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WELCOME TO THE UNITED CHURCH

Weekly
Bulletin
Sunday
AUGUST 24, 2025



THE
UNITED
CHURCH
CANADA



Order of Worship for
AUGUST 24, 2025



Welcome! The United Church is a Presbyterian/American Baptist congregation. We hope you enjoy your visit and let us know if we can help you in any way.

PRELUDE: “Cantilène religieuse” by Théodore Dubois

WELCOME AND GREETING

OUR PREPARATION

INTROIT: “We Will Glorify the King of Kings” (Hymn #118)
We will glorify the King of Kings, we will glorify the Lamb;
We will glorify the Lord of Lords, who is the great I AM.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: We gather as strangers in this world, but as family in God’s house.

People: Though we may feel like exiles, we belong to the Lord.

Leader: God has chosen us as His royal priesthood, His holy nation.

People: We will stand firm in the true grace He has given us.

Leader: In a world that shifts and changes, God’s love remains constant.

People: Peace to all who are in Christ! Let us worship our faithful God.

All: Come, let us worship the One who calls us His own.

***HYMN #578:** “Come, All Christians, Be Committed”

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***OPENING PRAYER:** Gracious God, we come before you as your chosen people, seeking to stand firm in your true grace even when we feel like strangers in this world. Fill us with your peace and strengthen our commitment to one another as your family, that we might faithfully serve you in these changing times. We pray this in Jesus’ name, who taught us to pray... Our Father who art in heaven...

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

***GLORIA PATRI:** #807

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 27:1-6 (page 546) {A.B. page 620}

SPECIAL MUSIC: “Piano Sonata No. 12 in F major, K. 332: II. Adagio” by Mozart
Walter Marshall (piano)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Daniel 3:16-18 (page 876) {A.B. page 958}

Sermon
“Finding Peace as Exiles”
(1 Peter 5:12-14)
Pastor Wade Allen

OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH

***HYMN #580:** “Jesus Calls Us o’er the Tumult”

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PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY: “Improvisation on HENDON”

***DOXOLOGY:** #809

***HYMN #568:** “Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated”

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: “Festal Postlude” by E. Markham Lee

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

The rose today is to celebrate the birth of Jack Samuel William Castiller, first grandchild of Wade and Christy Allen, on August 15th. Jack’s parents are Anna and Nick Castiller. Please keep the family in your prayers during this special time.

Our prayers and sympathy are with Sandy Cleason, whose brother, Frank Lawrence, passed away on August 17th. Please keep the family in your prayers during this difficult time.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Health concerns: Braeden Flynn, Wally Wake (Kathie Meredith's sister), Shirley Kem, Joan Danaher, Martha Ashley, Ernie McKenzie, Karen Sanford, Phil Greene (Sharon Meyer's brother), Luca Masi (Verspoor's g-grandson), Karen Roaix, Pastor Debbie Kamm (pastor at Dundee Baptist), Kathleen (Wanda Munt's daughter), Emma Sanford (granddaughter of Karen), Shane Collins (from LeTourneau), Brooke Covey (friend of Parsons), Daniel Zimmerman (nephew of Wendy Bacon), Sara Scharr, Rodney Newfrock (friend of Elaine Allen), Jack Bigos, Deanna Stocker and Everest Ferrante (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), Erik Keating (son of Al and Dawn Rossi), Louise Huck, Catherine Kurzdorfer (Adam Thorman's mother), Marcus (friend of Sandi DiCicco), Denise Loy (friend of Kory Massey), Steve Sedlock (Nancy Tharp's brother), Clancy Cragle (Michelle's grandfather), the Herin Family (relatives of Kathie Meredith), Jack Schermond

