

THE UNITED CHURCH

PRESBYTERIAN – AMERICAN BAPTIST

January 26, 2025

PRELUDE: *Prelude on “Sine Nomine” by Leo Sowerby*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

OUR PREPARATION

Focus of the Day: First part of the service is in remembrance. Second part of the service: We are to embrace Jesus’ authority and trust his work in our lives.

INTROIT: (11:00) “Glorify Your Name” (hymn #10)

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Friends, welcome home to God's house.

People: We're here together, though some we love are no longer with us.

Leader: Just as Jesus came home to Nazareth with good news, we gather here today.

People: We remember the smiles, the voices, the faith of those who touched our lives.

Leader: God's Spirit moves among us still,

People: Bringing comfort when we're hurting, hope when we need it most.

Leader: In this place, we're all family - those here today and those we carry in our hearts.

All: This is our time to remember, to worship, to be together in God's love.

***HYMN: #751 “For All the Saints” (vs 1,2,3,4)** CCLI Song #90590, Public Domain, #11593017

***OPENING PRAYER:** Loving God, as we gather in your house today, we carry memories of those who taught us your ways and shared your love. Thank you for Jesus, who came home to show us who you are, and who still welcomes us home to you today. We pray this in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray saying... Our Father, who art in heaven...

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

***GLORIA PATRI: #807**

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 19 (page 541) {A.B. page 615}

ANTHEM: (11:00) “Hallelujah! We Shall Rise!” by Pethel United Church Choir
(words on insert)

A TIME OF REMEMBERING: David Crowe, Carol Dinmore, Lyle Galbraith, Fred Magley, Kathy Mills, Ed Olsen, Barbara Scott

SPECIAL MUSIC: “Shall We Gather At the River” (8:45) Natalie DeTraglia
(11:00) Earl Pettit and Choir

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a (page 1137) {A.B. page 1268}

Sermon

“Coming Home, Part 1: Jesus in Nazareth”

(Luke 4:14-21)

Pastor Wade Allen

OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH

***HYMN: #310 “O Word of God Incarnate”** CCLI Song #121971, Public Domain, #11593017

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY: “Moderato” by Joseph Matthias Schäfer

***DOXOLOGY: #809**

***HYMN: #262 “Rejoice, the Lord Is King”** CCLI Song #36592, Public Domain, #11593017

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: “Darwall’s 148th” by Percy Whitlock

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

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Health concerns: Czarny Bigos, Maverick, and Deanna Stocker (family of Ardelle Bigos), Stephen Cole, Karen Mount, James Sheppard, Linda Gilbert, Jessica Canham (Sharyn’s daughter), Mary Jane Laird, Denice Bailey Tautges, Tom Babcock (friend of Jenny Caron), Edwin Gregory (friend of Royal Purdy), Erik Keating (son of Al & Dawn Rossi), 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: Walter Enright (friend of Ardelle Bigos), Alex Clark (son of Rob and Natalie), Jon VanBlargan, 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), 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: 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 Giovanti – the BGs (Central/South America), 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!):

March 22 – Bowling Night



The American Cancer Society Flower Sale has begun! Sue & Sandi will be in the Welcome Center for the next few Sundays to take your order. **Delivery will be Sun. Mar. 23rd.** Stop at the table to see the selection of flowers! Checks should be made out to American Cancer Society. **THANK YOU!**

Highlights for This Week!

- **Potato Bar Fundraiser** - today during the annual meeting - Tickets sold in the dining room. Funds raised go toward youth missions and ministry events.

Nursery care is offered during both services and the Sunday school hour. Room 10 (the infant nursery) is used during the early service, Room 11 (the toddler/preschool nursery) is used during the Sunday school hour, and both rooms are open during the late service.

Children’s Time ~ Children’s Time meets after the Children’s Sermon upstairs in room 26. **Children aged Kindergarten through 5th grade** are invited to participate. Parents, please pick up your children **promptly** after the service.

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. **We are so happy that you joined us today and look forward to seeing you again soon!**



The Annual Meeting of the United Church will be held after the second service, in the Dining Room, **TODAY Sunday, January 26, 2025.**



Immediately after the 11:00 service the youth will host a baked potato lunch. This will be followed by the Annual Meeting. The purpose of the

meeting is to approve the 2025 budget, elect officers, review the activities of 2024, and do any other business appropriate to the meeting.



