

**WE THANK THOSE WHO SERVE:**

Ministers - Every Member of the Church  
Pianist - Dee Ritter      Organist - Carrie Hier  
Keyboard - Steve Clark    Bass - Cary Cornwell    Drums - Dave Hunt  
Song Leader - Jim Ladiski  
Acolyte Coordinator - Sue Graham  
Fellowship Coordinator – Connie Paksi



Growing in God's word ~ Living in Spiritual unity ~ Sharing faith in Christ

**Serving This Week**

**Serving Next Week**

Greeters – Scouts  
Acolytes – Lauren  
Lay Reader – Scouts  
Nursery - Becky Dahlke  
Children's Church – Rachelle Parsons, Leah Rasch  
Coffee Hour – Ben & Erica Cook  
Welcome Ministry - Shelley Shimunec

Bud & Willann Casler  
Ben  
Linda Lupu  
Janell Kebler  
Sue Casler, Tara Ritte  
Allen & Michelle Martin  
Russ Westbrook

**WELCOME!**

This morning you've chosen to worship with us and we thank you for doing so. Our service is designed with a blend of music, worship styles, and interaction, so that whether you are family, friend, or guest, it's our hope that you will feel welcome as we worship our God through Jesus Christ together.

**LAST WEEK'S STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**Attendance:** Worship Service – 107    Christian Life Classes –

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	Building	\$ 50



**“Acting on Acts” Series**

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Scouting Sunday  
Pentecost  
May 23, 2010



Girl Scouts.



# Welcome and thank you for joining us this morning!

(\*\* - notes where to stand physically and/or spiritually)

*Theme for Today: the church shows reverence and duty*

## Music to “Bring Us In” – Hymn Singing

**Opening Song** “O Spirit of the Living God” UMH #539  
**Presentation of the Colors**

## Greetings (see your “News You Can Use” insert)

Leader: At the United Church of Ovid, our purpose is to...

**People: Grow in God’s word, live in Spiritual unity, and share faith in Christ!**

Leader: And why are we here?

**People: To worship!**

**\*\*Time of Praise & Opening Prayer** (see insert “Hear Our Praises”  
“Fill Me Now”

**Call to Worship** - Reciting the Promises, Oaths, and Pledges – If you have been involved in any of these areas, we invite you to stand and join our scouts as they recite.

Cub Scout Promise - I, (name), promise to do my best  
To do my duty to God and my country,  
To help other people, and  
To obey the Law of the Pack.

Girl Scout Promise - On my honor, I will try:  
To serve God and my country,  
To help people at all times,  
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

Boy Scout Oath - On my honor, I will do my best  
To do my duty to God and my country;  
To obey the Scout Law;  
To help other people at all times;  
To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake  
and morally straight.

\*\*Pledge of Allegiance (everyone please stand and join as you’re able)

**Giving Back to God -Special Moment** “Just a Closer Walk with Thee” Choir  
**\*\*Response** “Praise God from Whom All...” UMH #95  
**\*\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Special Moment** - “All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten”

**Children’s Time** (Immediately following, 0-4 year olds are invited to the nursery upstairs or those 5-10 years old are invited to Children’s Church downstairs.)

**Response** – “Tell Me the Stories of Jesus” UMH #277

Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear; things I would ask Him to tell me if He were here: scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea, stories of Jesus tell them to me.”

**Special Moment** – “It is the Duty” (Ghandi)

**Scripture Reading** Acts 2:1-12 pgs. 1056

Reader: This is the word of God.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Time of Reflection** – Please take this time to reflect on God’s word for your life.

## Prayers of the People

When indicated in the pastoral prayer, you are invited to lift up your spoken and unspoken prayers as we pray to God together. On the enclosed insert you are also invited to record your praises and prayers for next week’s bulletin.

