#### THE UNITED CHURCH

Presbyterian – American Baptist July 23, 2023

PRELUDE: "Trio Sonata No. 2 in C Minor, Mvt. II Largo" by J. S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**GREETING** 

#### **OUR PREPARATION**

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Come, let us worship our God!

People: Our God is worthy of our worship!

Leader: There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above

all and through all and in all.

People: We come to worship him in humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one

another in love. AMEN

\*HYMN: #799 "God Himself Is with Us"

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\*OPENING PRAYER: God our strength, you have brought us into your holy place through Jesus Christ, who has the words of eternal life. As you made us alive by his flesh and blood, cause us to boldly witness to the gospel, welcome the stranger, love our enemies, and pursue peace. Send your spirit to strengthen us as we seek to be faithful to you each and every day. 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: 1 Samuel 25:1-13 (page 287) {A.B. page 331}

SPECIAL MUSIC: "A Psalm" (words on center of insert)

Women's Choir

Nancy Burt-Preece, Stephanie Cheney, Georgia Sperano, Nancy Tharp, Joy VanRiper, Wendy Stoddard, Kateri Andress- piano

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Paul Johnson "My Middle Name"

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Samuel 25:14-34 (page 288) {A.B. page 332}

Sermon
"Let's Talk About Abigail"
Rev. Lauren Blanco

#### **OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH**

\*HYMN: #574 "Lord Speak to Me That I May Speak"

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PASTORAL PRAYER
OFFERTORY: Interlude in F
\*DOXOLOGY: #809

\*HYMN: #460 "Search Me O God"

BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE:** "Trio in d à 2 Claviere è Pedale" by Johann Ludwig Krebs

The rosebud today is to celebrate the birth of Nathan and Margaret (Wormer) Ripoli's new daughter, Elinor Grace Ripoli, on June 27th. She joins older brothers, Isaac and Peter. Her grandparents are Tom and Melissa Wormer. Please keep the family in your prayers during this special time.

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

Health concerns: David Felten (husband of Mary Maida), Ricky Myers (nephew of Linda Bailey), Cynthia Chittenden (Larry Hood's daughter), Denice (Bailey) Tautges (Hiram's daughter), Jovannie Ramirez (Karen Roaix's grandson), Steve Sedlock (Nancy Tharp's brother), Deb Dawson (Steve Smythe's niece), David Sanford, Clancy Cragle (Michelle's grandfather), the Herin Family (relatives of Kathie Meredith), Patti Cagwin, David Crowe, Jack Schermond, Matthew Gullace

Cancer: Brent Gibbs (father of Kristy Aldrich), Sasha (friend of Megan French), Justin Ecklund (friend of James and Sarah Henderson), Roderick Simonds (father of Natalie Clark), Rob Stults (cousin of Wade and Christy Allen), Laurie Rudy, Mike Davis (friend of Guy Green), Tom Wager (friend of Mark Slomski), Dawn Miller, Mary J. Havens (Mary Lou's step-daughter), 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 DiCiccos)

Recovering: Shirley Kem, Kathie Meredith, Deb Marshall, Kathy Mills, Mary Jane Laird, Cindy Davies, John Tornow (friend of Elaine Allen), Jan Gullace, Jay Peck (son of Jim & Ann)

MILITARY SERVICE: US Army 2LT Andrew Marlin (Tyler Bosecks husband) deployed to South Korea, LTJG Nick Castiller (USN) stationed in Everett, Washington, MAC Adam Thorman (USN) returned from deployment, 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)

<sup>\*</sup> indicates an invitation to stand for those who are able and comfortable doing so.



Did you know that our church has a softball team?!

Week	Date	Home/Away	Opponent	Field
1	6/6/2023	Away	Cheshire Community	Jefferson Park
2	6/13/2023	Away	Farmington Church	Farmington Town Park
3	6/20/2023	Home	Calvary Chapel	Sonnenberg Park
4	6/27/2023	Away	Seneca Falls/Willowbrook	Jefferson Park
5	7/4/2023	BYE WEEK		
6	7/11/2023	Home	Good Shepherd	Sonnenberg Park
7	7/18/2023	Home	Cheshire Community	Jefferson Park
8	7/25/2023	Home	Farmington Church	Farmington Town Park
Playoff 1	8/1/2023	TBD	TBD	TBD
Playoff 2	8/8/2023	TBD	TBD	TBD
Champ	8/15/2023	TBD	TBD	Farmington Town Park

Come cheer them on! All games are at **6:30 pm on Tuesday nights**. Contact Ryan Gardner, Sue Vadney or Sandi DiCicco if you have any questions.

