THE UNITED CHURCH

Presbyterian – American Baptist October 20, 2024

PRELUDE: "Song of Peace" by Jean Langlais
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
GREETING

OUR PREPARATION

Focus of the Day: We should respond to the abundant grace and provision we've received from God by avoiding jealousy and instead, embrace gratitude.

INTROIT: (11:00) "Through It All" (hymn #616)

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Come, let us gather in the presence of God, **People: Who works all things together for good.** Leader: Though we have faced hardship and pain,

People: God's grace is greater, and His love sustains us.

Leader: As Joseph forgave his brothers, so we are called to forgive, **People: Trusting in God's plan, even when we don't understand.**

Leader: Let us worship the One who turns harm into healing,

People: And transforms brokenness into blessing.

All: Come, let us worship God, who is faithful and full of mercy!

HYMN: #53 "Let All Things Now Living" CCLI Song #171701, Public Domain. #11593017

*OPENING PRAYER: Gracious God, we come before You today with hearts open to Your presence, seeking Your guidance and strength. In the midst of life's challenges, help us trust in Your greater plan and remind us of the peace that comes through forgiveness. As we gather, may Your Spirit fill us with wisdom and grace, so we may walk in Your ways. Now, together we pray as Jesus taught us, saying, Our Father, who art in heaven...... (using debts and debtors...)
Amen.

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*GLORIA PATRI: #807

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD

(The scripture readings will be read during the sermon today)

ANTHEM: (11:00) "God, You're So Good" by Ligertwood, Younker and Stanfill (words on insert) United Church Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Sermon

"Embracing Divine Provision" (Genesis 45-46) First Reading: Genesis 45:16-28 Second Reading: Matthew 20:1-16

Pastor Wade Allen

OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH

*HYMN: #750 "God Is Working His Purpose Out" CCLI Song #144817, Public Domain. #11593017

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY: "Alles ist an Gottes Segen" by Sigfrid Karg-Elert

*DOXOLOGY: #809

*HYMN: #72 "To God Be the Glory"

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Carillon de Longpont" by Louis Vierne

The rosebud today is to celebrate the birth of Annie Lynn Milillo on October 8th. Her parents are Bailey and Bill Milillo, and her grandparents are Burt and Stacie Kem. Her great-grandmothers are Shirley Kem and Jan Comstock. Please keep the whole family in your prayers during this special time.

Our prayers and sympathy are with Mary Lou Havens for the loss of her brother, Bob Carson, on October 14th. Please keep the family in your prayers during this difficult time.

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

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Health concerns: Karen Mount, James Sheppard, Linda Gilbert, Jessica Canham (Sharyn's daughter), Bob White (Linda Bailey's brother-in-law), Mary Jane Laird, Denice Bailey Tautges, Tom Babcock (friend of Jenny Caron), Maverick, Carly, and Jenson Ferrante (family of Ardelle Bigos), Maryanne Fox (friend of Ardelle Bigos), Doug Cubbison (Connie Frye's brother), Edwin Gregory (friend of Royal Purdy), Erik Keating (son of Al & Dawn Rossi), Kiana Rae Moore (MacKenzie Brown's cousin), Louise Huck, Catherine Kurzdorfer (Adam Thorman's mother), Carolyn Verspoor, Marcus (friend of Sandi DiCicco), Denise Loy (friend of Kory Massey), David Sanford, Jovannie Ramirez (Karen Roaix's grandson), Steve Sedlock (Nancy Tharp's brother), Clancy Cragle (Michelle's grandfather), the Herin Family (relatives of Kathie Meredith), Jack Schermond Cancer: Laura Fiorito (daughter of Charles and Patti Cagwin), David Gerstner (Nancy's husband), Ruth Krop (friend of MacKenzie Brown), Tane Robinson (friend of Ryan Marshall), Regina Allen, Christina Tharp (daughter of John and Nancy), Douglas Cook (Jen Eveleigh's brother), Rod Gifford (cousin of Joyce Laursen), Martha Ashley, Beth Smythe, Keith Laursen (Joyce's brother-in-law), Jerrick Cesna & Sasha (friends of Megan French), Mark Schreier (Virginia Holroyd's friend), Amy Jelensperger (Sheppard family), John Tornow (friend of Elaine Allen), Susan Hennessy (Jen Eveleigh's sister), Rich Crowley (Steve & Beth Smythe's friend), Tom & Monica Yurik (Bruce & Deb Gardner's friends), Deb Dawson (Steve Smythe's niece), Roderick Simonds (father of Natalie Clark), Rob Stults (cousin of Wade & Christy Allen), Dawn Miller, David Pagoda (Eveleigh family friend), Jim Davis (Scott's father), Stephen Carges (Paula Traber's brother)

Recovering: Wendy Stoddard, Sara Scharr, Arlene Willett

Comfort and Peace: Harriet Morgan (Megan French's grandma), Mary Zimmerman (Wendy Bacon's mother)

MILITARY SERVICE: JJ Callard (USN) just graduated bootcamp, US Army LT1 Andrew Marlin (Tyler Bosecks husband) home from deployment, LTJG Nick Castiller (USN), MAC Adam Thorman (USN), E6 Cody Wells (USN) home from deployment, TSgt Timothy Peck (USAF)

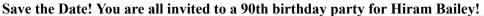
MISSIONARIES: Carlos Bonilla & Mayra Giovantti – the BGs (Central/South America), Tim & Patti Long (Baja Mexico), Shelvis & Nancy Smith-Mather (S Sudan refugees in Uganda), Ryan & Alethia White (Berlin)

Some more upcoming dates you might want to put on your calendar (watch the Monthly Memo or future Lamplighters for details!):

Nov 2 – United Church Seminar

Nov 8 – Patriotic Organ Concert

Dec 6 – Christmas Organ Concert



October 26th, from Noon to 3 pm in the Dining Room (no gifts please) RSVP to Linda Bailey by text 601-248-1264



Highlights for This Week!

