

THE UNITED CHURCH

PRESBYTERIAN – AMERICAN BAPTIST

October 2, 2022

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

PRELUDE: “*Fantasia*” by Johann Krebs

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

OUR PREPARATION

INTROIT: (11:00) “As the Deer”

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: We gather today to worship the One who created us,

People: The One who calls us,

Leader: The One who equips us,

People: The One who loves us without end.

All: With joyful hearts, let us worship God.

*HYMN: #514 “Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine”

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*OPENING PRAYER: Father, thank you that you have brought each of us safely to this place. We gladly surrender our lives to you in worship and praise. Come dwell in each of our hearts. Equip us, challenge us, comfort us, teach us. We ask all this in the wonderful name of Jesus who taught us to pray (we will now sing the Lord's prayer together)

*HYMN #632: “THE LORD’S PRAYER”

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*GLORIA PATRI: #807

DEDICATION OF LOGOS PROGRAMS - YOUTH CLUB AND THE CAUSE

(see list on back cover)

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Hebrews 4:14-16 (page 1186) {A.B. page 1341}

ANTHEM: (11:00) “Lord, Have Mercy” (words on insert)

The United Church Choir

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 8:31-39 (page 1119) {A.B. page 1248}

Sermon

“The Threshing Floor”

Pastor Wade Allen

OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH

*HYMN: #495 “My Faith Has Found a Resting Place”

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PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY: “*Interlude*” by J. H. Knecht

*DOXOLOGY: #809

COMMUNION

*HYMN: #520 “Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: *Processional from “Marche Moderne”* by Edwin H. Lemare

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 Davis (Scott's father), 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)

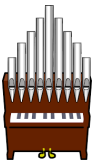
Comfort and Peace: Dorothy LaBrake, Sybil Amico

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)

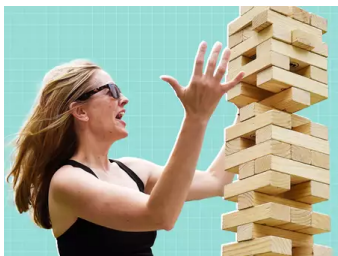
** indicates an invitation to stand for those who are able and comfortable doing so.*

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.



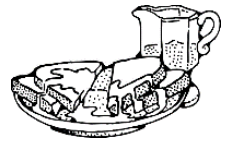
Do you have any **GIANT** versions of common games like Jenga, Connect 4, Bowling, or anything else? If you do, the youth would love to borrow the game for our **GIANT Game Day** on Sunday, 10/23. If you have a game you can loan us, please let Mark Slomski or Julie Zajac (mrsz@rochester.rr.com) know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

2 Volunteer opportunities!

- **Light Hill** (a Canandaigua Comfort Care home) is seeking volunteers! Brochures are available in the office for more information. Or call Roberta Banfield 585-393-1311.
- **Thompson Hospital** is also hosting an information session for those that might like to be Compassionate Partner volunteers. It is on Tues, Oct 18 at 11am. RSVP to Janice_Lum@URMC.Rochester.edu

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.



A **Congregational Meeting** will be held at **noon on Sunday, October 9, 2022** in the sanctuary. The purpose of the meeting is to request that the Official Board be appointed as a Pastor Nominating Committee with the intention to consider calling Mark Slomski as candidate for Pastor of Youth and Adult Ministry.

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 no Children's Time today. Worship Bags are available for children at the two front entrances. These bags contain various items to engage children throughout the worship service. Parents, please see the green sheet for instructions. Please return the bag and reusable contents when you're done. The children can take their papers home with them. We hope you enjoy worshipping together as a family!

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.



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 **TODAY 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!) If you're reading this at 11:00 and just missed it, there will be another soon!

Please make note of these important fall dates!

TODAY – LOGOS dedication during services

Service at 8:45am

Sunday School for all ages at 9:45am

Service at 11:00am

Work Camp interest meeting following the 11 am service

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

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

Sunday, October 9, 2022 –

Service at 8:45am

Sunday School for all ages at 9:45am

Service at 11:00am

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No Cause due to Columbus Day Weekend

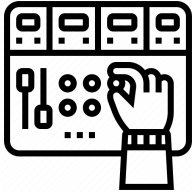
Sunday, October 30 2022 –

Service at 8:45am

Intergenerational Sunday School class at 9:45am in the downstairs dining room

Service at 11:00am

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



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.

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!

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*

- Are Sunday mornings crazy at your house?
- Join with other parents for faith-filled discussion, fellowship and food



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*

- Our Lord spelled out for the Israelites 7 feasts that tell a prophetic story of the 1st and 2nd comings of Christ

Registration is open for our annual Adult Retreat

Saturday, November 5, at Camp LeTourneau, 8:45am - 3:00pm

“Encountering the Culture: Becoming an Everyday Missionary”

Speaker Dr. Dana Goodnough will take us into 3 cities in the book of Acts where the Apostle Paul presented the gospel to people who were hostile to the faith, disinterested, or felt it was intrusive to their lifestyle. Sounds like 2022!

We'll walk from Thessalonica, Athens and Ephesus into Ontario County, NY. What does it take to be a missionary?

Cost: \$30/person. Deadline: October 23

Find Registration forms on the Adult Ed bulletin board ... or register online at <https://uccdga.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1446769>

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

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 Fellowship Room 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!

Baking for Youth Club!

Calling all bakers! We serve dessert to our Youth Club kids and volunteers each week. Sometimes we like to have something homemade. If you see a dessert you'd be able to bake, please let Deb Marshall know. Desserts need to be delivered to church by Wednesday at 4:00pm. Often more than one baker helps to make the quantity needed.

For October 5th – 5 dozen baseball cookies

For October 26th – 5 dozen fall/harvest themed cookies

For November 16th – 5 dozen turkey cookies (cookie cutter is available to borrow)



Needed: Kitchen “Cleaner Uppers”

For the first Youth Club, October 6, from 5:15-6:30ish, *volunteers are needed to work clean up* in the downstairs dining room 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.*

Presbyterian Disaster Relief:

Below are several areas across the globe where your PDA dollars are currently at work.

July Floods in Kentucky, Missouri and Virginia... PDA has processed grants and deployed National Response Team to affected areas. The flooding in Eastern Kentucky was especially damaging and long term assistance is anticipated there. The School Kits and Clean Up buckets we assemble at the United Church are used in such situations as this.

Pakistan Floods... Experiencing 8 monsoon cycles this year as opposed to its usual 3-4 monsoons, Pakistan is estimated to have lost more than 1,3400 lives and that 33 million people have been affected. PDA is working with partners on the ground, assessing and starting relief operations as soon as possible.

War in Ukraine... Between February 24 – June 15, 2022 about one third of Ukrainians have been forced from their homes: over 7.5 million Ukrainians have crossed international borders becoming refugees and over 7 million also displaced within Ukraine. Having long-established ministry partners in Europe and within Ukraine, PDA is able to quickly provide funding to these partners on the ground. For the most up to date information, visit www.pcusa.org/PDA/Ukraine

Pray that through the response of the faith community, survivors and those offering assistance will be reminded of the hope that is found in Christ.



World Mission Offering will continue to be received throughout this month.
Look for envelopes in the pews, or in your Lamplighter.
Please note on your check, World Mission.
Give generously, as the Lord leads you.



Lord, Have Mercy

Lord, have mercy, O Lord, have mercy.
Wash me through and through from all my sin,
Blot out all my guilt and shame.
Hear my prayer. My transgressions bear upon me.
O Lord, hear my prayer.

Lord, make pure my heart,
Inspire my thoughts to know your truth.
O cast me not away, O Lord.
Your Holy Spirit guard my soul.

Guard my soul, O hear my prayer.
Lord, restore the joy of your salvation.
Renew my spirit, Lord. Hear my prayer,
O hear my prayer, O Lord.

Parking for the Biennial, Oct. 7 and 8:

NO PARKING: 	On Gibson St. near the church. <i>Watch the signs</i> Behind the Museum, Fri. before 4:30 & Sat. before 3:00 St. Mary's Parking <i>may or may not</i> be available at Johnson Funeral home depending on the schedule for funerals.
ADDITIONAL PARKING AVAILABLE: 	Methodist Church on North Main St. Behind the Courthouse.

For those local volunteers who can do so, it would be helpful if you could park some distance from the church.

For adults that still love puzzles ... (Solution from last week was SIMEON)

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!

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

For more visit www.begriddled.com

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Youth Club Volunteers

Pastor Wade Allen
Levi Allen
Ed Blance
Jeannie Blance
Becky Boseck
Nancy Burt-Preece
Lydia Busch
Cathy Bush
Rich Bush
Jen Callard
Kathy Eagan
Chelsea Emmal
Bev Fehrenbach
Megan French
Barb Fulle
Bruce Gardner
Ryan Marshall
Walter Marshall
Sandi Munson
Ellen Parsons
Grace Payne
Robin Payne
Gary Preece
Don Rensberger
Vickie Salato
Sara Scharr
Claire Sheppard
Robin Sheppard
Lauren Slomski
Mark Slomski
Linda Wells
Linda Werts
Julie Zajac

The Cause Volunteers

Ray McMillen
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Dale Zajac
Julie Zajac
Lauren Slomski
Stephanie Wall