

THE UNITED CHURCH
PRESBYTERIAN – AMERICAN BAPTIST
February 11, 2024

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

OUR PREPARATION

INTROIT: (11:00) “Lord Be Glorified” (Hymn #537)

Focus of the day: Jesus is the light of the world. We are recipients of this light and need to shine His light in this dark world.

THE APOSTLES CREED:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***that is, the true Christian church of all times and all places**

***HYMN: #562 “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”**

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***OPENING PRAYER: Almighty God, giver of life, your light shines in our lives and your glory is revealed through your Son, Jesus Christ. Reveal his glory to us as you did to Peter, James, and John, that we may be filled with his power and our mouths may proclaim his presence forevermore. 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 50:1-6 (page 561) {A.B. page 636}

**SPECIAL MUSIC: (11:00) “The Lord’s Prayer (It’s Yours)” (words on insert)
The Sunday School Kids**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE: Sharon Erb

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 (page 1144) {A.B. page 1278}

**Sermon
“Jesus’ Transfiguration”
(Mark 9:2-9)
Pastor Wade Allen**

OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH

***HYMN: #539 “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”**

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PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY: #809**

***HYMN: #27 “O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright”**

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Health concerns: Tom Fortunato (Bill’s brother), Erik Keating (son of Al & Dawn Rossi), Kathy Mills, Kiana Rae Moore (MacKenzie Brown’s cousin), Louise Huck, Catherine Kurzdorfer (Adam Thorman’s mother), Carolyn Verspoor, Marcus (friend of Sandi DiCicco), Garrett Nayer (nephew of Karen Gardner), 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), 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), 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), Jim Davis (Scott’s father), Jackie Crego (Stan & Evey Wright’s daughter), Stephen Carges (brother of Paula Traber)

Recovering: Bill Blance (Ed’s brother), Gabbi Seeber, Kerry Van Iseghem, Joan Danaher, Sara Scharr, Sara Henderson, Arlene Willett, Patti Cagwin, Shirley Kem, Mary Jane Laird
Comfort and Peace: 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)

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

- Feb 11 – CA Middle School Musical (Beauty and the Beast) last chance today at 2:00!**
- March 1, 2, 3, 8, 9 – CA High School Musical (Footloose)**
- March 3 – Finger Lakes Community Band (at Fort Hill PAC)**
- March 16 – Church Family Bowling Night (at Roseland)**
- March 16 – Iron Sharpens Iron Men’s Conference (in Buffalo)**
- March 22 – Organ Concert**
- Aug 16-18 – United Church Retreat Weekend**
- Nov 2 – United Church Seminar**



**Highlights for This Week!**

- There’s a new **monthly memo** available on the Welcome Center TV cart. Be sure to **take one** so that you are up to date with church events and ministries occurring over the next 5 weeks.
- **Lenten Devotionals** - Grab this year's book in the Welcome Center! These books are available to you at no cost. Free will donations can be added to the offering plate during service.
- Donations of **cake mix, frosting, birthday candles, balloons, and birthday napkins** for Youth Club **birthday bags are due today**. There is a collection box in Deb Marshall’s office.
- **Souper Bowl of Caring Fundraiser - TODAY** - our youth will be facilitating this fundraiser after both services! Students will be at the doorways with bowls to collect your donations. Donations will be sent to CCIA to help those in need.
- **Group Workcamp Meeting** - today at 12:00 PM, Fellowship Room- The purpose of this meeting is to provide trip updates and to confirm attendees. Expect up to a 30 minute meeting
- We need **6 dozen heart shaped cookies** for Youth Club dessert. These cookies need to be **delivered to church by 4pm this Wednesday**. Please let **Deb Marshall** know if you are willing to bake some.
- Please **join us** for “**Coffee and Connection**” on **Sunday, February 18, 2024** during the **Sunday school hour (9:45-10:45)** in the **fellowship room**. This will be an informal time of fellowship, along with coffee and light snacks, open to all in our church family. (There is no Sunday school on February 18th due to winter break for schools).

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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!**

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**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.



Today is the last day to order from the annual **Relay for Life flower sale!** 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"**!

**Mike Walker and Lynn Bernard have arrived in La Pimienta, Nicaragua** prepared to assist with water testing, providing solar electricity for the clinic, first aid training, and VBS. La Pimienta is one of twenty-five AMOS rural clinics organized by Am Baptist missionaries. Both Elmira Baptist Church and The United Church have each pledged \$5000 to the project. **PRAYERS FOR THE TEAM SERVING THIS WEEK.** Thanks for the financial support.

**CareNet diaper collection** ~ CareNet Canandaigua, a Christian organization, provides encouragement and counseling before and after a baby is born. Needed are diapers (especially size 4,5,6) and sensitive wipes. We are collecting diapers and wipes in February. Place your contribution next to the food cart in the Welcome Center.



**Notes, Doodles, list of best Super Bowl snacks...**

**The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)**

**Verse**

Father let your kingdom come (holy holy)  
Father let your will be done  
On Earth as in Heaven (let it be done)  
Right here in my heart

**Chorus**

Give us this day our daily bread  
Forgive us forgive us  
As we forgive the ones who sinned  
Against us forgive them  
And lead us not into temptation  
But deliver us from the evil one  
Let your kingdom come

**Bridge**

It's yours it's yours  
All yours all yours  
The kingdom the power  
The glory are yours

It's yours it's yours  
All yours all yours  
Forever and ever  
The kingdom is yours

**Tag**

On Earth as in Heaven  
Right here in my heart