

THE UNITED CHURCH

PRESBYTERIAN – AMERICAN BAPTIST

September 25, 2022

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

PRELUDE: *Dolcezza, No. 3 of "Reflections" by Percy W. Whitlock*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

OUR PREPARATION

INTROIT: "Open My Eyes That I May See" (hymn #557)

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: We trust in you, O God, for you are faithful.

People: Show us your ways and teach us your paths.

Leader: We wait for you.

People: Lead us in your paths of truth.

Leader: Do not remember our failures.

People: Out of your merciful grace, forgive us.

Leader: You are faithful, O God. Your love is steadfast.

All: We lift up our souls to you, and praise you always.

*HYMN: #701 "God Is Here!"

*OPENING PRAYER: Faithful God, you called all creatures into being, and you care for each one. Send your grace upon your people gathered here, that we may follow your ways of truth, and walk in the paths of steadfast love, proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ, 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: Deuteronomy 25:5-10 (page 195) {A.B. page 222}

SPECIAL MUSIC: (8:45) "For the Beauty of the Earth" Susie Shafer (flute), acc Kateri Andress (piano)

ANTHEM: (11:00) "This Little Light of Mine" (words on insert) The United Church Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Paul Johnson

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: I Timothy 2:1-15 (page 1174) {A.B. page 1323}

Sermon

"Passing It On"

Pastor Wade Allen

OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH

*HYMN: #690 "Bind Us Together"

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PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY: *Improvisation on a Perfect Fourth*

*DOXOLOGY: #809

*HYMN: #656 "Make Me a Blessing"

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Toccata in G Major" by Théodore Dubois

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Health concerns: Mary Jane Laird, Kathy Mills, Jim Peck, 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: 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), 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 DiCiccios)

Recovering: Linda Gilbert, Sue Paul (friend of Zajacs)

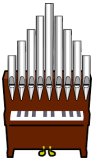
Comfort and Peace: Dorothy LaBrake, Sybil Amico

MILITARY SERVICE: Steven Munk (MacKenzie Brown's cousin) deployed to Somalia, 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 Giovanti – 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.*

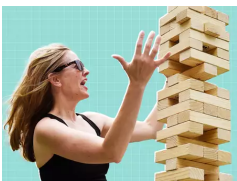
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Former United Church organist, **Alden Wright**, has returned from his year in England and will be performing at a recital at Calvary Episcopal Church in Williamsville **TODAY** at 4 pm. Wouldn't he be surprised to see some old UC friends come support him?!



**Fall Organ Concert ... Kateri Andress**, our beloved and talented young organist here at the United Church, will offer a Fall Organ Concert on **Friday, October 21st** in our sanctuary at 7 pm. This is a community event so please consider inviting your friends and family to enjoy her performance on our organ and meet her during a reception to follow, hosted by the organ concert committee. If you are able to provide cookies or other refreshments please speak with Ellen Parsons or Joyce Laursen.

### **Dad & Mom - are you looking for**

-a relaxing weekend family getaway  
-an affordable break from cooking  
-a weekend with planned activities  
-a weekend free from cell phone coverage  
And most of all, a faith-based weekend at Beaver Camp during peak leaf season in the Adirondacks? **When:** October 7-9. **Who:** Families  
For more information, go to <https://beavercamp.org> or  
Talk to Bob and Brenda Cunningham.



Do you have any **GIANT** versions of common games like Jenga, Connect 4, Bowling, or anything else? If you do, the youth would love to borrow the game for our **GIANT Game Day** on Sunday, 10/23. If you have a game you can loan us, please let Mark Slomski or Julie Zajac (mrsz@rochester.rr.com) know by October 2nd. Thanks!

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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!

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 2nd 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 all Sunday services. Families with little ones (babies through preschoolers) are welcome to use the nursery as desired. Room 10 is used during the 8:45am service and Room 11 is used during the 11am service. 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.



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.

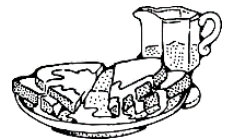
The Greeter ministry is a wonderful way to show that we are a hospitable church and that we welcome all who want to worship the Lord with our congregation. **The October sign up sheet is on the Office door.** If you have any questions, please ask any Steward or call the Office. Thanks so much for serving in this way on any Sunday that you're available.

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. Registration link: <https://bit.ly/UC-EM-OCT-22> (If you already told us, you're signed up already!)

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.



Grace Payne's Outhouse Project

This project started as an idea for my Gold Award in Girl Scouts and now it is being fully put in action.

I built a 4ft tall, hollow outhouse. The point of the outhouse is to hold donations that the congregation buys. The donations will be taken to organizations such as The Salvation Army, CCIA, Care Net, etc.

