

THE UNITED CHURCH
PRESBYTERIAN – AMERICAN BAPTIST
January 21, 2024

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

OUR PREPARATION

INTROIT: (11:00) “Into My Heart” (Hymn #444)

Focus of the day: First part of service is in remembrance. Then message and later half of service: What are we willing to risk to be a part of God’s mission in our world?

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Christ is calling you as disciples

People: Lord Jesus, let us follow you faithfully.

Leader: You will be led into fields of mission and service.

People: Lord Jesus, where you lead us, we will go.

Leader: Listen for Christ’s call to you.

All: We are ready to serve the Lord. AMEN.

***HYMN: #751 “For All the Saints” (vs 1, 2, 3 & 4)**

CCLI Song #90590, Public Domain, CCLI Lic. #11593017

***OPENING PRAYER: O God, you are our light and our salvation. Living in your presence, we have nothing to fear. Open our hearts to your Word this day. As we hear the story of the call of the first disciples, make us ready to follow Jesus on whatever path he leads us. Cast aside our fears and doubts, and teach us to trust wholly in you. 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: Psalm 62:5-12 (page 568) {A.B. page 643}

ANTHEM: (11:00) “I’ll Fly Away”

The United Church Choir

A TIME OF REMEMBERING: Bill Adams, Kenneth Carle, Cynthia Chittenden, Jan Gullace, Al Johnson, Betty Liestman, Sherry Miller, Edith Robbins

SPECIAL MUSIC: “Deep River”

Earl Pettit

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 (page 1132) {A.B. page 1263}

Sermon
“Jesus’ Calling Disciples”
(Mark 1:14-20)
Pastor Wade Allen

OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH

***HYMN: #576 “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”**

CCLI Song #24494, Public Domain, CCLI Lic. #11593017

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY: #809**

***HYMN: #643 “I Know Not Where the Road Will Lead”**

CCLI Song #7174812, Public Domain, CCLI Lic. #11593017

STAFF RECOGNITION

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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

Our prayers and sympathy are with the family of Barbara Scott, who passed away on January 13th. Please keep her family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Our prayers and sympathy are with Allyson Haymes, whose very good friend, Gail Kowalski, passed away suddenly last week. Please keep the family in your prayers during this difficult time.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Health concerns: Louise Huck, Barbara Scott, Catherine Kurzdorfer (Adam Thorman’s mother), Carolyn Verspoor, Hiram Bailey, Marcus (friend of Sandi DiCicco), Kainoa Coarsey (great-nephew of Kathie Meredith & David Crowe), Garrett Nayer (nephew of Karen Gardner), Jean Pollard (Ali Boseck’s mom), Bob McDougal (MacKenzie Brown’s uncle), Denise Loy (friend of Kory Massey), David Sanford, David Felten (husband of Mary Maida), Denice Tautges (Hiram Bailey’s daughter), 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: Susan Hennessy (Jen Eveleigh’s sister), Rich Crowley (friend of Steve & Beth Smythe), Tom & Monica Yurik (friends of Bruce & Deb Gardner), Bill Blance (Ed’s brother), Paul Miner (brother of Linda Wells), Deb Dawson (Steve Smythe’s niece), Brent Gibbs (father of Kristy Aldrich), Sasha (friend of Megan French), Roderick Simonds (father of Natalie Clark), Rob Stults (cousin of Wade & Christy Allen), Dawn Miller, David Pagoda (friend of Eveleigh family), Keith Laursen (Tim’s brother), Jim Davis (Scott’s father), Jackie Crego (Stan & Evey Wright’s daughter), Stephen Carges (brother of Paula Traber)

Recovering: Kerry Van Iseghem, Joan Danaher (hip replacement), Sara Scharr, Sara Henderson, Arlene Willett, Patti Cagwin, Kathy Mills, Shirley Kem, Mary Jane Laird

Comfort and Peace: Ed Olson, Mary Zimmerman (Wendy Bacon’s mother)

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

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)

In today’s service, we remember those in our congregation who passed away in 2023. The bouquet of roses honors them, and the families of the deceased may take a rose after the service.



Called to Care, Canandaigua is preparing to welcome two families this month. A family of four will be arriving from Ukraine; a family of six will be arriving from Haiti. Both are leaving the stress of war and violence for a new life of hope and security here in our community. How fortunate are we to be able to offer this possibility to bless others as we have been blessed! We invite you to join us at this year's "**Chasin' the Blues**" event on Friday, February 9th at 7:00pm at Crosswinds Church. Comedian Paul Aldrich will be the featured entertainer and we'll hear the testimony and heartwarming refugee story of Jade Myers and Danie Exilus, whose family will be arriving soon from Haiti. Tickets are \$25 in advance (\$30 at the door) and will be available for purchase before or after worship on Sundays January 21st and 28th or now from Regie Allen, Sonya Brooks, Cathy Bush, Sarah Gross, Wendy Stoddard, or Linda Werts.

Highlights for This Week!

- **Young Adult Saturday Evening Connect** - Young adults are invited to join our new program! Occurs every 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month, from 6:30 - 7:30 PM.
- **Bring a friend night is THIS Wednesday, January 24.** Please let Deb Marshall know if your child is bringing a friend. We need to know today for planning purposes.
- **Bakers needed for Youth Club!** For Jan 31: need **6 dozen football shaped rice krispie treats** delivered on **Wednesday 1/31 by 4pm**. Contact Deb Marshall with any questions, or if you are available to help make some of these treats!
- Our **whole church family** is invited to go **sledding** at **Mertensia Park** this Saturday, **January 27, from 1-3pm**. If there’s not enough snow, we will have a fun afternoon of *games in our downstairs dining room* instead. If plans change from sledding to games, it will be posted on our Facebook page and sent in an email.

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!

Nursery care is offered during both services and during the Sunday school hour for those too young to attend Sunday school so that parents may attend adult classes or help in children’s classes. **8:45am nursery** ~ a combined nursery meets in room 10. **9:45am Sunday school nursery** ~ meets in room 11, the preschool nursery. **11:00am nurseries** ~ both the Infant/Toddler Nursery (Room 10) and the Preschool Nursery (Room 11) are available.

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!**

The Annual Meeting of the United Church will be held after the second service, in the Dining Room, **today**. Immediately after the 11:00 service the youth will host a baked potato lunch. This will be followed by the Annual Meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to approve the 2024 budget, elect officers, review the activities of 2023, and do any other business appropriate to the meeting.



Our annual **Relay for Life flower sale** continues through Feb. 11th. RFL raises money to help rid the world of ALL cancers! Delivery will happen the week of Mar. 18th. Please see Susan Vadney or Sandi DiCicco in the Welcome Center to take your orders &/or answer any questions about joining our church team, "**United Against Cancer**"!