

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you Sue Gentile for musical accompaniment for today's service!

Missions: One of the special missions we do each year is **Paper and Pencils Together**. It is a school supply ministry of Love INC and its supported by our church. The school teachers of Springville, Colden and West Valley schools greatly appreciate our donations! Please take one or more sticky notes from the bulletin board in the hallway listing items to be purchased. These are all items that teachers have requested that will assist in providing the necessary supplies this fall. Please return the purchased items to the Collection Box located in the foyer marked Paper and Pencils. We will be collecting items until Sunday, August 15. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with Gail Berger or Kathy Lounsbury. Thank you for your support!!!

Masks are no longer required anywhere in the church building for people who are vaccinated, as per CDC and NYS guidelines. Please continue to sign in each Sunday for our own attendance records. You may use either door to enter or exit the building. An offering plate will remain at the back of the sanctuary for your offerings.

Upcoming:

Sunday, July 25 – 9:30 Worship

Sunday, August 1 – 9:30 a.m. Worship w/Holy Communion provided

Sunday, August 8 – 9:30 a.m. Worship Service

Sunday, August 15 – 9:30 a.m. Worship Service



Faith
UNITED CHURCH of Christ

July 25, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.
**Seventh Sunday after
Pentecost**

Rev. Ted Brelsford | Transitional Pastor
Rev. Gary Burdick | Pastor Emeritus

Guest Accompanist: **Sue Gentile**

PRELUDE

We Sing of Your Glory

WELCOME

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Silent Meditation

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 24)

Leader: The Lord is just in all his doings

People: The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

All: Let us, indeed, call on the Lord our God and enter into the bounty of his blessings.

INVOCATION

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O God of bounty and blessing, we confess that we too often fail to trust in your gifts. We rely on ourselves instead of relying on you. We are filled with worry when we should be filled with faith. Forgive us, we pray, and strengthen us with your love, so that we might love more fully. Fill us with the confidence of your grace and bounty, that we might share your grace and bounty with others, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

A brief time of silence

*ASSURANCE OF GRACE

God is gracious and merciful, abounding in steadfast love for all of creation. May our generous and merciful Lord grant us forgiveness of all our sins, lead us into true repentance, and give us love and forgiveness also for each other. Amen!

*THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

SCRIPTURE Psalm 24

Leader: All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your faithful shall bless you.

People: They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power,

Leader: to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

People: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

Leader: The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down. The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season.

People: You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing.

Leader: The Lord is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings.

People: The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

SHARING WITH THE CHILDREN

HYMN *I Need Thee Every Hour* Gray #538

SCRIPTURE READING: II Kings 4:42-44

SCRIPTURE READING: John 6:1-15

SERMON "Bounty, Blessings, & Bounty"

PRAYERS and LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN *Jesus Calls Us o're the Tumult* Gray #580

REMINDER OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

The spirit of Abundance fills and blesses this earth and makes it good. Let us be grateful for all we have and generous in our sharing.

*DOXOLOGY

Pastor: In recognition of all that God has done for us, let us

All: **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures ere below. Praise God,
above, ye heavenly host. Creator, Christ, and
Holy Ghost!**

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Sent Out in Jesus Name*

Concerns & Prayers

For peace in our country and the world, for our military, for those whose needs we may not know. For those who have lost loved ones during the pandemic, For Dana Aberschein, Alice & Tim Baird, Gloria Blesy, Gary & Sue Cook, Eleanor Cornwall, Yves Coulombe, Zach Crandall, Mary Beth Dauer, Lorey Delia, Helen Easton, Martha Faulring, Barb Fink, Louise Forney, R. David Herren, Scot Kish, Eleanor Kraft, Mark Kreib, Lois Lizak, Pete & Carol Mueller, Joe Picuch, Mike Partridge, Joy Pfitzinger, Jeff Phillips, Phyllis Potter, Chuck & Sheila Recktenwalt, Loretta Rishel, Joe Ryan, Fred Shear, Linda Smerka, Janet Taber, Joyce Whitemore, Bob Winter

Those in the Military: Zachary Braun, Teegan Partridge, Jacob Roy, Cadan Skinner, Jamie-Lynn Smerka, Mary Solak, Aaron Wellman