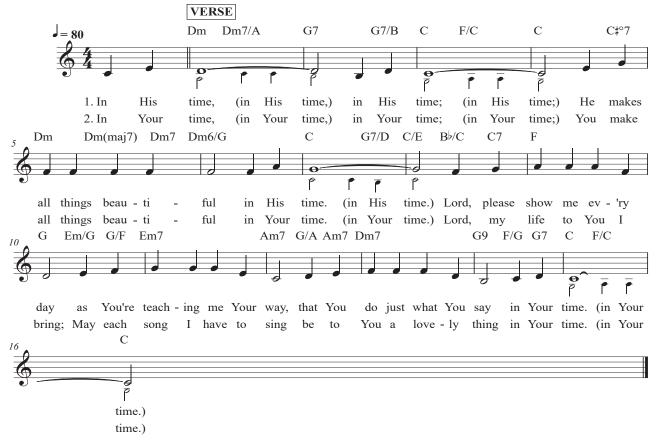
In His Time

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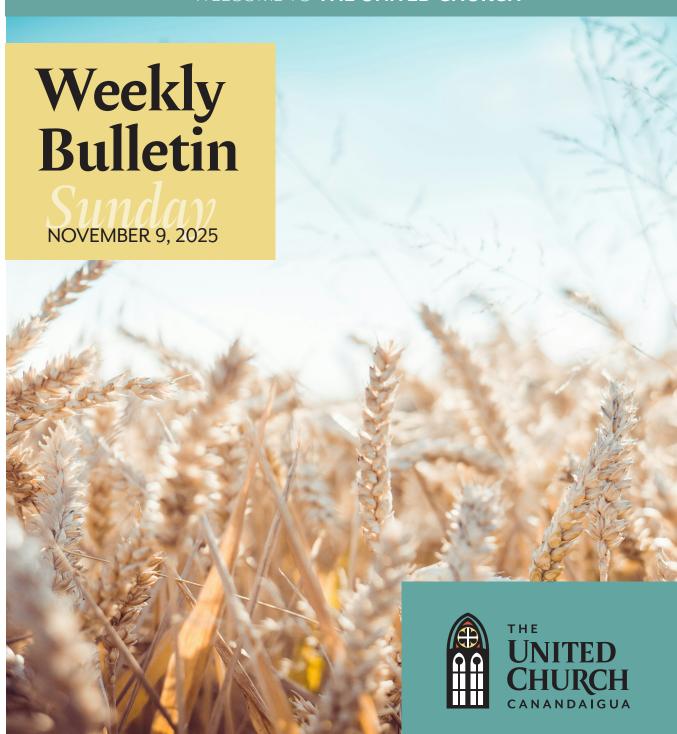
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WELCOME TO THE UNITED CHURCH





Order of Worship for NOVEMBER 9, 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: "Improvisation on Cwm Rhondda"

WELCOME AND GREETING TO OUR ONLINE CONGREGATION

OUR PREPARATION

Focus of the Day: We are called to trust God's perfect timing and live ready for Christ's return.

INTROIT: (11:00) "A Prayer of Thanks"

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness.

People: Instead he is patient with us, not wanting anyone to perish.

Leader: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day.

People: We trust in God's perfect timing and faithful promises.

Leader: Come, let us worship the God whose ways are higher than our ways.

All: Let us praise the Lord who is patient and faithful in all generations.

*HYMN #271: "Christ Is Coming! Let Creation"

*OPENING PRAYER: Heavenly Father, we come before You today knowing that Your timing is always perfect, even when we struggle to understand Your ways. Help us to trust in Your eternal perspective and live with patient hope as we wait for Christ's return. We pray this in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray...Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*GLORIA PATRI: #807

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 90:1-6 (page 588) {A.B. page 662}

SPECIAL MUSIC: (11:00) "The Old Rugged Cross" by George Bennard (words on insert)

Youth Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (11:00)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 13:32-37 (page 1007) {A.B. page 1114}

Sermon

"God's Perfect Timing" (2 Peter 3:8-10) Pastor Wade Allen

OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH

TESTIMONY: Christy Jensen

*HYMN: "In His Time" (see back of bulletin for music)

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PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY: "Adagio" by William Wolstenholme

*DOXOLOGY: #809

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*HYMN #661: "Be Strong in the Lord"

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Toccata" by Max Reger

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

Health concerns: Julia Nayar (niece of Karen Gardner), Scott Smail (friend of Kathleen Boniak), Sheila Henderson, John DiVincenzo (friend of Steve Simpson), unborn daughter of Laura & Conner Fry (heart issues, relatives of VanIseghems), Wendy Stoddard, Braeden Flynn, Shirley Kem, Phil Greene (Sharon Meyer's brother), 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, Everest & Carly Ferrante (family of Ardelle Bigos), Deanna and Brexten Stocker (friends of Ardelle Bigos), 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), Jack Schermond

