

Ephesians 1:3

Blessed

be the God and Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us with every
Spiritual Blessing
in the heavenly places in Christ.

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*Central and Algonquin United
Methodist Churches*

Sunday, July 14, 2024

With Pastor Marty Johnston

Mission Statement:

Connecting all people to God by building bridges
of caring, outreach, and acceptance.

Central and Algonquin UMC's Worship Gathering
Pastor Marty Johnston
July 14, 2024
Eighth Sunday After Pentecost
CCLI License# 3999519

Greeters/Ushers: Barb Carlisle/Kris Donarski
Liturgist: Jackie Willey

PRELUDE “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need” arr. Smith

WELCOME/MISSION STATEMENT

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*CALL TO WORSHIP¹

One: The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof,

All: the world and those who dwell therein;

One: for God has founded it upon the seas,

All: and established it upon the rivers.

One: Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?

All: And who shall stand in God's holy place?

One: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,

All: who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully.

One: They will receive blessing from the Lord,

All: and vindication from the God of their salvation.

One: Such is the generation of those who seek the Lord,

All: who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

One: Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the
Ruler of glory may come in.

All: Who is the Ruler of glory?

One: The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!

**All: Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the
Ruler of glory may come in.**

One: Who is this Ruler of glory?

All: The Lord of hosts, the Lord is the Ruler of glory!

*OPENING HYMN “All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

UMH 280
ST. THEODULPH

PASTOR'S OPENING PRAYER *

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

INTRODUCTION TO FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

This morning's reading from the book of Ephesians, tells us that God has blessed us with every spiritual blessing through Jesus Christ. He chose us before the world began to be holy and loved. Through Jesus, we are forgiven and have the riches of His grace. We are adopted as His children, and He has a plan to bring everything together under Christ. We have received the Holy Spirit as a guarantee of our inheritance until we fully receive what God promised, all for His glory.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 1:3-14

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God

All: Thanks be to God

CHORUS "Open Our Eyes"

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OPEN OUR EYES

SERMON Blessings from Above

INVITATION TO OFFERING

As we reflect on the abundant blessings God has lavished upon us in Christ, let us give generously in gratitude for His grace. May our offering today be a joyful response to the spiritual inheritance we have received, to the praise of His glorious grace.

OFFERTORY "Recitative for Flute"

Paxton

DOXOLOGY

UMH 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.**

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION²

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the spiritual blessings You have poured out on us through Christ. As we give our offerings today, may they reflect our gratitude and be used to further Your kingdom, to the praise of Your glorious grace. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE,

Leader: In your mercy

All: hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – July 7, 2024

******SHHHH** - A **"SURPRISE" 80th Birthday Party** is being thrown for **Ginger Bath** on **Saturday, July 27** from **11 a.m. to 1 p.m.** in the CUMC Fellowship Hall by her family. **Be sure to arrive by 10:45 a.m. to be part of the surprise!** Please RSVP to Tara by Sun., 7/21/24 at (906)869-3529 or tchays@gmail.com. Copies of the invitation sent to CUMC are available in the church office. **Ginger is still in the dark, so let's keep the surprise.**

Monday – Wednesday - 7/22-24: Robin Myers will work in the church **office** from **9 a.m. – 2 p.m.**; the **office** will be **closed** on **Thurs.**

Hiring - Family Ministries Coordinator Position

Do you know someone who enjoys working with children and loves God? **CUMC** is **seeking** to hire a **Family Ministries Coordinator**. The position is **part-time** with **flexible hours** and has a **strong support team**. A job description is available in the church office. Anyone **interested** or with questions is encouraged to **contact Pastor Marty** at the church office or **Terri Bush** at **906-440-2850**.

******CUMC** will have the Summer Month's Salad Luncheons after the worship service on **Sunday, July 14**, and **Sunday, Aug. 4**.

Algonquin Birthday/Anniversary

July 17 – Ashley Harwood

July 18 – Sandy Gaus

July 19 – Kaitlyn Anderson (21st)

Central Birthdays

July 17 – Abby Abrego

July 14 – Nancy and Doug Kirkpatrick – 45th Annv.

This Week

Saturday: First United Presbyterian Church Rummage Sale from 9 AM – 1 PM at 555 Bingham Street.

Save the Date

Mon., - Wed., 7/22-24: Robin Myers will work in the church **office** from **9 a.m. – 2 p.m.**; the **office** will be **closed** on **Thurs.**

Fri., July 26: Good News Church is hosting a **movie night** featuring Angel Studios' new film, **The Sound of Hope**, currently in theaters. It will be held at Kinross Recreation Center at 7 PM. Tickets may be purchased at the door by cash or check. For more information contact Amy Jo Cole @9064409965 or email nateandamyjo@gmail.com.

Sun., Aug. 11: The **Algonquin United Women in Faith** invite you to a **Summer BBQ** on Sunday, August 11, at **5 pm.** Please plan to join us for an evening of good food and fellowship!

*CLOSING

“Crown Him With Many Crowns”

UMH 327
DIADEMATA

BENEDICTION

*God be with you till we meet again, by his council guide, uphold you,
with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again...*

POSTLUDE

“Hyfrydol”

arr. Prichard

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