



# BRECKSVILLE

## UNITED CHURCH of CHRIST

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

We meet you, O Christ, in the ebb and flow of our lives. We hear you in another's words. We trust you in our need for healing. You are with us in times of Life's changes and challenges. May your Spirit help us to hear your voice, trust your call, and follow in your way. Amen.



**Sunday May 5, 2019 • 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, 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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## May 5, 2019 – Third Easter Sunday

### **Meditation Music**

Divine Source of us all, we pray that our desire to participate in the New Life which Christ offers will inspire us to examine our own lives and the state of the world in which we live. Empowered by Christ's Love, may we faithfully accept the challenge of sharing Christ's compassion wherever our lives take us. Amen.

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

*\* Please stand as you are able.*

#### **Prelude**

Love's Redeeming Work Is Done

Johnson

"Love's redeeming work is done,  
fought the fight, the battle won.  
Death in vain forbids him rise;  
Christ has opened paradise.  
Alleluia, alleluia!"  
Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

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

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

Leader: This is a day to celebrate new life!

**People: To open our eyes to the beauty of creation!**

L: To open our ears to the sounds of this world!

**P: To open our hearts to the people all around us!**

L: This is a day of gladness and joy!

**P: We give thanks for Jesus, who welcomes us all!**

L: We give thanks to the Spirit who brings us new life!

**All: We give thanks to the Holy One - who loves us, restores us, and fills our hearts with joy!**

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

From All That Dwell below the Skies

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**\* Prayer of Confession [Unison]**

**Eternal Holy One, we look to your saving power and grace. Enter those parts of ourselves that disturb us and heal them. Use our broken places as the places where you bring us together in community. Transform our own weakness into compassion for the weakness of others. Give us that graceful combination of humility and self-esteem, that we may see ourselves and others as you see us - your restored and loved people. Amen.**

**\* The Assurance of Pardon**

L: One fact remains and does not change: The Holy One 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.

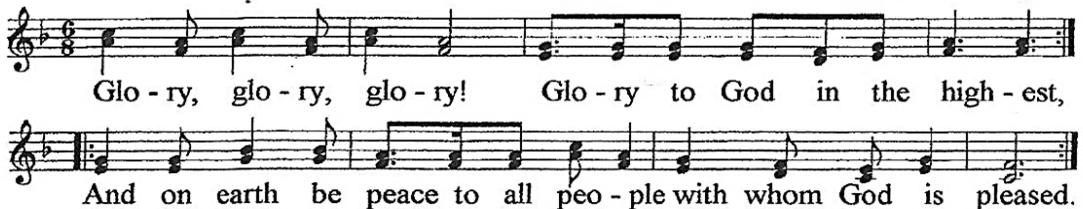
The Peace of Christ be with you!

**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 Old Testament**

Psalm 30

Pew Bible, page 505

**The New Testament**

John 21:1-17

Pew Bible, page 115

**The Continuing Testament**

from *Repetition*

by Melissa Bane Sevier

**Time with Young Worshipers**

**Anthem**

Sing to the Lord

Alstott

**Sermon**

*Why Not Loaf and Fish?*

Pastor Dave Shackles

**Hymn of Reflection**

Now the Green Blade Rises

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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**

Sinfonia VI

J. S. Bach

**\*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]**

**Accept these offerings, Gracious Holy One, Giver of every good gift. Grant that they may represent our love - and our lives - offered more fully to you. Use all these gifts and each of us to help proclaim and advance your message of love and welcome, hope and peace. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, the Risen One who brings new life to us all. Amen.**

## ***Holy Communion***

**Communion Hymn**

Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread

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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: Because you show us your perfect Love in the person of Jesus Christ, who endured the Cross for the sake of us all, it is right that we should give you thanks and praise, saying,

**All: Holy, holy, holy, 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**

Chromatic toccata for the Elevation

Frescobaldi

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving [Unison]**

**Gracious Holy One, we give thanks that you show us - and share with us - the Presence of the Risen Christ at this Table of Welcome and Inclusion. We ask that you continue to inspire and renew our lives, so that we may show - and share - Christ's compassion and peace wherever your Spirit leads us! Amen.**

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

**\* Hymn of Departure** Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

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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 bass line is on the bottom staff. Chord symbols are written above and below the notes. The lyrics are written below the notes: '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 chord symbols include A, E, A, D, Bm, E, A, C#7, F#m, Bm, E7sus4, E7, and A.

