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“United Flyer”

Where will you be this Easter?

Jesus's journey is a well-known story. But have you ever thought of that journey as if you were a 5 yr. old Jesus, a 12 yr. old Jesus traveling in a convoy of family and friends to Jerusalem or a 30 yr. old Jesus as he begins to fulfill the prophecies of the Old Testament?

Consider joining us in person and on Facebook live on Easter Sunday, as we explore this journey and where it ends. Listen and watch as the story about Holy Week unfolds and then...?

Message: “Cradle and the Cross”



Sunday, April 4, 2021 at 10:00 AM

A Farewell Coaches Corner

“How Can I Be Filled with The Holy Spirit?”

Whatever was written in former days for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. (Romans 15:4).

How can we be filled with the Holy Spirit? How can we experience an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon our church and ourselves that fills us with unending joy, and frees us, and empowers us, to love those around us in ways that win people to Christ? Answer: meditate day and night on the hope-giving promises of God. As Romans 15:4 shows us, that ‘s the way Paul kept his heart full of hope and joy and love.

The full assurance of hope comes from meditating on the promises of God’s word. And this is backed up by the sentence nine verses later that says that the Holy Spirit gives us hope. (Romans 15:13)

This is because the Holy Spirit is the divine author of scripture. His word is the means of His work. He fills us with hope by filling us with his own word of promise.

Hope is not some vague emotion that comes out of nowhere, like a stomachache. Hope is the confidence that the awesome future promised to us by the Word of the Spirit is really going to come true. So... the way to be filled with the Spirit is to be filled with His Word. The way to have power of the Spirit is believe the promises of God’s word.

For it is the word of promise that fills us with hope, and hope fills us with joy, and joy overflows into the power and freedom to love our neighbor. And that is the fulness of the Holy Spirit!

Let it be so... Amen.

Coach Mac

Whatever you do... Do it for the Lord!

Church Directory

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Administrative Coord.: Marlene Loomis - 493-2968

Admin. Coord. Hours: Tues.- Fri. 8:00 AM- 2:00 PM

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Bd. of Elder Chair: Bonnie Miller - 237-3958

Bd. of Trustees Chair: Dennis Miller - 493-2743

Church Moderator: Charles Miller - 237-3958

Custodian: Melissa Dake - 493-3215

Director of Music: Barb Meyer - 322-7396

Supt. of Buildings & Grounds: Greg VanSlyke - 493-5874



Wednesday Fireside Chats

Our Wednesday Fireside Chats are held at 6:00 PM every Wednesday on Castile UCC’s Facebook Page.

If you would be interested in doing one of these chats, please contact the church office at 493-2840 or Marcy VanZandt – 493-2119.

Navigating Uncharted Waters

Your Board of Elders has been diligently talking about covering the ministry of our church now that Pastor Tim & Marcia have gone.

We know that it is the duty of the Pastoral Search Committee to search for a Pastor, but it is the BOE responsibility to make sure that each Sunday we have coverage in the pulpit. With that in mind, we gratefully accept the welcomed addition of Tammy Lathan to our worship team. She will be covering as our Spiritual Leader on the first and third Sundays of the month.

Tammy has been in this leadership position before and knows that God's calling can come in many different ways. Her willingness to accept this calling is a Joy for all of us as we journey along with her in a walk of faith. Of course, this does beg the question of what happens on the Sunday's she is not in the pulpit.

After a conversation with Eric Kelly, Pastor of the Perry Center Congregational Church, I am pleased to announce that we will be "piggybacking" on one of his sermons through YouTube. He is pleased to share these sermons with us as we are sister churches.

On these Sundays, the BOE will rotate as spiritual worship leaders, i.e. leading the service from the pulpit (kudos to our tech team). We will still have a Lay Leader each week who will perform those duties from the Lectern. All former and present BOE members are encouraged to volunteer for these positions.

