#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Health concerns: Braeden Flynn, Shirley Kem, Joan Danaher, Martha Ashley, Ernie McKenzie, Karen Sanford, Phil Greene (Sharon Meyer's brother), Karen Roaix, Pastor Debbie Kamm (pastor at Dundee Baptist), Kathleen (Wanda Munt's daughter), Emma Sanford (granddaughter of Karen), Shane Collins (from LeTourneau), Brooke Covey (friend of Parsons), Daniel Zimmerman (nephew of Wendy Bacon), Sara Scharr, Rodney Newfrock (friend of Elaine Allen), Jack Bigos, Deanna Stocker and Everest Ferrante (family of Ardelle Bigos), Stephen Cole, Karen Mount, James Sheppard, Linda Gilbert, Jessica Canham (Sharyn's daughter), Mary Jane Laird, Denice Bailey Tautges, Tom Babcock (friend of Jenny Caron), Erik Keating (son of Al and Dawn Rossi), Louise Huck, Catherine Kurzdorfer (Adam Thorman's mother), Marcus (friend of Sandi DiCicco), Denise Loy (friend of Kory Massey), Steve Sedlock (Nancy Tharp's brother), Clancy Cragle (Michelle's grandfather), the Herin Family (relatives of Kathie Meredith), Jack Schermond

Cancer: Daniel Cage (friend of Wade Allen), Karen Linder (niece of Joyce Laursen), Sue Whybra and Rod Gifford (cousins of Joyce Laursen), Kathy Cool (daughter-in-law of the Pecks), Sophie Snyder (friend of Amelia Cunningham), Chris Alexander (Carolyn Russell's brother), Joy Mickelsen Oliver (friend of Joy Van Riper), Sarah Hough (daughter of Dianne Beaumont), Walter Enright (friend of Ardelle Bigos), Jon VanBlargan, Laura Fiorito (daughter of Charles and Patti Cagwin), Christina Tharp (daughter of John and Nancy), Douglas Cook (Jen Eveleigh's brother), Beth Smythe, Keith Laursen (Joyce's brother-in-law), Sasha (friend of Megan French), John Tornow (friend of Elaine Allen), Susan Hennessy (Jen Eveleigh's sister), Rich Crowley (Steve and Beth Smythe's friend), Tom and Monica Yurik (Bruce and Deb Gardner's friends), Deb Dawson (Steve Smythe's niece), Roderick Simonds (father of Natalie Clark), Rob Stults (cousin of Wade and Christy Allen), Dawn Miller, David Pagoda (Eveleigh family friend), Jim Davis (Scott's father), Stephen Carges (Paula Traber's brother)

Military Service: Nicholas DelVillano (Frye's son-in-law) USAF stationed in Germany and deploying to Qatar this summer, JJ Callard (USN), 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)

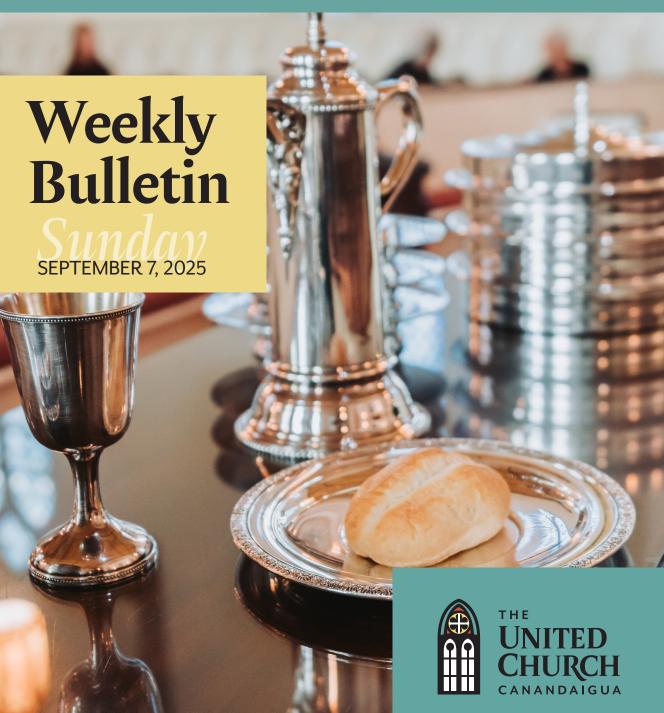
Missionaries: Carlos Bonilla & Mayra Giovantti - the BGs (Central/South America), Christy Lafferty (Nicaragua), Leodegario Hernandez & Maria Angela Bautista (Bacalar, Mexico pastoral couple).