#### **SILENT AUCTION 2024**

**SAVE THE DATE!** We will be having another Silent Auction June 2-9, 2024. Start thinking about items you might donate such as crafts, antiques, gift cards, new toys, cottage rentals, boat rides, baked goods, etc. Watch the bulletins and Lamplighters for updates.

#### **CARD MINISTRY:**

This is the month that the Stewards sponsor the summer Card Ministry for our Special Members. You'll see stacks of greeting cards in the Welcome Center along with copies of the list of Special Members. We encourage you to take a few cards and mail them to Special Members with a note about your own summer activities or what's happening at church. It's such a bright spot in their day to receive mail from their church family! Thanks!

## 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.



## Sign up to help in Summer Nursery!

We need 2 people to help in the nursery on Sunday, July 30. It can be 2 adults or 1 adult and 1 teen. The sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board outside the nurseries.

All volunteers 18-years-old and older need to be background checked before helping. This is a quick and easy process! If you'd like to begin volunteering in the nursery, please see our nursery coordinators, Jason and Melissa Long or contact the church office. Thank you!

## Highlights for This Week!

- There are a variety of ways we can help the victims of the recent flooding in Canandaigua. Please see the detailed information in your bulletin, which includes contact information for those who are coordinating these efforts.
- Please keep our summer campers and teen/adult work campers in prayer this week! Summer campers are listed in the bulletin

**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 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.

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

## Fred Magley's address has changed YET AGAIN (this is a new new address).

His new address is:

% Ginny Stevens

PO Box 74

Aurora, OR 97002

The summer Lamplighter has his OLD address on the Special Member list, so please update it before sharing summer greetings! Thank you!





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.

#### **Summer Campers**

Please pray for our summer campers! We have kids attending camp all summer long. We appreciate your prayers for them as they learn more about following Jesus through their experiences. Prayers for campers' safety and good weather are also appreciated!

#### LeTourneau Christian Center

Liam Hildebrandt, July 24-28 (Adventure Quest overnight camp)

Billy Clark, July 31-Aug 4 (Culinary Delights)\*

Eva Clark, July 31-Aug 4 (Culinary Delights)\*

Adele Marshall, July 31-Aug 4 (Culinary Delights)\*, Aug 14-17 (Baking Champions)\*

Jesse Cheney, Aug 14-17 (Wacky Water)\*

Jackson Callard, August 14-17 (Baking Champions)

Juliana Callard, August 14-17 (Baking Champions)

Aria Hildebrandt, August 14-17 (Baking Champions)

Mason Hildebrandt, August 14-17 (Wacky Water Week)



Summer Cunningham, August 6-11 (Teen Camp)\*



#### YOUTH MINISTRY

See below for upcoming special youth events:

Youth Retreat: August 18-19 (7-12 grade students) Fall 2023 Program Year Begin: September 10

**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 <a href="mailto:virginia.holroyd@uccdga.org">virginia.holroyd@uccdga.org</a>

Called to Care, Canandaigua is doing the work of "welcome" again. Recently, a Good Neighbor Team and Sponsor met Marc's sister-in-law and son at the airport and served them a welcome meal. Mirlande and her 3 year old son, Manoe are staying with Marc and Yayoue until their apartment is available. Please greet them when you see them at church! It was a joyous family reunion for all!!!

Two of our Good Neighbor Teams welcomed and resettled an extended family of seven coming from Guatemala as World Relief refugees. Many volunteers have been helping to prepare and furnish their apartments and look forward to the community orientation and the many resettlement tasks to accomplish.

**This Tuesday...** Cathy Bush, Wendy Stoddard and Linda Werts invite you to learn more about the faithful and rewarding work of "welcoming the stranger." Please join us in the fellowship room at 7 pm.

## **Exploring Refugee Resettlement in our Community**

What can we at the United Church do to help care for those forced to leave their homeland?

Last week several informational sessions were held to determine if there is interest in forming a Good Neighbor Team here at the United Church. A GNT is a team of 8-10 individuals who walk beside refugees and help them resettle in our community.

#### Another informational session will be held this week:

Tuesday, July 25, 7pm in the fellowship room

Do you have a heart for the refugee?

