



**May 24, 2026
Pentecost Sunday
& Patriot Sunday**



**UNITED CHURCH
of PITTSFORD**

American Baptist & United Methodist

Liturgist: Karen White

Musical Director: Alan Murphy

Pastor: Reverend Julius David Jackson, Jr. (Pastor JD)

*A hearing loop is available for the hearing impaired.
Please ask the ushers if you need assistance.*

** Those who are able may stand.*

PRELUDE

Musical Selection

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***HYMN #192 (1,2,3,6)** There's a Spirit In the Air

***PRAYER OF GATHERING** (*in unison*)

God of Grace and Power, we thank you for the many blessings we have received from your hand, We thank you for the beauty and complexity of our world. We thank you for the many different peoples, traditions, and cultures that you have fashioned. Grant that we may honor and respect our diverse gifts and find our deeper unity in your loves as revealed in Jesus Christ. May your renewing Spirit continue to call, gather, and enlighten us as we seek to serve your good purposes. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Let us bless the Lord

All: Great are the works of the Lord.

One: The earth is wonderfully made,

All: The seas, plants, animal life, and all good things.

One: Let our praise and meditations be pleasing to the Lord God our creator.

All: Renew our spirits and fill our hearts with the peace of Christ.

One: By your Spirit's power, O lord, bring us healing and joy.

All: Bless the Lord, O my soul Praise the Lord!

***UNISON READING**

Lord, Help us to see our brothers and sisters as partners in the faith. Empower us by your Holy Spirit so that we may boldly share our gifts, always seeking to complement and

support the mission of our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray trusting in your great mercy through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***HYMN #191 (ALL)** Jesus Loves Me

SCRIPTURE Acts 2:1-21 NRSV

***HYMN #393 (ALL)** Spirit of the Living God

GOSPEL/MORNING MESSAGE

John 20:19-23 NRSV

“SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT”

Rev. Julius David Jackson, Jr. (Pastor JD)

***HYMN #420 (1-4)** Breathe on Me, Breath of God

MORNING PRAYERS/ SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Pastoral Prayer

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Musical Selection*

***Response:** #95 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.

*** Prayer of Dedication for Offering**

***RECESSIONAL HYMN #696 (ALL)**
America The Beautiful

BENEDICTION

*CLOSING HYMN #334 (ALL) Sweet, Sweet Spirit

POSTLUDE

Musical Selection

~ Those who are able may stand! ~

Announcements

Please join us for coffee in Howard Hall after service.

Calendar

Sun., May 31

Hymn Sing Sunday

Sun., June 7

Lemonade on the Lawn Begins

Sun., June 14

UCP Photoboard Sessions

Lemonade on The Lawn Begins 6/7

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Photoboard Session on 6/14

On Sunday, June 14th, Richard Ashworth will take new photos in Howard Hall after the Worship Service. (Photos will also be available for purchase.) There's no need to sign up - just put it on your calendar, turn up and smile! Questions? Call Richard at 381-2189.

LECTIONARY TEXTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Trinity Sunday (May 31, 2026):

Genesis 1:1 – 2:4a

Psalm 8

2 Corinthians 13:11 - 13;

Matthew 28:16-20

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN



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Questions?

Please contact Donella (381-2189).

THANK YOU!



PHOTO SESSION

Have you looked at the photoboard in Howard Hall recently? Is your photo up to date? Are you even there?

The photoboard is a valuable resource for new and established people alike, but many of the pictures are way out of date, and a number of newer members of the UCP community are not represented there at all.

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The Power of Prayer - and the UCP Prayer Chain

There are many lists describing the power of prayer. One common power given is: Prayer is a way to help others. There are two ways this is true. One is to play with someone and the other is to pray for someone.

"Pray for one another, that you may be healed." James 5:16

The UCP Prayer Chain is our church community's way to support others and, in some ways, ourselves in times when prayers are needed. While we share both our joys and concerns in the worship services, the chain is intended only for concerns needing prayers for support.

How do I request a prayer? If you have a prayer request, you may email Donella Ashworth at (Donella@rochester.rr.com) or call (585-766-9126). She will forward the requests to the Prayer Chain.

What and Who is the Prayer Chain? The chain is an email list used to forward prayer requests. Members of UCP are the volunteer members of the chain. Members both learn of the needs of others in our church community and sometimes beyond, and, in their own prayer ways, request support for those in need.

How do I join the UCP Prayer Chain? Very simple! If you want to join the existing UCP Prayer Chain, send an email to Donella Ashworth at (Donella@rochester.rr.com) or call (585-766-9126). She will add you to the mailing list, and you will receive the requests as they arrive.



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Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7

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Just choose a fund.

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Mail to 123 S. Main St., Pittsford, NY 14534

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