#### **Church Staff**

#### Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00am to 1:00 pm 585-394-0503

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# WELCOME TO THE UNITED CHURCH





Order of Worship for SEPTEMBER 7, 2025



Welcome! The United Church is a Presbyterian/American Baptist congregation. We hope you enjoy your visit and let us know if we can help you in any way.

**PRELUDE: "Lauda Sion" by Marcel Dupré** 

#### WELCOME AND GREETING TO OUR ONLINE CONGREGATION

#### **OUR PREPARATION**

Focus of the Day: God transformed Peter and He can transform us.

INTROIT: (11:00) "Fairest Lord Jesus"

**Bell Choir** 

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: We have received a faith as precious as gold.

People: Through Jesus Christ, our God and Savior.

Leader: His power has given us everything we need.

People: His promises transform us into His likeness.

All: Let us worship the One who calls us to share in His nature!

\*HYMN #497: "Wonderful Grace of Jesus"

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\*OPENING PRAYER: Heavenly Father, we come before You as those who have received the precious gift of faith through Jesus Christ, our God and Savior. Thank You for calling us by Your glory and goodness, and for giving us everything we need to live lives that honor You. We pray this in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray... (Singing the Lord's Prayer)

\*HYMN #632: "THE LORD'S PRAYER"

\*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

\*GLORIA PATRI: #807

#### **GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Jeremiah 1:4-10 (page 746) {A.B. page 825}

SPECIAL MUSIC: (11:00) "Old Time 'Hallelujah!' Religion"

**Bell Choir** 

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:** Paul Johnson

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: John 1:35-42 (page 1050) {A.B. page 1165}

#### Sermon

"Everything We Need"
(2 Peter 1:1-4)
Pastor Wade Allen

#### **OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH**

\*HYMN #510: "At Calvary"

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**PASTORAL PRAYER** 

**OFFERTORY: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"** 

Bell Choir

\*DOXOLOGY: #809

**COMMUNION** 

\*HYMN #306: "Standing on the Promises"

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**DEDICATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS** 

**BENEDICTION** 

**POSTLUDE: "Grand Chœur" by Théodore Dubois** 

The rosebud today (at the first service) is to celebrate the birth of Natalie Maria Sitzanis, Sharyn Canham's first grandchild. Natalie's parents are Gillian and Nick, and her proud aunties are Bethany and Jessica. Please keep the family in your prayers during this special time.

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

# Would your family or small group enjoy hosting after-service fellowship?

Thank you to Nancy Abdallah, Mary Wiser, Wes Posson, and others for supporting a "coffee hour" in July. We are currently looking for others to be on a rotation to support these fellowship times. This could also involve small groups - they can pick 1-2 Sundays a year to host! If you would like to be a part of a rotation that provides treats to be enjoyed by our church family after the service, please let us know!





#### **2025 Christmas Cantata**

The United Church Choir, accompanied by instrumentalists, are presenting an exciting and beautiful Christmas Cantata for our morning worship service on Sunday, December 21st. called, "Sing We Noel" by Joel Raney. We encourage you to be a part of this engaging presentation. Practices will be held Wednesday nights, 7:00-7:40 pm in the choir room starting September 3rd. Let's spread the word to all your musical friends (both vocal and

instrumental). Please contact Georgia Sperano either in person or at <u>gsperano@rochester.</u> <u>rr.com</u> to express your interest.