And finally. Our church is a healthy church and we endeavor to keep it that way. Through Tim's ministry, we have learned so much. Walking in faith with our Lord and being there for each other has become our way of journeying. Your BOE accepts any suggestions, constructive criticism and positive ideas. Hand in hand we will go forward together.

Let it be so.
Bonnie Miller, Chair of Elders

Holy Week

Palm Sunday – Tammy Lathan Preaching



Maundy Thursday, April 1 at 6:45 PM-

This year for Maundy Thursday, we will be gathering at 6:45 PM. Due to Covid we are not hosting a Pot Luck Dinner, but will have premade plates of grapes, cheese and crackers, dates/figs and olives. When you pick up your communion cup, please help yourself to a plate of some of the traditional items we enjoy on Maundy Thursday. Then proceed into the sanctuary and enjoy your food as you listen to meditation music.

At approx. 7:00 PM we will all partake of Holy Communion in the sanctuary, then lead right into the Service of Reflection.



Easter Sunday – 10:00 AM

Tammy Lathan preaching

We will only be hosting one Worship Service on Easter Sunday at 10:00 AM due to Covid. Social Distancing protocols and face masks will be required.



Memorial Easter Lilies

Deadline is April 3, 2021 Cost: \$9.00 each

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Given By: _____

Check _____ **Cash** _____



Child Care

NO CHILD CARE will Be Provided Until Further Notice DUE TO COVID CONCERNS.

(The church Dining Room is available for you and your child, if needed.)



Altar Flowers

April 4- Easter Lilies

11- Easter Lilies

18- Cindy Feroleto (In memory of Jared P. Bush)

25- Mary Reagan



Clerks News:

Births

Cody Blake Doolittle March 16, 2021

Parents: Michael & Jamie Doolittle

Grandparents: Tim & Marcia McMullen

Deaths:

Janice Anderson (K. Anderson's sister-in-law) Feb. 15

Debra Shisler (K. Anderson's niece) March 6

Lincoln Michael Scott (infant son of Dan & Rachel Scott. Grandparents: Paul & Abbey Scott) March 10



5:55 PM - P.T.P.

Praise, Thanks, Petition.

- PRAISE GOD for who He is, and what He has done for us as Creator...
- THANK GOD for all His blessings He has afforded us in our lives, including the gift of His Son, Jesus...
- Then, PETITION GOD for what you need.

**So SET YOUR Phone Alarm for 5:55 everyday –
Take time to stop and PRAY P.T.P.**

ALONG with your personal petitions should be prayers of intercessions... praying on behalf of others. Prayer is not letting God do what you want... prayer is lining up your heart, will, and thoughts with what God wants.

Pastoral Search News

Our Pastoral Search Committee has spent several meetings and many hours creating our church profile that reflects the voice and vision of our church community. Part of our process in finding a new pastor is conducting a *Diversity Survey* so that we can get a more specific voice from people like you. It is completely anonymous, and we ask you to complete the survey openly and honestly.

Your input will be very valuable as we move forward in our process of interviewing potential candidates to be our next pastor. If you have any questions about the survey, please feel free to reach us by email to castile_ucc@yahoo.com and we will help you out the best we can.

Please check your e-mail or regular mail for this survey. It will only take about five minutes to complete. **Deadline to complete this survey is March 30, 2021!**

Committee Members are:

Tyler King: Chairperson

Tammy Lathan: Secretary

Marlene Loomis: Contact Person

Debbie Beeman

Lynn McNamara

Barbara Meyer

Cliff Scott



The Cross on the Wall

A Cross on the wall is not a sign of your Christianity, it is a reminder that Christ should be the center of our lives.

Whose house has this Cross??

1. Tammy Lathan
2. Joann Prusinowski
3. Barbara Meyer



Christian Education News

The Castile UCC Board of Christian Education has resumed Weekly Sunday School Classes. Thank you to our teachers!!

In a continued effort to reach out to our families, we will be featuring an article each month for families to use called Faithful Families at Home.



