

THE UNITED CHURCH

PRESBYTERIAN – AMERICAN BAPTIST

June 9, 2024

PRELUDE: “*Allegro moderato*” by Fr. Walezynski

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

OUR PREPARATION

Focus of the Day: Reflecting on the beauty of God's original creation, may we long for restoration and a deeper connection with God's redemption in our lives today.

INTROIT: “Be Still and Know” (Hymn #516)

Be still and know that I am God.
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CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created, when the Lord God made the earth and the heavens.

Congregation: We gather to worship the Creator who formed us from the dust of the ground and breathed into us the breath of life.

Leader: The Lord God planted a garden in Eden and placed humankind there.

Congregation: We come to the One who provides all we need and sustains us with His love.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord, our Creator and Sustainer.

Congregation: We come with hearts full of gratitude, ready to serve and to praise our God. Amen.

***HYMN:** #362 “Morning Has Broken”

***OPENING PRAYER:** Heavenly Father, we come before You with gratitude, remembering Your creation. You breathed life into us and provided all we need. As we worship today, help us to honor Your wisdom and walk in Your ways. Fill our hearts with Your Spirit and open our eyes to Your beauty. We pray this in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray...Our Father... (using debts and debtors...)

Amen.

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

***GLORIA PATRI:** #807

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 51:1-3 (page 728) {A.B. page 807}

SPECIAL MUSIC: “What a Beautiful Name” by Hillsong

Summer Cunningham (acc. Jim Boseck)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:; Deb Marshall

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Revelation 22:1-5 (page 1231) {A.B. page 1401}

Sermon

“Longing for Eden”

(Genesis 2:4-17)

Pastor Wade Allen

OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH

***HYMN:** #678 “In the Bulb, There Is a Flower”

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PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY: “*Andantino poco allegretto*” by César Franck

***DOXOLOGY:** #809

***HYMN:** #750 “God is Working His Purpose Out”

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RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES: (see names on center of insert)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: “*Allegro*” by W. Volckmar

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

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Health concerns: 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: Beth Smythe, Keith Laursen (Joyce's brother-in-law), Jerrick Cesna & Sasha (friends of Megan French), Mark Schreier (Virginia Holroyd's friend), Amy Jelensperber (Sheppard family), Dylan Smith (CA senior, friend of many), 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), Gabbi Seeber, Kerry Van Iseghem, Joan Danaher, Sara Scharr, Sara Henderson, Arlene Willett

Comfort and Peace: 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) deployed to Japan, TSgt Timothy Peck (USAF)

MISSIONARIES: Carlos Bonilla & Mayra Giovanti – 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!):

June 16 – Silent Auction bidding ends at 9:30!

June 20 – Called to Care International Gala, 5-8 pm

June 25 – Ice Cream Social, 6:30 pm

June 29 – Red Wings Game (Our Youth Choir singing National Anthem!)

June 30 – Farewell Brunch and Organ Hymn Sing for Kateri

July 7 – Youth BBQ fundraiser

Aug 9 – Fred Magley's Memorial Service, 3 pm

Aug 16-18 – United Church Retreat Weekend

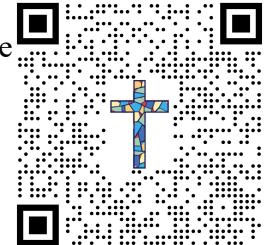
Nov 2 – United Church Seminar

Highlights for This Week!

