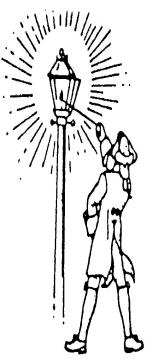


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The Lamplighter

Worship Service 9:30 am through Labor Day, 8:45 and 11:00 am starting Sept 10th.

September 2023

Rev. Dr. Wade Allen



- Sept 3 – Final 9:30 am worship service of the summer
- Sept 4 – Office closed – Happy Labor Day
- Sept 4 – Kayak outing, 1 pm @ Woodville launch
- Sept 5 – Stewards, 7 pm
- Sept 6 – Choir rehearsals resume, 7 pm
- Sept 10 – Worship services return to 8:45 and 11 am
- Sept 10 – Sunday School Kickoff Breakfast, 9:45 am in dining room
- Sept 10 – The Cause resumes at 5:00 pm
- Sept 11 – Trustees, 7 pm
- Sept 12 – Missionary Supper with Tim Long, 6:00 pm in Fellowship Room
- Sept 17 – 3rd Graders receive their Bibles
- Sept 18 – Official Board, 7 pm
- Sept 23 – LOGOS Training
- Sept 24 – Exploring Membership Class, noon in the Fellowship Room



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SPECIAL MEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

Special Members are those in their 90s, and/or who are homebound, in nursing homes, or who need temporary special care.



Mary Vink: Sept. 4th, age 86. Mary joined the church in 2016 and currently resides at Quail Summit Senior Center, where the attentive staff helps manage her dementia. Mary grew up in Mendon and worked at Kodak. After retiring, she worked part time at Wegmans. She likes to stay busy, playing BINGO and enjoying musical performances and other activities with others at Quail Summit.

Jane Laird: Sept. 30th, age 85. Jane joined the church in May last year after regularly attending worship services and a Bible Study for a few years. Before having some major health problems during the past year, she enjoyed serving as a Greeter and participating in prayer groups. She has been residing at Horizons Senior Care Facility but will be moving to independent living. Her work history includes selling real estate and working at a bank. Her husband passed away as did one of her two sons. She has four wonderful grandkids.

Updates for Special Members:

Fred Magley: in case you missed the updates in the summer Sunday bulletins, Fred's address is now: c/o Ginny Stevens, PO Box 74, Aurora, OR 97002. Fred is in a memory-care unit and enjoys receiving news from our church!

REMEMBERING:

Our prayers and sympathy are with the family of **Betty Liestman**, who passed away on June 25th. Please keep the family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Our prayers and sympathy are with **Chuck Meyer**, as he lost both his sister, **Wendy Meyer**, on August 18 and his brother-in-law, **Mike Kirkland**, on August 13. Please keep the Meyer family in your prayers during this difficult time.

CELEBRATING:

We celebrate the birth of **Nathan and Margaret (Wormer) Ripoli**'s new daughter, **Elinor Grace Ripoli**, on June 27th. She joins older brothers, Isaac and Peter. Her grandparents are **Tom and Melissa Wormer**. Please keep the family in your prayers during this special time.

MEMBER CARE: If you are aware of anyone in our church family who is ill, having surgery, who had a death in the family, is having troubles in some way? Are you missing your neighbor who sits in the pew next to yours? Or do you know someone who has a happy occasion to celebrate, please let us know!! The Staff works with the **Outreach and Congregation Care Committee** to connect with members of our church family who need encouragement and recognition. **We care about you!** Call the church office or Congregation Care Committee Chair: Sue Vadney, at (585) 739-8615



THE STEWARDS ASSISTANCE FUND supports families in our congregation who need a little temporary financial help. These funds are supported through member donations and they are given to help purchase groceries, pay for medicine & medical bills, utilities, car repairs, and other essential household expenses. The recipients of these funds are very, very appreciative!!

We will take offerings for the Fund on the 1st Sundays in October, November and December - the loose cash along with designated checks placed in the Offering Plates on those Sundays will go to the Fund. We also accept donations to the Fund at any time. Checks can be made payable to **The United Church Stewards** with a memo designating the Assistance Fund. *Thank you!*

If you, or someone you know in our church family needs assistance, please contact Virginia Holroyd at church or via email at: virginia.holroyd@uccdga.org. All requests remain completely confidential.

September Calendar page copied here...

