

THE UNITED CHURCH

PRESBYTERIAN – AMERICAN BAPTIST

August 28, 2022

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PRELUDE: "*Ecce jam noctis*" by Healey Willan

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

OUR PREPARATION

INTROIT: "Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God" (hymn #447)

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: God has given us this day for praise!

People: Praise be to God for this most generous gift!

Leader: God has given his Son to us that we might learn ways of peace and mercy.

People: Let the words of God's own Son, Jesus, enter our hearts and transform our lives!

Leader: Come, let us worship this great God of abundant mercy and love!

All: Let our songs, our words, and our thoughts reflect God's healing and restoring love. Amen.

*HYMN: #99 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

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*OPENING PRAYER: Lord of mercy and love, we have gathered here this day to hear your words of challenge and direction. Help us to become more faithful servants in our thoughts, words, and deeds. We pray this in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray...

Our Father...(using debts & debtors...) Amen

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*GLORIA PATRI: #807

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: I John 3:16-24 (page 1209) {A.B. page 1372}

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Holy, Holy, Holy" Walter Marshall and Georgia Sperano (piano duet)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Sharon Erb

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 119:57-64 (page 608) {A.B. page 682}

Sermon

"Faith in Action"

Pastor Wade Allen

OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH

*HYMN: #429 "Let Your Heart Be Broken"

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY: "*Andante mosso*" by Ch. H. Rinck

*DOXOLOGY: #809

*HYMN: #653 "Make Me a Servant"

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BAPTISM: Abigail Blanco

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "*Postlude in F*" by R. H. Woodman

Congratulations to Paul and Beth Johnson on the birth of their new grandson, Remy Stephen Johnson, on August 23rd. His parents are Will and Kathryn Johnson and he is the sixth grandchild for Paul and Beth. Please keep the family in your prayers during this special time.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Health concerns: Jim Peck, Linda Gilbert, Marilynn Frost, Patti Cagwin, David Crowe, Jack Schermond, Garrett Nayar (Karen Gardner's nephew), Jim LaBrake (uncle of Karen Roaix), Brexton Bigos-Stocker (grandson of Ardelle Bigos), Dylan Smith (friend of Kat McFetridge), Ethan Eckert (friend of Scharr family), Shane Collins (staff at LeTourneau), Matthew Gullace

Cancer: Sybil Amico, Kelly Fish (James Mergenthaler's sister), Dawn Miller, Julie High, Mary J. Havens (Mary Lou's step-daughter), Jay Peck (son of Jim and Ann), Paul Hennessy (brother-in-law of Eveleighs), David Pagoda (friend of Eveleigh family), Keith Laursen (Tim's brother), Jim and Betty Davis (Scott's Parents), Jackie Crego (Stan and Evey Wright's daughter), Stephen Carges (brother of Paula Traber), Jon Santmyer (friend of Malecs), Darryl Kramer (friend of DiCiccios)

Recovering: Sue Paul (friend of Zajacs), Kathy Mills, Sharon Meyer

Comfort and Peace: Dorothy LaBrake,

MILITARY SERVICE: Steven Munk (MacKenzie Brown's cousin) deployed to Somalia, Sgt. Mitchell Cooper stationed in Africa for a year; ENS Nick Castiller (USN) stationed in Everett, Washington, MAC Adam Thorman (USN) training in VA, E6 Cody Wells (USN) returned from deployment, Technical Sergeant Timothy Peck (USAF) home from deployment

MISSIONARIES: Carlos Bonilla and Mayra Giovantti – the BGs (Central/South America), Tim and Patti Long (Baja Mexico), Shelvis and Nancy Smith-Mather (S Sudan refugees in Uganda), Ryan and Alethia White (Berlin)

**** indicates an invitation to stand for those who are able and comfortable doing so.***

ARE YOU VISITING US TODAY? If so, WELCOME to the United Church, we are so glad that you have chosen to worship with us. We invite you to check out our Welcome Table found in our Welcome Center, and to pick up a blue bag for yourself/your family to take home and to learn a little bit more about us. Please fill out a visitor card and drop it in the collection plate or mail in. **We are so happy that you joined us today and look forward to seeing you again soon!**

Children's Time ~ There is Children's Time today. After the children's sermon, children in Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited upstairs to the fellowship room for an age-appropriate lesson. Parents, please pick up your children promptly after the service. Thank you!