### **Knitters!**

The evening prayer shawl knitting group will resume meeting on Tuesday., Sept 16 at 7:00pm in the fellowship room. If you like to knit or would like to learn, please join with us. Learners, please contact me ahead of time for supplies. Rachel at: donrensberger@gmail.com or call: 585-364-4038

## **Furniture Donations**

The church has a few furniture items we will be donating later this week if there are no takers this morning (a round table and some non-folding rectangular tables). Most of them are upstairs. Check with a staff member.

# **Lost Earring?**

If you recently lost an earring in the sanctuary, contact the office to describe it.

# **Highlights for This Week**

- LAST CHANCE! Pictorial Directory Sign Ups Stop in the Welcome Center to claim a time for photography! (see more inside)
- Youth Connects Youth & Families are invited to come to our monthly connects during the school year! This is a time for students to make meaningful connections with other Christians their age from school. Additionally, this time provides opportunities for parents to connect mid-week. Everyone's first visit including parents at a connect for the year gets their meal paid for!
  - \* Canandaigua 2nd Thu. of Month Tim Hortons North (Starts Sept 11 @ 6:45am)
  - Victor Third Thu. of Month Dunkin' Main Street (Starts Oct 16 @ 6:45am)
  - Marcus Whitman Third Mon. of Month Gorham Free Library (Starts Oct 20 @ 2:30pm)
- Homeschool TBD Stay tuned for dates/times! Sunday School Small Group Bible Study Initiative September 14 @ 9:45AM- Come down to the Downstairs Dining Hall to hear about our 6-week initiative for small group Bible studies during the Sunday school hour! Our small group series will follow the sermon series on 2 Peter, and we are offering a variety of small groups types to meet the various needs of our church family.
- The Cause Kick Off September 14 @ 5PM High school students and their parents are invited to our kick off event for our youth ministry! Come and enjoy food, worship, games, and a time for devotions/ministry vision for the coming year.
- Youth Club begins Oct 1!
  - Parents: Online registration is open. Mark your calendar to join us for pizza dinner and parent meeting at 6pm on Oct 1.
  - Volunteers needed: Deb is in the midst of recruiting volunteers for Youth Club. Some areas we need help are...
  - Welcome Table (choose a 1 hour "shift") from 3:30-6:30
  - Making crafts with kids: During recreation time, some kids make crafts. These children range in age from 2nd grade to 5th grade. You do not need to be crafty to help; we just need someone willing to help kids in a busy and fun environment from 3:15-4:15 on Wednesdays.
- Adult Connects Join us for meaningful connections during the week! More details
  to come, and if you have a request for a mid-week connect that isn't already planned,
  please share your ideas! These connects can vary in style, whether it be fellowship
  focused, Bible study focused, etc.
  - Ferris Hills 1st Wednesday of the Month Starts October 1 @ 1pm!
  - Quail Summit TBD Starting October!
- Our Greeter/Coordinator for September: Gail B. Please contact Gail if you need help signing up. We've opened up the sign-ups for the remainder of 2025!



# 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 pick up a tan bag (with the United Church logo on it) for yourself/your family to take home and to learn a little bit more about us. We are so happy that you joined us today and look forward to seeing you again soon!

# **Nursery Care**

**Nursery care** is offered during both services. We use Room 11 during the 8:45 am service and we use Room 10 and Room 11 during the 11:00 am service.

### **Children's Time**

There is **no Children's Time today**. Kids are invited to grab worship aides at any time during the service. They are found near the Main entrance.



