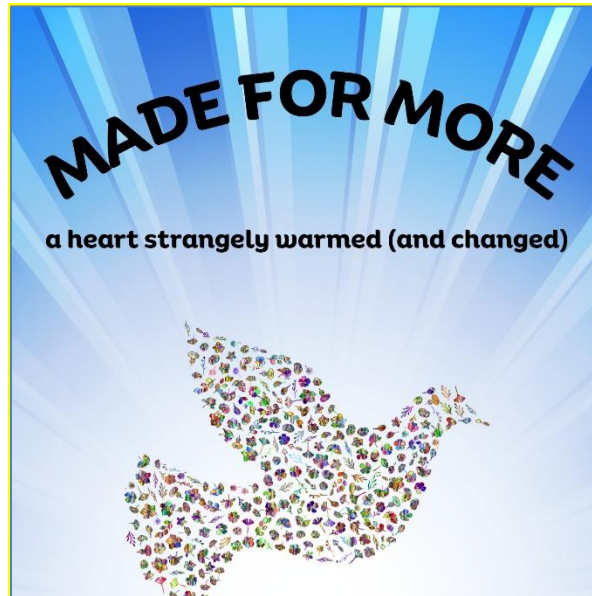


First United Methodist Church

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 7, 2026
8:15 & 10:30 a.m.



Mission Statement

“First United Methodist Church (FUMC) of Oneonta, NY is a congregation of faith and doubt. We commit ourselves to pursue justice, and pledge to stand with all our neighbors who are marginalized and oppressed, as Jesus did.” – Adopted by the Church Council on September 1, 2021



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

** Indicates that you are invited to stand in body or in spirit.*

Bold text invites the congregation to speak in unison.

(As the prelude begins, please prepare your hearts for worship)

Entering the Courts with Thanksgiving

Prelude

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

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*Hymn #3113

“A Wilderness Wandering People”

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A Wilderness Wandering People 3113



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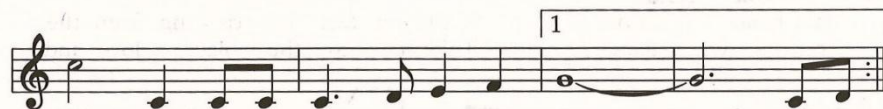
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heal our fam - ily's pain. Help us cure our cit - y's mad - ness, let



long - ing to be whole. Our Ho - ly God is call - ing to us. With
love and jus - tice reign. — Rec - on - ciled with one an - oth - er in



Je - sus by our side may com - pas - sion be our
prayer and praise and song, we're the bod - y of Christ to -



com - pass; may the Spir - it be our guide. — 2. May we
geth - er and we know that we be -



long, we be - long, — we be - long, — we be - long.

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WILDERNESS
Irr.

*Call to Worship

Gather! From the high places, from the lowlands, from all the corners of the world, gather today!

We gather for the work of transformation.

Transformation is the work of the church. Ours is not a dead religion, mindlessly going through the rituals of faith. Ours is not a carefully preserved church, thinking only about how we can keep things from changing. Ours is a living faith and a breathing church. We want to be the kind of church that lives justice, breathes mercy, and is always humbly walking with God!

Sung Response

(tune: Morning Has Broken)

**When we do justice, when we show kindness,
When we live humbly, tending the least,
Feeding the hungry, housing the homeless,
Clothing the naked, there is our feast.**

Passing the Peace

Drawing Near to God

Children's Time

1st Scripture Reading

Ezekiel 36:24-26, 33-36

Laura Hurley
Bhala Jones

*Hymn #399

“Take My Life, and Let It Be”
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2nd Scripture Reading

1 Peter 1:13-16, 22-25

NRSVUE

Sermon

“A Heart Strangely Warmed (and changed)”
Rev. Casey Bradley

Anthem

“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”
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Sanctuary Choir
Buckingham Ringers
Gary Toombs, trumpet
Gwen Cash & Ruth Wang, liturgical dance

Special thanks to Bhala Jones (choreographer) & Gail Niles (costumes)

Responding with Faith

Sacrament of Holy Communion

sung responses to the tune of “Morning Has Broken”

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

With open hearts, open hands, and open doors, we come into the presence of God...In celebration of the God whose breath fills our lungs and echoes through our voices, we join the unending hymn.

sing

**Holy is the Lord, God full of power,
Heaven and earth are filled with your grace.
Blessed is the one who comes in your name.
Loudest Hosannas our voices raise.**

...We share this meal today in remembrance of the gift of salvation freely offered to us by the grace of Jesus Christ. In the sharing of the bread and cup, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

sing **Holy and living, sacrificed Christ,
Uniting us with our Makers song.
Embracing mystery; Christ who has died,
Is resurrected and lives again.**

...By your Spirit may we be one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world until that day when Christ comes in final reconciliation so that all may join in the singing around the table of the heavenly banquet.

sing **Hope sets the table. Peace bids us welcome,
Wonder and joy our wine and our bread.
Loving our neighbor, loving the stranger,
Hunger is sated. So we are fed.**

Prayer Moment

The Lord's Prayer

Our Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering

June Jingle – Habitat for Humanity

Offertory

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*Doxology #94

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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Prayer of Dedication

Going in Peace

Announcements

*Hymn #534

“Be Still, My Soul”

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Benediction

Sung Response

**God of abundance, God of the banquet,
Help us to bless in all that we do.
When we do justice, when we show kindness,
We are fulfilled in feasting on you.**

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Postlude

“Rigaudon”
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The placement of the votive candle on the altar started the year of our 25th anniversary in 2014 of becoming a Reconciling Congregation. Each month we honored a different person(s) who answered the call to stand for full inclusion of all God’s children.