Nursery care is available during all Sunday services. Families with little ones (babies through preschoolers) are welcome to use the nursery as desired. During the summer, Room 11 is used for nursery care. If your child is not potty trained, please take a pager in case your child needs a diaper change. Thank you! Any questions?

Please see Jason and Melissa Long or Deb



The United Church Praising Paddlers!!

Come join "The United Church Praising Paddlers" out on the water this summer with Canoes, Kayaks or SUPs, enjoying God's beautiful creations together. *"He leads me beside still waters, he restores my soul"* – Psalm 23:2-3

1 more event this summer:

Monday Sept 5th @ 1pm. Canandaigua Lake West River-Woodville Boat Launch

Text Ali Boseck @ 585-729-3659 for more information. *Events will typically be 2hrs long and No Rain Dates will be scheduled.



We welcome your help to serve as **Greeters for the Sunday Services**. Greeters welcome people as they enter the church building and they hand out Bulletins at the Sanctuary entrances. Greeters also pass the Offering Plates during the Offertory. Reminders are emailed with instructions and location assignments.

The Greeter ministry is a wonderful way to show that we are a hospitable church and that we welcome all who want to worship the Lord with our congregation. **The September sign up sheet is on the Office door.** If you have

any questions, please ask any Steward or call the Office. Thanks so much for serving in this way on any Sunday that you're available.

CareNet at CCIA is in need of **size #4, #5, and #6 diapers and baby wipes!** We have a bin in the gathering area to collect any donations. Thank you!!!



The Stewards Assistance Fund: This Fund assists those in our congregation who are facing temporary financial challenges. If you are struggling, please call the Office at (585) 394-0503 to speak with Virginia Holroyd, or email her at virginia.holroyd@uccdga.org



The shopping cart for collecting **food donations** will be in the Gathering Area every Sunday due to increased needs in the community. We will alternate taking the donations to the CCIA and Salvation Army food pantries. Thank you for your generosity!

SPECIAL MEMBER CARD MINISTRY: In the summer, we encourage our congregation to send cheerful and encouraging cards to our Special Members (those in their 90's, in nursing homes, homebound, or who need extra care). You're invited to take a few of the cards that are in the Welcome Center (by the windows) and pick up the list of Special Members.

Please note a **change of address for Bill Adams**. He's now at:
M.M. Ewing CC, Pines Rm #188A
350 Parrish St.
Canandaigua, NY 14424



To the wonderful people at the United Church,

I want to express my sincere thanks for your prayers, cards, visits, and calls. They have helped me more than you will ever know. Thank you for your continued support. May God bless you all,
Sybil Amico

Wednesday Morning Men's Prayer Breakfast invites you!

Men of all ages are invited to join us at 7:00 am Wednesday morning in the Fellowship Room for a hot breakfast, prayer and Bible study.



Join us! **Exploring Membership Class** ~ We have great news for those of you who have been considering joining our church! We will hold the next Exploring Membership Class on Sunday, **October 2nd** from 9:45-10:45 am. We are excited and welcome you to attend and learn more about our programs and "our two denominations sharing a common love in Christ". We hope you'll join us! Please contact the church office (585-394-0503 or email at secretary@uccdga.org) if you are interested.

Please make note of these important fall dates!



Sunday, Sept 4, 2022 – last summer Worship service at 9:30am

Sunday, Sept 11, 2022 – return to two Worship services; SS dedication during Worship services
Worship service at 8:45am

Sunday School kick off breakfast for ALL AGES in downstairs dining room at 9:45am
Worship service at 11:00am

Sunday, Sept 18, 2022 – Bibles given to children during Worship service

Worship service at 8:45am

First day of Sunday School for all ages at 9:45am; nursery care provided for our littlest ones

Worship service at 11:00am

The Cause begins (9th-12th grade), 5-7:30pm



Sunday, Sept 25, 2022 –

Worship service at 8:45am

Sunday School for all ages at 9:45am

Worship service at 11:00am

The Cause (9th-12th grade), 5-7:30pm

Sunday, October 2, 2022 – LOGOS dedication during Worship services

Worship service at 8:45am

Sunday School for all ages at 9:45am

Worship service at 11:00am

The Cause (9th-12th grade), 5-7:30pm

Wednesday, Oct 5, 2022 – Youth Club begins, 2:30-6:30pm!

