either of these two scannable QR codes with your Smart Phone.

← *Contributions via OSUCC's PayPal site*

*OSUCC Website to view or download worship bulletins and The Messenger* →





**We welcome all visitors and guests and are glad you can join us for our services.**

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*us know.*

*Large print bulletins and regular bulletins are available in the vestibule and online. If you would like one mailed to you, please let*

## **Join us for worship on Sunday at 9:00 am and Thursday at 6:30 pm**

Our Sunday Service is broadcast via radio at 11:00 am on WRPN, AM station 1600. If there is a problem with the broadcast, please let the Church Office know on Monday morning.

All worship services are livestreamed to our Social Media Platforms and are available to watch at your convenience. If you are viewing from one of our Social Media Platforms, please make sure to leave a comment or like our post to know you are worshipping with us! If there is an issue with the stream, or you have any feedback, please let the Church Office know.



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## **OFFICE HOURS**

Our office hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00 AM till Noon. There is also a drop box adjacent to the office door if you need to drop off items when the office is not open.

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***Christopher Retzlaff Sept 1; Kathryn Lang and Susan Rahn Sept 2; Margaret Wendt Sept 4; Mary Albright Sept 5; Kathryn Schieler Sept 7***

**ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR LAST WEEK**

Thursday:	In-Person: 5	Livestream: 149	Total: 154
Sunday:	In-Person: 46	Livestream: 101	Total: 147

General Fund: \$1,583.50                      OCWM: \$340.00                      Capital Improvements: \$318.50

***Thank you so much*** for your continued support of in-person, mailed in, and online contributions.

**SUNDAY WORSHIP TEAM**

**Audio Operator:** Bob Meyer                      **Liturgist:** Cal Fischer                      **Musician:** Nicole Burdick

**SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS**

Sunday School starts September 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 am. Registration packets will be available soon! Please try to register your children before the 8<sup>th</sup>. We are also looking for additional teachers and helpers.

**BLANKET SUNDAY**

Sunday, September 15 is Blanket Sunday and there will be a special offering envelope in the bulletin. Your donations go to help fund the Blanket and Hygiene Kit Program, run by Church World Services, and provides emergency service to the US and other countries.

**SENIOR CHOIR PRACTICE**

On September 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 pm, Senior Choir will begin our weekly Thursday practices and will sing once a month during the Sunday worship service. This is a great group to be part of if you enjoy singing, are comfortable singing with a group of friendly folks, and don't mind smiling and having fun while we make a joyful noise unto the Lord. We have a lot of nice choir robes to fill, please help us do that!

## UPCOMING VACATION

Our Office Manager, Jane Brady, will be out of the office on vacation beginning Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, returning to the office on Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. If you have something that you will need her assistance with, please try to get that to her as soon as possible before that week. We'll have more information in the next bulletin on coverage in the office while she's gone. Thank you!

## PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY



In need of special prayers? Feel free to use our prayer chain ministry by contacting Caroline Retzlaff at 920-748-2367.

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** *Tara Koller, the family and friends of Timothy Cluppert, Dianne Heyn, Dave and Sarah Heyn and children, and 21 Unspoken*

## YOUTH RETREATS AT DAYCHOLAH CENTER

Registration will open in late August for two upcoming Fall Youth Retreats at Daycholah Center. The Knock Knock Retreat for middle schoolers (grades 6-8) is October 11-13<sup>th</sup>. The youth Faith Formation Retreat I (grades 6-12) is November 8-10<sup>th</sup>. Visit <https://ucci.org/events-calendar/> for more information.



## MISSIONS FOOD COLLECTION

Suggested food items *for August* are:

Apple sauce, baby food, baby formula, canned proteins (such as chicken, ham, tuna, salmon), canned beans and vegetables, canned fruit, canola or olive oil, crackers, dried herbs and spices, flour, granola bars, instant mashed potatoes, nuts, peanut butter, pasta and sauce, shelf stable or powdered milk, rice, and sugar. Thank you so much to those who have already donated!

## BULLETIN AND MESSENGER INFORMATION DEADLINES

If you are interested in getting information placed in the **worship bulletin** or would like to sponsor altar flowers, a radio broadcast, or a worship bulletin, please email the office or drop your request off by Monday at 1:00 pm.

Events, committee updates, etc. for the **October Messenger** can be emailed to [osuccripon1@gmail.com](mailto:osuccripon1@gmail.com) or dropped off at church office by Saturday, **September 21st**. Thank you!