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- The kitchen project begins with cleaning out all of the supplies, equipment and kitchenware. All efforts will be made to ensure anything the Church is not keeping will find a good home.
- An epoxy floor will be installed mid-June.
- Some cabinets will be replaced with easy access, highly functional stainless steel shelving.
- We will be adopting an open-shelving look for some upper cabinets in order to make the space more accessible and easier to organize and assess the contents.
- The walls will receive a fresh coat of paint.
- The cabinet near the dishwasher will be replaced with drying rack shelving.
- All of the stainless steel surfaces will be cleaned and polished.
- The two stainless steel preparation surfaces and storage spaces will be replaced by one of equal size.
- The butcher block preparation space will be cleaned and retained.
- The stove hood will remain with updated replacement parts where required (i.e. secondary blower).
- The hand washing sink will be updated. We are retaining the existing large sinks, while upgrading to new faucets.
- With the exception of the freezers and refrigerators, all appliances will be replaced.
- A new suspended ceiling system will be installed.

We are grateful to the Trustees, staff and congregation members who have contributed to the careful planning and hard work necessary to accomplish our goals. We continue to be thankful for the encouragement and patience of our church family as we move forward through this process.

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WELCOME TO THE UNITED CHURCH

# Weekly Bulletin

*Sunday*  
MAY 24, 2026



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Order of Worship for  
MAY 24, 2026



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:** “We now implore the Holy Ghost” by Georg Böhm

**WELCOME AND GREETING TO OUR ONLINE CONGREGATION**

## OUR PREPARATION

Focus of the Day: On Pentecost Sunday we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit, who equips and sends us into the world to declare the good news of forgiveness in Jesus Christ.

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

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** The Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Holy \*catholic Church, the Communion of Saints;  
The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting.  
Amen.

(\* note the lower case c. In this case, it means “the whole church in all times”, not Roman Catholic.)

**\*HYMN #9:** “Sing Praise to the Father”

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**\*OPENING PRAYER:** Gracious God, on this Pentecost Sunday we celebrate the gift of your Holy Spirit, who breathes new life into us and sends us into the world with the message of your grace. Open our hearts this morning to receive all that you have for us as we conclude our journey through the Gospel of John together. We pray this in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray, saying ...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**

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.

**\*GLORIA PATRI: #807**

## GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING:** Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (page 596) {A.B. page 671}

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** “Morning Has Broken” arr. Hayes

Piano: June Pettit and Georgia Sperano; Organ: David Kraft

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING:** I Corinthians 12:3b-13 (page 1136) {A.B. page 1268}

**Sermon**

“Sent and Equipped”

(John 20:19-23)

Pastor Wade Allen

## OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH

**\*HYMN #593:** “The Gift of Love”

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**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**OFFERTORY:** “Come, God Creator, Holy Ghost” by Johann Sebastian Bach

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.

**\*DOXOLOGY: #809**

**\*HYMN #289:** “Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling”

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**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE:** “Veni Creator - Toccata” by Jeanne Demessieux

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

## Scriptures for next week, May 31

Sermon Scripture: **Philippians 1:1-11**

First Reading: **Psalms 145:1-9**

Second Reading: **Romans 8:28-39**

### PRAYER REQUESTS

**Health concerns:** Marcell Greer (Linda Bailey's grandson), Jenifer Parks (friend of Natalie DeTraglia), Laurie Guyette (friend of the Simpsons), Sandy Cleason, Bill Kenyon, Carly and Brian Ferrante and Baby Stocker (Ardelle Bigos relatives), Marion Sumpter, Lou Verspoor, Sherry Wesley (cousin of Sue V and Sandi D), Jack Bigos, Scott Smail (friend of Kathleen Boniak), Sheila Henderson, John DiVincenzo (friend of Steve Simpson), Phil Greene (Sharon Meyer's brother), Rodney Newfrock (friend of Elaine Allen), Jessica Canham (Sharyn's daughter), Mary Jane Laird, Tom Babcock (friend of Jenny Caron), 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)

**Cancer:** Steve J. (Claire Sheppard's brother), Robbie Bass (Linda Bailey's nephew), 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), Sarah Hough (daughter of Dianne Beaumont), Jon VanBlargan, Laura Fiorito (daughter of Charles and Patti Cagwin), Douglas Cook (Jen Eveleigh's brother), Keith Laursen (Joyce's brother-in-law), Sasha (friend of Megan French), John Tornow (friend of Elaine Allen), Susan Hennessy (Jen Eveleigh's sister), Deb Dawson (Steve Smythe's niece), Dawn Miller, David Pagoda (Eveleigh family friend), Jim Davis (Scott's father), Stephen Carges (Paula Traber's brother)

**Military Service:** Tech SGT Nicholas DeVillano (Frye's son-in-law) USAF stationed in Germany, JJ Callard (USN), US Army CPT Andrew Marlin (Tyler Boseck's 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), Rev. Nancy and Rev. Shelvis Smith-Mather (South Sudan), Sally Gates (UK), Matt and Meredith Snell (Fort Drum, NY).

### Recital Today

You are invited today at 7:30 pm for the **senior recital of Gillian Vit** (violin), open to everyone.



