

# BE THE CHURCH

*Protect the environment.*

Care for the poor.

**Forgive often.**

**Reject racism.**

**Fight for the powerless.**

*Share earthly and spiritual resources.*

Embrace diversity.

**Love God.**

**Enjoy this life.**

Sunday July 12, 2026      10:00 AM

Reverend Michelle Sumption Stone

WEBSTER UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

July 12, 2026

10:00 A.M.

**Prelude**

Oleksandra Yurchenko

**Words of Welcome**

Attila Lampert

**Gathering Song**

**“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You”**

**NCH #4**

Joyful, joyful, we adore you, God of glory, God of love: hearts unfold like flowers before you, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the storms of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All your works with joy surround you, earth and heaven reflect your rays. Stars and angels sing around you, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, teach us what our praise should be.

You are giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blessed. Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest! Loving Spirit, Father, Mother, all who love belong to you. Teach us how to love each other, by that love our joy renew.

Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began; boundless love is reigning o'er us, reconciling race and clan. Ever singing, move we forward, faithful in the midst of strife. Joyful music leads us onward in the triumph song of life.

**Congregational Conversation**

**An Offering of Prayer-** Joys and Concerns

PLEASE LIFT YOUR HAND TO SHARE REQUEST

In response to each request, the minister will say “Loving God”

The congregation will respond, “**Hear our Prayer.**”

**Pastoral Prayer**, followed by The Lord’s Prayer

**Our Loving God in heaven, hallowed be your Name, Your kindom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from**

**the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the dominion, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

**Sung Prayer Response “In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful”** **TFWS #2195**

In the Lord I’ll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God, do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near, lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

**Greeting One Another with God’s Peace** *(a wave, a nod, a sign of peace...)*

“May the Peace of Christ be with you.”

“And also with you.”

**Choral Anthem** "He Is The Rock"- Michael Barrett

Ron Milliman, Director

**Offering**

Invitation

Offertory

Prayer of Gratitude and Dedication

Oleksandra Yurchenko

**Scripture Reading** (The Inclusive Bible)

Psalm 100

Acclaim Yahweh with joy, all the earth! Serve Yahweh with gladness! Enter into God’s presence with a joyful song! Know that Yahweh is God! Yahweh made us, and we belong to the Creator; we are God’s people and the sheep of God’s pasture. Enter God’s gates with thanksgiving and the courts with praise! Give thanks to God! Bless God’s Name! For Yahweh is good; God’s steadfast love endures forever, and God’s faithfulness to all generations.

**Message**

“Mystical, Magical”

Pastor Michelle

**Song of Response “De Colores (Sing of Colors)”**

**NCH #402**

Sing of colors, sing of colors that over the hills in profusion are springing. Sing of colors, of the birds that fly outside my window their canticles singing. Sing of colors, in the rainbow’s bright colors God’s promise of hope we recall. Sing of colors that make up the earth and give thanks to the God who created us all. Sing of colors that make up the earth and give thanks to the God who created us all.

Sing, rejoicing! Every creature that breathes raise a song to the God of creation. Sing, rejoicing! Sing to God who so earnestly cares, who has offered

salvation. Sing the good news! Sing the love of the Savior reflecting the colors of all. Many colors that shine from God's face, many colors that tell us God's love to recall. Many colors that shine from God's face, many colors that tell us God's love to recall.

## **Announcements**

## **Benediction**

**Sung Congregational Benediction** "Halle, Halle, Halleluja" (Sung 3x) TFWS  
2026

Halle, Halle, Halleluja! Halle, Halle, Halleluja! Halle, Halle, Halleluja! Halleluja!  
Halleluja!

## **Postlude**

Oleksandra Yurchenko

Serving you this morning:

Reader – Heidi Zastowny  
Greeter— Carol Haas

Livestream – Heather Himes

## ANNOUNCEMENTS 7/12/26

**PRIDE PARADE SIGN-UP** sheet is in the narthex for anyone interested in marching. Limited number of seats are available for those who would like to participate but can't walk. We will carpool from the church. Details to follow on specific time to meet up.

**NEW SENIOR LUNCH OUTINGS GROUP** (But all are welcome) We will start going out for lunch twice a month and adjust from there, on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays, at 1 PM, and will be asking for separate checks. We will start on the 4th Thursday in August which is the 27th. There will be a one-time sign-up sheet for your name, email address, and text number in case we need a quick change. The emails will go out ahead of time, so that I can make reservations if necessary.

All you need to do is sign up with your email, then RSVP, and show up! Contact Lynne with any questions. [StillLynnePA@gmail.com](mailto:StillLynnePA@gmail.com)

**FLOWERS** We invite anyone who would like to contribute to the beauty of our worship service to bring flowers on Sunday for the communion table. Whether from your garden, a roadside bouquet, or a florist, your gift will create a beautiful expression of gratitude and praise.

**FREE COMMUNITY SUNDAY SUPPER-** July 12, 4:30-5:30. Everyone is welcome. The menu is .... Barbecue Chicken Drumsticks, Mike's Famous Mac & Cheese, Tossed Salad & Cookies. Contact Wendy [wlesko88@gmail.com](mailto:wlesko88@gmail.com) if you'd like to volunteer

**CARING COMMUNITY CONCERTS:** July 8, July 15, July 22, July 29, August 5

**PRIDE PARADE** Saturday July 18

**COCKTAIL CLASS:** July 28, 6:30 pm. The only six cocktails you'll ever have. Spend an evening with Dr. Joseph Izzo and learn about the six templates that can be applied to all cocktails. All are welcome (≥21 years of age). Please RSVP to [joespub.xyz@gmail.com](mailto:joespub.xyz@gmail.com) by July 18.