Faithful Families at Home

Anxiety Wash Away Worries

Adults often look at the life of a child and think, “Children don’t have a job, a marriage, or dependents to take care of. They have no responsibility. They play and have their needs met. Ah, the easy life.” We are even quick to remind children, “Wait until you are in the real world, then you’ll know how hard it really is!” The truth is, though, children do live in the real world—their world. And a child is faced with any number of anxieties on a daily basis. This ceremony allows children to express their worries in the presence and safety of a caring adult and then have a moment to ceremonially “wash them away” and call on the Holy Spirit to carry them.

Designed for Ages 4+ Materials

1. Chalk
2. Bucket with sponges, or a garden hose
3. Sidewalk or driveway (see variations for options for apartment/ condo dwellers)

Time Investment: 10–30 minutes

How To:

1. When your child or teen comes to you with concern or worries, ask if he or she would like to do an exercise with you in which you “wash your worries away together.” If the child says yes, grab your chalk and head outside!

2. Ceremonies have the opportunity to explain her drawing or words, but that she doesn’t have to if she doesn’t want to.

3. At the end of the drawing time, ask your child to explain his drawing or worry if he would like. Model this by sharing some of your worries.

4. Together, fill a bucket with water and find sponges, or get out the garden hose.

5. Wash away your chalk drawings with the sponges or the garden hose. As you do, say, “Holy Spirit, we give you our worries and fears. Take them away.”

6. Conclude with a hug and a prayer: “Holy Spirit, we have a lot of worry and anxiety. Help us to have peace and calm in our hearts. Amen.”

Notes:

- I advise adults to share some, but not all, of their concerns to model to children how to be both public and private in their sharing of concerns. There are times when we want to share our worries with others, and there are times when we’d rather keep them private. Modeling that God hears all of our anxieties, even the unspoken ones, is a great relief for children.
- There is a strong temptation in this exercise for parents to either suggest solutions to these problems or to minimize the problems. Both of these instincts are born out of the desire to be genuinely helpful to the child. I encourage parents to resist the urge to do this.
- Adolescence is a time when worries abound! Don’t be so quick to assume your teenager doesn’t want to do an activity like this. Follow up can happen in gentle ways as well: “I was wondering about that drawing from earlier. How’s that all going?”

Board of Trustees News

St. Pauly's Used Clothing Drop-off Box

What to Donate: Used clothing, shoes, belts, purses, linens, blankets, curtains, and stuffed animals.

What Not to Donate: Furniture, electronics, household items, books, toys, rags, pillows or fabric scraps. **Our latest check: \$67.18.**



Thank you's

To **Jen Griesbaum** for sending in the Daily Scripture of Hope pictures.

To **Beverly Edwards** for returning another **\$90.30** in pop cans and water bottles.

To **Tim & Marcia McMullen** for donating a case of paper towels and toilet paper for the church use.



Missions News

Scrap Metal Mission

• cast iron • copper • stainless steel • steel • brass
• aluminum • lawn mowers • electric motors • old machinery • power tools • hand tools • batteries

Please, NO: T.V.'s, computers, air conditioners, freezer, refrigerators (nothing with Freon in it.)

Contact Chuck Klein at 567-8204 for pick up.



Newsletter Deadlines

All newsletter articles for the "United Flyer" are due **by the 15th of each** month and are at the discretion of the church office.



Worship Technology Team

The Worship Tech Team is still looking for volunteers to help video each Sunday's worship Service. If interested contact Charles Miller.