Youth Choir ~ We have decided to formally put together a youth choir and open it up to both boys and girls from 4th-8th grade.

We plan to practice the 2nd and 3rd Sunday of each month for 15-20 minutes after 11:00 service. We plan to have this group sing once at 11:00 church every 6 weeks or so. Our first practice will be on September 11th, 2022 after the late service.

Please let us know if your child/children would be interested in this opportunity to sing to God's glory in church. If your child hasn't sung with us in church before, we just need to meet with them for a few minutes.



God's Blessings,

Nancy Burt-Preece and June Pettit

YOU are invited to please join us....

For Our Weekly Prayer gatherings, which will now be on Sunday mornings before worship!

~ A bit of fellowship, a bite of food, some time in prayer~ in the fellowship room

Never prayed in a group before? No problem! Silently or aloud, God hears and values your prayers! Please join us for this special time together.

Dates: Sundays, August 28 & September 4 8-9:15am (before worship)

Please sign up on the Adult Ed bulletin board to help us with our planning – but should you forget to sign up, come anyway! Let us know if childcare is needed.

Also in this Summer Prayer Challenge for our 150 year anniversary:

1. **30 Prayers** for our church – use as daily prayer starters. Cards now available outside the office. (Same prayers as list.)
2. **Attend** 3 of the weekly gatherings of prayer and fellowship (listed above)
3. **Know** that our faithful God has a “hope and a future” for you, our church, the body of Christ

*“And in all things, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving,
make your requests known to God, and the peace of God which passes all understanding,
will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:15*



Grace Payne's Outhouse Project

This project started as an idea for my Gold Award in Girl Scouts and now it is being fully put in action.

I built a 4ft tall, hollow outhouse. The point of the outhouse is to hold donations that the congregation buys. The donations will be taken to organizations such as The Salvation Army, CCIA, Care Net, etc.

The donations should consist of paper products such as:

- paper towels
- toilet paper
- wipes, etc.
- feminine hygiene (pads, tampons)
- baby items (diapers, baby wipes, lotion, baby powder, diaper cream)

The outhouse will be at our church for the month of September before I take the donations to an organization and move the outhouse to another church within the county.

Please consider donating throughout the month of September. Thank you ~ Grace Payne

Volunteers Needed!!

The United Church will be hosting the **Biennial Conference for American Baptist Churches of New York State** on October 7th and 8th. We need your help (even if you're a Presbyterian or United Member!). Volunteers do not need to register as attendees on the state website, they are allowed to attend any of the activities for free when their volunteer service isn't needed and can enjoy the Friday night Ice Cream Social and breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday for free. There are suggested areas on the sign-up page on the church website (or scan or follow the code/link below)

A few examples of help needed:

Setup (evening 10/6)

Registration (late afternoon/evening 10/7 and early morning 10/8)

Ushers for worship services (evening 10/7; morning and late afternoon 10/8)

Baking brownies/bar cookies (lunch on 10/8)

Baking 9x13 cakes (dinner on 10/8)

Kitchen workers (10/8 split shifts - breakfast/morning snacks; lunch/afternoon snacks; dinner)

Welcoming/hospitality (10/7 and 10/8 - welcome guests & help them find their way around church)

Take down & cleanup (evening 10/8 - get church ready for Sun. morning Worship and Sun. School)

Wherever/whenever needed (we'll be happy to assign you to a spot)



Thank you so much - this event relies on all of us to volunteer in order to be successful!

Nancy Lamberson and Mary Lou Havens, Co-Chairs

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0548a9af29a2fd0-abcnys>

Save the date! *Called to Care, Canandaigua* will host a benefit for our first Ukrainian family on Thursday, September 15th from 5-8pm at The Central on Main, 111 South Main Street, with food, live music, raffles, and a free will offering. Order food from participating restaurants...some will deliver, some offer pick up. Enjoy music from the Dixieland Band kicking the event off at 5pm, Ukrainian singers throughout the evening, and Dos Locos closing out around 7pm. More details to come. Want to volunteer to help out? Speak with Ulana Fuller or Linda Werts.



*Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers,
for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it. Hebrews 13:2*

Group Workcamp 2023 Mission Trip

Where: Woonsocket, Rhode Island

When: July 16th – July 22nd, 2023

Who: United Church Youth & Adults are invited to sign up!

More details to come...save the date!