**Pastoral Prayer & Lord’s Prayer** (using “sins/sin” for “trespasses”) UMH #895

**Response** “Amens” - A-men. A-men. A---men. UMH #898

**Message** “Pentecost & Duty” Pastor Greg

**Song of Thanksgiving** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” UMH#89

**\*\*Blessing** – Luke 11:13

**\*\*Congregational Response** “This Little Light of Mine”

1. This little light of mine. I’m gonna’ let it shine...  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
2. Where we pitch our tent, we’re gonna’ let it shine...
3. When we build God’s world, we’re gonna’ let it shine...

**“Sending Us Out” Music** - Please join us in the family center (on the opposite end of the building) for a time of refreshments, community-building and fellowship.

## News You Can Use

### This Week's Calendar

- Sunday** 9:15 am – Christian Life Classes (opening in worship area)  
(Classes available for children-tweens-and adults.)  
10:30 am - Worship with fellowship following (worship area/family center)  
1 pm – Family Center in use
- Monday** 3:30 pm – United Kids (basement & worship area)  
7 pm - Boy Scouts (basement)
- Tuesday** 9 am – Paint Class (basement)  
12:30 pm - Senior Luncheon (family center)  
3:30 pm – Grief Support (library)  
6 pm – Girl Scouts (basement)  
6:30 pm – Trustees (basement)
- Wednesday** 8 pm – Music-Worship Mt. (worship area)
- Thursday** 12:30 pm – Senior Luncheon (family center)
- Sunday** 9:15 am – Christian Life Classes (opening in worship area)  
(Classes available for children-tweens-and adults.)  
10:30 am - Worship with fellowship following (worship area/family center)

### Upcoming Events

**Spaghetti Dinner – June 13<sup>th</sup> after church** – The United Men will be hosting a spaghetti dinner with proceeds going toward the ministry of the United Women. A free will offering will be taken, so bring your appetites. If you would like to help, please contact Larry Bashore (834-2384).

**“Seasons of Grief” – Bereavement Support Group Continues** – on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month at 3:30 pm. Johanna Workman (MAFS), from Heartland Hospice (1-888-670-7448), a grief survivor herself, is leading the ongoing classes.

**UCO Canoe Trip** – We’re planning a trip on Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars with the date. Sign-up is available at the Front Street entrance.

**Lugnut Ball Game – Friday, July 30 at 7:05pm.** We have invited the OM Emergency Service families to be our guest as our way of expressing appreciation for them. If you plan on attending, please sign-up at the Front Street entrance. If you would like to support our gratitude to our Emergency Service families, please mark your giving ‘Lugnut Outreach’ and place in the offering plate.

### Volunteers needed for...

**We God Needs You** – As our ministry expands at UCO, more willing servants are needed. They aren’t necessarily volunteers, but servants because God has placed it on their heart to serve Him. Where has God shaped you for ministry? If you need help in finding that, set up an appointment with Pastor Greg through the church office.

**Vacation Bible School** will be July 12-16 from 9am – 12noon. If you feel God nudging you to be a part of VBS, please contact Jessi Ladiski or Sue Casler. We need your help to make this a wonderful experience for the kids!!

**We still need a Tech Table Director and more Tech Volunteers** – Plans are well underway for our projection system and upgrade to our sound booth. When finished, we’re going to need someone to lead and volunteers to assist. If you have a servant’s heart, a drive for quality worship, and the God-given skills needed for the director, please send a letter of interest indicating those traits to UCO, PO Box 106, Ovid, MI 48866 or to volunteer, there is sign-up sheet at the Front Street entrance.

**Greeters and Coffee Hour Hosts** – There are plenty of opportunities for you to be involved in both of these necessary areas. Please sign up at the sign-up table or contact Connie Paksi (834-2351) if you have any questions.

**Deadlines:** Bulletin announcements - Wednesday of each week.  
Newsletter info – 15<sup>th</sup> of the month before the month of the newsletter.

