



BRECKSVILLE

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

Divine Source of Compassion and Grace, we learn to love because you first loved us. Your awesome care for us draws us ever closer to you. As your amazing love fills our hearts, may it also overflow from us to others, to you, and throughout all of creation. Amen.



All Saints Sunday

The Spirit Of Love Unites Us All!

Sunday, November 4, 2018 • 10:00 AM

Twenty Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

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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November 4, 2018 – Twenty Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Meditation Music

Holy Source of Truth and Kindness, help us to see each other as you see us: one community, one family, one people. Help us to be truly good neighbors to each other, regardless of how far-apart or close-together we may live. Amen.

Gathering in God's Presence

** Please stand as you are able.*

Prelude

Glory to God

Veenstra (Netherlands)

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

*** Call to Worship**

Leader: Today, we remember the faithful lives of those who have gone before us.

People: We give thanks for all those who helped enlightened our path!

L: Today we gather in unity with our sisters and brothers,

P: To celebrate the connectedness of all of our lives!

L: Today we raise-up One Bread and Cup,

P: Remembering the Risen Christ who lives among us!

L: Today we share that Bread and Cup with all who desire,

P: Remembering Christ's extravagant welcome to all!

L: Today we lift our voices in thanks and praise!

All: With all the Saints, we worship the Holy One!

*** Hymn of Praise**

For All the Saints

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*** Prayer of Confession [Unison]**

Gracious and Loving Holy One, we come before you with thanks for the many ways that you fill our lives with joy: the love of family and friends; the comfort of our homes; the gift of our Church Home. Forgive us when we take our blessings for granted or fail to share them with others. Teach us to live as your compassionate people; inspire us through the examples of those who have gone before us; and give us the courage to faithfully follow the Loving Way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*** The Assurance of Pardon**

L: This truth remains and will never change: Our Divine Source has loved us, loves us now, 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 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

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 image shows two staves of musical notation in G major, 6/8 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Old Testament

Psalm 34:1-14

Pew Bible, page 508

New Testament

from Hebrews Chapters 11

Pew Bible, page 225

Continuing Testament

Stewardship Reflections

by Dave Pastor

Time with Young Worshipers

Anthem

Love Is the Touch
[Becky Anderson, flute]

Bell, arr. Debick

Sermon

Good News for Tough Times

Pastor Dave Shackle

Hymn of Reflection

O God of All Your People Past

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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

With All My Heart

Sechrest

"With all my heart, with all my soul,
with all my strength I will love you, God.
And I will love my neighbor as myself."
Dale Sechrest, 2015

*** 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, we thank you for entrusting to our care the richness of
Creation. Through our gifts and offerings, we return to you a portion of that which
you have given us. May these offerings help advance the mission of outreach and
love to which you have called us. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior,
Example and Friend. Amen.**

Holy Communion

Communion Hymn

Eat This Bread
[sung twice]

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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, Divine 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

Far Beyond Our Mind's Grasp

Bicol folk song, arr. Feliciano

"So our hearts are lifted to the realm above us,
nourished and united by the precious bread and wine."
Francisco F. Feliciano (Philippines)

Prayer of Thanksgiving [Unison]

We give thanks, Divine Source of Life and Love, that you have refreshed us at your Table of Grace. We ask that you now strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world with courage and peace; through Jesus Christ our ever-present Savior. Amen.

Going with God's Love

*** Hymn of Departure**

O Savior, for the Saints

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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*

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.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The top staff is the vocal line with lyrics 'Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja.' and chord markings A, E, A, D, Bm, E above it. The bottom staff is the piano accompaniment with lyrics 'Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja.' and chord markings A, Cf7, F#m, Bm, E7sus4, E7, A below it.

