

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH of STOW

May 20, 2018 10:45 a.m.

Pentecost

CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

Rev. Jonathan Rumburg

PRELUDE

Joy Bells

Spirit Wind ~ John Bartsch

CALL to WORSHIP

GATHERING HYMN *

“Holy Spirit, Rain Down”

screens

INVOCATION *

SHARING of the PEACE *

Jim Wolf, Elder

MESSAGE in MUSIC

Chancel Choir

Fill-a Me Up ~ Pepper Choplin

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

(Children may go to Junior Church or return to their families today.)

GIVING of our TITHES and OFFERINGS

Stewardship Challenge

Offering Hymn *

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

#48

Prayer of Dedication *

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:1-21

MESSAGE in WORD

Rev. Rumburg

Pentecost Paradoxes

PASTORAL PRAYER and the LORD’S PRAYER

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 also have forgiven 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.

COMMUNION HYMN

“Seed, Scattered and Sown”

#395

COMMEMORATION of the LORD’S SUPPER

(All who profess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, regardless of church affiliation, are invited to share in this commemoration.)

Call to Communion and Words of Institution

Rev. Rumburg

Prayer of Consecration

Elder

INVITATION HYMN *

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

#254

(If you desire to confess Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior or to transfer your membership here, please come forward.)

BENEDICTION *

SENDING HYMN *

“Spirit of the Living God”

#259

POSTLUDE

Please join us for Coffee Hour honoring our graduates immediately following this service in the Library.

THIS WEEK

Sun May 20, 2018		
08:30 AM - 09:30 AM	Worship Service	Chapel
09:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Sunday School	Other
10:45 AM - 12:00 PM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	Coffee Fellowship	203 Library
12:00 PM – 02:00 PM	Youth Group	Away
Mon May 21, 2018		
12:15 PM - 01:30 PM	Staff Meeting	Choir Room
Tue May 22, 2018		
07:00 PM - 08:30 PM	Boy Scouts	Disciples Hall
Wed May 23, 2018		
05:30 PM - 06:45 PM	Yarn Ministry	203 Library
07:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Joyful Noise	201 Judea
Thu May 24, 2018		
06:00 PM - 07:15 PM	Joy Bells	201 Judea
07:30 PM - 09:00 PM	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
08:00 PM - 09:30 PM	AA	Fellowship Hall
Sat May 26, 2018		
11:00 AM - 04:00 PM	Memorial-Jim Murfin	Fellowship Hall
Sun May 27, 2018		
08:30 AM - 09:30 AM	Worship Service	Chapel
09:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Sunday School	Other
10:45 AM - 12:00 PM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	Coffee Fellowship	203 Library

SENIOR PASTOR: Rev. Jonathan Rumburg
 DIRECTOR of MUSIC: Charles Kobb
 DIRECTORS of CHRISTIAN EDUCATION for CHILDREN:
 Richelle Aukeman, Anna Lloyd
 Andrea Drews
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Introducing ~~
The Nest Early Learning Center

A Preschool Program

inspired by the Reggio-Emilia approach to early learning

The Nest is a brand new, privately owned preschool program that will be hosted here at First Christian Church of Stow. The curriculum will be Christ-centered.

There are part-time and full-time opportunities for children between the ages of 2 and 4. Please contact Anne Reiman at missannepreschool@gmail.com or 937-716-9577, Take a moment to check out their new website at www.thenestearlylearningcenter.org Soon we will have a link from our website to theirs.



Sunday, June 3, 2018

Worship in the Chapel at 8:30 a.m.

**Coffee Fellowship at 9:30 a.m.
in the Library**

(A chance for those in both services to come together)

Worship in the Sanctuary at 10:00 a.m.
(Child care and junior church continue to be available)

Share your Prayer Request
by placing in the Prayer Box located in the Gathering area.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pentecost the Birthday of the Church!

Today we celebrate the birthday of the Church, remembering the awesome power that descended on the people of God through the Holy Spirit, resting on them like tongues of fire. Let us ignite our spirits and show our excitement for this grand day through our worship.

Graduates

Today we recognize our graduates from high school and college. We appreciate and commend all their hard work. May they continue to be blessed and be a blessing as they continue to achieve their life goals.

Youth Group

After church today, we will travel to Gorge Metro Park in Cuyahoga Falls for lunch and a hike. Bring a sack lunch to eat at the park. Parents please plan to pick you youth up at Gorge Park at 2 p.m.

Loaves and Fishes

TODAY 4-6 p.m.

Sign up to volunteer on the sheets in the Gathering Space. Please join us for this free community meal this evening.

Annual Plant Sale

Choose your favorite plants on the sheets available in the Information Corridor. See Ann Halpin for more information.

May Doughnut Days Are Here Again!

Our church will once again hold our May Doughnut Days each Friday in May from 7:30 to 10 a.m. This means that during these hours anyone can pull into our parking lot, drive up the ramp under the portico, and receive a delicious doughnut and a cup of coffee all for the incredibly, unbelievably cost ~ FREE! Please share this invitation to your friends and neighbors, because after all, who couldn't use a doughnut and a cup of coffee—for free!?!? And assure them there are absolutely no strings attached to the doughnuts. After all, kindness and generosity can be contagious!

Summer Hymn Requests

Do you have a favorite hymn that we haven't sung for a while? If so, why not write the title and hymnal number on the back of the Connection Card. We will collect all the suggestions and try to "plug" them into the worship services this summer (June through August). If your favorite isn't in the Hymnal or Chalice Praise, request it anyway and we will try to find it. Thanks.

Learn to Read Music

Want to learn to read music? We are going to have a class that meets this summer to learn how to read rhythms, how to follow the music as it moves up and down the staff, and basic music vernacular. If interested, please indicate so on a Connection Card. We will contact you with details.

Relay for Life

June 9 at Stow Glen

FCC Stow is putting together a team again this year. Sign-up sheets will be in the Gathering Area. For more information see John or Janice McCreight.

Summer Camps and Conferences at Camp Christian!

Each summer there are week-long camps for youth who have completed the third grade all the way through High School and beyond. There is Otter Camp for 3rd-5th grade, Portahoga Chi Rho Camp for grade 6th-8th, and CYF Conference for grades 9th-12th. Each camp sees dozens of youth from across the state come for an unforgettable week that not only includes Bible study and worship, but also hiking, boating, fishing, swimming and more games than you might think a church camp would have. Plus, there are nightly activities that include the incredibly fun Hoe-Down, Skit-Night, Talent Show, Dance, and Banquet.

Note on the back of your connection card if you are interested in going to camp. Any and all youth who want to attend Camp can, regardless of ability to pay for the registration fee. Scholarships are available through our church as well as through the Regional Church Office.

A Celebration of Life: Jim Murfin

Jim Murfin lost his battle with Progressive Supranuclear Palsy on October 4, 2017. At that time, we began planning a celebration of his life to take place in the spring. You are invited to come and share with us as we compile a memory box so that Alessandra and Ethan can their "Papa" in years to come.

On Saturday, May 26, from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m., an Open House will be held in Disciple Hall of the First Christian Church of Stow. Light refreshments, music and memories will be the order of the day.

Come when you can and stay as long as you like.

Judy Murfin, Melissa and Jeremiah Pope,
Allison and Peter Moyer