



# 1st Congregational UCC

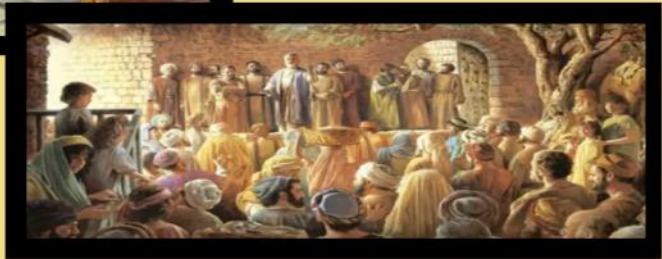
Opening the Doors of Possibility

An Open & Affirming Church



Sunday, Oct. 13, 2024

*(Sept./Oct. Reaching Out Focus: Community & Civic Duties)*



**"I now see how true it is that God shows no partiality and accepts people from every nation who revere him and do what is right."**

**- Acts 10:34-35**

# Welcome to our church family!

## Gathering Music

**Tolling of the Bell** - our reminder to quiet ourselves inside *and* out for worship

## Welcome

**Opening Hymn** - #541 "Church of God, Elect and Glorious"

**Morning Message** - "**The Trajectory of God's People**"

*Offered by Toby Jones, Pastor*

*Scripture Readings, offered by Denise Fate*

*Deuteronomy 7:1-6*

*Isaiah 56:3-8*

*Matthew 3:7-10*

*Acts 10:9-16, 27-28, 34-35*

**Message Hymn** - #600 "In Christ There is No East or West" (vs. 1-3)

## Offering

**Choral Offertory** - "Santus Holy," by Donald Moore

## Doxology

*"Praise God from whom all blessings flow,*

*Praise Him all creatures here below,*

*Praise Her above ye heavenly host,*

*Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost, Amen*

## Morning Prayers -

*"Our Father, 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*

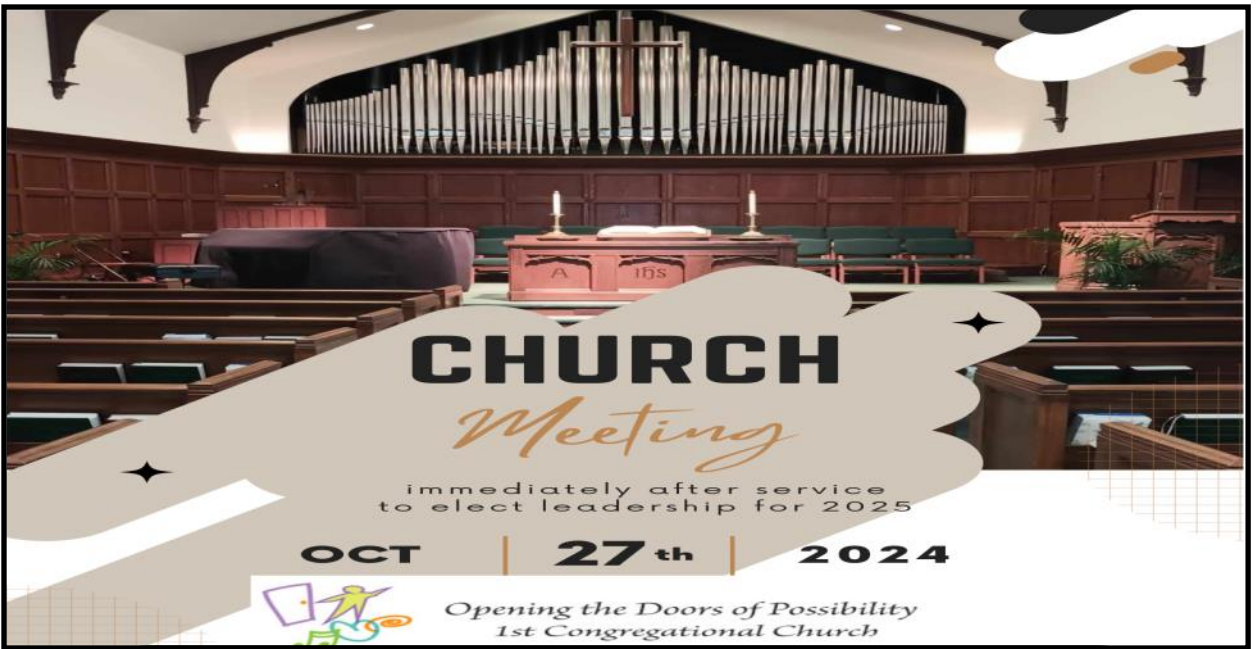
*our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,*

