



# BRECKSVILLE

## UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

Amazing Source of all Creation, send your Spirit to re-create new life, hope, and joy within us today. May we be open to the Life-giving Spirit which Jesus Christ brings us, and be moved to discover new and creative ways in which we can share that Spirit with all those we meet along the way. Amen



*...He Took Bread, Blessed and Broke it, and gave it to them.*

*Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him...  
Luke 24:30-31*

**Sunday April 15, 2018 • 10:00 AM**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

*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.

#### ***Office Hours:***

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

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

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## April 15, 2018 –Third Sunday of Easter

### **Meditation Music**

Divine Source of Healing Love, you show-up to repair what is damaged, restore what is broken, give us hope, and inspire us to action. Help us to also show-up and give hope and help to others, in all that we say and do. This we pray in Christ's name. Amen.

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

*\* Please stand as you are able.*

### **Prelude**

Look There!

Albright

*[Assisted by Youth Percussion Group]*

"Look there! the Christ, our Brother, comes  
resplendent from the gallows tree  
and what he brings in his hurt hands  
is life on life for you and me."  
John Bennett (b. 1920)

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

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

Leader: Risen Christ, you show us your hands,

**People: So we may reach out to mend broken lives.**

L: You show us your feet,

**P: So we may walk with those the world passes by.**

L: You show us your face,

**P: So we may know what our sisters and brothers look like.**

L: Risen Christ, you touch us with your compassion.

**All: So that we may fully experience and share Divine Love!**

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

Joy Dawned Again on Easter Day

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

Divine Source of Life and Love, as you brought renewed hope and joy to those first disciples by the presence of the Risen Christ, so bring that hope and joy to us today. Help us to remember that Christ is with us whenever and wherever we share his love and grace with others. Remind us also that he comes to us in and through the kindness and compassion that others show us each day. Inspire us to truly be Easter people, by remembering and celebrating Christ's living presence among us every day. Amen.

**\* The 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**

Isaiah 42:1-7

Pew Bible, page 670

**The New Testament**

Luke 24:13-35

Pew Bible, page 90

**The Continuing Testament** from *Bread for the Journey*

by Henri Nouwen

**Time with Young Worshipers**

**Anthem**

Deep Peace (A Celtic Blessing)

Tate

**Sermon**

*Antique Roadshow*

Pastor Dave Shackle

**Hymn of Reflection**

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

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***The Church at Prayer***

**Silent Meditation**

**Prayers of the Church**

**The Prayer of Jesus**

*[we use "Mother" to reflect our theological understanding of the Inclusive Nature of The Holy One]*

**...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**

Fugue in G Major

Pachelbel

### **\*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]**

**Risen Christ, we give thanks that you continue to walk among us, bringing new life and renewed hope to all people. Help us to recognize you in the lives and faces of others. Open our eyes, that we might open our hearts to generously offer our support and care to those in need. By the power of your Spirit, inspire our giving and our living, so that we might continue to serve you with joy! Amen!**

## ***Holy Communion***

### **Words of Institution**

### **Prayer of Consecration**

### **The Invitation**

### **Receiving the Bread and Cup**

### **Communion Music**

I Will Sing of the Lord

Foley

**"Therefore proclaim it: Jesus is the Lord  
to the glory of God Almighty."  
Based on Philippians 2:11**

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

### **\*Hymn of Departure**

Savior, Again to Your Dear Name  
[verse 1]

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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 a musical score for the hymn 'Halle, Halle, Hallelujah'. It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is on the top staff, and the accompaniment is on the bottom staff. Chord symbols are written above the notes: A, E, A, D, Bm, E, A, C#7, F#m, Bm, E7sus4, E7, A. The lyrics 'Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja.' are written below the notes on both staves.

**\*Benediction**

Postlude

Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!

Maker

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

Kathy & Leroy Ford and their Grandson, Garion, The Family of Donn Whyte, Stan McCain, Phyllis Molnar, Lenore Harris, Justin Brownlow, "Edna House", Jon Thompson, Tina Ortiz, Dassie Matsuoka, Jan & G. Wardlaw, Doris Schmid, Kirk & Lee Sanderson, Kathleen Stewart, Doug Lightbody, Mary Dagostino, Shirley Duncan, 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 April 8, 2018 – Adults: 73 Kids: 14 Total: 87**

***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'S FLOWERS** are given by Max Roha in Celebration of his 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

**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.

**QUARTERLY STATEMENTS** are available in the Commons area. Please pick them up to save postage.

**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.

**ON SUNDAY APRIL 29 AT 4:00 PM**, Brecksville UCC will host a free concert featuring violinist Kyung Ah Oh, accompanied by pianist Christine Hill. The program will include works by Beethoven, Ysaÿe, Grieg, and Wieniawski. Ms. Oh is a recent graduate of the Cleveland Institute of Music; she is currently studying for her Master's degree at Yale University School of Music. A free will offering will be received, and a light reception will follow the concert. Plan on joining us April 29 to hear this brilliant young virtuoso perform. Bring a friend!

**THE NEXT HUNGER MEAL** will be on Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at Pearl Road United Methodist Church. Due to the usual dining area being used for another activity, this meal will be a "take-out" meal of sandwiches, fruit and cookies. We plan to prepare egg salad, ham and cheese, and turkey and cheese sandwiches on site at PRUMC for consumption at other places. History has shown us that about 150 sandwiches can be prepared in about an hour, and a smaller participation by BUCC members and friends will be adequate. The usual sign-up board will be in the narthex, as well as directions to PRUMC.

