



**December 28, 2025**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas**  
**Christmas / Holiday Hymn Sing**  
**Unique Sweater Sunday**



**UNITED CHURCH**  
*of* **PITTSFORD**

**American Baptist & United Methodist**

**Liturgist:** Judi Yaneka  
**Music Director:** Alan Murphy  
**Pastor:** Rev. Julius David Jackson, Jr. (Pastor JD)

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

*\* Indicates: Those who are able may stand.*

## PRELUDE

*Musical Selection*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*HYMN

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

Your giving, O God, expands beyond our capacity to imagine. Your generosity is so extravagant and pervasive that we have a hard time comprehending it. Open our eyes to see how good you are. And in this inexhaustible grace, lead us to give as freely as we can. May all we have and all we are serve as means through which you redeem your world. We pray in the light of your supreme gift of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: We come to sing aloud of the goodness of the Lord.

**ALL: Let us be alive like a freshly watered garden that will never languish.**

ONE: Our young will rejoice in dancing and our old shall be merry.

**ALL: The Lord will turn our mourning into joy and our sorrow into gladness.**

### UNISON PRAYER

Redeeming God, forgive us for missing the point. Forgive us for living as though we still have to earn your grace. But just as every parent would long to pass on a rich inheritance to the children, so you have already promised and accomplished our future of redemption. With Christ as our assurance, help us to live accordingly.

### SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 63:7-9 NRSV

**\*HYMN** \_\_\_\_\_

**SCRIPTURE**

**Matthew 2:13-23 NRSV**

**Pastor Rev. Julius D. Jackson, Jr.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC – Music Director**

**\*HYMN** \_\_\_\_\_

**MORNING PRAYERS/ SHARING OUR JOYS  
AND CONCERNS**

*Pastoral Prayer*

**GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

*Offertory      Musical Selection*

**\*Response:** #95 (*SING*) 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**

**\*HYMN** \_\_\_\_\_

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** *Musical Selection*

*~ Those who are able may stand! ~*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us for coffee in Howard Hall.

### Calendar

Wed., Jan. 14	MLK Event at UCP – 7 pm
Thurs., Jan. 15	Trillium “Lunch & Learn”
Fri., Jan. 16	Pastor JD Sermon at Temple Sinai
<b>Sun., Jan. 18</b>	<b>UCP Annual Budget Meeting</b>
Mon., Jan. 19	King Day Celebration at Eastman 10 am
Wed, Jan. 21	MLK Event at UCP – 7 pm
Sun., Jan. 25	MLK Event at UCP – 3 pm
Sat., Jan. 31	Pastor JD Speaks at Nazareth Univ.
Sat., Jan. 31	PUNS Cleaning Day – 8 am to 5 pm
<b>Sun., Feb 1</b>	<b>Annual Congregational Meeting</b>

### Lectionary Texts for next week (January 4, 2026)

Isaiah 60:1-6  
Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14  
Ephesians 3:1-12  
Matthew 2:1-12

<b>14</b> Jan	<b>7PM</b> Mobile Museum of Tolerance Short Films & Discussion
<b>21</b> Jan	<b>7PM</b> Spoken Word Performance & Open Mic/Poetry Slam
<b>25</b> Jan	<b>3PM</b> Interfaith Family Service

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