Cancer: Daniel Cage (friend of Wade Allen), Karen Linder (niece of Joyce Laursen), Sue Whybra and Rod Gifford (cousins of Joyce Laursen), Kathy Cool (daughter-in-law of the Pecks), Sophie Snyder (friend of Amelia Cunningham), Chris Alexander (Carolyn Russell's brother), Joy Mickelsen Oliver (friend of Joy Van Riper), Sarah Hough (daughter of Dianne Beaumont), Walter Enright (friend of Ardelle Bigos), Jon VanBlargan, Laura Fiorito (daughter of Charles and Patti Cagwin), Christina Tharp (daughter of John and Nancy), Douglas Cook (Jen Eveleigh's brother), Beth Smythe, Keith Laursen (Joyce's brother-in-law), Sasha (friend of Megan French), John Tornow (friend of Elaine Allen), Susan Hennessy (Jen Eveleigh's sister), Rich Crowley (Steve and Beth Smythe's friend), Tom and Monica Yurik (Bruce and Deb Gardner's friends), Deb Dawson (Steve Smythe's niece), Roderick Simonds (father of Natalie Clark), Rob Stults (cousin of Wade and Christy Allen), Dawn Miller, David Pagoda (Eveleigh family friend), Jim Davis (Scott's father), Stephen Carges (Paula Traber's brother)

Comfort and Peace: Frank Davis (Hildebrant's grandfather), Harriet Morgan (Megan French's grandma)

Military Service: Nicholas DeVillano (Frye's son-in-law) USAF stationed in Germany and deploying to Qatar this summer, JJ Callard (USN), 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), Christy Lafferty (Nicaragua), Leodegario Hernandez & Maria Angela Bautista (Bacalar, Mexico pastoral couple).

We want your Feedback!

Thank you for the feedback we have received. We want to continue to hear from you, so please share your thoughts or questions on the Feedback Pew Cards or contact us at feedback@uccdga.org.

Highlights for This Week

- Back to School **Angel Tree tags** are **due TODAY!**
- **Pictorial Directory Sign Ups** - Stop in the Welcome Center to claim a time for photography! **We added a whole new day of slots!** You can also sign up online during the week. (see more inside)
- "Pop-up" **playdates - Thursdays in August** (August 28) at **Motion Junction** on Outhouse Rd., **9:30-11:30am**. All moms, grandmas, caregivers and their children are invited! Feel free to invite a friend. Come when you can; bring a lunch and stay longer if you choose.
- If you let us **borrow** a small, **2 foot Christmas tree for VBS**, it is **ready for you to pick up**. You can find it on the side chair in Deb's office.
- Save the upcoming fall dates!
 - September 7** - Return to **8:45am and 11:00am** services; All ages Sunday **school kick-off breakfast at 9:45am** in the downstairs dining room. Please bring a dish to pass if you're able.
 - September 14** - Services at **8:45am and 11:00am**. **Sunday school for all ages at 9:45am**. 3rd grade **Bibles** presented during the 11am service. **The Cause** (high school youth group) begins at **5pm**.
- Be sure to check out our beautifully designed **Care Ministry Spotlight Poster**, created by Lydia B. You'll find it near the coat rack at the North entrance into the sanctuary. It's a wonderful glimpse into the teams and individuals who serve so faithfully behind the scenes to care for our church family.
- **Our Greeter/Coordinator for August: Bill F.** Please contact Bill if you need help signing up. We've opened up the sign-ups for the remainder of 2025!

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 pick up a tan bag (with the United Church logo on it) 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!**



Nursery Care

Nursery care is offered during summer services in Room 11 (the toddler/preschool nursery).

Children's Time

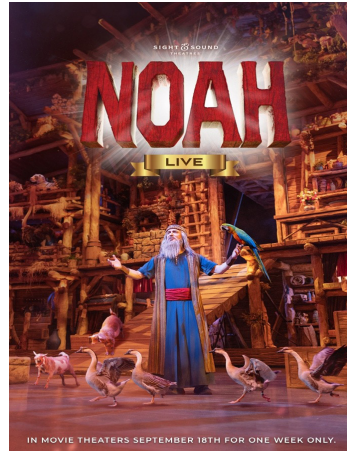
Children's Time meets after the Children's Sermon. **Children aged Kindergarten through 5th grade** are invited to participate. Parents, please pick up your children **promptly** after the service.

Pictorial Directory - Not for members only!