Treasurer's Financial Summary for July 2023

Description	Jan-July 2023 Actual	7 month Budget
Income		
Total Giving	268,299.17	236,250.00
Other Income	19,130.54	32,336.30
Total Income	287,429.71	268,586.30
(budget includes transfer from surplus of \$22,114.51)		
Spending		
Education and Ministry	14,916.71	21,000.00
Operating	50,722.06	35,904.17
Personnel & Related	207,728.01	211,682.14
Total Expenses	273,366.78	268,586.31
Net Income Year to Date	14,062.93	0.00

From January through July, we have taken in \$14,062.93 more than we have spent. We are still doing much better than anticipated. We have spent \$124,996.49 on capital projects including the downstairs renovation, drinking fountains, concrete repair, gutter replacement and new exit doors. This funding comes from a separate account and is not included above.

Thank you for your faithful giving!
Nancy Lamberson
Treasurer

Online Giving

Our new church management program makes online giving very easy! Access it through our website, app, or scan this QR code. You can give one-time gifts, or set up recurring giving to happen on whatever schedule you choose.



GREETERS of ALL AGES needed for BOTH SERVICES beginning SEPTEMBER 10th:

Greeters play an important role in extending hospitality in our church on Sundays. Greeters welcome people as they enter the church building, they hand out Bulletins, and they collect the offerings at each Sunday Service. This is a role where kids can help too!

The **Sign-up Sheet** is on the **Church Office door**. Reminders and instructions are emailed the Friday before your scheduled Sunday. If you have any questions about being a Greeter, please contact Virginia Holroyd or any Steward.

We really appreciate your service!



Are you interested in joining the United Church? Save the date!

An **Exploring Membership class** is scheduled for **Sunday, September 24th, from noon - 1:00 pm**. The purpose of the class is to help you learn more about The United Church and encourage you to consider membership.

During the class, you'll learn about the church's history and how the church is connected to two denominations. You might be wondering what this means and how this works? We will talk about how the church is organized/governed and what it means to become a member. We will discuss the various boards and committees in the congregation. You will learn more about the staff and worship services.

There will be plenty of time for you to ask questions about the church or me, Pastor Wade Allen, personally. I'd love to have you join us, and please understand there's no commitment to join just by attending the class. I'd love to get to know you better and spend this time with you. If you can attend the class, register at this link or contact the church office and we'll get you registered. A light lunch will be served.

<https://bit.ly/uccdga-em>



HELPING OUR SENIORS: There are a few people from Horizon's Sr. Living Center who would like to come worship with us on Sundays, but they don't have means of transportation. Horizons is on Rte 21, just west of Route 20 and less than two miles from church.



Are YOU someone who could provide a ride on a Sunday? If so, we'd like to connect you with those seniors. Please call Virginia at the church office: (585) 394-0503 or email her at: virginia.holroyd@uccdga.org. THANKS!

Have you tried the new Church Center app?

You can find it wherever you usually get apps on your smartphone or tablet. It looks like this:
Or you can follow this link: <http://uccdga.churchcenter.com/>



Things you can do on the Church Center app:

- Look up contact info for church friends in the directory (opt in)
- Update your own info when it changes
- Watch livestreams when you're unable to make it for Sunday worship
- Register for events or classes
- Check on the status of your giving/pledging or make online payments
- Check the church calendar for events
- Look at Sunday bulletins or Lamplighters (monthly newsletters)
- Track the various committees or groups you participate in
- And more!

If you need help getting this set up, stop by the office and Carolyn would be glad to help you!

Fellowship Events

Stampin Up

The next Stampin' Up class is scheduled for September 16th from 9:00 am – 12:00 in the Fellowship Room. If interested, contact Sharon Meyer to sign up by September 10th. We will be making the 5 cards pictured!



Praising Paddlers!

Join us with your kayak, canoe or stand-up paddleboard for the final Praising Paddlers outing of 2023!

Labor Day, Monday 9/4 @ 1pm Canandaigua Lake, West River, Woodville state boat launch



NOTES ON MINISTRY LIFE...

I recently enjoyed our annual family vacation in Cooperstown, NY. Some of what I appreciate the most about this trip are the traditions associated with it. In a world full of change, the unchanging traditions are welcomed. Whether it be the annual fishing contest (and the corresponding week-end awards ceremony), the early morning walks by the lake (first with the dog, then later with Carter), or the reliable 4:00 PM smoke rise (in partnership with the enticing smell of The Original Kingsford charcoal briquettes burning) in preparation to grill some delicious BBQ, I know I can go into a vacation week weary, and come out feeling calibrated.

