

THE PRELUDE

Mrs. Cheryl Eberhart, Organist
Mrs. Leah Reynard, Pianist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ed Eberhart

*OPENING SONG

"How Great Thou Art!" #37 (Verses 1, 2, & 4)

*OPENING PRAYER

Followed by the Lord's Prayer in unison and the Gloria Patri (words on screen)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Alex Davidson

Followed by dismissal to Children's Church (ages 5-8) and Junior Church (ages 9-12)

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

If you are a visitor today, please do not feel obligated to give instead, we hope that we can offer something of value to you this morning. Thank you for being our guest!

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

RECOGNITION OF OUR KEENAGERS AND HONORED GUESTS

A PROCLAMATION FROM GOVERNOR JOHN R. KASICH

Sen. James E. Carnes

READING OF OUR CHURCH HISTORY

REMARKS

Dr. Larry Miracle

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Precious Memories" by Don and Cheryl Eberhart

COMMUNION MEDITATION

Pastor Ed Eberhart

COMMUNION SONG

"Faith of Our Fathers" #183 (All three verses)

THE LORD'S SUPPER

This is a time of remembering Jesus' sacrificial death on the Cross for each one of us. As the bread and cup are passed through the pews, take the element and hold it in your hand until the Elders direct us to share together. All followers of Jesus Christ are welcome to partake.

THE INVITATION

If you desire to accept Jesus Christ as your personal Lord and Savior, to recommit your life to Him, to transfer membership to this local congregation, or to receive the counsel or prayers of the church, please come forward and stand with the Pastor during the closing song.

*CLOSING SONG

"Amazing Grace" #236 (Verses 1, 2, & 4)

*CLOSING PRAYER & BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" #187 (First verse only)

*****CONGREGATION STANDING*****

Announcements

***WELCOME TO OUR 175th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!** Today is our **"Looking Back"** Sunday, as we honor our "Keen-agers" and "Senior Saints" and welcome Dr. Larry Miracle, who served as the Minister of First Christian Church from 1963-1967. For those who made advanced reservations, we will enjoy a roast beef dinner in the NLC following this morning's service.

***"JOIN US WEDNESDAY FOR "FAMILY NIGHT @ THE CHURCH!"** Dinner (meatball subs and tossed salad) be served at 6:30pm, followed by Worship, Prayer, Bible Study (The Case for Christ), and youth programming/nursery care from 7:00-8:15pm.

***SIGN UP FOR THE "HERITAGE TOUR"** to the Campbell Mansion Museum in Bethany, West Virginia, **this coming Saturday, October 14.** We will depart the church at 9:00am and return by 2:00pm. The only cost to you is lunch at Mehlman's on the way home.

***NEXT SUNDAY MORNING IS OUR 175th ANNIVERSARY "LET'S CELEBRATE!"** worship service. The Youth Praise Team will lead us in uplifting worship, Pastor Ed will deliver the message, and we will all gather on the church lawn following the service for a **Balloon Launch and Congregational Photo.**

***JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY EVENING FOR OUR "Ice-Cream Social & Singspiration!"** We will have sandwiches, chips, and ice cream in the NLC at **5:00pm**, followed by a special song service in the sanctuary beginning at **6:00pm.** Invite friends to attend with you!

TODAY @ First Christian...

*Junior Youth Group (grades 3-6) trip to McDonald's Farm in Zanesville, departing from the church at 1:30pm and returning by 7:00pm

*"SOLD-OUT" Youth Group (grades 7-12) will meet, 4:00pm

THIS WEEK @ First Christian Church

Monday, October 9- Bible Discussion Group will meet in the Builders Classroom, 11:00am

Tuesday, October 10- C.W.F. (Christian Women's Fellowship) will meet at the home of Jill Crosier (62297 Eastview Court), 7:00om

Wednesday, October 11- "Family Night @ the Church!"

