

THE UNITED CHURCH
PRESBYTERIAN – AMERICAN BAPTIST
January 1, 2023
New Year's Day

PRELUDE: "Glory to His Name" arr. V. Labenske

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

INTROIT: "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" (hymn #629)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

***HYMN: #517 "The Solid Rock"**

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CHILDREN'S SERMON

***HYMN: #623 "Sweet Hour of Prayer"**

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PRAYERS FOR A NEW YEAR

SCRIPTURE READINGS (Romans 8:26, I Kings 8:28)

PRAYER FOR CHURCHES

READING: #408

PRAYERS FOR PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY

SCRIPTURE READING (Matthew 18:19)

PRAYERS FOR COMMUNITY LEADERS

SCRIPTURE READING (Phillipians 4:6-7)

PRAYERS FOR OUR WORLD

OFFERTORY: "All That Thrills My Soul" arr. F. Lopez

***DOXOLOGY: #809**

***HYMN: #622 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"**

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PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

COMMUNION

BENEDICTION: "The Blessing"

POSTLUDE: "Take the World but Give me Jesus" arr. V. Labenske

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Health concerns: Louis and Carolyn Verspoor, David Sanford, Kathy Mills, Clancy Cragle (Michelle's grandfather), the Herin Family (relatives of Kathie Meredith), Patti Cagwin, David Crowe, Jack Schermond, 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: Rob Stults (cousin of Wade and Christy Allen), Donna Schoenacker (aunt of Aldrich family), Laurie Rudy, Mike Davis (friend of Guy Green), Tom Wager (friend of Mark Slomski), Kelly Fish (James Mergenthaler's sister), 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: Karen Roaix, Mary Jane Laird, Barbara Scott, Jan Gullace, Sue Paul (friend of Zajacs), Jay Peck (son of Jim & Ann)

MILITARY SERVICE: Steven Munk (MacKenzie Brown's cousin) deployed to Somalia, LTJG Nick Castiller (USN) stationed in Everett, Washington, MAC Adam Thorman (USN) deployed overseas, 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)

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

Important holiday announcements in a nutshell (please read the rest for more details!)



- We will have **one New Years Day service at 11 am** (no early service)
 - **Sunday School and The Cause resume on January 8**
 - **Youth Club resumes on January 11**
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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!**

Nursery care is available during all of our services. Families with little ones (babies through preschoolers) are welcome to use the nursery as desired. Room 10 is used for Early Service (8:45am). Room 11 is used Late Service (11:00am). 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.

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 worshiping together as a family!

MISSIONS

What will Missions 2023 look like here at the United Church? With your generous pledging already received we know we will be ably supporting organizations doing God's work of caring for those in need, both locally and around the world. We know we can count on the many of you who routinely bring food to the grocery cart serving families at CCIA and Salvation Army. We know that we will be supporting mission trips to Mexico, Nicaragua and a summer teen Work Camp. We know we will keep in contact with and financially support our four missionaries. And we will continue to offer you ways to become "hands on" support for local needs like Family Promise, Care Net, Foodlink/CIA Food Distributions, Called to Care and others. Thank you for your generous hearts of love and service! The Mission Committee invites your presence at any of our meetings...2nd Tuesdays of each month at 7:00pm. No personal invite needed...new members will be warmly welcomed.

Called to Care, Canandaigua's first Ukrainian family has settled in well to their apartment, life in their new community and all of the appointments that are a part of resettlement. They are enjoying the company of Ukrainian friends already here in Canandaigua and also getting to know the volunteers on Cathy Bush's "housing" committee and others from Called to Care. We are preparing to welcome a second family during the first week of January. God willing, they will arrive in time to celebrate Ukrainian Orthodox Christmas with their family. Again..."housing" is getting the apartment ready, "other needs" are preparing for the welcome, and some will be helping with the resettlement tasks of securing health insurance, English classes, and transportation, etc. Yes, it has been a crazy, busy time. But also a Christmas blessing to know that we have served well by welcoming a family to a community of love and safety. Praise be to God for that opportunity!