Cancer: Mallory Long (friend of Sharon Erb), 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), Dawn Miller, David Pagoda (Eveleigh family friend), Jim Davis (Scott's father), Stephen Carges (Paula Traber's brother)

Fire Recovery: Earl and June Pettit

Military Service: Nicholas DelVillano (Frye's son-in-law) USAF stationed in Germany and deployed to Qatar, 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

- Youth Club Mission Project: Christmas Stockings for NYC. Donations are due today. Items must be new, small and able to fit into a 5x9" stocking. Please drop them off in Deb's office. Thank you!!
- The church office is closed this Tuesday, Nov 11 for Veteran's Day.
- Calling All Parents! Sundays, from 9:45-10:45am, our Parenting Coffee Hour is your time to connect, recharge, and refocus. You are welcome to join us on any Sunday that works for your schedule. We'd especially love to see you on Sunday, November 23, as we talk about Advent (which begins November 30) and share practical ways to keep our families focused on Christ throughout the Christmas season. Come for the coffee, stav for the encouragement — and don't miss your special gift just for parents who join us on November 23!
- Mark your calendar...Sunday, November 30 Intergenerational Sunday school at 9:45am in the downstairs dining room. We will not be having a regular breakfast, but we need a few people to bring baked goods - please let Deb or Mark know if you plan to bring something.
- Our Greeter/Coordinator for November: Bev F. Please contact Bev 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

The nursery is open for parent use during the early service. We no longer staff the nursery during the 8:45 service, but it can be used for diaper changes or feeding infants as needed.

Nursery care is offered during the late service. We use Room 10 (infants) and Room 11 (preschool) during the 11:00 am service.

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. (Please note: Kids in 6th grade and up are asked to remain in the service with their families. Thank you!)

Sunday Morning Small Groups

TODAY, all sunday morning small groups are invited to gather in the Downstairs Dining Hall for reflection on the small group initiative as a whole. There will be time for the groups to reflect amongst themselves, and to also hear from our adult sunday school teachers about details on upcoming classes and groups. There will also be a short survey to gather important information from you all, which will help direct future ministry efforts.

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Do You Have a Background in Care - looking for guidance?

Our Care Ministry is building a confidential Care Referral/Professional Knowledge Contact List to help connect members with resources such as assisted living, therapy, or counseling. You would not be asked to take on responsibilities--only to offer guidance, referrals, or suggestions when needs arise. If interested, please contact Christy Allen, Director of Care Ministry.

Stewardship and Pledging

Stewardship season is underway! The new pledge forms for 2026 were mailed out in early October and there are extras on the Welcome Center desk. They can be returned over the next few weeks to the offering plate or the box in the Welcome Center or you can mail them into the office. You can also submit a pledge form digitally by following this link:



http://bit.ly/48BcbNw or scan the code to the right.

We have a goal of getting 125 families to return pledge forms, and we're already up to 52! Watch the main office and the Sunday bulletins for our progress towards this goal!



(meet Oscar, the dog, and our mascot for this season)

You may have noticed that I'm putting fewer email addresses, phone numbers, and last names in some of the bulletin (and Lamplighter) announcements. This is an effort to protect church members from scammers and bots that farm data from online publications and use it maliciously. You can always contact the church office if you don't have contact info for the people named. (New directories should be here before Christmas!) I apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. If this proves too troublesome and/or doesn't help the issue, we may backtrack.

~ Carolyn (Office Manager/scam slayer)

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

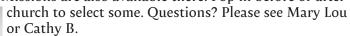
"Estate Sale" to Support Missions -- Nov 22

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, you are invited to an event that will help support the Missions projects of our church. Beth and Paul Johnson are moving to Maryland to be near family and will be offering a number of antiques, household utensils and unique items from their home. No prices will be marked; instead you are asked to make a financial donation of cash or check to "The United Church" indicating "Missions" on the memo line.

The "sale" will be held at their home in Bristol on Saturday, November 22, from 9:00 to 3:00. Address and phone along with photos of items available will be in next week's bulletin. Contribute to God's work through this one-time opportunity!

Food Cart & Card Ministry Location

The black collection wagon is in the Missions Collection Center in the south side of the newly remodeled Fellowship Room. We continue to collect needed food staples for CCIA (Canandaigua Churches in Action) and the Salvation Army food pantry. Our donations continue to be needed. Thank youfor so generously sharing out of what God has provided for you. The hand-made cards that benefit Missions are also available there. Pop in before or after





Wreaths

Called to Care Canandaigua is having a wreath sale through November 10th (pick up on December 4th). See the flyer posted on the bulletin board for more info or ask Sarah G, Cathy B, Regina A, or Linda W.

A 2026 Mexico Mission Team has formed!