### Community Corner

**UCO Birthdays & Anniversaries** (If we’ve missed your special day please let the church office know!)

**May Birthdays:** 1-Greg Martin 3-Carol Bashore 4-Cal Martin 6-Opal Parker, Jena Ladd, Bryon Taylor 7-Dale Crosslan, Lynn Givens, Areal Wesenberg 8-Maxwell Farver 10-Elizabeth Bracey, Hannah Orweller 14-Randy Perry 15-Willann Casler, Eva Barton, Kasondra Davis, Amy Davis 16-Cassie Taylor, Brian Bracey, Loren Hunt 17-Pam Cook 18-Denise Dennison 19-Jerry Meredith, Barb Mills 20-Sawyer Astle 21-William Zemla, Chloe Taylor, Gunnar Barrett 23-Karen Batora 25-Carol Stevens, Gene Ward 27-Elaine Swanson 28-Connie Paksi, Jordynn Todosciuk 29-Sally Kioski 31-Joan Wrather, Cari Chadwick

**May Wedding Anniversaries:** 4-Chad & Cathy Wilkins 5-Tom & Jackie Sandbrook 14-Clarence & Lena Trowbridge 15-Don & Michele Moore 17-Ron & Connie Paksi 31-Aaron & Sarah McClung

## Praise and Prayer List

Last Updated: May 19, 2010

If you would like your praise, prayer request, or update put on this list for next Sunday, please use your "let us know" sheet, call the church office before Wednesday, or use the "prayer bulletin board" in the main hallway. Otherwise, please be sure to lift up your prayer or praise during the pastoral prayer when indicated. Thank you!

Praises and prayers on the four lists below will remain for two weeks unless updated.

**We give God praise for:** Opportunities to serve / Robert Kebler – no surgery / Mothers / James King home for a visit // Mary Paksi – 86<sup>th</sup> birthday

**We pray for the health & healing of:** Barbara Davis – skin cancer starts chemo early June / Leo Allaire – cancer – friend of Jim Ladiski / Ann Hudson – cancer – wife of a friend of Jim Ladiski / James & Karen Cook / Bob Wilcox – stroke while caring for wife who has cancer / Lois Bracey – surgery / Burt Ashtown // Diana Frank – knee replacement recovery / Dorothy Yerrick – recovering from heart surgery / Herb Hicks – test – son-in-law of Russ Westbrook / Kristy King-Thelen – home – daughter of Deb Conklin / Margery Jones – shingles / Gerald Pulver – cancer – uncle of Alene Ward / Robert Kebler – possible surgery / David Green – recovering from heart surgery / Wade Kioski / Meredith Doyen – hip surgery – granddaughter of Braceys

**We share our sympathy with the families of:** Ken Moore – cousin of Sally Kioski / Larry Howland / Scott Morac / Tony – friend of Sally Kioski // Steven May

**We lift up our general requests of:** Lena & Clarence Trowbridge – moving to Owosso / Emily & Al Berlo – training // Pastor's families in transition / Rev. David Hill and family in their transition / Oil spills / stressed out college students / people of Haiti, China and Chili and all who in or serving in countries with natural disasters

Prayers on the three lists below will remain until we receive some update or request.

**We lift up those who are experiencing longer term healing and treatment:** Barb Jones – shingles / Mary Ann Mizga – health / Margo Martin – health / Doris Darling – Alzheimer's / Alyce Bond – multiple health problems – sister of Carol Watson / James White – healing / Brad Behrens – stroke / Arvilla Bunnell – strength and healing – aunt of Steve Clark / Clyde Gilbert – brother of Nancy Hehrer / Emily Ann Pruse – healing of ear / Sally Kioski / Jean Loznak – cancer / Connie Parmenter / Gary Wilkins – cancer / Louise Rees – Home from OHC / Chris Wilkins - cancer / Buddy Ilgenfritz - home / Mary Ann Wittenberg - cancer / Laurie Higgins- cancer / Joan Bracey - Alzheimer's / Katie & Faith Heinze – Niemann-Pick Dis.