Towards the top of the list of welcomed traditions is my “annual meeting” with Grandpa. He is a 93 year-old firecracker with a mind sharp enough to lead a large corporation (though he is happily retired). Between his upbringing, military service, two high-level careers, and his deeply held convictions, he exudes professionalism and high standards in every aspect of life (including his deep and loving relationships with his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren). During these meetings, we efficiently enter into conversation of complex life matters. There is no mistaking or lack of clarity when he offers encouragement, asks a question, and expresses concern. I know where he stands on a matter, and if he is not sure where I stand on that same matter, he has a knack for resolving that uncertainty in record-time. I dare not enter that conversation unprepared, but I surely exit this “annual interview” feeling lovingly guided and supported by my wise grandfather.

This year’s “annual meeting” with Grandpa was the first I’ve conducted since entering pastoral ministry. His theological and ministerial questions were simultaneously a challenge and a joy to interact with (based on the “picture” I’ve been painting of my grandfather in this short writing, I’m sure you can imagine some of the complex topics we delved into). Towards the end, he shared with me his morning and evening prayers (how he does it, and its’ general content). This was something I have not heard before, and I was grateful that he was willing to share his faith practices with me.

His disclosure reminded me of how our faith is passed from one generation to another. Psalm 145:4 states: *“One generation commends Your works to another; they tell of Your mighty acts.”* I don’t know if my grandfather ever expected one of his grandchildren to retain a faith in Christ, let alone one becoming a minister. Yet, here we are, eternally bonded in our shared faith.

Our faith is one of tradition and story-telling from our ancestors. This summer, Pastor Wade has walked us (and is still walking us) through the story of our faith ancestor, David. Perhaps, we can also call him Grandpa. In a changing world, familiar stories from this great grandfather are welcomed (David and Goliath, David’s kingship, etc.). Yet, even as we enter another round of reading through his life, we learn or take away something new. Perhaps we exit this familiar trip with new insight into the character of David; one that encourages us as we enter back into our daily lives.

I learned about my Grandpa’s prayer life on family vacation. I have also learned about Grandpa David’s prayers through this sermon series. I leave you with a snippet of one of King David’s prayers:

“Now be pleased to bless the house of your servant, that it may continue forever in your sight; for you, Sovereign LORD, have spoken, and with your blessing the house of your servant will be blessed forever.”

– 2 Samuel 7:29



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ADULT ED MINISTRY

Reflections

In contrast to summertime events of our youth ministry, our adult education ministry has been busy preparing for important events in the Fall. Many hours have been spent preparing for the Adult Education Retreat in November, Sunday School Education, a Corporate Prayer initiative, and young adult ministry!

With the **Adult Education Retreat**, it is important to place November 4 on your calendar! We are blessed to have President Emeritus of Northeastern Seminary, Rev. Dr. Douglas Cullum, as our facilitator for the day. We will be venturing through a lecture about “cultivating a posture of dialogue” in our community today.

In preparation for our **Sunday School** program year, our Adult Ed Ministry team has been busy planning, reading, and discerning together with the program staff! With all new educational materials, along with a beautifully renovated Downstairs Dining Hall, we are eager for the program year to start! To start off the Adult Education program year, we will be joined by Wally Fleming on September 17 during the Sunday School hour!

This summer, we have piloted a **Corporate Prayer initiative** before Sunday services. This small group of congregants prayed and discerned together how the Lord would have us undergird our ministry with prayer. Transitioning to the Fall, we are advancing from a pilot program to a full program that you are invited to! Stay tuned for updates and info!

A small group of young adults are preparing for their trip to the **2024 Passion Conference** in Atlanta, Georgia. Please pray for this group as they seek to keep their schedules available to attend this trip!

Learnings

Please pray for our adult education and young adult ministries! Consider the following passage and how we may respond. This is one of the passages that the corporate prayer pilot group has been praying over for a good portion of the summer. Join us in our prayers!

“Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called...”