## \*Benediction

Postlude

To God with Gladness Sing

Proulx

### PLEASE KEEP THE FOLOWING MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN YOUR

Jan Wardlaw, 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, 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 April 28, 2019– Adults: 62 Kids: 11 Total: 73**

## ***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 refreshments and conversation.

**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 FLOWER'S** are given by Maureen Stanley & Terry Heiman in Memory of their mothers, Beverly Heiman, and Edna Stanley. May they rest in peace.

**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.

**FREE CONCERT** - This afternoon, May 5 at 4:00 PM, Brecksville UCC will host a free concert featuring the **Bristol Quartet** from Oberlin Conservatory of Music. The string ensemble will perform works by Beethoven and Janáček. A free-will offering will be received, and a light reception will follow the program. Plan on joining us for an outstanding program of chamber music. Bring a friend!

**EDNA HOUSE OFFERING – NEXT SUNDAY MAY 12** BUCC and Our Churches Wider Mission we will be taking an offering on May 12 to benefit Edna House in Cleveland, Ohio. The mission of Edna House is to assist women recovering from drug and alcohol addiction and to give them a chance at a new life by providing a safe, sober place to live. Edna House is a faith-based organization and is sustained only through donations from individuals and businesses in the communities they serve. They do not take private insurance nor government funding. In addition to cash donations, items needed and appreciated at this time are postage stamps, gift cards to Office Max (for office supplies), and gift cards to Save a Lot, Marcs or Wal Mart which help with incidental food needs. Please consider contributing to this amazing organization on May 12.

**NEW MEMBERS WILL BE RECEIVED AT BUCC** on Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup> at our morning worship service. If you are interested in joining, learning more about membership - or about our congregation or denomination - please talk with Pastor Dave.

## **A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR PRACTICAL LEARNING:**

### **Discharge Planning Options after a hospital stay**

Hospitals are pressured by insurance companies to shorten how long patients stay inside the hospital. We will review the numerous options for care after the hospital stay - from Home Health Care to Skilled Nursing Home care. It is important to know the options and what insurance will cover and not cover. This is good information for adult children caring for parents and for spouses caring for one another. Let's be proactive!

The presentation will be on **Wednesday**, May 15 from 7p-8p in Pilgrim Hall.

**LAST-MINUTE MART:** Next Saturday, May 11th, 2019 from 10:00am - 3:00pm, BUCC is hosting our spring LAST-MINUTE MART in Pilgrim Hall, just in time for Mother's Day! This event is very special because Christian Education is joining forces with OCWM and the Communications & Outreach Ministry to raise funds for this year's Lenten Project to support refugee families in Cleveland. Our students will be selling handmade craft items to raise funds for these families. We are excited to welcome crafters, bakers, and vendors of all kinds (both parishioners and other community members) to join us! You may request a full 8' table for \$25, or half table/card table (~4') for \$15. ►

Please submit your request for a table to Heidi Spangler at [heidi@heidihoonthego.com](mailto:heidi@heidihoonthego.com). We are also requesting that each vender supply one item to donate to our raffle. Concessions will be available!

All table, concession profits and raffle proceeds will go to support our Lenten Project. If you have any questions, please contact Kate Klonowski at [keightykay@gmail.com](mailto:keightykay@gmail.com) or 216-534-3498.

## ***The Readings***

### **The Old Testament - Psalm 30**

I will extol you, O Holy One, for you have drawn me up and did not let my foes rejoice over me. O Compassionate One, my Source, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. You brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those who have gone down to the Pit. Sing praises to the Holy One, you faithful ones, and give thanks to God's name. For Divine anger is but for a moment; Divine favor is for a lifetime! Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning!

