

Welcome
Prelude

Call to Worship

One: From a tiny seed, a great tree can grow.

All: Glory to God!

One: From a few drops of rain,
a mighty river begins its journey to the sea.

All: Glory to God!

One: From the smallest act of love,
the kingdom of heaven breaks into our world.

All: Glory to God!

Hymn This Is My Father's World #58 RED

Gathering Prayer

Holy God, we remember that Jesus spoke in parables, so that we would continue to find new meaning in his words. As we listen again today, help us to listen for something new that will grow in our hearts like a small seed. May it renew and inspire us for the journey ahead as we offer our gifts and dream God's dream. Amen.

Scripture Matthew 13:31-32
Sermon

Hymn Called as Partners #495 Black

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily

**bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we
forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us
not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for
yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory
forever. Amen.**

Invitation to Generosity & Stewardship

Sung Response They'll Know We Are Christians

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;

And we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

And they'll know we are Christians

by our love, by our love,

yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, we thank you that your creation

provides all that we need for growth. Bless these

seeds that we have offered, so that they might

grow into ministries that bless others. Expand the

reach of our gifts, so that they can realize your

dreams for us. Amen.

Announcements

Hymn

Joyful, Joyful

#4 Black

Blessing

*Blessed are those who plant trees the shade of which
they will not live long enough to enjoy.*

- Greek Proverb

*How do we change the world? One random act of
kindness at a time.*

- Morgan Freeman

Keep in Prayer

Eloise Horn, Elaine Graham, Lewis Poths,
Linda Stark, Rollie Homan,
Linda Dimon (sister of Judy Smith),
Jane Sanders (sister of Jean King),
Mike Hamer (brother of Val Ball),
Lonnie Hall (friend of Brandon Stewart)
Our Shut-ins: Allen, Carol, Joan

Offering: May be left in the basket in the back.

Announcements

Worship Sponsor: Rick & Cindy Horn
in celebration of grandsons' birthdays

Thank you, Ben Low, for sharing your gift of music
with us today!

Council meets Monday, 7pm

Fall Hayride & Dinner

Sunday, October 19, 4pm at Horn Farm.
5pm at the church for dinner & games!

Stewardship Celebration

Sunday, November 9
Soup & Fellowship after worship!

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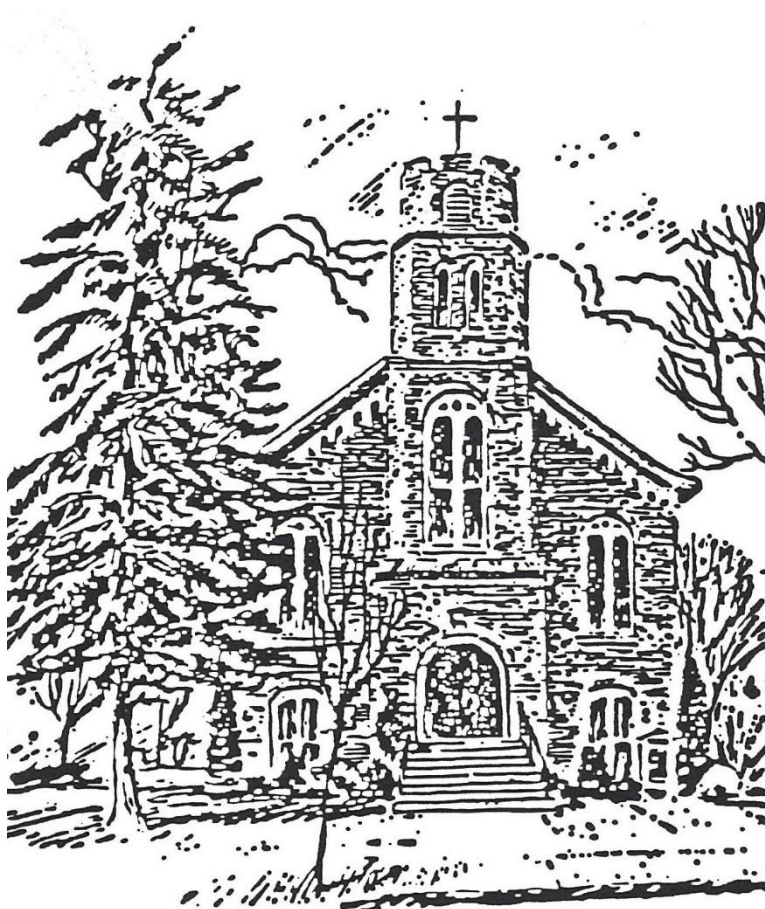
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Monroeville United Church of Christ

Blessed to be a Blessing



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