- Ephesians 4:2-4



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Reflecting On and Anticipating God's Work

It has been an eventful summer in the life of the Allen family. In June, Levi graduated from high school; Dawson and Chloe married in July. In August, Levi moved to Geneseo to begin college. Christy and I are entering the fall as empty nesters. Please keep us in your prayers as we navigate this life transition.

The summer has also been a busy season for the church. Vacation Bible School and the Youth Mission Trip to Rhode Island have been fruitful ministries. We have celebrated new life in Christ through baptisms. The fellowship hall has been transformed thanks to the coordination of several key leaders in our church. I am grateful for all that God is doing among us.

Combined summer worship services have allowed people to meet new people as we continue to study the life of David. We will continue this story through the first Sunday in October. As we near the close of David's life, trouble and turmoil are critical elements of the story. If you have missed a few weeks or would like to hear the sermons again, subscribe to the audio-only sermon podcast at <https://uccdga.com/podcast/>.

As we transition back to our regular Sunday morning schedule (8:45 AM and 11 AM services) on September 10, we enter this season anticipating God's continued work among us. With Sunday School, The Cause, Youth Club, and Bible studies resuming in the fall, may God equip us for the work ahead. May He continue to bring new people into our midst, transform our hearts, and prompt us in His ways.

Wade



Worship Schedule and Readings

- September 03 - Trouble at Home (2 Samuel 13)
Additional Readings: Galatians 6:7-9, Psalm 19:7-14
- September 10 - Friends of David (2 Samuel 14-19)
Additional Readings: Ecclesiastes 4:9-12, 1 Peter 4:8-10
- September 17 - Forgive (2 Samuel 16:5-13; 19)
Additional Readings: Matthew 18:21-35, Psalm 32:1-11
- September 24 - The Perils of Pride (2 Samuel 24)
Additional Readings: Proverbs 15:25-33, James 4:1-10



The QR code to the right will also take you to the streaming page



You can now listen to sermons (old and new!) as podcasts!

You can reach them through our website here: <http://uccdga.org/podcast>

Or wherever you usually listen (Spotify, Apple Podcasts, etc.) just search for the United Church of Canandaigua channel.

These podcasts are audio only of just the sermon portion of the service, perfect to listen to on your commute (most are 15-20 minutes long). We are still working on getting all of the older ones loaded, they go back to 2012!

Canandaigua Flood Recovery

Driving down the streets of Canandaigua, we see little of the effects of the July 8-9 floods. Yet folks in homes affected by these floods are still wrestling with insurance companies, deductibles and the need to prepare space and replace washers, dryers, hot water heaters and furnaces.

Residents of Happiness House apartments are *still displaced* due to flooding damages. These are burdensome and overwhelming issues. *How can we love our neighbors?*

- Prayers! Let's come alongside our neighbors in prayer.
- Donations can be made at Cdga National Bank to FLACE under the Canandaigua Area Flooding Recovery Assistance Fund. \$73,000 has been raised so far. Through your mission dollars, our church is also making a contribution.
- How can we offer encouragement? Ask Don Rensberger about stories of those affected by the flood as he has visited homes and people.

Thank you for your prayers and donations for those struggling in our own community. God knows and cares.

Monday, August 28 and Sept 25, are our next **Drive Though Food Pantries** at the Highway Dept Barn in Canandaigua. The pantry is **open to all, 11am – 1pm** or until food is gone.

Volunteers are needed starting at 9:30 am to set up, unload the truck and package the food for families driving through. This free food distribution is especially helpful due to the reduction of SNAP benefits that began in March and the rising prices of groceries. Can you help?

NEW LOCATION: Highway Dept Barn, 5440 Rt 5 & 20, Canandaigua. Questions or to volunteer, please see Cathy Bush or Don Rensberger.



CALLED TO CARE
CANANDAIGUA
WELCOMING REFUGEES

Called to Care, Canandaigua continues the work of “welcome” in Canandaigua. Two Good Neighbor Teams #2 & #3, working together, have welcomed and resettled an extended family of eight from Guatemala. The family arrived late night/early am of July 21st and already the three children are enrolled in school, four of the adults have found 40 hour a week employment in two local businesses, and the family has been enjoying lakefront picnicking and swimming at Kershaw Park.

On August 16th a family of five arrived from Haiti. They are “homestaying” with their sponsors, until their apartment will be ready. A Good Neighbor Team #5 has been organized very quickly to walk alongside this new family in their resettlement. They are all working to assist Cathy Bush in setting up the apartment as well as accomplishing all of the appointments for Medicaid, SNAP, school for the children and English classes for the mom.