As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved." By your favor, O Gracious One, you had established me as a strong mountain; then you hid your face, and I was dismayed. To you I cried, to you I made supplication: "What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?"

Hear me, O Redeeming One, and be gracious to me! O Saving One, be my helper! You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O Holy One my Creator, I will give thanks to you forever.

### **The New Testament - John 21:1-17**

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Galilee; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I'm going fishing." They said to him, "We'll go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples didn't know that it was Jesus. He said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!"

When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him a third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep.

### **The Continuing Testament** - from *Repetition* - by Melissa Bane Sevier [edited]

I don't know about you, but I tend to make the same mistakes over and over. I say the wrong thing, neglect the right thing, hurt someone, fail to show hopefulness or kindness or peace. Peter denied knowing Jesus three times during the hours of Jesus' greatest need of friendship. Then Jesus was gone, with no way for Peter to apologize, try to right the wrong, or restore the relationship. Except Jesus returned to them at the shore. Three times Peter had harmed his friend and teacher. Three times Jesus asks him: "Do you love me?" Peter is hurt, surely embarrassed in front of the others, wonders why Jesus is badgering him.

Yet, this repetition of both the terrible failing and the painful restitution of Peter, were recorded for future generations. I believe it's because both failure and growth are part of a life of faith, and common to any follower. We fall short of our perfect ideals and intentions, and we repeat those failings, no matter how much progress we make. Even so, we dive-in and make another go at faithfulness. In the same way that our shortcomings are sadly repetitive, so our steps toward growth are also repetitive - graciously so. We're called to remember who and what we love; we're called to follow. We're called to feed and tend all the people of earth.

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sunday, May 5</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
	<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Coffee Hour CE Meeting</b>
	<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>Oberlin Ensemble Free Concert</b>
<b>Monday, May 6</b>	<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>Book Discussion</b>
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Facilities – Library</b>
<b>Wednesday, May 8</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Council</b>
<b>Thursday, May 9</b>	<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>
	<b>4:30 pm</b>	<b>Recorder/Dul/Guit</b>
	<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>Joyful Noise</b>
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Choir</b>
<b>Saturday, May 11</b>	<b>10 am – 3 pm</b>	<b>Last Minute Mart Craft Show PH</b>
<b>Sunday, May 12</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Worship Service/ Edna House Offering</b>
	<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Coffee Hour</b>
	<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>Youth Ministry</b>
	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Youth Percussion</b>

**PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SUNDAY'S SERVICE**

**MAY 5, 2019**

Lay Reader: Sam Koch  
Head Usher: Jan Renovetz  
Ushers: Cliff Cribbs, Diane Gressley  
Kathy Smith, Kim Wallis  
Acolyte: Michelina Fawcett  
Peace Candle: Amelia Tyler  
Sound: Tim Wallis  
Comns Grtr: Betty Kaul  
Flowers: Maureen Stanley  
Nursery: Kathy Pastor  
C.E Teacher: Anne Melfo  
Counters: David Pastor, Nancy Stella  
Servers: Marge Culver, Joanne Cook  
Clean-up: Jan Renovetz, Jill Zedan  
Snacks: Maureen Stanley, Susan Snyder

**PARTICIPANTS IN NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE**

**MAY 12, 2019**

Lay Reader: Diane Gressley  
Head Usher: Anne Melfo  
Ushers: Dave & Julie Bernard  
Darlene Kelly, Sam Koch  
Acolyte: Joshua Anderson  
Peace Candle: Olivia Klonowski  
Sound: Doug Fawcett  
Comns Grtr: Max Roha  
Flowers: Betty Gifford  
Nursery: Courtni Began  
C.E Teacher: Kate Klonowski  
Counters: Matt Wolbert, Jan Renovetz  
Servers: Cliff & Sue Stenzel  
Clean-Up: Bob & Caroline Chandler  
Snacks: Marilyn Wrights, Pat Rehm