**We lift up those who have served or are serving in our peacekeeping efforts worldwide:** Joshua Rosekrans, Barry Hunt, Josh Wiegel, Pete Carpenter, Kevin Hehrer, Bret Fell, Kori Sheldon, James King, Greg White, Bob Wienry, Mike Kimmel, Nicholas Passmore, Doug Betts, Chris Sodman, William Piwowarski, John Westbrook, Keith Burba, Robert Allen, Ted Olson, Kurt Doten, Scott Meyers, Jason Spencer, Dallas Blooding, Jason Westbrook, Al & Emily (Moore) Berlo, Neil Hogle, Brian Moody, Arin Monahan, Jarred Luckhardt

**We remember those who are continually in our thoughts:** UCO, its leaders, and our purpose / shut-ins / RAVE families / UMC-UCC leaders / Christian churches at home & around the globe / local, state, national, world leaders / those affected, nationally and internationally, by famine, disease, & persecution, because of natural and human-made disasters / those in our community who need a relationship with Jesus Christ.

## *Time of Praise*

### “Hear Our Praises”<sup>1</sup>

May our homes be filled with dancing...may our streets be filled with joy!  
May injustice bow to Jesus...as the people turn and pray [*chorus*]

[*chorus*]

From the mountain...to the valley...hear our praises...rise to You!  
From the heavens...to the nations...hear the singing...fill the air!

May a light shine in the darkness...as we walk before the cross  
May Your glory fill the whole earth...as the water over sea. [*chorus*]

### “Fill Me Now”<sup>2</sup>

Hover over Holy Spirit...bathe my trembling heart and brow.  
Fill me with Your awesome presence...come, oh come, and fill me now. (refrain)

(refrain) - Fill me now, fill me now...Spirit come and fill me now.  
Fill me now, fill me now...Spirit come and fill me now

In myself I'm full of weakness...can You use this life somehow.  
Cleanse and comfort, heal and teach me...come, oh come, and fill me now. (refrain)

Just one life I have for living...in Your service send me out.  
Source of love, of faith and power...come, oh come, and fill me now. (refrain)

<sup>1</sup>MPW64-CCLI 703014 (by Reuban Morgan – © 1998 Hillsong Publishing) – Isaiah 66:20, Psalm 22:3-4)

<sup>2</sup>MPW202-CCLI 703014 (©2005 – Mercy/Vineyard Publishing (original words – Elwood Stokes – 1879)) – Eph. 5:18 - MPW 202



## “Pentecost & Duty”

Acts 2:1-21

May 23, 2010 - Pastor Greg Buchner  
United Church of Ovid (Scout Sunday)  
(New International Version used throughout unless noted.)

**Theme for Today: the church shows reverence and duty**

**Introduction** – Recap: The church exercises its faith.

The church serves in love.

The church shares its faith.

The church shows reverence and duty.

### **I – The church was reverent and dutiful...“When the day (finally) came...”**

“When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place.

Suddenly a sound like the blow of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting.” (Acts 2:1-2)

### **II – The church was reverent and dutiful when...“A crowd came...”**

“All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Now there were staying Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard them speaking in his own language.” (Acts 2:4-6)

### **III – The church was reverent and dutiful when... “Peter addressed the crowd...”**

“...This is what was spoken by the prophet Joel... Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” (Acts 2:14-21)

### **IV – The call to the crowd (and to us) was to be reverent and dutiful...**

God sent. Miracles were done. Death was a result,  
but “death could not keep its hold.” Everlasting life won.

That deserves our reverence. That deserves our duty.

### **Conclusion – Reverence and Duty for God’s Sake**

Like the church we started to be, reverence and duty are at the core of our our faith. To whom will we be reverent...to whom will we live our duty...as Christians we do them both for God’s sake, with the power of the Holy Spirit, in the name of Jesus Christ.

#### **personal application questions**

What does it mean for you to be reverent? to be dutiful?

At this moment, to whom are you reverent? to whom are you dutiful?

What does it mean for you to be reverent and dutiful for God’s sake?