- **It's graduate Sunday!** Please join us for a cake and punch reception in the Fellowship Room following the service. We are excited to celebrate all the graduates in our church family.
- **Silent Auction bidding begins today!** Items are in the dining room and you can bid all week between 9-1 as well. Bidding ends next Sunday at 9:20 am!
- Don't forget to stop by the special table that is set up with notecards and addresses for our **Special Members** in the Welcome Center. Our Special Members always love hearing from their Church family!
- We could use help from our church family to **wash the nursery toys!** Please take a bin of toys that you will find on a cart in the Welcome Center after service. Wash them thoroughly at home, and return them to Deb's office or the nursery next week! We appreciate your help with this. Many hands make light work! Thank you.
- **Join us for Scuba VBS scenery work days!** If you have any time available during the timeframe we are working, drop by and lend a hand. **You don't need any special skills or talents, just a willingness to help.** Please wear comfortable clothes that you don't mind getting messy (some of us will be painting)! Please join us when you can, and bring a friend!! If these times don't work for you, or you'd prefer to work at home, see Deb or Sandi for take-home kits to add to our underwater scenery!

Tues 6/11 9:30am-11:30am, Sat 6/22 10am-2pm, Thurs 6/27 9:30am-11:30am

- **Ice Cream Social - June 25, 6:30 PM,** at The United Church - *All are invited for an Ice Cream Social Kick Off Event for all summer activities!* We will gather, fellowship, and make plans for our various summer activity groups (e.g. pickleball group, video game/board game group, walking group, etc).
- **Save the date!** On **June 29**, The United Church **Youth Choir** will be singing the **National Anthem** at the **Rochester Redwings** game at **6:45pm**. We have reserved a block of tickets for \$10 each. You can sign up to go to the game/purchase tickets using this link <https://uccdga.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2325102> or the QR code:
- **The United Church Summer Youth Missions Experience - Save The Dates!**
 - August 23, August 26, August 28, August 30
 - Experiences include Cameron Community, Special Member Event, and Charity Donation Scavenger Hunt
 - Attendees will be invited to a group trip to Seabreeze!
 - While this is a youth-focused experience, adults are invited to join!
 - Register online so that we can plan for food, transportation, & administratively prepare



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!**

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

Children's Time ~ There is Children's Time today. After the children's sermon, children in **Kindergarten through 2nd grade** are invited upstairs to Room 26 for an age-appropriate lesson. Parents, please pick up your children promptly after the service. Thank you!

On **Sunday, June 30th**, we will celebrate our organist, **Kateri Andress**, who has used her musical talents over the last 3 years to inspire our worship.

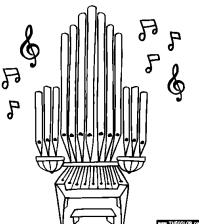
Brunch will be served immediately after the 9:30 service, followed by an **organ concert and hymn sing**. Submit your favorite hymn requests in the Organ Pipe Suggestion Box outside the office; Kateri will play as many as possible.

Please sign up for brunch contributions on the office door.

Help us thank her for her service, and wish her well in the next step of her career! Kateri's last Sunday at UCC will be July 14.

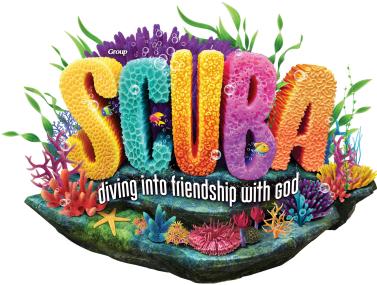
The Staff Relations Committee is happy to announce that we have hired a new organist. **David Kraft**, a student at Eastman School of Music, will begin on August 4th.

Parking reminders for summer: only **2 cars** may park between the Main Street driveways, otherwise the shuttle bus cannot make it through. Also, if you are able-bodied, consider parking in one of the further lots or the courthouse and saving the closer spots for our friends that need them. Thank you!



VBS items to borrow:

- Small map that we can roll up
- "hide-a-key" rock
- One white flat sheet (queen or king)
- Purple fabric that we can cut up
- Wooden drying rack
- Blue, rectangular plastic table cloths (lots)



There are 3 ways YOU can donate to VBS

1. Take a tag of the supply board in the Welcome Center at church, purchase the item, and return it to church by June 23.
2. Take a look at our Amazon wishlist <https://a.co/gtMf3GF> and purchase an item from there. It will be shipped directly to church.
3. Look at the list of items in the bulletin - these are different items from the supply board or Amazon - and donate or loan an item from that list.