The **Parent/Child Library** is full of books for all ages on **prayer** which we talked about during our Jan 5th Intergenerational Sunday school class! You may **borrow a book/books** off either the display shelf or the regular book shelf. All families are welcome to use the Parent/Child library at any time. **Please sign the book(s) out** and return within 4 weeks. Any questions? See Deb Marshall

Do you love little ones? Great - we have a place for you to serve! We are in need of more nursery volunteers. You can serve once every 3 months, once a month, or more often if you would like. If you are interested in volunteering in the nursery, please see Louise VanIseghem or Deb Marshall. All volunteers will need to complete a simple background check.



March 8-17th, 2025, our church Living Waters for the World (LWW) team (Linda Werts, Ray McMillen, and Ken Allen) and others will travel to the rural community of Cedralito in the southeast corner of the Mexican state of Quintana Roo on the Yucatán Peninsula. Cedralito is one of our LWW partners. Their plant has been operating for 13 years supplying the community and surrounding area with safe, clean water. The Water plant needs updating to continue to supply life-giving water to the people.



“Clean water transforms their future. Living Water transforms all.”

A GoFundMe account has been established to assist with the costs. If you are led to give to this mission, go to [GoFundMe.com](https://www.gofundme.com), search for keyword: **Cedralito. Thank You and God Bless You!**

Help Needed:

- **Monday, January 27, 9-11ish - Canandaigua Drive-Thru Pop-Up Food Pantry.** Volunteers needed to sort and pass out groceries. It's fun! :-). See Cathy Bush or contact Karen Guidarelli at karen@partnershipoc.org. Location: Town Highway Barn, 5440 Route 5 & 20. Event starts at 10 am for clients - Enter on Buffalo St if picking up.

- Furniture donations of dressers and loveseats for **Called to Care, Canandaigua** are needed for a refugee Ukrainian family expected next month. Must be in good shape and from a pet-free, smoke-free home. Donate with dignity. See Cathy Bush.

Called to Care, Canandaigua's "Chasin' the Blues" event returns on February 7th, 7:00 pm at Crosswinds Wesleyan Church. \$30 tickets are still available at CNB Bank or Mobile Music. Featured this year...a performance by Cool Club and the Lipker Sisters and a testimony from Doug Doebler and Judi Gorenflo.

Hurricane Relief Mission Trip

We all know of the devastation left by Hurricane Helene, especially in western North Carolina. The rebuild of that area will take years! We all wonder what we can do to help in addition to providing funds. **The mission team is coordinating an inter-generational work trip to Fairview, NC** which is just 11 miles from Asheville the week of April 14. Seabees Outreach Ministry, a ministry of Navy veterans, is establishing a work camp there to help locals devastated by the hurricane. They have assured us that they will find appropriate work for any skill level. If you weren't able to attend the meeting last week, feel free to reach out to Sonya Brooks (sonya.brooks99@yahoo.com).

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)

No Youth Club on Jan 29th due to a school holiday

Any questions? Please see Deb Marshall

It's not too late to make your pledge for 2025! So far we've had **\$344,293** pledged to Operating and **\$102,848** to Missions. To meet the needs of the proposed 2025 budget, we are hoping to have **\$398,160** pledged to the Operating side. There are extra forms 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:



Hallelujah! We Shall Rise by Stan Pethel

In the resurrection morning,
When the trump shall sound,
We shall rise! Hallelujah! We shall rise!
Then the saints will come rejoicing
and no tear will ever be found
We shall rise! Hallelujah! We shall rise!

We shall rise (Hallelujah)
We shall rise (Amen)
We shall rise

In the resurrection morning,
When death's prison bars are broken,
We shall rise! Hallelujah! We shall rise!

In the resurrection morning,
What a meeting it will be!
We shall rise! Hallelujah! We shall rise!
When our fathers and our mothers
And our loved ones we shall see,
We shall rise! Hallelujah! We shall rise!

In the resurrection morning,
We shall meet him in the air
We shall rise! Hallelujah! We shall rise!
And be carried up to glory
To our home so bright and fair
We shall rise! Hallelujah! We shall rise!