The donations should consist of paper products such as:

- paper towels
- toilet paper
- wipes, etc.
- feminine hygiene (pads, tampons)
- baby items (diapers, wipes, lotion, baby powder, diaper cream)

The outhouse will be at our church for the month of September before I take the donations to an organization and move the outhouse to another church within the county.

Please consider donating throughout the month of September. Thank you ~ Grace Payne

Please make note of these important fall dates!

Saturday, October 1, 2022, 1-3pm – Church family fun at Long Acre Farms!

We will enjoy fall fun including a corn maze, wagon rides, an obstacle course, and more!

You must register ahead of time for discounted tickets. Deadline to register is September 27. We will purchase all tickets ahead of time. (The entrance fee at the farm is \$19 per person; we are offering tickets as low as \$8 per person!)

Register here: <https://uccdga.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1441668>

Sunday, October 2, 2022 – LOGOS dedication during services

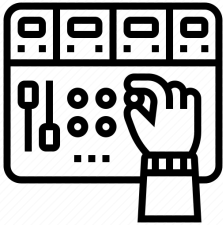
Service at 8:45am

Sunday School for all ages at 9:45am

Service at 11:00am

The Cause (9th-12th grade), 5-7:30pm

Wednesday, October 5, 2022 – Youth Club begins, 2:30-6:30pm!



We are looking for people interested in helping with the audio support of the 8:45am Sunday worship service and both audio and video support for the 11:00 service. People interested can contact Dale Zajac at 585-924-8564 or mrz@rochester.rr.com. We plan to coordinate show and tell training in the next few weeks.

YOUTH CLUB

Begins Wednesday, October 5!

Our Wednesday afterschool ministry

For children in grades 2 – 8

After school – 6:30 October through April

Bible Study~Worship~Recreation~Family Time

If you have a 2nd - 8th grade student, we hope you will consider signing your child up for YOUTH CLUB!!! Use this QR code to register:



Please let Deb Marshall know if you have any questions!

Parents of Youth Club students ~ Please plan to join us in the sanctuary at about 5:30pm on the first day of Youth Club (Oct. 5) for a pizza dinner. Then join us in the sanctuary at 6pm for our YC opening! 😊 Our time should conclude at 6:30pm. We are all looking forward to a great year of Youth Club!



Join us for church family fun and fellowship at

Long Acre Farms

1342 Eddy Rd., Macedon, NY 14502

Saturday, October 1, from 1-3pm

Tickets range from \$8-\$17; Full scholarships available

Use this QR code to sign up:



Questions? Please see Deb Marshall

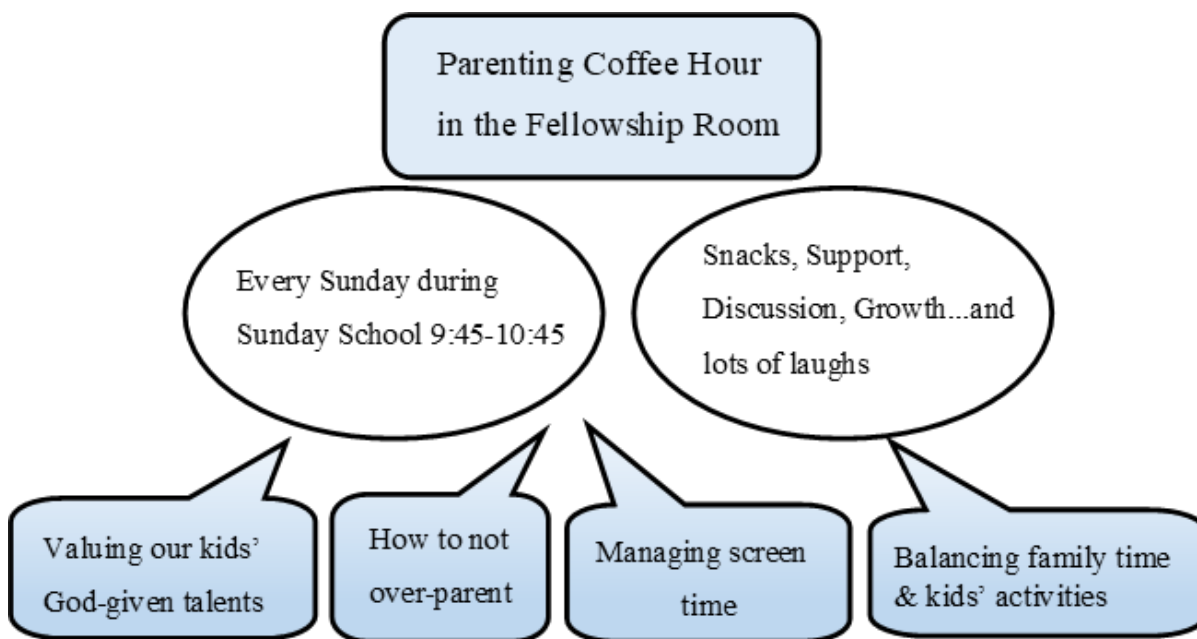
Adults

Our Sunday morning sessions begin at 9:45! Come and be fed by our Lord, the One who knows what you need. Choose among these 3:

- 1) **Parenting Coffee Hour** meets in the *Fellowship Room*
 - Do you have to put on your “happy face” walking into church after a crazy car ride?
 - Join with other parents for conversation, faith-filled discussion and refreshments
- 2) **Book of John** meets in the *Downstairs Dining Room*
 - We will use the Warren Wiersbe study of this New Testament book
 - Study guides books are available to you at no cost
- 3) **The Feasts of Leviticus 23** meets in the *Downstairs Dining Room*
 - Why did our Lord spell out 7 feasts in peculiar detail?
 - Learn how these less-familiar passages point to Christ



Questions/Info: Paul Johnson, Director of Adult Education, 585-794-2746



This Little Light of Mine

(Chorus)

When the world grows dark around you, there's a way to make things right.
Just reach out and help a neighbor. Reach down deep in your heart and turn on the light.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

No more walkin' in darkness, I'm gonna let it shine. **(repeat 2x)**

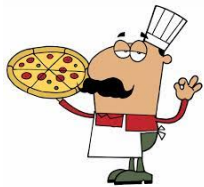
We've got to love our brother. We've got to let our light shine through.
We've got to love our sister. That's what the Bible tells us to do.
God sent His Holy Spirit, to light the way for me and you.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

Heavenly sunlight, heavenly sunlight. Flooding my soul with glory divine. **(to chorus)**

We're looking for a part time worker to help our church sparkle!

Our church needs to temporarily fill the custodian position. Start immediately and work through mid-November. This is a paid position, taking 12-15 hours per week with a flexible schedule during the week. Duties include vacuuming, garbage, bathrooms, surface washing, dusting and general tidying to make each room look its best!

Please reach out to Staff Relations Committee member Sandi Munson (585) 314-6112 or src@uccdga.org with any interest or questions.



Needed: Pizza Servers and Kitchen “Cleaner Uppers”

For the first Youth Club, October 6, from 5:15-6:30ish, 2 *pizza servers* are needed in the fellowship room to serve parents stopping by for a quick bite before our opening program. AND 5 to *work clean up* in the dining room kitchen after our pizza dinner (we'll use paper products this night), so YC students, workers and parents can all be part of our opening program in the sanctuary. Please sign up on Deb's door. Thank you!

World Mission Offering

*Please read about and pray for these ministries across the globe.
Fliers on these efforts are located in the welcome center outside the office.*

International Ministries:

Two Ministries in Bolivia –

- Mentors from local churches are trained to disciple an underserved population of girls (ages 8-12). **Prayer request:** for the girls to not only learn about Jesus but to want a relationship with him and serve him.
- Through a partnership with Palmer Seminary, theological education is accessible to pastors and ministry leaders online and in Spanish to strengthen and build the church in Latin America. **Prayers** for guidance in pandemic response, funding for training programs, and how to make ministries self-sustainable.

Two ministries in Democratic Republic of the Congo:

- Dr. Tim and Kathy Rice, one of four missionary couples we support with our mission dollars, are training medical staff using the limited resources available there. 50% of children in this country are suffering from malnutrition. A malnutrition ward at their hospital stabilizes children to move them out of immediate danger of death bringing hope. **Pray** for co-laborers and spiritual renewal.
- Katherine Niles coordinates a network of Congolese-staffed Baptist hospitals facing the challenges of providing Christ-centered health care to poor patients. “The mission hospitals are about quality care and also about being salt and light in the midst of darkness and death.” **Prayers** as they seek strategies for sustainable Christ-centered health care and for medical professionals to further train Congolese doctors and nurses.

Next week, information on Presbyterian Disaster Relief.

The World Mission Offering will be taken October 2.

Look for envelopes in the pews, or in your Lamplighter. Please note on your check, World Mission.

Give generously, as the Lord leads you.



For adults that still love puzzles ...
 (Solution from 9/11 was NICHOLAS, sorry to skip a week, I had jury duty!)

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

1. Join horizontally, vertically, and diagonally adjacent pairs of numbers that appear next to each other in the circle.

Work out the missing numbers using the fact that only the letters shown below can be hidden in the puzzle, and each is three numbers wide and tall.

2. Arrange the revealed letters to spell a name from the Bible.

Each letter can be the right way up, upside down, or on its side.

All possible letter shapes are shown below. Some are the same when rotated!



1	0	1	2	3	9	3	6	9	6
3	4	2	1	9	8	9	8	2	5
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5	9	2	7	2	9	3	9	2	9
6	2	9	1	8	5	4	1	5	1
5	9	1	9	6	4	2	7	3	7
9	2	5	1	8	5	9	5	1	0

For more visit www.begriddled.com

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