-Choir Practice, 6:00pm

-Dinner (meatball subs and tossed salad) will be served in the NLC, 6:30pm

-Worship, Prayer, Bible Study (The Case for Christ), and Youth programming, 7:00-8:15pm

UPCOMING @ First Christian

Saturday, October 21- "Five Loaves Food Ministry" monthly Food Give-Away and Free Community Luncheon, 11:00-12:30pm (Lunch served at 11:30)

Thursday-Sunday, November 9-12- Washington, D.C. Mission Trip

The Lord's Day, October 8, 2017

***WELCOME TO FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH!** If you are visiting with us today, we hope that you feel welcomed and will soon join us again! *All visitors are invited to take home a blue "welcome bag" from the back of the sanctuary as you leave this morning!*

***THIS MORNING'S PULPIT FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God in celebration of our congregation's 175th Anniversary (1842-2017) and also by John and Sharon Gustina in honor of their 3rd Wedding Anniversary. *Happy Anniversary to us and to John and Sharon!*

Serving the Lord in our worship this morning

- *Elders: Mike Lucas and J.B. Holliday (Calling Elder: Mike Lucas)
- *Deacons: Paul Baker, John Hanes, Jayson Stephen, Paul Stewart, and Jeff Touvelle
- *Deaconesses: Theresa Jeffers and Ruth Carpenter
- *Junior Church Leader: Alex Davidson
- *Children's Church Teacher: Amanda Hagan
- *Head Nursery Volunteer: Vanessa Baker
- *Sound/Video Technician: Sam Wehr

Spiritual Statistics for the Week of October 1, 2017

Sunday School Attendance: 25 Sunday Morning Worship Attendance: 136
"Family Night @ the Church!" (Wednesday) Attendance: 45
Building Fund Account Balance: +\$21,428.13 General Offering: \$5,272.55

Our Prayer List

Dorothy Whitsell-shut-in; K.J. Kearns, Austin Lucas, and Kaytlyn Russell-cystic fibrosis; John Perkins-leukemia; Phillip Wilson-black lung; Melissa Carpenter-cancer; Tonny Tomer-arthritis; Cindy Marley-radiation; Robbie Faber-cancer; Lilly Mellott-lungs; Zac Jones-heart; Kay Porter-cancer; Dennis Wells-cancer; David Price-cancer; Easton Stephen-continued lung development; Mary Jones-leukemia; Carolyn Ebert-spine tumor; Delise Simonton-psoriatic arthritis; Alida Martin-cancer; Lisa Shilling-cancer; Tara Ulrich-paralysis; Caitlin Silva-brain cyst; Martha Dietrich-cancer; Wanda Lynn-shut-in; Judy Peters-cancer; Lindsay Beasley-cancer; Carol Berry-congestive heart; Carys Singler-brain cancer; Cathy Johnson; Ruth Zellers-lung cancer; Autumn Wehr-brain cancer; Michelle Mullen-cancer; Caden Bonnette-brain tumor; Sheila Kemp; Clayton Temple-cancer; John Kurtz-lungs; Jay Harris-Parkinson's disease; Michelle Jericho-cancer; Lucas Robb-sarcoidosis; Olivia Clark-seizures; Melissa Crum; Don Wilson-cancer; Ted Huntsman-leukemia; Terry Kendall-leukemia; Helen Boswell-cancer; Lexi Everts-Ewing's sarcoma; Wanda Neptune-leg injuries; Chuck McCloud-heart; Harriett Carvin; Aubri Waggoner-back surgery, leg; David Wilt-myelodysplastic syndrome/bone marrow transplant; Chad Loudon-accident recovery; Ryder Gallagher-stomach issues; Brian Wells; Don Ward-liver cancer; Kevin Wehr-cancer

About First Christian Church

Organized in 1842, the First Christian Church of Barnesville, Ohio, is part of the Restoration Movement of the early 19th century. As an independent, non-denominational, and self-governing congregation, the church is part of the brotherhood of independent Christian Churches and churches of Christ (Instrumental). Our authority (in both doctrine and practice) is the Holy Bible, which we believe to be God's infallible message for all humankind. In the pattern of the New Testament Church, the Lord's Supper is a central part of each Sunday's worship service with all Christians being welcome to participate. New members are recognized upon their confession of faith in Jesus Christ as personal Lord and savior and a believer's baptism by immersion. For more information about our church, feel free to contact the church office (740-425-2480) or visit us online at www.fccbarnesville.org.