A Good Neighbor Team #4 is preparing to welcome a family of three from Ukraine in early September. This family is related to one of the Ukrainian families already here and will “homestay” with them until their apartment is ready.

I am simply amazed at how the community has stepped up and gathered around these new families to welcome and embrace them as they begin their new lives here in Canandaigua.

At United Church we have been holding informational sessions to discern if there was interest in forming another Good Neighbor Team of our church members. Unfortunately, at present not enough people have stepped forward to pull a Team together. Several members, however, remain very active as volunteers in the work of *Called to Care, Canandaigua*, and the church has been very generous in its financial support.

If you would like to learn more or find your niche in this work of “welcome” please speak with Cathy Bush, Wendy Stoddard, or me, Linda Werts.

Watch the **Sunday bulletins** for the most up to date info on how to help the various teams! Team #4 has a **link of requested items** for the new Ukrainian family’s apartment.



Youth Ministry

Reflections

While our weekly **Cause youth group** was off for the summer, our group greatly enjoyed special events! A number of our middle and high school students assisted with **Vacation Bible School**. It was great to watch our students take on important leadership and support roles to the benefit of our children!

After VBS week, a number of youth, young adult, and adults drove out to Woonsocket, Rhode Island to serve others in need with **GROUP WorkCamp**. Wednesday afternoon, our group had a chance to break away and head to the ocean for some fun! On our way back, we had an opportunity to relax and reflect while staying in a beautiful home in the Vermont mountains, and also spent some time with Sonya and Dan Brooks at their cottage!

During the week following WorkCamp, a group of youth headed to Darien Lake for **Kingdom Bound!** When the youth learned that I had never been on big roller coasters before, they became all too eager to get me on them! They succeeded, I survived, and we all had a great time in the park and enjoying the wonderful Christian music those talented artists share with us.

At the time of this writing, the **Summer Youth Retreat** is right around the corner! Hosted at Onanda Park, this overnight event provides an excellent time to reconnect after a busy summer. We include food, fellowship, and faith in our activities. We look forward to sharing more with you about this exciting event!

Various members of our **Youth Ministry Team** have contributed during our special summer events!

Learnings

Please pray for our youth ministry! Consider the following passage and how we may respond with youth ministry in mind:

“God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the parts that lacked it, so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it.”

– 1 Corinthians 12:24-26



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CHILDREN'S AND FAMILY MINISTRY

What's happened...

This summer, **18** children from our church were sent to **Christian camps** with your help from our campership fund. Our mission budget provides $\frac{1}{2}$ the cost for one week at a Christian camp for any child that attends Sunday School, Youth Club, and/or The Cause. This can make a huge difference for parents who otherwise may have to decide between sending only one of several children to camp, or no one at all. With all the different choices available for kids, we are so glad to encourage them with a lasting experience, one that will **strengthen their relationship with Jesus Christ**....one that has *eternal* benefits! Thank you for your support!

Stellar VBS ~ Shine Jesus' Light! The week of July 10-14 was a valuable week in the Kingdom of God as 68 children (36 from our church, 32 from the community) learned that we can shine Jesus' light when life feels dark, when people don't get along, when good things happen, when people are sad, and when people need help. We can shine Jesus' light all the time, everywhere we go! Children learned about the daily Bible point and Bible stories through drama, songs, games, sciency-fun gizmos, videos and crafts. We truly had a **stellar week shining Jesus' light together!** God faithfully provided 52 adults, teens, and tweens who served as crew leaders, station leaders, snack preparers, station helpers, and crew helpers. **Thank you also to ALL who supported us with generous donations, prayers, scenery help, set up and clean up! We appreciate each of you!** Our VBS mission project, Operation Kid to Kid, raised \$408.56 for Bibles given to children living on around the world who do not yet have a Bible in their own language. What a generous bunch of VBS families! **That's a God sighting!**

"To Him who is able to do exceedingly, abundantly above all we can think or ask, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen!"
Ephesians 3:20-21

What's happening...

Nursery Care for infants through preschoolers is provided every Sunday. The nursery will be staffed with volunteers during both Worship services and during the Sunday School hour. **We need MORE nursery volunteers to help care for our littlest ones.** Please contact Jason and Melissa Long or Deb Marshall if you are interested in volunteering for the nursery. *Please note that all people 18 and over who volunteer in the nursery need to be background checked* – this is a quick and easy process! Contact Carolyn to be checked.

