

# THE UNITED CHURCH

PRESBYTERIAN — AMERICAN BAPTIST

August 11, 2024

PRELUDE: “*The Angels’ Song*” by Charles Villiers Stanford

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

## OUR PREPARATION

Focus of the day: Through the story of Jacob and Esau we see that God’s love is not based on human worthiness but on His Grace.

INTROIT: “Lord, Be Glorified” (Hymn #537)

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.

In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

## CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Come, let us gather to worship the God who works through imperfect people.

**People: We come with open hearts, ready to hear God’s voice.**

Leader: Remember, God chose Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob despite their flaws and failings.

**People: God still chooses us today, even in our brokenness.**

Leader: Let us lift our voices in praise, trusting that God uses our lives for His purpose.

**People: We worship in faith, knowing that God’s love and grace are greater than our failures.**

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord together.

\*HYMN: #497 “Wonderful Grace of Jesus” CCLI Song #17054, Public Domain, CCLI Lic. #11593017

\*OPENING PRAYER: Heavenly Father, we come before You with grateful hearts, acknowledging Your presence in our lives. Thank You for the stories that remind us of Your love and grace. Open our hearts and minds to receive Your word today. Help us to see how You work through us, despite our flaws, and guide us in Your ways. Together, we pray as Jesus taught us ... (as we sing together)...Our Father... (using debts and debtors...) Amen.

\*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

\*GLORIA PATRI: #807

## GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 52 (page 563) {A.B. page 637}

SPECIAL MUSIC: “Standin’ in the Need of Prayer” arr. Joel Raney Women’s Choir

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: James 3:13-18 (page 1198) {A.B. page 1356}

Sermon

“Jacob and Esau”

(Genesis 27)

Pastor Wade Allen

## OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH

\*HYMN: #472 “Grace Greater than Our Sin” CCLI Song #31690, Public Domain, #11593017

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY: *In dir ist Freude* (“In You Is Joy”) by Johann Sebastian Bach

\*DOXOLOGY: #809

\*HYMN: #669 “God of Grace, and God of Glory”

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: “*Allegro*” by C. V. Stanford

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

*Our prayers and sympathy are with Ken and Regina Allen for the loss of their nephew, Duane Coates, on July 26. Please keep the family in your prayers during this difficult time.*

*Our prayers and sympathy are with Rich Bush for the loss of his brother, Rob, on August 1st. Please keep the family in your prayers during this difficult time.*

**PRAYER REQUESTS:**

**Health concerns:** James Sheppard, Linda Gilbert, Jessica Canham (Sharyn’s daughter), Bob White (Linda Bailey’s brother-in-law), Jim Brown (MacKenzie’s father-in-law), Mary Jane Laird, Denice Bailey Tautges, Tom Babcock (friend of Jenny Caron), Phyllis Gerhard (Karen Gardner’s mother), Maverick, Carly, and Jenson Ferrante (family of Ardelle Bigos), Maryanne Fox (friend of Ardelle Bigos), Doug Cubbison (Connie Frye's brother), Edwin Gregory (friend of Royal Purdy), Erik Keating (son of Al & Dawn Rossi), Kiana Rae Moore (MacKenzie Brown’s cousin), Louise Huck, Catherine Kurzdorfer (Adam Thorman’s mother), Carolyn Verspoor, Marcus (friend of Sandi DiCicco), Garrett Nayer (nephew of Karen Gardner), Denise Loy (friend of Kory Massey), David Sanford, Jovannie Ramirez (Karen Roaix’s grandson), Steve Sedlock (Nancy Tharp’s brother), Clancy Cragle (Michelle’s grandfather), the Herin Family (relatives of Kathie Meredith), David Crowe, Jack Schermond

**Cancer:** Douglas Cook (Jen Eveleigh’s brother), Rod Gifford (cousin of Joyce Laursen), Martha Ashley, Beth Smythe, Keith Laursen (Joyce’s brother-in-law), Jerrick Cesna & Sasha (friends of Megan French), Mark Schreier (Virginia Holroyd’s friend), Amy Jelensperger (Sheppard family), John Tornow (friend of Elaine Allen), Susan Hennessy (Jen Eveleigh’s sister), Rich Crowley (Steve & Beth Smythe’s friend), Tom & Monica Yurik (Bruce & Deb Gardner’s friends), Deb Dawson (Steve Smythe’s niece), Roderick Simonds (father of Natalie Clark), Rob Stults (cousin of Wade & Christy Allen), Dawn Miller, David Pagoda (Eveleigh family friend), Jim Davis (Scott’s father), Stephen Carges ( Paula Traber’s brother)

**Recovering:** Bill Blance (Ed’s brother), Sara Scharr, Arlene Willett

**Comfort and Peace:** Tom Fortunato (Bill’s brother), Harriet Morgan (Megan French’s grandma), Mary Zimmerman (Wendy Bacon’s mother)