Another informational/planning meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 16th at noon in the fellowship room. Trip dates are set for March 19-28, 2026. We are planning four days with the congregation of Emmanuel Presbyterian Church in Bacalar, three days with LWW partners in Tabi, and a day of tourism. Please contact Linda W, 315-447-0276 if you have interest. We are especially looking to add a Spanish speaker to our team.

Winter Wear Drive

As the air gets frosty, people in our community need your help staying warm! The United Church is partnering with CCIA in collecting new or gently used coats and warm socks and gloves of all sizes. Items must be clean and easily washed. Please leave your donations in the collection bin in the Mission Center. Thank you! ~ Missions Collection Team



Christmas Angel Tree

Interested in helping with the set up and collection for Christmas Angel Tree? Please see Cathy Bush or Mary Lou Havens. The tags will be on the trees starting November 23rd.

ADVENT/ CHRISTMAS DECORATING EVENT

The Advent Season will soon be upon us!

Come join your church family on Sunday Nov. 23rd for a festive time of decorating our Church for the Advent Season. We will start at 4 pm with children making a take home "Chrismon" ornament (like the ornaments on our Church tree) and decorating Christmas cut out cookies. At 5 pm we will join The Cause and High Schoolers in the Sanctuary for a Christmas themed worship and music service. At 5:15 we will begin decorating the sanctuary.



When we are finished decorating we can move to the fellowship room to enjoy a bite to eat and

refreshments. We should wind up the night around 6:30. All are welcome!! A sign up sheet will be on welcome desk. Please sign up to participate by November 16th. This will be a fun way to start the Season!

CPR/AED Class Offered

November 15. 9am - 1pm, here at the United Church

American Heart Association Standard CPR/AED for the Adult, Child and Infant, and First Aid Skills. Taught to certification level for \$30 per person. Free if no certification is requested. We will do CPR first at 9am, then start First Aid @ 11am. Same cost for the combination or single subject certification. CPR includes choking relief and Naloxone (Narcan) administration. For questions, contact Instructor Holger Stave at holger@wfany.net or find answers at www.wfany. net. There will be a sign-up on the office door.



Urgent Request for Food and Grocery Card Donations

Family Promise of Ontario County has been keeping a close eye on SNAP (supplemental nutrition assistance program) and HEAP (Home Energy Assistance Program) programs. SNAP is a federal program that provides food-purchasing assistance to low-income individuals and households to help them maintain adequate nutrition and health. HEAP is a government initiative designed to assist low-income households in managing their energy costs and ensuring access to heating and cooling resources. This is what FPOC tells us as of Nov.1:

What we know today:

- There are approximately 5,000 Ontario County households with around 9,000 individuals that currently receive SNAP benefits (EBT food stamps) each month.
- Funding for SNAP benefits starting November 1st has not been approved. Even if reinstated today, it would take 3 weeks for these funds to be allocated.
- For many of the families we serve, these benefits are a lifeline helping to put food on the table and keep children nourished. The sudden delay has left many parents anxious and unsure how they will feed their families in the coming days and weeks.
- HEAP assistance has been suspended indefinitely.

The Mission Committee is using \$500 from the Special Interests budget line item to buy grocery gift cards for FPOC to help families not receiving their SNAP benefits.

If you would like to help these vulnerable families here are some ways:

- 1. Bring food items to the grocery collection at the church. These items will be brought to the CCIA food pantry and the Salvation Army. List of items that are helpful to donate:
- Shelf Staple Proteins (canned chicken, tuna, peanut butter).
- Whole Grains (rice, oatmeal, pastas, or cereals).
- Fruits and vegetables (canned or dried).
- Soups and ready-to-eat meals (hearty, pop-top, and easy to prepare).
- Cooking stables (vegetable oil, olive oil).
- 2. Donate gift cards. to be given to families that are in need of emergency help. The following gift cards work well:
- Aldi's
- Walmart
- Gas Cards
- Tops
- Wegmans

Help spread the word - share this message with your friends, family, and networks.

"Truly I tell you whatever you did for one of the least of those brothers and sisters of message."

"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Matt. 25:40

With gratitude, Your Mission Committee

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Place this in the ofering plate WITH your cash in an envelope or check made payable to "The United Church".

List in the memo section "Poinsettias". You may also mail it in or bring to the church office.

ORDERS MUST BE IN NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7.

You may pick up your poinsettia(s) after church on Christmas Eve or on Dec 28th. Thank you!

The Old Rugged Cross

by George Bennard

Verse 1

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross The emblem of suff'ring and shame And I love that old cross where the dearest and best For a world of lost sinners was slain

Chorus

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross Till my trophies at last I lay down I will cling to the old rugged cross And exchange it some day for a crown

Verse 2

O the old rugged cross so despised by the world Has a wondrous attraction for me For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above To bear it to dark Calvary

Verse 3

In the old rugged cross stained with blood so divine A wondrous beauty I see For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died To pardon and sanctify me

Verse 4

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true Its shame and reproach gladly bear Then He'll call me some day to my home far away Where His glory forever I'll share