Upcoming Events...

Sunday, Sept. 3 – last summer service at 9:30am

Sunday, Sept. 10 – Return to 2 services, 8:45am and 11:00am; Sunday school kick off for all ages at 9:45am;
The Cause begins, 5-7:30pm

Sunday, Sept. 17 – Sunday school begins for all ages at 9:45am; Bibles given to children during 11am service

Wednesday, Oct. 4 – Youth Club begins

Silent Auction 2024

The Missions Committee is planning a Silent Auction for June 2-June 9, 2024. The funds raised for our Trip Fund will assist our Youth and Adults as they go out into the mission field. For example: Group Workcamp trips by the Youth Group, Mission Trips to Mexico to install clean water plants through Living Waters for the World, and Mission Trips to Nicaragua with AMOS to provide health clinics, Computer labs and libraries.

We are asking you to prayerfully consider how you can help us raise money for our Trip Fund by participating as a donor of an auction item, a member of the planning committee, a bidder at the auction, or an auction worker. It takes much planning and many hands to make this happen. We would appreciate any help you can give us.

Donations for the auction can be home crafted items, store bought items, gift baskets, pledges of your time or talents to help someone [such as 1 hour of gardening or babysitting time]; antiques, a boat ride on Canandaigua Lake, a home cooked meal for a group of people, etc.

To volunteer to help plan, please contact Regina Allen at 585-398-3918



Your food cart donations are distributed by the CCIA and Salvation Army Food pantries each week.

CCIA has made an urgent request for: Cereal, Tuna Fish, Peanut Butter, Spaghetti Sauce, Pasta (spaghetti or elbow), Can Corn, Can Soups, Can Pork and Beans

Thank you for your generous contributions!

Beaver Camp Family Opportunities

Beaver Camp, located just east of Lowville at the foothills of the Adirondacks, has activities all year round, but Fall is one of the prettiest. Set aside family time now with two different fall opportunities at Beaver Camp!



Fall Family Retreat - September 29-October 1

It's the perfect time of year to come experience Beaver Camp as a family! Families need time away from their busy routines. This weekend gives families quality time together while enjoying scenic wagon rides, hikes, games, Challenge Course activities, worship, and more. This retreat begins at 7:00 PM on Friday and ends after lunch on Sunday. More info about Fall Family Retreat: <https://beavercamp.org/camps-and-retreats/family-retreats>

Parenting With a Purpose - October 13-15

Spend a weekend enjoying the fall beauty of the Adirondacks with your family while learning essential parenting skills that will help you connect with the heart of your child(ren). Families can take advantage of all that Beaver Camp has to offer from indoor and outdoor recreation spaces, to hiking and even boating if the weather is suitable. Activities will be provided for children ages two and up during sessions. Meals are provided so that mom and dad can focus on connecting with their child's heart. More info about Parenting with Purpose: <https://beavercamp.org/camps-and-retreats/parenting-with-purpose-weekend>

SAVE THE DATE ~ Missionary Dinner

Tuesday, September 12 at 6 pm in the Fellowship Room

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Rev. Tim Long

September 12 the United Church will host Rev. Tim Long, a missionary the United Church has supported for more than a decade will be in Canandaigua. Patti and Tim Long's chosen Scripture: "Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, 'Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and servant of all.' in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me.'" Mark 9: 35-37



Patti is a resource specialist in a school serving children with special needs.

Didaqué school becomes their safe haven. the special education program, which requires ongoing collaboration among special education teachers, faculty, and parents.

Tim serves in leadership development with the Baja Baptist Seminary of Mexicali. The seminary teaches present and future church leaders in Baja California and in the Dominican Republic. He also serves as on-site coordinator and professor in Palmer Seminary's online Master of Theological Studies program in Latino/America and the Caribbean.

**Enjoy fellowship and a shared dish
meal with Tim Tuesday, September 12 at 6:00.**



PARTY INVITATION

DINNER WITH REV. TIM LONG

Our missionary in Baja California, Mexico

Tim and Patti continue to provide
Leadership in south of San Diego

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

United Church Fellowship Room

6:00 PM dish to pass dinner

You're Invited to Celebrate with Us!