We'd love to have your picture in our directory! Photography dates are coming soon, **September 10-13!** You can sign up for a timeslot on **weekdays** at www.ucdir.com (use **ny133** for the church code and **photos** for the password) or **sign up at church on Sundays!** Look for sign-up sheets in the welcome center. Everyone who gets their photo taken gets a free 8x10 and free color directory.

Noah is coming to Eastview Mall!

Sight & Sound Theater is sending a video of their 30th Anniversary performance of **Noah** to movie theaters for a week in September. The closest one to us is the Regal Cinema at Eastview Mall. I thought it would be fun to get a group together to go see it. I purchased a ticket for the **matinee showing (3:30) on Saturday Sept 20th** and would love company! We can carpool from church or folks can meet at the theater if that's more convenient. Everyone is responsible for purchasing their own tickets (there is assigned seating for this event, so you should purchase them ahead of time). I'm in seat E1 if you'd like to see a familiar face. Children must be accompanied by an adult. If you would like to carpool from the church, please let me know so that I don't leave anyone behind. Here's a link to purchase tickets: <http://bit.ly/45VWXRy>
Nancy Lamberson (nancy.lamberson@uccdga.org) 585-662-7648



Dear friends,
I am overwhelmed with the outpouring of love from our church family, neighbors, and all Ken's friends both here and in Mexico. I feel truly blessed. My family thanks you for the beautiful service that was held to celebrate Ken's life. He will live forever in our hearts.

Regina Allen

Would your family or small group enjoy hosting after-service fellowship?

Thank you to Nancy Abdallah, Mary Wiser, Wes Posson, and others for supporting a "coffee hour" in July. **We are currently looking for others to be on a rotation to support these fellowship times. This could also involve small groups - they can pick 1-2 Sundays a year to host!** If you would like to be a part of a rotation that provides treats to be enjoyed by our church family after the service, please let us know!



Missions Let the light of Christ shine through you in service to others...

Back to School Angel Tree School supplies with tags are due back TODAY!!!! A few



tags remain. IF you are able to purchase and return these items Monday or Tuesday, consider helping us complete our lists! The tags can be found in the Welcome Center across from the coffee station. **Supplies are needed by this date to give us time to sort and get to the families Wednesday!** Last year we were able to help 8 students in our community with this boost. **Thank you to all who contributed!!!!** Questions? See Cathy Bush.

Yes! Grocery donations still needed! Look for the black collections wagon in the Welcome Center. Donations are alternately taken to the CCIA (Canandaigua Churches in Action) food pantry and the Salvation Army food pantry. **CCIA is in need of cereal, pasta, sauce, canned veggies and fruit.** Thank you! Questions? Please see Mary Lou Havens or Cathy Bush.



Dear Church Family,

Jesus Christ is Living Water for our Body and Soul

If there is anyone interested in being part of a Water ministry of **Living Waters for the World**, the next **Clean Water U training** is **Sept. 23-27** at **Hopewell Camp and Conference Center in Oxford, MS** and we'd love to have you and your team at this training session! We currently have openings in each of our workshops - water project management, health education, and water system installation. Financial assistance is available from the Mission Committee. If interested, see Linda Werts. Or visit Livingwatersfortheworld.org website.

**"All Gods Children deserve Clean Water
God Bless!"**

Pie Sale Fundraiser to benefit Called to Care, Canandaigua

Today is the LAST DAY to turn in your order and \$!

Leo's Pies! Yum! \$23/pie. Chocolate, Cherry, Coconut, Fruits of the Forest, French Apple and Pumpkin. **Pie Pickup date: Sunday, September 14, 1:30-4pm**, at the First United Methodist Church, 100 N. Main St. Interested? Please see Cathy Bush, Linda Werts, Sarah Gross, Sonya Brooks. Thank you for supporting refugees while enjoying pie!



Save The Dates

(check your September Lamplighter for more details!)

Sept 13 - CareNet Chicken BBQ (at Runnings), 10 am till sold out

Sept 28 - Called To Care benefit concert (Jim Kerr and Wendy Stoddard), 3 pm