MISSIONS

Love in Action Partnership



Ten minutes? How long are you willing to wait in line at the grocery store checkout counter?

Christopher, Anna, Julie, Sonya, Linda, and Peter were with the many Canandaigua Churches in Action volunteers at the DRIVE THRU FOOD PANTRY Monday, August 22. Our neighbors, wanting to be assured of produce, began arriving in their cars nearly two hours early to receive a basket of fresh fruit and produce.

Volunteers efficiently opened pallets of ear corn, grapes, plums, lettuce, oranges, and other fresh fruit and produce when Foodlink's truck arrived at Zion Fellowship's parking lot. Produce boxes were opened and quickly bagged into individual portions for distribution.

Grateful drivers provided the number of people in the household and advanced through the distribution area. Volunteers placed bags of produce in each car. Smiles and expressions of gratitude for the food were freely given. **No complaints for having waited in line for two hours!**

Twenty-eight households without transportation needing food had been identified by CCIA. The United Church arranged the twenty-eight August deliveries and plan to continue with the September Drive Thru Food Pantry.

Fresh fruit and produce have been added to hungry households this week. All is possible by the cooperation of community volunteers, CCIA, Foodlink, and The Partnership of Ontario County. A shout out to Zion Fellowship for hosting this event.

Bring your rubber gloves and elbow grease....

Kitchen Clean-It Day!

Saturday, September 10
9am-11am

Before the start of our fall programs, the kitchen needs a good in-depth cleaning! Join a host of other cheerful workers as we wipe out the fridges, wipe down shelves, cabinets and carts, scrub sinks, etc. Many hands make light work! If you ever enjoy the benefits of the kitchen, please join us in this cleaning-frenzy!

Sign up on Deb's door ~ or call the church office.

Thank YOU!!!!

Bible Presentation for our 3rd graders!

Sunday, September 18, during 11:00 service

This is one of our favorite Sundays ~ when we present our 3rd graders with their very own Bibles. The Bible we present is the NIV Adventure Bible. May this be the beginning of a life-long discipline of reading and studying God's Word! An amazing gift to us all! Please join us after the 11:00 service for a cake and punch reception.

Sunday, September 11 at 9:45am ~ Intergenerational Sunday School Kick off!

Enjoy breakfast and fellowship

If you're able, sign-up to bring a dish to pass; some breakfast items and drinks will be provided

Get ready for fun!

We will learn together about fall programs for all ages; we will enjoy some fun activities, too!

11:00 service in sanctuary

Dedication of Sunday School teachers and students of all ages. We bring ourselves before the Lord to ask His blessing on our new Sunday school year.

Parenting Coffee Hour
Are Sunday mornings crazy at your house?

Do you have to put on your “happy face” walking into church after a crazy car ride?

Do you yearn for quality, faith-filled discussions with other parents

... and just time to breathe?

Then Come Join Us on Sunday Mornings

Where: Fellowship Room

When: 9:45 – 10:45

What to expect:

9:45–10:00 Chat and Snacks

10:00–10:30 Faith-Filled Discussion for Parents

10:30–10:45 More Chat & Snack Time

Questions/Info: Paul Johnson, Director of Adult Education, 585-794-2746

Can you solve the puzzle this week?
It is pretty tricky! Read all of the instructions!

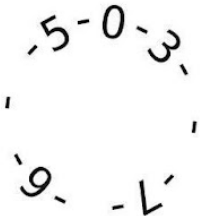
1. Join horizontally, vertically, and diagonally adjacent pairs of numbers that appear next to each other in the circle.

Work out the missing numbers using the fact that only the letters shown below can be hidden in the puzzle, and each is three numbers wide and tall.

2. Arrange the revealed letters to spell a name from the Bible.

Each letter can be the right way up, upside down, or on its side.

All possible letter shapes are shown below. Some are the same when rotated!



2	5	3	5	7	1	6	7	4	1
5	6	1	3	5	7	8	2	3	2
3	5	7	6	9	1	6	9	0	9
6	7	1	4	5	4	3	7	8	7
4	5	0	8	6	8	2	0	4	3
5	7	1	7	8	4	9	6	5	6
4	8	4	1	2	3	0	8	7	8
1	0	3	6	9	0	3	6	1	6
2	5	0	5	2	3	6	3	5	3
1	4	8	4	6	5	7	5	1	9

For more visit www.begriddled.com

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