**OFFICE CALENDAR** Please make sure you have your meetings/events on the Office Calendar for the month of May. Thank You!

**OCWM** - Sunday, May 13th is our annual Mother's Day collection! This year we will be collecting donations to benefit Edna House (as we did last year) to help women who are in recovery from drug and alcohol abuse. We will collect funds as well as items:

- Clean, gently worn clothing, professional attire, shoes, pocketbooks, briefcases, backpacks, scarves, accessories, and jewelry for Spring and Summer wear, new socks and new packaged underwear—please place in garbage bags (no boxes and no hangers needed!).
- Notebooks, pencils, highlighters, pens, paints, canvases, brushes, Big Books and 12 x 12 Books, and journals (no paperback novels!)
- Unopened toiletries that do not contain alcohol! ►

- Cleaning products such as Murphy's Oil Soap, floor cleaner, bathroom cleaner, bleach, sponges, spray bottles, mops, and large black garbage bags
- Canned food, condiments, and nonperishable snacks, coffee, creamer and sugar
- Paper towels, toilet paper, personal hygiene products
- Gift Cards, Bus Passes, Postage Stamps!
- Flash drives, resume and copier paper and envelopes for Job Development
- Light bulbs and extension cords
- Prayers are ALWAYS welcome!

Find out more about Edna House at [ednahouse.org](http://ednahouse.org) Also, on May 1, 2, & 3rd, you can support Edna House by eating at Melt Bar & Grilled (so good!) and presenting the flyer you can download and print from this URL: <https://www.ednahouse.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/EdnaHouse.jpg>

**ONE DOWN, ONE TO GO!** A chest of drawers has been donated to our BUCC member who needed it. Now all we need is a twin bed, and all will be well! If you have one that you are willing to give, please contact Pastor Dave at 440-526-4364 or [buccpastor@sbcglobal.net](mailto:buccpastor@sbcglobal.net). Thanks!

**SPRING CLEAN UP** – The annual Spring clean-up of the church property will take place on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. We will be cleaning the beds and spreading mulch. Please consider coming out and helping if you are able. Thank You.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION** - We are so excited to report that the Lenten Project to raise funds for the fence for the Cleveland Roots project was not only successful, but we more than **DOUBLED** the \$3000 goal that was quietly set for the project! The fence magnets the students created for \$5 share investments yielded (wait for it) **\$6,260.00 in donations!!** HUGE thanks to all who donated in so many ways. Special thanks to the C.E. teachers and many **GENEROUS** donors who made this project so successful.

## *Readings*

### **The Old Testament - Isaiah 42:1-9**

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the Holy One, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Holy One, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

### **The New Testament - Luke 24:13-35**

Now on that same day [the first 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. And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” He asked them, “What things?”

They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.”

Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. 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** - from *Bread for the Journey* - by Henri Nouwen  
[edited]

Whenever we come together around the table, take bread, bless it, break it, and give it to one another, saying, "The Body of Christ," we know that Jesus is among us. He is among us not as a vague memory of a person who lived long ago, but as a real, life-giving presence that transforms us. By eating the Body of Christ, we become the living Christ and we are enabled to discover our own chosenness and blessedness, acknowledge our brokenness, and trust that all we live, we live for others. Thus we, like Jesus, become food for the world.

When we gather around the table and break bread together, we are transformed not only individually but also as community. We, people from different ages and races, with different backgrounds and histories, become one body. As Paul says, "Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we share in the one bread." As one body, we become a living witness of God's immense desire to bring all peoples and nations together as the one family of God.

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sunday, April 15</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
	<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Coffee Hour</b>
<b>Monday, April 16</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Welcome &amp; Growth Task Force</b>
<b>Wednesday, April 18</b>	<b>4:30 pm</b>	<b>Recorder/Dulcimer/ Guitar</b>
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Shine a Light Huddle</b>
<b>Thursday, April 19</b>	<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>
	<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>Joyful Noise</b>
	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Choir</b>
<b>Friday, April 20</b>		<b>*Office Closed*</b>
<b>Sunday, April 22</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
	<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Coffee Hour</b>
		<b>*Hunger Meal – Pearl Road United Methodist Church*</b>

**PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SUNDAY SERVICE**

**APRIL 15, 2018**

Lay Reader: Diane Gressley  
Head Usher: Anne Melfo  
Ushers: Jill Zedan, David Ritchey,  
Sam Koch, Ed Lusk  
  
Acolyte: Grace Hunt  
Peace Candle: Lily Hunt  
Sound: Ben Tomlinson  
Comns Grtr: Kathy Pastor  
Flowers: Betty Gifford  
Nursery: Jonathan Cook  
C.E Teacher: Tia Began  
Counters: Kate Klonowski, Marge  
Culver  
  
Servers: Carole Snider, Marge Culver  
Clean-Up: Cliff & Sue Stenzel  
Snacks: Gina Cook, Marla Corrado

**PARTICIPANTS IN NEXT SUNDAY SERVICE**

**APRIL 22, 2018**

Lay Reader: Tia Began  
Head Usher: Jan Renovetz  
Ushers: Bob & Caroline Chandler  
Diane Gressley, Darlene  
Kelly  
  
Acolyte: Jillian Davis  
Peace Candle: Ben Davis  
Sound: Doug Fawcett  
Comns Grtr: Betty Kaul  
Flowers: Dorie Gabor  
Nursery: Courtni Began  
C.E Teacher: Anne Melfo  
Counters: Jim Duffy, David Pastor  
Servers: Sue Stenzel, Marge Culver  
Clean Up: Jim & Peg Duffy  
Snacks: Doug & Marilyn Wrights