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WELCOME TO THE UNITED CHURCH

Weekly Bulletin

Sunday
AUGUST 2, 2026





Order of Worship for
AUGUST 2, 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: Improvisation on “Blessed Assurance”

WELCOME AND GREETING TO OUR ONLINE CONGREGATION

OUR PREPARATION

Focus of the Day: The Christian life is not about having arrived; it is about pressing on toward the One who called you.

INTROIT: “Lord, Be Glorified” vs 1 (hymn #537)

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.

In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: We have not yet arrived, but we are not standing still.

People: We press on toward the One who first took hold of us.

Leader: We forget what is behind and strain toward what is ahead.

People: We run this race with our eyes fixed on Jesus.

Leader: Come, let us worship the God who runs with us.

All: We gather this morning, mid-race, trusting in the One who will bring us home.

***HYMN #689:** “The Church’s One Foundation” (vs 1,2,5)

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***OPENING PRAYER:** Lord, we come to you this morning as runners still in the race, some of us weary, some of us hopeful, all of us dependent on your grace. We lay down what is behind us and strain toward what is ahead: you, and the life you have called us to. Meet us in your word today and nourish us at your table. We pray together now the prayer Jesus taught us, singing together...

***HYMN #632:** “The Lord’s Prayer”

***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 84:1-7 (page 584) {A.B. page 658}

SPECIAL MUSIC: “Blessed Assurance” arr Gary Lanier (for words, #514 in hymnal)
Jim Boseck (trombone) and June Pettit (piano)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Hebrews 12:1-3 (page 1193) {A.B. page 1349}

Sermon
“Pressing On”
(Philippians 3:12-4:1)
Pastor Wade Allen

OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH

***HYMN #642:** “I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”

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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY: Improvisation on “Aurelia”

***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.

COMMUNION

***HYMN #306:** “Standing on the Promises”

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: “Gloria in excelsis” by Max Reger

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

The rosebud today is to celebrate the birth of Eleanor Lane Van Iseghem, on July 21st. She is the daughter of Curtis and Sarah Van Iseghem and granddaughter of Louise and Kerry Van Iseghem. The family lives in Wake Forest, NC. Please keep them in your prayers during this special time.

PRAYER SUPPORT IN THE NARTHEX: Trained Care Ministers are available to pray for anyone desiring prayer

Scriptures for next week, August 2

Sermon Scripture: **Philippians 4:1-9**

First Reading: **Psalms 34:1-8**

Second Reading: **Matthew 6:25-34**

PRAYER REQUESTS

Health concerns: Elena Gardner (granddaughter of Karen Gardner), Daniel Zimmerman (nephew of Wendy Bacon), Cheryl Casey, James Sheppard, Jenifer Parks (friend of Natalie DeTraglia), Sandy Cleason, Bill Kenyon, Everest Ferrante and Ardelle Walter (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, 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: Sumer Miller, Bruce G (brother-in-law of Kathi Nacca), Scott Kesel (friend of Sandi D), David Landon (friend of Sue V and Sandi D), Michael M. (friend of Kathi Nacca), 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), David Pagoda (Eveleigh family friend), Jim Davis (Scott's father), Stephen Carges (Paula Traber's brother)

Military Service: USAF Lt. Colonel Matthew Carpenter (Sarah Gross' nephew) deployed to Middle East, Tech SGT Nicholas DelVillano (Frye's son-in-law) USAF stationed in Germany, JJ Callard (USN), US Army CPT 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), Rev. Nancy and Rev. Shelvis Smith-Mather (South Sudan), Sally Gates (UK), Matt and Meredith Snell (Fort Drum, NY).

Highlights for This Week

- **Coffee and Conversation Small Groups** - After Sunday Service weekly! Come into the Fellowship Room after service and connect about the sermon! We also have a young adult group that will walk to town for coffee and back (they will also chat about the sermon along the way!)
- **Summer Gathering (25-35 year-olds) - Saturday, August 15, 6:30p-8:30p** - New for this year! Join us at Onanda Park (Crouch Hall) for dinner (Chipotle!) and relaxing time by the lake! This will be a casual gathering for fellowship and connection. Register online (via the church website) to RSVP.
- **Youth Retreat** - August 15 - *Registration open*
 - Youth 6-12 grade invited!
 - Enjoy fun, fellowship, and faith formation at Onanda Park!
 - Theme: Hearing God's Voice
- **Mission Experiences Week** - August 17-20 - *Registration open*
 - Sign up either online or in the Welcome Center for a variety of service opportunities during this week! Check out the bulletin insert for more information.
- **Our Greeter/Coordinator for August: Becky B.** Please contact Becky or the office 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.