# **Pictorial Directory - Not for members only!**

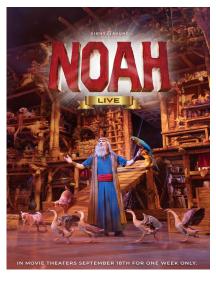
Our directory won't be complete without you! Photography dates are this week, September 10-13! There are a few spots left. You can sign up for a timeslot on weekdays at <a href="www.ucdir.com">www.ucdir.com</a> (use <a href="ny133">ny133</a> for the church code and <a href="photos">photos</a> for the password) or <a href="sign up at church TODAY">sign up at church TODAY!</a>! Look for sign-up sheets in the welcome center. Everyone who gets their photo taken gets a free <a href="%sign up at church TODAY">sign up at church TODAY!</a>! Look for sign-up sheets in the welcome center. Everyone who gets their photo taken gets a free <a href="%sign up at church TODAY">sign up at church TODAY!</a>! Look for sign-up sheets in the welcome center. Everyone who gets their photo taken gets a free <a href="%sign up at church TODAY">sign up at church TODAY!</a>! Look for sign-up sheets in the welcome center. Everyone who gets their photo taken gets a free <a href="%sign up at church TODAY">sign up at church TODAY!</a>! Look for sign-up sheets in the welcome center. Everyone who gets their photo taken gets a free <a href="%sign up at church TODAY">sign up at church TODAY!</a>! Look for sign-up sheets in the welcome center. Everyone who gets their photo taken gets a free <a href="%sign up at church TODAY">sign up at church TODAY!</a>! Look for sign up at church TODAY! Look for sign up at church

# **Noah is coming to Eastview Mall!**

Sight & Sound Theater is sending a video of their 30th Anniversary performance of Noah to movie theaters for a week in September. The closest one to us is the Regal Cinema at Eastview Mall. I thought it would be fun to get a group together to go see it. I purchased a ticket for the matinee showing (3:30) on Saturday Sept 20th and would love company! We can carpool from church (meeting at 2:30) or folks can meet at the theater if that's more convenient. Everyone is responsible for purchasing their own tickets (there is assigned seating for this event, so you should purchase them ahead of time). I'm in seat E1 if you'd like to see a familiar face. Children must be accompanied by an adult. If you would like to carpool from the church, please let me know so that I don't leave anyone behind. Here's a link to purchase tickets:



Nancy Lamberson (nancy.lamberson@uccdga.org) 585-662-7648



# **Missions** Let the light of Christ shine through you in service to others...

#### **MISSION OPPORTUNITIES**

As activities are ramping up at church this fall, would you consider helping with our church's mission work? There will be one-time events, ongoing opportunities and of course mission trips! We are also in need of some new ideas and energies on our mission sub-teams! The Collections team takes care of special offerings, the Angel Tree, the 'shopping cart' and any other collections during the year. The Hands-On team works to offer meaningful ways for the congregation to get involved with, well, hands-on activities. Finally, there is the Missionaries Team. This group stays connected to our missionaries and keeps the congregation up-to-date. These teams only meet on an as needed basis so you wouldn't be committing to a lot of meetings! Please contact Sonya Brooks (sonya. brooks9@yahoo.com) if you would like more information or want to join a team!

# Yes! Grocery donations still needed!

Look for the black collections wagon in the Welcome Center. Donations are alternately taken to the CCIA (Canandaigua Churches in Action) food pantry and the Salvation Army food pantry. CCIA is in need of cereal, pasta, sauce, canned veggies and fruit. Thank you! Questions? Please see Mary Lou Havens or Cathy Bush.





WELCOMING REFUGEES & DISPLACED PERSONS

# Pie Fundraiser to benefit Called to Care, Canandaigua

Thank you to all who ordered pies for CTCC to help with refugee resettlement needs. 150 pies were sold across our community. Pie Pick up Drive Thru will be Sunday, September 14, 1:30-4pm at the First United Methodist Church, 110 N. Main St. Thank you for supporting refugees while enjoying pie!

# Foodlink's "Pop-Up Food Pantry"

offers food items monthly to food insecure families. United Church members join other community volunteers to prep items that come off the Foodlink truck and load them into cars as clients drive through the barn. Please join us on Monday, September 22nd at the Town of Canandaigua Highway Barn, 5440 Route 5820, from 9:00am till around 11:00am. For those seeking food, vehicles enter from Buffalo Street with distribution beginning at 10:00am. See Linda Werts for more info.



# **Coming Soon!**

- The CareNet Fundraiser BBQ is this Saturday in the Runnings parking lot. \$15 per meal.
- The Called to Care benefit concert (featuring Jim Kerr and Wendy Stoddard) is Sept 28 at 3:00 right here.