Thank you!!



Sign up to help in **Summer Nursery**! The easiest way to sign up is by using our Church Center app or Services app. (If you need help, just ask!) Each Sunday, from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend, we need 2 people to help in the nursery. *All volunteers 18-years-old and older need to be background checked before helping.* If you'd like to begin volunteering in the nursery, please see our nursery coordinator, Louise Van Iseghem or contact the church office. Thank you!

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.



The “Camp Tree” is in the welcome center! It is filled with note cards to send to our campers this summer. Envelopes are pre-addressed for you. Inside each envelope, you will find a handmade card that contains a note about the camper you are writing to. It also tells you when you need to send your note so that it will arrive on time. **We also would like everyone to be praying for our campers - that their experience at camp would deepen and strengthen their relationship with Jesus.** Thank you for being a part of this caring ministry!

Beaver Camp

Elise Cunningham, July 7-12 (Bears)

Eva Clark, July 21-26 (Beavers)

Lily Munson, July 21-26 (Bears)

Amelia Cunningham, August 4-9 (Teen Camp)

Anna Zajac, August 4-9 (Teen Camp)

The following young adults are working at Beaver Camp this summer:

Natalie Cunningham, Summer Cunningham, Grace Payne, and Jen Petracchi

LeTourneau Christian Center

Violet Thorman, June 30-July 5 (Baking Champions)

Jesse Cheney, July 15-19 (Wood Working)

Joy Cheney, July 15-19 (Wood Working)

Isabella Harris-Chwiecko, July 15-19 (Arts and Crafts Camp)

Jackson Callard, July 22-26 (Adventure Quest Overnight Camp)

Juliana Callard, July 22-26 (Adventure Quest Overnight Camp)

Billy Clark, July 22-26 (Adventure Quest, day camp)

Aria Hildebrandt, July 22-26 (Adventure Quest Overnight Camp)

Mason Hildebrandt, July 22-26 (Adventure Quest Overnight Camp)

Liam Hildebrandt, July 22-26 (Adventure Quest Overnight Camp)

Josiah Seeber, July 22-26 (Adventure Quest Overnight Camp)

Elijah Seeber, July 22-26 (Adventure Quest Overnight Camp)

Kailynn Stewart, July 22-26 (Adventure Quest Overnight Camp)

David Quimby, July 22-26 (Adventure Quest, day camp)

Sam Quimby, July 22-26 (Adventure Quest, day camp)

Graham Beyrle, Aug 12-15 (Wacky Water 2)

Carter Slomski, Aug 12-15 (Lego Builders)

Miracle Mountain Ranch

Hannah Aldrich, June 30-July 5 (Wild West Camp)

Adele Marshall, June 30-July 5 (Wild West Camp)

Paige Munson, June 30-July 5 (Wild West Camp)

Sophie Munson, June 30-July 5 (Wild West Camp)

NTS Camp at Houghton College

Walter Marshall, July 7-11



MISSIONS ~ Faith and Action

Why Missions? Because Christ calls

Why short term mission Trips? Learning by serving with established missionary programs.

The Silent Auction to support mission trips begins **today** → 9:20 am next Sunday, June 16



Boyd Bears

Doll house

Purses

Antiques

Works of Art (glass, wood, framed prints)

Books

Quilts, table mats, Cardinal pillow

Boat rides

Custom cake or cupcakes

American girl doll with wardrobe

Much More



Where: In our dining room downstairs. **Come and see!**



*Called to Care, Canandaigua invites you to observe World Refugee Day at its **International Gala on Thursday, June 20th from 5-8PM** at the Central on Main.*

****Food, Live Music, Dancing****

For more info see Linda Werts

Our very own **Paul Johnson** will be “camp pastor” at **Beaver Camp’s Grandparent/Grandchild Camp** coming up on **July 17-19**. If you are a grandparent who would like to take your grandchild to this camp, you can find more info and sign up here:

<https://beavercamp.org/camps-and-retreats/grand-parent>



Congratulations to our 2024 Graduates!

Graduate Sunday

Join us as we recognize our 2024 graduating seniors during our 9:30 am worship service on Sunday, June 9th

Our High School Graduates

Joshua Barnes is graduating from Canandaigua Academy and will attend Penn State University, majoring in Economics.

JJ Callard is graduating from Canandaigua Academy. He is going into the Navy this summer. JJ is joining the search and rescue team. He will leave for boot camp in mid-July.

Summer Cunningham is graduating from Marcus Whitman High School with a criminal justice focus through FLTCC. In the fall she plans to attend Houghton University majoring in criminal justice with a minor in equestrian performance. Summer has been accepted into Houghton's London Honor's Program where she will spend her freshman Spring Semester in London studying art, literature, and writing.

Grace Davis is graduating from Canandaigua Academy and will attend RIT in the Physician's Assistant program.

Brynleigh Fehrenbach is graduating from Victor High School. She plans to attend Susquehanna University with a major in biology and a minor in French studies.

Peyton Malec is graduating from Canandaigua Academy and will attend Clarkson University in the fall. She will be studying occupational therapy and playing soccer.

Emma Marshall is graduating from Canandaigua Academy and will attend SUNY Oswego in the fall where she has been accepted into the Honors Program. Emma will major in Cognitive Science and double minor in Theatre and Computer Science. After receiving her bachelor's degree, she plans to pursue a Master's degree in Human Computer Interaction.

Jovainnie Ramirez is graduating from Marcus Whitman High School and plans to attend Finger Lakes Community College in the fall to study agriculture.

Mark Ramirez is graduating from Marcus Whitman High School and plans to attend Finger Lakes Community College in the fall to study engineering.

Phoebe Russell is graduating from Canandaigua Academy and will be attending Syracuse University. She will be majoring in Innovation, Society and Technology at SU's School of Information Studies. She eventually plans to pursue a Masters Degree in Library and Information Science.

Lindsey Whitcomb is graduating from Canandaigua Academy. She will attend SUNY Fredonia in the fall, majoring in Environmental Science.



Our College Graduates

Samantha Baxter graduated from North Carolina State with a Bachelor's degree in Biomedical Engineering. Samantha will begin her career as a biomedical engineer at AstraZeneca in Raleigh, NC.

Andrew Boseck graduated from Rochester Institute of Technology, Summa Cum Laude, with both a Bachelor of Science degree and Masters degree in Mechanical Engineering. Andrew will be starting his career as a Mechanical Engineer in June at Teknic located in Victor, NY.

Meaghan Bowers (Sharon and Chuck Meyer's granddaughter) graduated from Rochester Institute of Technology, Summa Cum Laude, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Illustration.

Lydia Day graduated in December with a BS in Civil Engineering. She started working at National Grid in January as a Transmission Line Engineer.

Dianna Duncan graduated from King's College in Wilkes-Barre with a degree in environmental science. She is working at Camp Cedarbrook in the Adirondacks this summer and then she will pursue a job in her field.

Madison Russell graduated with a Masters Degree in Applied Mathematics from SUNY Buffalo in December 2023. She is working at Frontier Science in Amherst, NY.

Natalie Wall graduated from SUNY Geneseo in May with a Bachelor's degree in Geology with a micro-credential in GIS. Natalie plans to attend Texas Tech in Lubbock this fall. She will be pursuing her Masters Degree in Geology, specializing in Geomorphology and Sedimentology. She will also be a research and teacher assistant.

Other Graduates:

Caleb Corbett graduated from the Police Academy for the Seneca County Sheriff's Office on May 3rd. He is currently stationed at Five Points Correctional Facility in Romulus, NY.