• United Church Seminar - November 2. 9AM-3PM. Register online! Overall Focus: How we respond to suffering in our own life, the church, and in the wider world via a biblical theology of prayer.

Speaker: Old Testament Biblical Scholar Dr. J Richard Middleton Also, enjoy music from David Kraft, Earl & June Pettit, Joy VanRiper, Nancy Burt-Preece, and Georgia Sperano!

Please register online for the event. Mark will be available in the Welcome Center afterwards to help with sign up.

If you can also come for part of the event, you are still invited to attend. We also have a signup sheet in the Welcome Center of help needed, including food prep in the morning, during lunch, and in the mid-afternoon, and more.

- Greeter/Offering Coordinator for October is Phil Klingler. If you are interested in joining one or both of these teams, please see Phil, or Tech Help in the Welcome Center, for help or more info.
- 2025 Youth Mission Trip Interest Survey In lieu of a mission trip interest meeting, a survey will be sent out to gather interest information from our church community. This info will aid our discernment process. Keep an eye out for the survey in November.
- There is a Finger Lakes Symphony Orchestra concert today at 3pm, here in the sanctuary. Tickets are available at the door.

Nursery care is offered during both services (8:45 & 11:00) and during the Sunday school hour (9:45-10:45) for those too young to attend Sunday school so that parents may attend Adult classes or help in the children's program.

8:45 Service Nursery ~ a combined nursery meets in room 11.

9:45 Sunday school Nursery ~ meets in room 10, the infant nursery.

11:00 Service Nurseries ~ Both the Infant/Toddler Nursery (Room 10) and the Preschool Nursery (Room 11) are available.

Children's Time ~ There is Children's Time today. Following the Children's Sermon, kids in grades Kindergarten through 2nd grade can head upstairs with Ric and Ellen Parsons for an age appropriate lesson. Parents, please pick up your kids promptly after the service. Thank you!

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!

Youth Club - our after school ministry for 2nd-8th graders

Wednesdays, after school - 6:30pm Our night includes: Recreation, Worship, Bible study, and Family Time (dinner)

Parent Help this week:

Snack - Cloutier **Kitchen help** - Parsons, Robbins, Hess

Any questions? Please see Deb Marshall

MISSIONS

Faith and Action



Please join by giving generously to support WMO throughout the month of October. Half of our WMO collection supports
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and half supports our Baptist
Global Servants working around the world.

"Weekend to Remember" Marriage Retreat by FamilyLife

also be done through the same website, if desired.

Free to a couple that can use it! Two church members received the pass as a gift but aren't able to fit it in their schedule. Contact the church office if you can!

The gift card covers the registration fee for a couple (\$300-\$350) at any of the scheduled "Weekend to Remember" locations and dates between now and December 31, 2024. The FamilyLife website lists more than 2 dozen sites across the country before the end of this year, but the location closest to Canandaigua is Saratoga Springs, New York on November 22-24. Please note that any hotel (two nights) and meal expenses are not covered by the gift card.

The retreats run from 7:00 pm Friday to 12:30 pm Sunday. For full details, visit this website: https://www.familylife.com/weekend-to-remember. The website provides itineraries and FAQs for the weekends, and lists all available dates and locations, as well as bios of the speakers planned for each. Registrations for the retreat using the gift card can be done through the website. Optional hotel arrangements can **Weekend to**

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God You're So Good

Amazing love that welcomes me, the kindness of mercy; That bought with blood, wholeheartedly, my soul undeserving.

Chorus:

God, You're so good. God, You're so good. God, You're so good, You're so good to me.

Behold the cross; age to age and hour by hour The dead are raised, the sinner saved, the work of Your power. **(chorus)**

I am blessed, I am called, I am healed, I am whole, I am saved in Jesus' Name; Highly favored, anointed, filled with Your power for the glory of Jesus' Name.

And should this life bring suffering, Lord, I will remember What Calvary has bought for me, both now and forever. **(chorus)**

During the month of October we celebrate Pastor and Staff Appreciation.

As a church family, we are thankful for those who have been chosen, and choose to, work within our church to build strong foundations, maintain and grow connections, teach us Biblical truths and lead us in our Christian journey. These positions require not only time but deep care for our congregation and community as messages and classes are planned and carried out. We pray that all of our staff can continue to guide us faithfully and let their God given talents shine here at the United Church.

Our church is blessed by: Wade Allen, Pastor; Mark Slomski, Pastor of Youth and Adult Ministry; Deb Marshall, Family Ministries Director; Christy Allen, Director of Member Care; Carolyn Russell, Office and Financial Secretary; Georgia Sperano, Choir Director, Nancy Lamberson, Treasurer; David Kraft, Organist; Amber Bixby, Custodian

Please consider reaching out with a note or a personal greeting this month to let them know how much we appreciate them!

#Thank_You

Called to Care, Canandaigua Order Form for 20 inch Live Fraser Fir Xmas Wreath/ Bow



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Our sincere thanks to James	for his help in ac	commodating this fundraiser