## Highlights for This Week

- **TODAY** begins the summer worship schedule with **one service at 9:30 am!**
- **Come help with VBS scenery!** If you are willing, we have a place for you. Come for a short time, or stay the whole time - whatever your schedule allows. Questions? Please contact Sandi Munson or Becky Boseck. VBS scenery work days:
  - Wednesday 5/27 4:30-6:30
  - Saturday 5/30 10-12
- **Summer Sunday Small Groups** - We are offering adult and young adult small groups after service during the summer! These will be relaxed groups (no homework!) that will follow the sermon series (Philippians). If you are interested in attending but need childcare, reach out to Pastor Mark. **We begin after service TODAY!**
- **Our Greeter/Coordinator for May: Gail** Please contact Gail if you need help signing up.

### 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!**



### Families & Children

Do you have little ones with you? **We're glad you're here!** We offer several options to help families worship comfortably together.

We invite each family to choose the worship option that works best for them. **At the same time, we kindly ask that if a child becomes disruptive during the service, they be taken from the sanctuary until they are settled.** Thank you for helping us create a welcoming worship environment for all.



**Nursery care** is available during the service. **Children (infants through 5-years-old) are welcome in the nursery at any time during the service.** All nursery volunteers are background checked.

**Children's Time** is offered after the Children's Sermon on most Sundays for **children in Kindergarten through 5th grade.**

**The narthex** (the area through the back doors of the sanctuary) is also **available throughout the service for children and a caregiver.** This space allows you to continue seeing and hearing the service while giving your child the freedom to move around or make a little noise.

## Boyce Memorial Gift Building and Infrastructure Update - May 2026

As noted in the last Building and Infrastructure Update, the **Technology and Security Team** has provided upgrades to improve our wifi access and management systems and to increase our safety and security.

These upgrades include the following:

- Installed a UniFi gateway appliance which manages wireless network, security cameras, and door access.
- Improved and increased wireless access points
- Added security cameras for the church interior
- Upgraded the hard drive for security camera footage
- Installed UniFi door access controller
- Installed door access reader and door latch/strike for the Pastor's office
- Installed door access reader for the main entrance

Additional improvements are under consideration and updates will be provided.

## Building renovation continues and we are moving forward with exciting plans over the summer months.

### Education Floor Updates

- New lights have been installed in the classrooms, hallway and the chapel. Painting of these spaces has been underway and will continue this month. New blinds have been installed. New flooring will replace the linoleum in the hallway.
- Bathrooms: A face-lift to the bathrooms will begin including fresh paint and new doors, countertops, sink drain stoppers and flooring. The three small stalls in the ladies room will be replaced with two roomier ones. The ladies and mens bathroom will have one comfort height toilet and one standard height toilet, both with a footprint that gives a bit more room.
- Choir Room: The room will be freshly painted and new ceiling tiles and flooring will be installed. The current unutilized bathroom will be converted to a much needed storage closet for choir materials and supplies.

### Kitchen Improvements

The kitchen renovation plans are the result of deliberate and collaborative planning between members of the Board of Trustees, congregation members who regularly volunteer in the kitchen, and our staff. In addition to these discussions, a Trustee leading this effort observed meal preparation and delivery during a Youth Club dinner to inform the renovation vision and to develop greater understanding and appreciation of the functional needs of this space. The renovations begin this month and will be completed late summer, before the onset of our Fall programming. During the remodelling, a portion of the dining room will be utilized as storage for kitchen equipment and supplies. Please be assured that space needed to conduct VBS activities and food preparation are well planned for.

Here is a description of what to expect:

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

### Silent Auction

**June 7-14, 2026**

*"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for Me." — Matthew 25:40*



Thank you for the wonderful items already donated — your generosity is a blessing to our Mission Auction! If you'd still like to contribute, donations forms are welcome **through May 24 (today!)**

Items may now be dropped off whenever the church office is open or on Sundays. To help us prepare, **all items must be received by June 3.**

We also need **volunteers** to help with setup, displays, and auction week hosting. A **sign up sheet** is available in the Welcome Center.

Questions? Please contact: Nancy Abdallah — nancycabdallah@gmail.com or 585 749 4313

### Mission Grocery Donations



Food costs are going up and families are experiencing more food insecurity. CCIA is experiencing a large jump in the number of 1st time families. Food donations tend to go down during the summertime. If able, please continue to donate to local food pantries. Food contributed here is taken to the **Salvation Army** and **CCIA (Canandaigua Churches in Action)** Food Pantries. CCIA currently needs staples such as **spaghetti sauce, tuna, canned fruit and vegetables, and cereal** (which is not always available through FoodLink). Thank you for sharing!



### Vacation Bible School

Registration for **Rainforest Falls VBS** is filling up! All children, ages 4-years-old through those entering 6th grade (Fall 2026) are welcome to participate. Our VBS is scheduled for **July 13-17, 9am-12pm**. We hope you can join us! Feel free to invite friends! You can use the QR code to register by June 20.



### Annual Church Picnic

**Sunday, June 7, 11:30am at Baker Park.**

Please join us! Drinks and table service will be provided. **Bring a dish or dessert to pass,** and games if desired!