**MILITARY SERVICE:** US Army LT1 Andrew Marlin (Tyler Bosecks husband) home from deployment, LTJG Nick Castiller (USN), MAC Adam Thorman (USN), E6 Cody Wells (USN) home from deployment, TSgt Timothy Peck (USAF)

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

**Some more upcoming dates you might want to put on your calendar (watch the Monthly Memo or future Lamplighters for details!):**

- Aug 16-18 – United Church Retreat Weekend
- Aug 31 – Board Game Night
- Sept 8 – Rally Day
- Sept 29 – Fiddlers Concert
- Nov 2 – United Church Seminar
- Nov 8 – Patriotic Organ Concert

***Highlights for This Week!***

- **Retreat & Mission Experience Registration Deadlines - TODAY!** Come see Mark after service to help with registration.
- The **back to school angel tree** is up in the Welcome Center and loaded with tags. Please take a tag or two, shop for the items listed, and **return the items** with the **tag attached** by **August 25th** (earlier is even better!). These tags represent needs for school supplies, clothes, and shoes for children in our church and in our community. Thank you in advance for your generosity!
- **Greeter Coordinator for the month of August:** Becky Boseck. Please contact Becky if you have any questions about serving as Greeter or Offertory.
- **Small Group Interest Survey** - We will be providing an interest survey to help direct a small group formation effort. When the survey is released in a few weeks, please fill it out at your earliest convenience. We will be providing the survey through a physical form in the Sunday bulletin, through the church app, or in person after service. Please keep your eye out for the survey- we look forward to your feedback!
- **Next week, our worship service will be at Onanda Park and not here!!!** Still at 9:30 am. Come join us!

**Nursery care** is offered during service ~ a combined nursery meets in room 10. Nursery care is available for infants through preschoolers.

**Children’s Time** ~ Children’s time is offered after the Children’s Sermon for kids entering Kindergarten through 3rd grade. During the summer months, children and teachers meet in the Fellowship Room. Parents, please be sure to pick up your child(ren) promptly after the service. Thank you!

**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!**

We invite our church family to be praying for our many summer campers - that their experience at camp would deepen and strengthen their relationship with Jesus.

Beaver Camp

The following young adults are working at Beaver Camp this summer:  
Natalie Cunningham, Summer Cunningham, Grace Payne, and Jen Petracchi



LeTourneau Christian Center

Graham Beyrle, Aug 12-15 (Wacky Water 2)  
Carter Slomski, Aug 12-15 (Lego Builders)



Here's an easy way to find the Church Center app and get set up!  
You can use this link: <https://uccdga.churchcenter.com/setup> or  
use this QR code and follow the step by step instructions. Please  
let any staff member know if you need help.



If you see our **new custodian, Amber Bixby**, who started recently, please give her a warm welcome!  
We also would like to thank **Phoebe Russell** for filling in as a temporary custodian this summer.

Notes & Doodles:

MISSIONS      Faith and Action

One more week praying for our church family attending Christian camp.

“Look at Behemoth, which I made along with you and which feeds on grass like an ox.” Job 40:15

Graham or Carter may be able to describe Behemoth after this week in LeTourneau’s Wacky Water or Lego camp.



Job 40 15-18 is the LeTourneau camp Bible verses this week.

“Look at Behemoth, **which I made along with you** and which feeds on grass like an ox.

<sup>16</sup> What strength it has in its loins, what power in the muscles of its belly!

<sup>17</sup> Its tail sways like a cedar; the sinews of its thighs are close-knit.

<sup>18</sup> Its bones are tubes of bronze, its limbs like rods of iron.

Pray for growth from the seeds planted in camp this summer.

Summer appeal from Salvation Army and CCIA food pantries



Can you share an energy bar, a **pop top can** of soup, a box of cereal, or hygiene items (shampoo, soap, women’s personal hygiene items, laundry detergent)? CCIA and Salvation Army pantries are needing individual size supplies of these items to meet needs this summer. Each Monday a supply van visits Canandaigua shelters and tent camps for the homeless. POP TOP cans please for easy opening by people with no kitchen. Place donations in the cart located in the Welcome Center. Thank you



**Called to Care, Canandaigua** will host its monthly informational meeting on Monday, August 19th from 4-6pm at the United Church. This month we feature an intro to Good Neighbor Teams...the groups of 8-10 individuals who are matched with a refugee or other immigrant family and walk alongside these newcomers as they are welcomed and resettled in our community. We are looking to form new Teams who will receive training and mentoring from World Relief this Fall. If you are feeling "called to care" and could help us furnish an apartment, assist in registering children in school & adults in English classes, provide transportation to appointments, and help secure work authorization please join with others from the community on August 19th or contact Wendy Stoddard or Linda Werts.