



## **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.

#### **Office Hours:**

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

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## JUNE 15, 2014 – TRINITY SUNDAY

### **Meditation Music**

Divine Source of Life, Love and Wisdom - as we gather to hear your Word and to sing your praises, fill us with your Spirit of Compassion and Joy! May our time of worship in this place inspire us to acts of kindness and grace wherever we may go. Amen.

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

*\* Please Stand as you are able.*

#### **Prelude**

God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian

Fedak

*[Assisted by Percussion Group]*

“Triune God, mysterious being, undivided and diverse,  
deeper than our minds can fathom, greater than our creeds rehearse:  
help us in our varied callings your full image to proclaim,  
that our ministries uniting may give glory to your name.”  
Carl. P. Daw Jr., 1987, alt.

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

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

#### **\* Call to Worship**

L: God creates the whole universe,

**P: And asks us to care for it with love.**

L: Jesus welcomes us as his sisters and brothers,

**P: And invites us to become one family.**

L: The Holy Spirit fills us with power and compassion,

**P: And calls us to transform the world with grace and peace.**

L: The Holy One speaks to us in many ways,

**P: So that we who are many, may learn to be One.**

L: Let us joyfully raise our voices,

**All: And praise our God together!**

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

Holy, Holy, Holy

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

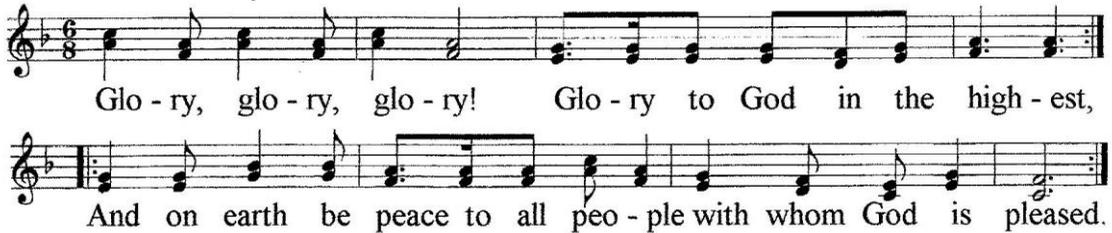
**Divine Creator of our world, ourselves, and all that exists - we thank you that you reveal yourself in the events of human history. We thank you that you have shown yourself fully in the person of Jesus Christ, who fully shared his life with**

others. By the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to follow Christ's example and be fully present with and for one another today, and in all our days to come. Amen.

**\*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 Reading**

Proverbs 8:1-7; 22-31

Pew Bible, page 590

**The New Testament Reading**

Matthew 28:16-20

Pew Bible, page 34

**The Continuing Testament**

by James Lemler

in Day 1

**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 his 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 him 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 him that he may be inspired to know and follow Jesus Christ?

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

Pastor: Do you promise to grow with him in the Christian faith and to help him 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 him 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 Archer and his 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>Musical Offering</b>	One Bread, One Body <i>[Diane Lightbody, alto]</i>	Foley
<b>Sermon</b>	<i>What's Up Doctrine?</i>	Pastor Dave Shackle
<b>Hymn of Reflection</b>	Creator God, Creating Still	#278

***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**

Offertoire (dans le style ancien)

Tournemire

**\*The Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all Blessings flow  
Praise Christ the Word in flesh born low;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
One God, Triune, whom we adore. Amen.**

**\* Prayer of Dedication** [Unison]

**Divine Source of us all, we are grateful for wisdom, for beauty, for the ways in  
which we see your glory in all creation. We thank you for caring for us and for  
entrusting to us the ministry of caring for the earth and for one another. May  
these offering help promote faith in you and honor to your name, our Creator, our  
Savior, and our Sustaining Spirit. Amen.**

## ***Holy Communion***

**Words of Institution**

**Prayer of Consecration**

**The Invitation**

**Receiving the Bread and Cup**

## The Blessing

**Going with God's Love****\* Hymn of Departure**

Holy God, We Praise Your Name  
[verses 1 and 4]

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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.