*for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."*

**Closing Hymn** - #615 "Community of Christ" (vs. 1-3)

**Choral Charge and Benediction** - #395 "Bond of Love" *Congregational Sing Along*

## Postlude



### *A Special Invitation for Our Newer Participants...*

If you have been worshipping and participating with us for @ 18 months or less and have not yet attended one of our New Participant Brunches, this invitation is for you!

When you find a new church and start attending, it's not always easy to meet people and find your place. We have found that it can be really fun and informative for all of our newest participants to gather for a simple brunch with Toby and a few other seasoned veterans. We'll be having such a gathering on Sunday, November 3 right after worship in the Fellowship Hall. We'll provide the sandwiches and drinks; we just need you to join us, if you'd like to get to know some other new folks and learn a bit more about 1<sup>st</sup> Congregational United Church of Christ.

All you have to do in order to join us is let Toby or Stacey (in the office) know that you'll be attending. (email [toby@chxuucc.org](mailto:toby@chxuucc.org) or [office@chxuucc.org](mailto:office@chxuucc.org) to RSVP.) The gathering will go from 11:45 to 1:00 at the latest. We look forward to hearing from you soon!

Sunday 10/13	Mon 10/14	Tues 10/15	Wed 10/16	Thurs 10/17	Fri 10/18	Sat 10/19	Sunday 10/20
10:30a In-Person & Live-Streamed Worship  11:30a Coffee Hour	6p Personal Pantry	10a Scripture Discussion Group  11a-2p CMA Hours	5p Uke Band Practice  6p Choir Rehearsal	11a-2p CMA Hours			10:30a In-Person & Live-Streamed Worship  11:30a Coffee Hour <i>Hosted by:</i> <i>MaryAnn Borths</i> <i>Ellen Zienert</i> <i>Judy Seibert</i> <i>Patricia Dilworth</i>  11:45a Church Council Mtg

<p><b>Prayer Requests/ Celebrations: To submit a Prayer Request please visit our website at chxucc.org or call the office at <u>231-547-9122</u></b></p> <p><b>Please be sure to get permission from the person needing prayers.</b></p>	<p>Please pray for the victims of Hurricane Milton in Florida.</p> <p>Please continue to pray for the victims and the people affected by Hurricane Helene in Florida, Georgia, Tennessee, and the Carolinas.</p> <p>Please continue to pray for Jennifer and Stan Carroll and their family as their son-in-law, Craig Sinclair, remains in hospice care due to cancer complications.</p> <p>Please continue to pray for David Bowen as he continues to struggle with health issues and other challenges.</p> <p>Please continue to pray for Dolores Cain as she remains in hospice care.</p>
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## Donations for Hurricane Victims

Would you like to donate to victims of the recent hurricanes in the South? The United Church of Christ has set up a donation page for that reason. Please go to [support.ucc.org/hurricane-Helene-relief](http://support.ucc.org/hurricane-Helene-relief) to get more information and to find out how to donate. You can send money through that page, or send a check directly to the UCC. That address is : **United Church of Christ, PO Box 71957, Cleveland, OH 44194**. Please be sure to note "Hurricane Helene" in the memo section of your check.

Thank you again for being a wonderfully generous congregation!

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