April Birthdays

- 1 - Donna Diver
- 1 - Christopher McNamara
- 4 - Nancy Gebauer
- 8 - Michelle Chamberlain
- 8 - Tom Scott
- 9 - Travis Helmer
- 9 - Victoria Holbrook
- 10 - Matthew Andrews
- 10 - Anthony Feroletto
- 12 - Noah Chamberlain
- 15 - Beth Pond
- 16 - Emma Pitts
- 16 - Ronald Ikeler
- 19 - Mya Edwards
- 19 - Weston Weaver Jr.
- 20 - Bill Dake
- 20 - Stella Shappy
- 21 - Roxanna Backer
- 23 - Butch Pond
- 23 - Beverly Edwards
- 23 - Joan Coffey
- 26 - Braydon Davis
- 27 - Nicki Baker
- 27 - Sapphire Dunn
- 28 - Barbara Meyer
- 29 - Debbie Beeman
- 29 - Brooke Tousey



April Anniversaries

- 10 - Chuck & Dolores Klein



Women's Fellowship

Our Mission Statement:

"Through the belief in our Living God, our mission is to reach out and support families and individuals in need, by sharing ideas and creativity, using our time and talents to strengthen ties in the community."

2021 Chairperson: Marcy VanZandt

Vice - Chair: Bonnie Miller

Secretary: Mary Reagan

Correspondence: Carol Becker

Treasurer: Cindy Feroletto

“Meals & Missions” Luncheons are on hold until further notice.



Thank you to some of our “Meals & Missions” ladies who have continued to make comfort quilts and hats for the homeless. **Especially Fran Priestly, her daughter, Monica Johnson and Audrey Brown.**

Also, thank you to **Melissa (Lathan) Best** for two bags of scarves for the homeless.



Biblical Trivia

1. Which Gospel reveals the fewest number of miracles performed by Jesus?
2. In what water was Jesus baptized?
3. What miracle did Jesus perform at the marriage in Cana?
4. Who was the tax collector that climbed a tree?
5. Which two Old Testament characters appeared with Jesus at the Transfiguration?
6. How did Jesus reveal the one who would betray him?
7. Where was Jesus crucified?
8. For how many days did Jesus appear to his disciples after the resurrection?
9. Who went with Paul on his first missionary journey?
10. What language is most of the New Testament originally written?



Military Personal Addresses

(No addresses at this time):

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Rich Reed
Tyler Smith
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April is Autism Awareness Month

S.P.O.K.E.S - Autism Awareness group will be offering a virtual presentation on **Thur., April 29, 2021 at 7:00 PM.** (ZOOM link hasn't been posted yet.)

Allyson Jordan, Ph.D. and her colleague, Lisa Latten will be co-presenting. They work for the Division of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics at University of Rochester Medical Center. They specialize in behavioral issues with children, specifically children with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

If you are interested in this presentation, please contact S.P.O.K.E.S. Autism Group at s.p.o.k.e.s.awareness.autism@gmail.com or contact Marlene Loomis for more information.



Autism Trail in Letchworth State Park

The Campaign to Build the Autism Nature Trail (The ANT) at Letchworth State Park is a public-private partnership to provide a recreational Trail within the Park designed to allow visitors with autism and other developmental disabilities to push boundaries, explore new activities and develop skills.

To date, the Campaign has raised \$3 million of the total \$3.7 million budget which includes a generous endowment for maintenance, operations and programming forever.

The project broke ground in February, 2021

1. Trailhead Pavilion
2. Sensory Station
3. Sunshine Slope
4. Music Circle
5. Curiosity Corner
6. Reflection Point
7. Meadow Run & Climb
8. Design Area.
9. Playful Path
10. Celebration Station



For more information visit the Autism Nature Trail website at: autismnaturetrail.com

Healthy Living

Topic: Healthy Living Presentation
Time: April 15, 2021 at 7:00 PM
How: Zoom



This presentation will provide information on Breast and Prostate Cancer. They will share information related to risk factors and the screening processes.

Their goal is to help others understand the importance of getting screened especially in these times.

The format for the meeting will be a Zoom presentation. The ID is 923 5865 2787 and the passcode is 642353.

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Cross on the Wall Answer – No. 2

Trivia Answers:

1. Matthew
2. River Jordan
3. He turned water in to wine
4. Zacchaeus
5. Elijah & Moses
6. Dipped a piece of bread and passed it to him
7. Golgotha
8. 40
9. Barnabas
10. Greek