**SHINE** minicamp: August 3- August 5

## ONGOING

**VOLUNTEER SIGN UP-** Please use the following link to sign up to volunteer during our Sunday services: <https://uccwebster.org/worship-volunteer-opportunities/>

**HOT TOPICS:** The Hot Topics discussion group is on break for July and August. We will resume our conversations on Tuesday, September 1, at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. In the meantime, if you'd like more information or to be added to the Hot Topics e-mail list, contact [Richard\\_Kendrick@verizon.net](mailto:Richard_Kendrick@verizon.net).

**MEDITATION GROUP-** Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. in the back of the Sanctuary. All are welcome! Note...will not meet in July and August

**The Nurture Team:** is a group of caring individuals who express the love of God through their Ministry of Care. They hope to walk with those in need of company or pray. They liaison with the pastor if a pastoral visit is desired. If you have a concern or need of prayer or if you know someone who does, please put a note in the offering plate.

**PRAYER SHAWL:** This group does not formally meet. It's for anyone who wants to knit or crochet prayer shawls to be given to people in need of comfort and/or dish cloths for outreach grocery bags given to people in need. contact Wendy wlesko88@gmail.com

**INFORMATION FOR THE NEWSLETTER** should be directed to Wendy Lesko [wlesko88@gmail.com](mailto:wlesko88@gmail.com) by the 25th of the month

**NAME TAGS** – If you need a nametag, please email Carole Kohler at [carolekohler1192@gmail.com](mailto:carolekohler1192@gmail.com) with the first and last names of your family members or sign up in the narthex.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS EMAIL LIST** If you'd like to receive email notifications from church, you can join our email list. There's a link on the church website under "Connect with Us". <https://uccwebster.org/connect-with-us/> Enter your email address and hit "subscribe."

**FLOWERS** for the communion table – sign-up in the hallway. One arrangement per Sunday. You can bring your own flower arrangement or pay for the florist to deliver one. Please pay in advance. Leave payment in church office or give to Heather Himes.

**CLOTHING & SMALL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS** Please place the items in the 2 bins located in the hall near the West Entrance. Items are distributed to Cameron Community, Matthew's Closet, or Saints Place. Thank You!

**THE ROCKERS** This is a group of the mature men from our congregation that meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month at 8:30am at The Nutcracker Restaurant

**COFFEE HOUR** Volunteers are needed to sign up to coordinate a week (make the coffee, provide a treat). If you are interested, please contact Heidi Zastowny ([heidizastowny@gmail.com](mailto:heidizastowny@gmail.com); (585) 314-0678) or Diane Cannarozzo ([dcannaro@gmail.com](mailto:dcannaro@gmail.com)).

## **IN THE COMMUNITY**

**COMMUNITY SERVICE CAMP:** July 13-July 15 9:00-12:00

**PET FOOD NEEDED:** The pet food pantry needs donations of dry and canned cat food and dog food. A collection basket is in the narthex. Thank you



## 2026 Caring Community Concerts

A Summer Concert Series to Benefit Our Community.

### July 8: Allegro

Benefit for Webster Comfort Care...Free will offering

Allegro is Western New York's premier party band! Allegro's members are experienced, very versatile and have performed for thousands of satisfied customers over the past 20 years. They are known for playing many different styles of music, from straight ahead jazz to today's current hits. Allegro will surely energize and entertain you.

### July 15: Acme R & B

Benefit for Webster Public Library BookBox for Kids and Teens...Free will offering

ACME R&B are a Rochester, NY based quintet of professional and accomplished musicians. They craft unique versions of classic R&B, Funk, Rock covers and select original tunes. They perform music that's audience focused, dynamic, interesting, entertaining and danceable. Expect deep funky grooves, mash-ups and a fun stage presence.

### July 22: Uptown Groove

Benefit for Webster Association of Senior Program Supporters...Free will offering

The Uptown Groove is a high-energy, elite party band from Western and Central, NY. The band performs a variety of Motown, R&B Funk/Soul, Disco, Rock and Current Top 40 Pop/Rock. The Uptown Groove brings world-class musicianship, superior professionalism and an exemplary experience for every audience. GROOVE on!

### July 29: Red, Hot & Blue

Benefit for Webster Health and Education Network...Free will offering

Red, Hot and Blue is one of Upstate NY's top Americana bands! RHB was "born" in Memphis and raised in Western New York, playing the music of Paul Thorn, JJ Cale and many more great songwriters. You'll be toe tapping along and having a good ole' time!

### August 5: Mitty and the Followers

Benefit for Webster Community Chest ...Free will offering

Mitty & The Followers, is one of the hottest Motown, R & B and variety acts around. Known for their high stepping energize performance, this band is perfect for any occasion with it's incredible ability to cover decades of music.

When you feel the groove and hear the soulful and dynamic vocals, you'll know right away – It's a show and a party you won't want to miss!



Concerts to be held on front lawn of Webster United Church of Christ  
570 Klem Road - Webster, New York 14580

Bring a blanket, Bring a friend...Bring a picnic, or Choose from our picnic menu.

Concessions open at 6:00 pm \* Music plays 6:30- 8:00 pm

For additional information contact the church office at (585) 671-3757