PRAYER LIST

Recovering or in long term care (ask the church office for contact info):

Bhala Jones Harry & Virginia Pence Louise Van Buren

Prayer Requests: Prayer requests will be published for 4 weeks. If you would like to extend a request, please fill out one of the prayer cards located in the pew rack. **Please mark if you want your request to be public.**

Larry M. Rev. LaDana Clark Baby Sal Scott A.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: *Thomas St. John* on June 7; *Alexandria Eardley, Rosalie James, Caitlyn Young & Phyllis Zona* on June 11; *Stephanie Hempstead & Sophie Brown* on June 12; and *Eric Hansen & Kathryn St. John* on June 13.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday services are accessible online. The 8:15 service is on Facebook. The 10:30 service is on YouTube or Zoom (Meeting ID: 844 9992 4538, <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84499924538> or call 1-646-558-8656).

- TODAY 8:15 am Worship in person & on Facebook
 9:25 am Sunday School & Digging Deeper (adult class)
 10:30 am Worship in person, via Zoom & on YouTube
 11:30 am Fellowship Time
- MON. 6/8 10:00 am Book Group (Embury Room)
 5:00 pm Yoga (Embury Room)
- TUES. 6/9 11:00 am Staff Meeting (Coke Room)
 2:30 pm Selah Circle (Coke Room)
 6:30 pm SPRC (Coke Room)
- WED. 6/10 9:15 am Buckingham Bell Ringers
 11:00 am UWF (Embury Room)
 12:00 pm UWF Lunch Program (Fellowship Hall)
 12:00 pm Spiritual Study Group (Dauley Room)
 7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir
- THUR. 6/11 10:00 am UWF Book Group (Embury Room)
 5:30 pm Oneonta Hooks & Needles (Embury Room)
- FRI. 6/12
- SAT. 6/13 11:00 am – 1:00 pm Saturday’s Bread (Fellowship Hall)
- SUN. 6/14 8:15 am Worship in person & on Facebook
 9:25 am Sunday School & Digging Deeper (adult class)
 10:30 am Worship in person, via Zoom & on YouTube
 11:30 am Fellowship Time

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebration Sunday

Celebration Sunday is on June 21. We will be recognizing our graduates that day. If you know of any students who are members or constituents of FUMC who are moving from Elementary to Middle School; Middle School to High School; or graduating from High School, Trade School, or College, we want to know so we can recognize and celebrate their achievement.

Please contact the church office by June 14 (secretary@firstumc-oneonta.org or 607-432-4102) with their names, the school they graduated from, and the degree they are receiving if applicable. You can also share names of graduates with us online at <https://firstumc-oneonta.org/news/celebration-sunday-2026>. Pictures of graduating High School Seniors will be much appreciated so we may celebrate them during worship.

June Jingle – Habitat for Humanity

The June Jingle (of loose change in the offering plate) will go to Habitat for Humanity of Otsego County. Habitat partners with individuals and families to build simple, safe houses, and assists with the purchasing process. Building costs are minimized by dedicated volunteers who contribute hours of labor. Due to the generous donations of labor and money, the actual cost of building each house is considerably lower than the appraised (sale price) value. For more information go to <https://habitatotsego.org/>.

Special Offering Next Week – Peace with Justice Sunday

Next Sunday, June 14, we will be collecting a special offering for Peace with Justice Sunday. Half of the funds collected go to the local Annual Conference and support ministries that promote peace, fairness, and education where you live. Many areas also have a Peace with Justice Coordinator who helps lead local advocacy and learning opportunities. The other half supports United Methodist efforts across the U.S. and beyond. Grants are available to churches and organizations working on initiatives that promote peace, challenge injustice, and empower underrepresented communities – especially Ethnic and Minority Local Churches.

Summer Reporter Deadline – June 15

Submissions for the Summer (July/August) issue of the Reporter are due on Monday, June 15. Please send your submissions to Amy at communications@firstumc-oneonta.org.

Reminder: Please also start thinking ahead to the “Back to School” issue, which will go out mid-August. The deadline for that edition is July 31.

Progress on Data Centers – One More Step to Take!

On June 4, the last day of its 2026 session, the NYS Legislature passed the Responsible Data Center Development Act. According to Food & Water Watch, the bill contains noteworthy reforms, including energy efficiency standards for data centers and additional protections for disadvantaged communities. Most importantly, the bill presses the pause button, establishing a one-year moratorium on new data centers, protecting our communities from their rampant destruction.

Thanks to Church Council, Pastor Casey, and every member of FUMC who supported this effort. There is one more step that needs to be taken: Urge Governor Hochul to sign this bill into law. You can do that at <https://act.foodandwaterwatch.org/page/98981/action/1>.

Be Green, Be Just

Walk on established pathways – concrete, asphalt, wood chip trails. Staying on the path keeps green areas green. Remind children that the green spaces are home to critters who are God’s creation too and deserve our respect.