Would you be willing to help resettle a refugee family in our community? Are you called to be part of a Good Neighbor Team?

Come, find out what that means! Information only! No pressure!



For more information, please see Linda Werts, Cathy Bush, Wendy Stoddard.

"When an alien lives with you in your land, do not mistreat him. The alien living with you must be treated as one of your native-born. Love him as yourself, for you were aliens in Egypt. I am the Lord your God." Leviticus 19:33-34

#### Help "Feed the Kids this Summer"

Requests for "easy-for-kids-to-prepare" meals come from moms and dads visiting the CCIA and Salvation Army food pantries. We are collecting nonperishable items in the welcome center for transport to the pantries.

Some kids that eat school lunches September to June are are now home alone during the summer. While the parents are working they need to make lunch at home this summer.

The shopping cart in the Welcome Center will receive easy to prepare PB and J, any Chef Boyardee meals, cereal, Mac and Cheese, and/or Ramen. (Fresh fruit and veggies should be taken directly to the Salvation Army.)



## CALLED TO FLOOD RELIEF ACTION

United Church is preparing a **Thursday July 27**<sup>th</sup> **meal** for thirty Rubicon volunteers. Bev Fehrenbach is coordinating preparation of the evening dinner meal in our church's kitchen Thursday, July 27. The Salvation Army is hosting the thirty volunteers from out of town who are cleaning basements, garages, and removing flood damaged interior walls and insulation.

#### How you can assist:

- Provide funds to purchase the "main dish and salad" ingredients
- Provide fresh fruit, cookies, cake, or pie for dessert (bring to church)
- Provide snack materials for daytime or a "before bed" snack (bring to church)

**Contact Bev** to offer your assistance and for more information. She will be in our Welcome Center after church today or phone her (585-755-7408).

What do Team Rubicon volunteers do?

Team Rubicon serves communities by mobilizing veterans to continue their service, leveraging their skills and experience to help people prepare, respond, and recover from disasters and humanitarian crises. Team Rubicon has responded to the assistance request from our local government agencies working together with the Partnership for Ontario County, the Salvation Army, and FEMA. The team is preparing the damaged homes for reconstruction.



If you would like to donate to help those impacted by the flooding. You can make a tax-deductible donation at any Canandaigua National Bank branch office. Just mention the Canandaigua Area Flooding Event. That money will then be distributed by not-for-profit partners in the community.



Your food cart donations are distributed by the CCIA and Salvation Army Food pantries each week. Continue bringing nonperishable food items. (CCIA has made an urgent request for: Cereal, Tuna Fish, Peanut Butter, Spaghetti Sauce, Pasta (spaghetti or elbow), Can Corn, Can Soups, Can Pork and Beans) Thank you for your generous contributions.









Canandaigua Churches in Action (www.churchesinaction.org)

# CANANDAIGUA POP-UP FOOD PANTRY

JULY 24

AUGUST 28 SEPTEMBER 25

OCTOBER 23 NOVEMBER 27

DECEMBER 18

11:00-12:30 PM/

**UNTIL FOOD** 

IS GONE

## TOWN OF CANANDAIGUA

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BARN
5440 ROUTE 5 & 20
CANANDAIGUA, NY 14424
PLEASE ENTER ON BUFFALO

STREET

All are welcome.
No public restrooms.
Please do not get in line before 9:30 am.
First come, first served.

## Notes, Doodles, To-Do Lists, Lunch orders ... Proof of the Collatz Conjecture...



#### A Psalm (words based on Traditional Psalms) by Andy Beck

Enter His gates with thanksgiving.

Enter His gates with praise.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Enter His gates, enter His gates, enter His gates with a song!

The Lord is good, His mercy, everlasting.

The Lord is good.

Clap your hands. Clap your hands.

Sing a joyful song, a song!

Enter His gates with thanksgiving.

Enter His gates with praise.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Enter His gates, enter His gates, enter His gates with a song!

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

And all that is within me praise His name.

Bless the Lord, O My soul, oh my soul.

Rejoice, Rejoice!

I will praise Him with the sound of trumpets.

I will praise Him with a joyful song.

I will praise Him with the crash of cymbals.

Sing to the Lord, together and strong.

Rejoice and shout for joy, Rejoice and be glad.

Rejoice and shout for joy.

Sing to the Lord, together and strong.

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.

Make a joyful noise unto Him.

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