***Benediction**

Postlude

Live Like You're Loved Hawk Nelson
[Assisted by Youth Percussion Group]

"So go ahead and live like you're loved
 It's okay to act like you've been set free
 God's love has made you more than enough
 So go ahead and be who God made you to be"

Hawk Nelson (Canadian Christian rock band formed in 2000; song released on album *Diamonds* in 2015)

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLOWING MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Suzanne Patrick, Niece of Kathy Smith, Pat Bailey, Fred Pesek, Jill Black, Stan McCain, Phyllis Molnar, Lenore Harris, Justin Brownlow, Dottie Faust, "Edna House", Jon Thompson, Tina Ortiz, Dassie Matsuoka, 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 October 28, 2018 – Adults: 68 Kids: 9 Total: 77

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 Carole Miller and Pat Rehm for Healing and Wellness for Kathy Unetic and Family. (Carol Millers Sister)

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.

THIS AFTERNOON 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. Yiddishe Cup -- also known as Funk A Deli -- has broadened its musical palette to include rock 'n' roll, Motown, and R&B. A free-will offering will be received, and a light reception will follow the program. Plan on joining us later today for some toe-tapping ethnic music. Bring a friend, and your dancing shoes!

NOVEMBER 11 IS THE BIG DAY FOR OUR ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER.

Membership along with Stewardship is putting on the dinner with the help of Cliff and Sue Stenzel making the delicious turkey and mashed potatoes. Dinner will be served shortly after church service.....so bring a big appetite. Please get your name on the signup sheet for a side dish or dessert. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Smith 440 343 6354 or David Pastor 440 552 4403.

STEWARDSHIP Our annual Stewardship 2019 is underway. Stewardship Sunday will be November 11. This year our theme is **What Shall We Bring?** Please take a few moments to read the insert included in this bulletin as well as reflect on what Stewardship means to you and to our broader church family. And note that by the end of October, you should receive a letter from our moderator that includes a pledge card. *What is Stewardship?* Loving God and loving neighbor. We have an opportunity to make commitments — both material and symbolic — to help this congregation love God and love neighbor in the days, weeks, months, and year ahead.

ADVENT BOOK DEADLINE has passed, thank you to those that have sent theirs in already. ***Please email you're your entry to Jeannette at buccoh@sbcglobal.net***
Thank you.

MITTEN TREE The Mitten Tree is back in the narthex ready for your decorations of mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, socks, etc. These items will be sent to hunger centers for distribution.

A MESSAGE FROM THE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY: It's the time of year when this ministry needs to staff all the other various ministries with sufficient volunteers to accomplish all the good things we do at Brecksville United Church of Christ. We take this assignment very seriously. It is important to find the right fit for each person and that each volunteer is happy and effective. ►

Our plea to each of you is to contemplate and consider in what ways you can help a ministry and utilize your talents. There is a core of members who do the majority of the tasks in our church.

We hope to involve many of you who are newer or haven't had the opportunity yet to participate on a ministry. Please talk with one of the Leadership Development members to discuss where you are needed. We ask that you respond positively when we reach out to include and involve you. An information table will be set up during Coffee Hour in Pilgrim Hall after service **Today**. Stop by and visit. Thank you for your serious consideration, Kathy Smith, Cliff Cribbs, Carole Snider, Julie Bernard, Bridget Sproul, and Linda Kriynovich

NORTHEAST OHIO ROCKS! is a Facebook group with more than 200,000 members that began in 2016 with the intent of spreading kindness one rock at a time. Members paint rocks with positive and uplifting messages and hide them where children and adults will find them and experience a random act of kindness. The back of the rock has a message requesting the finder to post a photo on Facebook and then re-hide it to pass on the kindness. If the rock painter has added a hashtag the finder adds this to the Facebook post and the person who hid it can track its whereabouts. Some rocks are tracked over several months and across the country when finders carry them to distant places. Northeast Ohio Rocks are appearing in all 50 states and in 100 foreign lands. You don't have to post on Facebook, but you are asked to hide #BUCCrocks and keep spreading the kindness!

THE BUCC PASTOR'S FUND is primarily used for food gift cards, help with rent or utilities, uncovered medical/medication bills, or emergency aid to travelers passing through town. We are asking that those who can, consider making a contribution to help replenish this fund. Checks can be made out to BUCC, or cash may be placed in a pew envelope, with the notation "Pastor's Fund" written on the check or envelope. Thank you for your continuing support!