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the hymn 'Hallelujah'. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The first staff has the lyrics 'Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja.' with guitar chords A, E, A, D, Bm, and E written above the notes. The second staff has the lyrics 'Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja.' with guitar chords A, C#7, F#m, Bm, E7sus4, E7, and A written below the notes.

**\*Benediction****Postlude**

Christian Hearts in Love United

Moravian manuscript, 1735

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

Don & Eleanor Kusa, Lee Sanderson, Jill Black (Jim Duffy's Aunt), Jim & Betty Kaul, Ruth Thorpe, Doug Lightbody, Kathleen Stewart, Tina Ortiz, Frank Ditzig, 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, June 8, 2014 – Adults: 83 Kids: 12 Total: 95

## **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 refreshments and conversation.

**TODAY WE WELCOME Archer Aaron Ferfolia**, son of Erin and Jeff Ferfolia, into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. A special welcome also to his Godparents, Elizabeth Kriynovich and Don Ferfolia, and other family and friends visiting with us on this special day. We pray that God will continue to bless Archer throughout his Life's Journey!

**TODAY'S FLOWERS** are given in Celebration of Jane & Cliff Cribbs 49<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary, and the first Birthday of their Grandson Beckett Hater.

**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.

**SUMMER MUSIC SCHEDULE:** The schedule is posted in the narthex at the foot of the choir loft stairs. Dave will email schedule directly to volunteer musicians also. Many thanks to everyone who signed up to sing or play an instrument over the summer months! Musicians are welcome to choose their own pieces, or Dave D. can help you select music. Rehearsal(s) are scheduled to maximize each volunteer's comfort level.

**TO ALL LADIES OF BUCC** Our newly formed Ladies Group met successfully last month, and is off to a great start! We are meeting this month on Wed. June 18 at 11:30 am at the Brecksville Metro Parks Pavilion across the road from the Nature Center. Bring a bag lunch, and a cold drink (coffee provided). If you missed last month please attend – we need **YOU** and your ideas. All are welcome! Caroline Chandler and Dorie Gabor

**MISS MINDY'S CLASS:** one person's trash is our treasure! Miss Mindy's class is looking for your old containers, jars, egg cartons, etc. Please bring in your old pudding, yogurt, butter containers, old pickle, and baby food jars. Please drop off items at Miss Mindy's Classroom.

**WHAT A GREAT PROBLEM TO HAVE!** Even with a good number of us regularly parking at Central School, we continue to have a bit of a parking "problem". In an effort to remain hospitable to our visitors and help those arriving late, we ask that others of you who can readily do so, park in the school lot next door. This is just another way in which we can signal our desire to be accessible and welcoming to all.

**INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION** come one, come all to Donn Whyte's house on Thursday, July 3 at 8 PM. Please bring an appetizer to share. BYOB. Special show begins at 10 PM. Bring a chair.

**LET'S SEE THOSE BEAUTIFUL FACES!** If you haven't yet done so, please sign a Photograph & Video Release Form and return it to the Church Office. We continue to gather some marvelous pictures of BUCC events that would make our great website even greater. However, we want to respect those who may not want their picture included. Therefore, we will only post images of those who have a signed release form in our Records. Thank You!

**OUR ADOPTED--HIGHWAY NEEDS A NEW PARENT!** After approximately 15 years of taking care of our BUCC Adopt-A-Highway program, Jane Cribbs is ready to let that baby leave the nest. We are looking for a new parent or guardian to keep a watchful eye on this program. This involves coordinating information with the Ohio Department of Transportation, scheduling events with Pastor Dave, and encouraging our members and friends to sign-up and participate. Mindy Harris and Jesse Wade will continue their good work with the events. Please talk to Jane or Pastor Dave if you are willing to help with this.

**JUNE FOOD PANTRY:** Powdered and canned Milk.

**NAME TAGS** are available for you to wear in the church and at coffee hour. These are helpful to visitors and members alike, to help us to get to know our people. If you are missing a name tag, please let the Office know.