Red Wings Baseball Game at ESL Ballpark

Sunday, August 30 – Game Time 1:05 pm, but come at least ½ hour early so you don't miss the **National Anthem sung by our very own Youth Choir!** (The photo below is from a few years ago.) Tickets are \$11 per person and are on sale now through August 16. **Scan the QR code or see Mary Beth Fortunato to purchase tickets.**

Following the game, kids are invited down to the field to run the bases with Spikes & Mittsy!



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

Foodlink's "Pop-Up Food Pantry"

will appreciate **volunteers** for an early month food distribution on **Monday, August 3rd from 9:00-11:00am at the Town of Canandaigua Highway Barn, 5440 Route 5 & 20.** United Church volunteers are committed to "hands on" support for this worthy program offering fresh produce, dairy, and more to food insecure individuals and families. Working together with Ontario Cares we package food items provided by Foodlink and load them into vehicles as recipients drive their cars through the barn.



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!

Back to School Angel Tree – **Look for the apples!**

As moms and dads know, buying all those school supplies for the fall can really add up! Let's give several families connected with our church a great start to the school year!

From now through August 16, school supply tag apples will be up on the Welcome Center giving trees. We invite you to please choose a tag and return the items **with** the tag to church **by Sunday, August 23.** Supplies are needed by this date so we can sort and get to these families before Labor Day. Last year we were able to help 8 students with this boost. Thanks for your generosity! Questions? See Cathy Bush, Carolyn Russell or Mary Lou Havens. If YOUR children need school supply assistance, please let us know!



CareNet - Baby Blessings Event

October 3, 1pm - 3pm

We are looking for **5x youth volunteers** to support the event as servers (bringing tea, water and goodies to the tables). Let Pastor Mark know directly if your student is interested! Located at Crosswinds! Deadline for volunteer sign ups is September 1.





Below find a list of our summer campers. Each child attending camp gets a campership for one week of camp. Please pray that the campers below have a safe week and that their experience is an impactful part of their faith journey. We have 34 campers attending Christian camp this year! Praise the Lord!

Summer Campers

Beaver Camp

Elise C - Aug 2-7, Bears
Adele M - Aug 2-7, Bears
Isaiah S - Aug 2-7, Bears
Josiah S - Aug 2-7, Beavers
Aubrey B - Aug 9-14, Teen Camp
Lily M - Aug 9-14, Teen Camp
Amelia C - Aug 9-14, Teen Camp*
Anna Z - Aug 9-14, Teen Camp

LeTourneau Christian Camp

Jesse C - Aug 3-7, Wacky Water Camp
Wyatt P - Aug 3-7, Wacky Water Camp
Levi A - Aug 17-21, Battlezone Camp
Lizzie A - Aug 17-21, Battlezone Camp
Asher A - Aug 17-21, Battlezone Camp
Graham B - Aug 17-21, Battlezone Camp
Carter S - Aug 17-21, Battlezone Camp

*not receiving a campership



SUMMER MISSION EXPERIENCES

Loving Jesus and our neighbor in thought, word, and deed



**AUG
17**

DAY 1 - MONDAY

CareNet & Cleaning
9am - 1230 / 1pm

CareNet & Welcome Kits Assembly

Our youth group will be splitting their time between helping CareNet organize clothing and assembling Welcome Kits to be given to Family Promise, CareNet, and Salvation Army!

Church Closet Cleanout

Join the Trustees in cleaning out the clutter in the various church closets! A dumpster will be provided, as big moves are expected!

Balcony Cleaning & Organization (Day A)

Join the Decorations team in providing the Balcony area a little TLC! This small group of people will do big things in getting our Balcony area and the decorations back in shape!

DAY 2 - TUESDAY

Intergenerational Relationships
9 am - 1230 pm

**AUG
18**



Senior Companion Lunch

Our Senior Companions, youth, stewards, and others will enjoy each other's company in an intergenerational setting! We will enjoy a time of worship, fellowship, games, and a meal!



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SUMMER MISSION EXPERIENCES

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**AUG
19**

DAY 3 - WEDNESDAY

Cleaning & Service Work
9am - 1230pm / 3pm

Youth Cleaning Day

Our youth group will be tackling a variety of cleaning throughout the church, including getting the church ready for the program year!

Habitat for Humanity Service Project

Those 16 & older will be performing a variety of "finishing touches" to the local home we help start at the Framing Frenzy! We will work onsite at: 128 Tillotson Street.

DAY 4 - THURSDAY

Cleaning & Youth Fun Day
9-1 cleaning; all-day at Seabreeze!

**AUG
20**



Balcony Cleaning & Organization (Day B)

Join the Decorations team in providing the Balcony area a little TLC! This small group of people will do big things in getting our Balcony area and the decorations back in shape!

Seabreeze Fun Day

Did your youth support any of our previous service days? They are invited for a day out a Seabreeze! We will end the day with dinner out in town before heading back to church.




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Notes and Doodles:

