THE UNITED CHURCH

Presbyterian – American Baptist August 21, 2022

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After Sunday morning, it will be found (along with all old recordings) here: https://tinyurl.com/3jnkb46h

PRELUDE: "Reflection" by Richard Lane **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

GREETING

OUR PREPARATION

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

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Long ago, God rescued God's people from slavery. People: We are enslaved today, in many different ways.

Leader: God can and will rescue us. Place your trust in God's love.

People: Our hope is in the Lord who is our refuge and our strength. Leader: Even though temptations surround us, drawing us away from God, All: We will continue to follow God and trust in God's ways. AMEN.

*HYMN: #336 "God Is My Great Desire"

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*OPENING PRAYER: Lord, the temptations of the world loom large before us. We are enticed into moving from lives of service to lives of self-centeredness. We need your healing love. As you resisted the temptations in the wilderness, help us to place our trust in you, that we may be strong in our faith and confident in our service to you through serving others. 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 Corinthians 10:1-13 (page 1134) {A.B. page 1266}

SPECIAL MUSIC: "God Will Make a Way" (words on insert) Kateri Andress (vocals), June Pettit (piano)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 38:1-22 (page 554) {A.B. page 628}

Sermon "Temptation" Pastor Wade Allen

OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH

*HYMN: #561 "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" CCLI Song #28263, Public Domain, CCLI Lic. #11593017

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY: "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart" arr. M. Haves (words on insert)

(Kateri Andress and June Pettit, piano duet)

*DOXOLOGY: #809

*HYMN: #648 "O Jesus, I Have Promised" CCLI Song #40454, Public Domain, CCLI License # 11593017

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Processional" by Charles Hutchings

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 DiCiccos)

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

Comfort and Peace: Dorothy LaBrake,

MILITARY SERVICE: 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 our Worship service. 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 Marshall.



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 August 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.



Back to School Angel Tree – Items due TODAY

The items for the Back to School Angel Tree are due TODAY, Sunday, August 21st so that they can be sorted and delivered to families in time for school orientation/meet the teacher days. If you have not returned your item, please contact Deb Marshall. Thank you!

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!

Service opportunity in Canandaigua. Grab a group of friends and serve together!

Monday, August 22 - pop up food pantry at Zion Fellowship, 11am-1pm. In addition to helping distribute food between 11-1, volunteers are needed before 10 am to set up and from 1 pm to 2 pm to clean up. To volunteer, call Tracey at The Partnership of Ontario County at 396-4554 or email her at tracey@partnershipoc.org.

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.



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!

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.

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: August Sundays 21, 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

<u>Kids Choir</u> ~ We have decided to formally put together a kid's 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

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

Called to Care, Canandaigua will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, August 24th from 4-5pm at the Canandaigua Academy, 435 East Street. The meeting is in the Cafeteria. Please enter through the South/pool entrance. We are a group of individuals from churches, service organizations and businesses coming together to welcome Ukrainian and other refugees to Canandaigua. We are working with the NY20 Project for Ukrainians and World Relief of Western NY and their resettlement agencies in Rochester. This month's agenda will include conversations about fundraising and housing. This is a huge undertaking that will require many volunteers to help in many ways, both large and small. Please join us to learn more, hear about upcoming plans, or to get involved.



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. More details to come. *For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in. Matthew 25:35.*



MISSIONS



Praise and prayers for

- Our young people who have attended Christian camp
- Camp counselors returning to college
- Christy Brownell Siau and Christine Siau able to return to their NY homes for continuing recovery

Missionary news:

Reconnected, renewed, restored, and "resiliently" respond

Carlos Bonilla & Mayra Giovantti – the BGs – encourage us to join them "coming off the cloud in their July Newsletter.

"When was the last time you read Matthew 17.4 or Luke 9.33? Have you ever been in that situation? Coming out of the **Hear the Call** retreat and the **2022 World Mission Conference**, we find ourselves echoing Peter, James, and John. Let's just stay up in that cloud!

But the Lord allowed us to be with Him on that cloud so we could **reconnect**, **renew**, **restore**, **and** "**resiliently**" **respond** to His call to see Him at work in something new He is about to do. He allowed us to experience our time together to equip us to serve Him in unity. So, it isn't time to build tents and stay up in that cloud. It is time to get off that mountain and trust and obey Him!"

Pray for the BGs (and maybe us?) "coming off of the mountain" to connect with our Spanish speaking brothers and sisters in Christ.

God Will Make A Way (Special Music)

God will make a way where there seems to be no way.

He works in ways we cannot see; He will make a way for me.

He will be my guide, hold me closely to His side,

With love and strength for each ne day;

He will make a way.

By a roadway in the wilderness, He'll lead me.

Rivers in the desert will I see.

Heaven and earth will fade, but His Word will still re-main.

He will do something new today.

<u>Since Jesus Came Into My Heart</u> (Words to Offertory music)

What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought Since Jesus came into my heart! I have light in my soul For which long I had sought, Since Jesus came into my heart.

(chorus) Since Jesus came into my heart, Since Jesus came into my heart. Floods of joy o'er my soul like the Sea billows roll, since Jesus came into my heart.

I shall go there to dwell in that city I know Since Jesus came into my heart; And I'm happy, so happy, as onward I go, Since Jesus came into my heart.

Cause Room Cleaning Event - 8/27/2022

Join the Youth Director, the Youth Committee, and others in getting the Cause room ready for the upcoming program year! Students, adults, and volunteers are asked to participate. Come anytime for any duration between 10am to 12pm. Refreshments provided!

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!

upside down, or on its side.

Each letter can be the right way up,

name from the Bible.

2. Arrange the revealed letters to spell a

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

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