## ***THE READINGS***

**The Old Testament** - Proverbs 8:1-7; 22-31

Does not Wisdom call, and does not Understanding raise her voice? On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: "To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live. O simple ones, learn prudence; acquire intelligence, you who lack it. Hear, for I will speak noble things, and from my lips will come what is right; for my mouth will utter truth....

The Holy One established me first of all, the foremost of creation, long ago. I was made in the very beginning, at the first, before the world began. I was born before he oceans, when there were no springs of water. I was born before the mountains, before the hills were set in place, before the Creator made the earth and its fields or even the first handful of soil. I was

there when the Holy One set the sky in place and stretched the horizon across the ocean, when the clouds were placed in the heavens and the springs of the ocean were opened. I was present when the boundaries were set for the waters of the sea, and when the earth's foundations were laid. I was beside the Holy One like an architect, a daily source of joy, always happy in the Divine presence - happy with the world, and delighted with the human race.

### **The New Testament** - Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to observe everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

### **The Continuing Testament** - by James Lemler - in *Day 1* [edited]

So often we give the belief in God the Holy Trinity over to academic theologians; but this belief and experience belongs equally to poets, hymnists, artists, and storytellers. It belongs to all of us, because it describes the magnificent love that God has for us all. We are baptized into that love. We are welcomed into that love and abide in that love, in the Name of the Creator, Redeemer and Holy Spirit. Believing in God as our Loving, Sacred Source and Savior and Sanctifying Spirit, reminds us that our relationships are imbued with that love, and that God participates in and cares deeply about all of our relationships.

The picture of God as Trinity is really a reflection of God being a living, dynamic relationships within God's own self. God is not static or disconnected; rather God's very essence and being is dynamic and relational. This means that God is continually relating to us and to the relationships that we experience in our own lives. This is a family relationship in its broadest sense, and also something more. It is how we experience God's relationship with us in the *midst* of our family, personal, and human relationships. The concept of God as Trinity helps us see our primary call and purpose as God's people: to announce that loving relationship and to proclaim that inclusive welcome to everyone, everywhere, and always!

## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK**

**Sunday 6/15/2014**

10 am      Worship Service  
11 am      Coffee Hour  
11 am      OCWM

**Happy Father's Day!**

**\*Pillar Deadline\***

**Wednesday 6/18/2014**

6 am      Early Birds  
11:30 am      Women United - Park

**Thursday 6/19/2014**

1pm      Bible Study  
4:30pm      Crafters for Christ

**Sunday 6/22/2014**

10 am      Worship Service – New Members  
11 am      Coffee Hour/Strawberry Social

## **PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SUNDAY SERVICE**

**JUNE 15, 2014**

**Lay Reader:** Bridget Sproul  
**Head Usher:** Caroline Chandler  
**Ushers:** Paul & Janet Nicholas,  
Jill Zedan, Sue Maier  
**Acolyte:** Lindsey Maier  
**Peace Cdl:** Garrett Demko  
**Sound:** Kevin Smith  
**Comm Grtr** Dot Bailey  
**Narthex Grtr:** Jon Thompson  
**Flowers:** Tina Ortiz  
**Nursery:** Kate Klonowski  
**Counters:** Kathy Pastor, Betty Kaul  
**Servers:** Dorie Gabor  
**Clean-Up:** Jan Renovetz

## **PARTICIPANTS IN NEXT SUNDAY SERVICE**

**JUNE 22, 2014**

**Lay Reader:** David Pastor  
**Head Usher:** Jon Thompson  
**Ushers:** Joanne Cook, Val Duffy  
Sue Stenzel, Max Roha  
**Acolyte:** Naomi Klonowski  
**Peace Cdle:** Olivia Klonowski  
**Sound:** Mike Westerberg  
**Comm Grt:** Ann Kelley  
**Narthex Grtr:** Fred Pesek  
**Flowers:** Jan Renovetz  
**Nursery:** Kathy Pastor  
**Counters:** Bruce McCain, Jan Renovetz  
**Servers:** Janet Nicholas  
**Clean-Up:** Chad & Bridget Sproul