Care Net is in need of volunteers! Here are some ways you can help:

- organizing the baby boutique
- greeting clients and getting them diapers and wipes; praying with clients that are open to it
- being a peer counselor (requires a 24-hour training)
- assisting at the front desk
- assisting with our parenting classes (in the center and virtual)

Please call Care Net at 393-0437 for more information.

Sunday happenings...

TODAY –

Sunday, January 1, 2023 –

Service at 11:00am ONLY

Sunday, January 8, 2023 –

Service at 8:45am

Sunday School for all ages at 9:45am

Service at 11:00am

The Cause, 5-7:30pm

Sunday, January 15, 2023 –

Service at 8:45am

Sunday School for all ages at 9:45am

Service at 11:00am

The Cause, 5-7:30pm

Annual Reports now are due! If you are the person in charge of writing your committee or board or group's Annual Report, please send it to Carolyn in the office ASAP!)



YOUTH CLUB

Our Wednesday afterschool ministry

For children in grades 2 – 8

After school – 6:30 October through April

Bible Study~Worship~Recreation~Family Time

Thank you to parents who are signed up to help out with snack and kitchen clean-up! We couldn't do it without your help!

Parent Duties:

Kitchen Clean Up – Wednesdays, 6pm til done

Jan. 4 – No Youth Club

Jan. 11 – Cloutier, Parsons, Vassello

Snack for 42 hungry children – at the church by 2pm Wednesdays

Jan. 4 – No Youth Club

Jan. 11 – Zajac

Family Time Themes:

Jan. 4 – No Youth Club

Jan. 11 – Epiphany

Baking for Youth Club!

Calling all bakers! We serve dessert to our Youth Club kids and volunteers each week. Sometimes we like to enjoy homemade desserts. If you see something 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 Jan 18th – 6 dozen smiley face cupcakes

For Feb 8th – 6 dozen frosted cupcakes with sprinkles

Young Adult Ministry

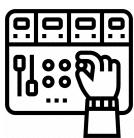
2023 will be an exciting year of ministry here at the church. As part of our growing efforts to effectively ministry to the young adult community, we are forming a Young Adult Ministry Team. This team will meet periodically and will facilitate Young Adult Ministry, similar to other ministry teams we have in our church.

Are you interested? Contact Mark Slomski to share your interest.



Pledge forms were mailed out. If you haven't received one yet, feel free to take one of the extras. We have a goal of **150 families** sending in a pledge! Help us get closer to our goal! Pledge forms may be placed in the offering plate, in the gold box, mailed to the office or submitted online. To do it online just scan this code!

As of this week, we've received **124** pledges of \$367,752.04 to the operating budget and \$96,386 to the missions budget.



We are looking for people interested in helping with the audio support of the 8:45 am 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.

Sharon Meyer had hip surgery and has started Physical Therapy at home. She thanks you all for all the prayers and cards. They are appreciated!



CANS AND BOTTLES FUNDRAISER

Did you know you can help support The United Church Youth by donating cans and bottles? We have an account with the redemption center on 5&20, next to Big Lots. When donating, let them know they are for The United Church of Canandaigua. Any questions? Contact Mark Slomski.

YOUNG ADULT LUNCH

On Wednesday, January 4 at 11 am, all young adults are invited to come and eat lunch with one another! This will be a casual time of food and fellowship at the church. Let your young adults know, and contact Mark Slomski for more information.

JANUARY 8 ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CHANGE

Due to a scheduling change, we will not be able to meet with Charlie Lowell from the band Jars of Clay. In response, we will be watching an episode of the popular series known as The Chosen! Adults and Senior High Students are welcome!

Have you been on our church website recently? We've got a nice new look,
and hopefully it will be easier for everyone to find what they're looking for.

<https://www.unitedchurchcanandaigua.com/>



Some of the links on the website will take you to updated versions of things like the calendar, livestreams, bulletins and Lamplighters, online giving, and registration for events. Check it out!

If you use a smartphone or tablet, download the free Church Center app to have easy access to everything church related!

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.





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!



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 January 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.

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

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

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.

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

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

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

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!

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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