DID YOU MISS last Sunday's service or do you just want to have a chance to rehear Pastor Dave's sermon. The Sunday services are recorded in their entirety on audio CDs each week. You can borrow a CD in the church office and listen to it at your convenience at home or in your car. Several recent weeks' recordings are always available. Check them out and check them out.

MONTHLY CALENDAR ONLINE the Church Calendar is also printed on our website: www.brecksvilleucc.org. It is filled with up to date events, and times, even last minute changes. Please check it out.

Readings

The Old Testament - Psalm 34:1-14

I will bless the Holy One at all times; God's praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul exalts in the Compassionate One; let the humble hear and be glad. O magnify the Righteous One with me, and let us exalt God's name together. I sought God, who answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. Look too, and be radiant; so, your faces shall never be ashamed. This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Holy One, and was saved from every trouble. The angel of the Sovereign One encircles all those who revere God, and delivers them.

O taste and see that the Holy One is good; happy are those who take refuge in that Divine Presence. Show reverence, you holy ones of God; for those who exalt the Holy One have no want. The young lions suffer want and hunger, but those who seek the Righteous One lack no good thing. Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you to honor the ways of the Holy One. Those of you who desire life, and wish for many days to enjoy good - do this: Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit. Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.

The New Testament - from *Hebrews* Chapter 11

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of the Holy One, so that what is seen was made from things that are not seen.... By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going.... By faith Sarah received the ability to conceive, even in her old age, because she considered the Holy One who promised her, to be faithful.... By faith Isaac invoked blessings for the future on Jacob and Esau. By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph.... By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, foretold of the Exodus of the Israelites.... ►

By faith Moses was hidden by his parents for three months after his birth, because they saw that the child was special; and they were not afraid of the Pharaoh's edict.... By faith Moses left Egypt, unafraid of the Pharaoh's anger; for he persevered as though he saw the Holy One who is invisible.... By faith the people of Israel passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land.... And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David, Samuel and the prophets - who through faith conquered territories, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, and won strength out of weakness.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Nov. 4	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
	4:00 pm	Yiddishe Cup
		Klezmer Band Free Concert/ Light Reception
Monday, Nov. 5	1:00 pm	Book Discussion
	7:00 pm	Facilities
Thurs., Nov. 8	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, Nov. 9	*Office Closed*	
Sunday, Nov. 11	10:00 am	Worship Service/ Stewardship Sunday
	11:00 am	Thanksgiving Banquet

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SUNDAY'S SERVICE

NOVEMBER 4, 2018

Lay Reader: Sam Koch
Head Usher: Sue Stenzel
Ushers: Diane Gressley, Jill Zedan
David & Kathy Pastor
Acolyte: Carrie Coyer-Westerberg
Peace Candle: Amy Coyer-Westerberg
Sound: Max Roha
Comns Grtr: Dave Bernard
Flowers: Sue Stenzel
Nursery: Courtni Began
C.E Teacher: Tia Began (Pageant Practice)
Counters: Nancy Stella, Jon Thompson
Servers: Betty Kaul, Joanne Cook
Clean-up: Jill Zedan, Sue Stenzel
Snacks: Dot Bailey, Julie Bernard

PARTICIPANTS IN NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE

NOVEMBER 11, 2018

Lay Reader: David Pastor
Head Usher: Bob Chandler
Ushers: Kim Wallis, Dan Stewart,
Chad & Bridget Sproul
Acolyte: Grace Hunt
Peace Candle: Lily Hunt
Sound: Ben Tomlinson
Comns Grtr: Valerie Tyler
Flowers: Harvest
Nursery: Kathy Pastor
C.E Teacher: Anne Melfo (Pageant Practice)
Counters: Carole Snider, Jim Duffy
Servers: Stewardship Ministry
Clean-Up: Membership Ministry
Snacks: Thanksgiving Dinner