## THE UNITED CHURCH

Presbyterian – American Baptist November 10, 2024

**PRELUDE:** "Intermezzo in E Major" by Joseph Rheinberger

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**GREETING** 

#### **OUR PREPARATION**

Focus of the day: Genesis is only the beginning of God's Ultimate Plan: Redemption and the Promised Land

INTROIT: (11:00) "There's a Quiet Understanding" (hymn #788)

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

Leader: Come, all who are weary, for God has seen our journey and knows our need.

People: We gather in the presence of the One who promises to carry us, through every loss and every joy.

Leader: Like Joseph, we have experienced God's hand in both struggle and blessing, in times of plenty and want.

People: We stand as witnesses to God's steadfast love, trusting that our story is still unfolding in His care.

Leader: Today, we remember that God's grace extends beyond what we can see, through generations yet to come.

All: With grateful hearts, we worship the God of promise, who is faithful to His people and abundant in provision. Amen.

HYMN: #482 "My Hope Is in the Lord" CCLI Song #65934, ©1973 Norman Clayton Pub., #11593017

\*OPENING PRAYER: Gracious and ever-faithful God, as we gather in Your presence today, we are reminded of Your unending provision and care. Open our hearts to trust in Your promises and to live with gratitude for the grace You continually extend to us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray, 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**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 105:16-22 (page 597) {A.B. page 671}

ANTHEM: (11:00) "He, Watching Over Israel" by Mendelssohn United Church Choir

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** 

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Philippians 4:10-13, 19 (page 1164) {A.B. page 1306}

# Sermon "Living in God's Abundant Provision" (Genesis 50) Pastor Wade Allen

## **OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH**

\*HYMN: #492 "I Will Sing of My Redeemer" CCLI Song #7106765, Public Domain. #11593017

**PASTORAL PRAYER** 

**OFFERTORY:** "Toccata All'Offertorio" by Domenico Zipoli

\*DOXOLOGY: #809

\*HYMN: #674 "On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand"

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## **BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE:** "Marche Religieuse" by Gustav Merkel

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

Our prayers and sympathy are with Claire Sheppard for the loss of her sister-in-law, Amy Jelensperger, on November 6. Please keep the Sheppard family in your prayers during this difficult time.

The office will be closed on Monday, November 11th for Veteran's Day.

A special thank you to all who have served our country!

#### **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: Jon VanBlargan (spinal cancer at Highland Hospital), 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), Sasha (friend of Megan French), Mark Schreier (Virginia Holroyd's friend), 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!):

Dec 6 – Christmas Organ Concert

Dec 14 - Church Game Night

Dec 15 – Christmas Pageant

Dec 15 – FLSO Concert

# <u>Highlights for This Week!</u>

- Greeter/Offering Coordinator for November is Dan Frye.
- Attention Bakers! We need 7 dozen turkey cut out cookies, frosted and decorated for Youth Club on Wednesday, November 20th. They need to be delivered to the church by 4pm. If you are willing to bake a dozen or more cookies, please let Deb Marshall know. We have a turkey cookie cutter available to borrow.
- Attention youth (6th-12th grade) who attend Canandaigua schools: join us for CONNECT at Tim Horton's (near Tops) at 6:45am on Thursday,
   November 14th. Rides can be provided to school after CONNECT if needed.
- Poinsettia order forms are now available! Orders are due by Due December 1.
- "Help us deck the halls! Join us on Monday, November 25, at 6:00 p.m. to decorate the sanctuary for the Christmas season. Cookies and Apple Cider will be provided.
- The November Monthly Memo is on the TV cart in the Welcome Center. Be sure to take one home it includes information on a variety of church activities.

**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**  $\sim$  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** ~ Children's Time (children's church) is held during the 11am service immediately following the Children's Sermon. Kids in kindergarten through 5th grade are welcome to attend Children's Time or stay with their parents in worship. Parents, please pick up your children in Room 26 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 - Leasure Kitchen help - Buone, Clark, Leasure

Any questions? Please see Deb Marshall



Join our meal train team and help provide support to church members in need—only when it works for you! Team members have the flexibility to sign up for meal delivery on days they're available. Be part of this caring ministry and offer comfort through the gift of a meal. See Christy Allen.

We appreciate all donations made to our church. If you would like to donate tangible items to our church, please contact a staff member before bringing the items in as not all donations can be put to use. Thank you for your cooperation!

Thank you to all who helped with the Youth Club stocking project by cutting felt, sewing stockings, and/or donating stocking stuffers. The Youth Club kids made and stuffed 52 stockings that will be mailed to NYC and given to needy children, along with the gospel message. Praise God we can be a part of this wonderful ministry!

# "Weekend to Remember" Marriage Retreat by FamilyLife

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. 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 also be done through the same website, if desired. Ask Carolyn in the office if you are interested.



## Join us for a 2025 Mexico Mission Trip Organizational Meeting!

November 14th from 6-8pm at the Werts' home 195 Saxton Lane, Canandaigua with dinner and fellowship at 6pm followed by an introduction to this Living Waters for the World (LWW) trip. All are invited to learn **EWS** more but an RSVP is appreciated to Linda Werts, <u>lwerts@aol.com</u>.

## **Stewardship**

Our stewardship season is underway, and so far we've received 64 pledge forms back. Our goal is to have 130 families pledging. To meet the needs of the proposed 2025 budget, we are hoping to have \$398,160 pledged to the Operating side. The Missions team forms their budget after the Missions pledges come in. Last year they worked with a budget of about \$107,000.

Follow the progress on the FROG poster outside the main office. A mailing went out recently



containing the forms, but there are extras in the Welcome Center near the office. You may return forms in the offering plate, in the Welcome Center box, or by mailing them in. You can also make your pledge and/or request envelopes online by following this QR code:



We salute our Veterans! Thank you to all in our church family who are serving or have served in the armed forces. The church office will be closed on Monday in observance of the holiday.



# Christmas Poinsettia Order Form

# PLEASE PRINT



NAME:	
I would like	e to order Poinsettias at \$11.00 each.
They are gi	ven in <b>memory or honor (circle one)</b> of:
1.	
	Given by:
2.	
	Given by:
3.	
	Given by:

Please pick up your poinsettia(s) after the 7:00 pm Christmas Eve Service.

Checks payable to: "The United Church Stewards – Poinsettia"

Place your form and check in the offering plate or mail to the church at 11 Gibson St., Canandaigua, NY 14424

ORDERS MUST BE IN BY **DECEMBER 1st**