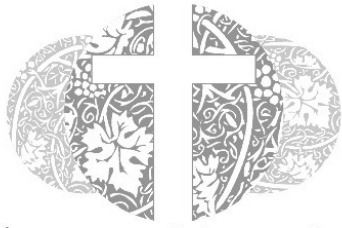




Letting Go in Faith

Wilbraham United Church
June 21, 2026



Wilbraham United Church
"I am the vine, you are the branches."

Wilbraham United Church

*A Congregation of the United Church of Christ
and the United Methodist Church*

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June 21, 2026

4th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00AM

We ask that everyone wear nametags so that we can be welcoming to all. There are listening devices available for those that may need them. An usher will be happy to assist you. Following the service in the Sanctuary after worship, everyone is invited to a time of Fellowship in the Zeckhausen Room which is immediately across from the Sanctuary.

**All those who are able to stand may do so.*

UMH – The “red” United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS – The “small black” book Faith We Sing Hymnal

GATHERING MUSIC

Piano: This Is My Father's World

arr. J.B. Taylor

WELCOMING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

WELCOME

Rev. Julie

***GATHERING HYMN #144 vs 1 & 2 (UMH)**

This is My Father's World

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: The Holy One is great and does marvelous things. People of God, delight in God!

People: The Holy One gladdens the soul. We lift our souls for blessing!

Liturgist: In times of trouble, we call on our Comforter and Protector, our Companion and the Source of our peace.

People: The Holy One soothes the soul. We accept God's guidance and correction.

Liturgist: Our gracious God listens to our prayers and hears our cries.

All: Let us worship our God in hope and faith!

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Merciful and Compassionate God, humbly we come into your presence. Be near to us even when we have doubts, have given up hope, and have been overwhelmed by our fears. Be near to us as we sing, pray, give, and receive. We praise you and worship you for your goodness and mercy always. Amen.

***SONG OF PRAISE # 334 (UMH)**

*There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face,
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.*

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17

Incline your ear, O Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy. Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you. You are my God; be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all day long.

Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.

Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication. In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me.

There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

Turn to me and be gracious to me; give your strength to your servant; save the child of your maidservant.

Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame, because you, Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 6:1b-11

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may increase? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, so we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral 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.

Sung Response # 2193 (TFWS)

*Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.*

SERMON

Accepting the Invitation

Rev. Julie

*HYMN – #369 vs 1 & 2 (UMH)

Blessed Assurance

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

Invitation to Give

Offertory

All Things Bright and Beautiful

arr. J.B. Taylor

***Doxology #94 (UMH)**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts. Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up lifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Prayer of Dedication

***PARTING HYMN #147 vs 1 & 2 (UMH)**

All Things Bright and Beautiful

***FOLLOWING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD**

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #664 (UMH) verse 2:**

*With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living,
the tasks of our everyday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
embracing God's children of each tribe and race.*

MUSIC FOR SENDING FORTH

Organ: Go Out with Joy!

M. McDonald

Welcome Visitors! *Is this your first visit to United Church? If you wish to be contacted by a member of the church or our pastor, please leave your contact information with one of the ushers or place a visitor card in the collection plate.*

MINISTERING TO YOU TODAY

Pastor: Rev. Julie Olmsted

Music Director: Roberta Morkin

Technical: Deb Trimble

Ushers: Poppy Nelson, Marty Lyman

Liturgist: Tim Timpson

Greeter: Sandy Harris



Altar flowers this morning are given by Aimee Singh & Alma Balatico in memory of Goldrino Balatico.

Rev. Julie Olmsted: Pastor (pastor@wilbrahamunitedchurch.org) (413)596-2511 x 103
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*If you are in need of Pastoral Care, please contact Rev. Julie or the Church Office.
After office hours, Rev. Julie can be reached at 937-409-1375 (until 8pm, unless it's urgent).*

Please Pray For:



Catherine Gardner

Connie Law

Sharon McAbee

Shey McAbee

Michelle McBride

Bill McCullough

Claire McCullough

Ed McCorkindale

Jean Michon

Jim Trimble

The Hungry

The Homeless

The victims of violence and their families

Our troops, our country and our world

“News for the Pews” for the Week of June 21, 2026

GREEN DAY RECYCLING

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT

SATURDAY, JUNE 27th, 2026
9:00 AM — 2:00 PM

📍 Wilbraham United Church • Parking Lot
500 Main Street, Wilbraham MA

What You Can Bring/ Cost to You:

- \$5 EACH** Computer Towers, Laptops, DVD Players, VCR's, Small Printers, Stereo, Radios, Alarm Clocks, Speakers, Video Game Consoles, Table Lamps, Fans, Hair Dryers, Curling Irons, Projectors, Paper Shredders, Power Tools, Drills, Cameras, Clocks, Trophies, Frying Pans, Holiday Lights, Other Small Electronics.
- \$10 EACH** Small Household Appliances, Vacuum Cleaners/Roomba, Toaster Ovens, Ceiling Fans, Floor Lamps, Air Fryers, Electric Grills, Hot Plates, Small Radiators, Keyboard Pianos, Coffee Makers, Ice Makers, Small Garbage Disposal, Sewing Machines, Car Seats.
- \$20 EACH** Flat Screen Computer Monitors, Microwaves, Dehumidifiers, Air Conditioners, Water Coolers, Large Printers/Copiers, Leaf Blowers, Chainsaws, Heat Lamps, Artificial Christmas Trees, Fire Extinguishers, Propane Tanks (Empty).
- \$25 EACH** TVs up to 26," CRT Monitors, Outdoor Grills, Dorm Sized Refrigerators
- \$30 EACH** TVs between 26" and 35," White Goods, Washing Machines, Dryers, Stoves, Dishwashers, Large Appliances, Large Yard Equipment, Treadmills, Exercise Equipment, Snow Blowers, Lawn Mowers, Rototillers, Large Generators, Motors, Water Tanks
- \$35 EACH** TVs over 36," Large Refrigerators, Ride-On Lawn Mowers.
- \$40 EACH** Projection TVs

CASH PREFERRED, VENMO, CHECKS (OVER \$30)

FREE! (Cash Donations Appreciated)
Bicycles (Reusable), Cell Phones, Keyboards, Tablets, Video Game Media and Accessories, Wires, Cables, Batteries, Chargers, VHS/DVD's.


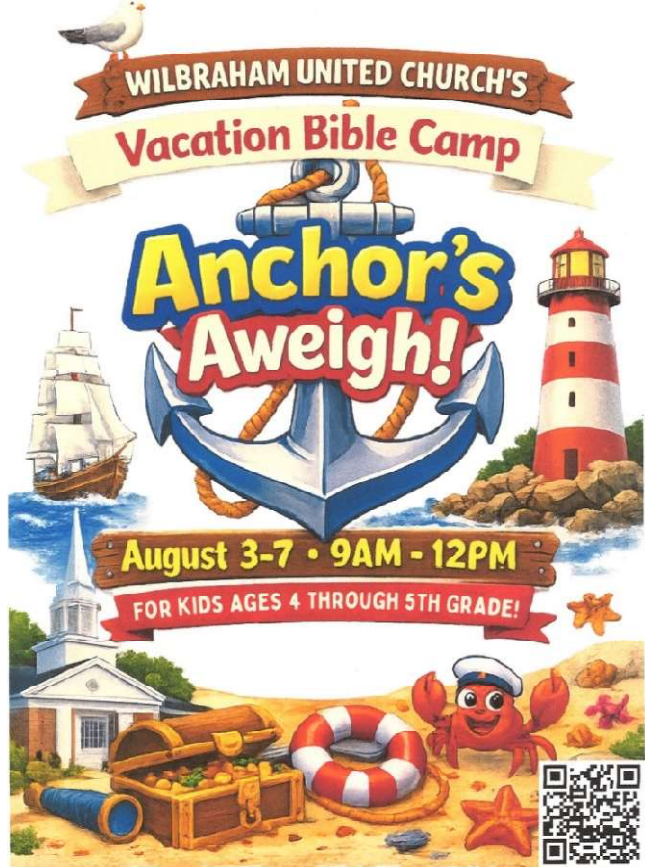
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WILBRAHAM UNITED CHURCH'S
Vacation Bible Camp

Anchor's Aweigh!

August 3-7 • 9AM - 12PM
FOR KIDS AGES 4 THROUGH 5TH GRADE!



It's time to register for Vacation Bible Camp 2026! Registration for both campers and volunteers can be found on the church's website:

www.wilbrahamunitedchurch.org/vacation-bible-camp/

This Week at Wilbraham United Church

Sunday, June 21, 2026

10:00 a.m. – Worship

11:00 a.m. – Fellowship (ZR)

11:00 a.m. – VBC Meeting (Lib)

1:30 p.m. – WUP (FH)

5:00 p.m. – Al-Anon (YR)

Monday, June 22, 2026

Church Office 8:30 – 1:30

7:00 p.m. – WUP (FH)

Tuesday, June 23, 2026

Church Office 8:30 – 1:30

8:30 a.m. – Men's Breakfast Group

7:00 p.m. – WUP (FH)

Wednesday, June 24, 2026

Church Office 8:30 – 1:30

11:00 a.m. – Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m. – WUP (FH)

Thursday, June 25, 2026

Church Office 8:30 – 1:30

10:30 a.m. – Fellowship Comm.

6:00 p.m. – WUP (FH)

6:30 p.m. – Al Anon (YR)

Friday, June 26, 2026

Church Office closed

6:00 p.m. – WUP (FH)

Saturday, June 27, 2026

Church Office closed

**9:00 a.m. – Electronic Recycling
Event**

9:00 a.m. – WUP (FH)

Sunday, June 28, 2026

10:00 a.m. – Worship

11:00 a.m. – Fellowship (ZR)

1:30 p.m. – WUP (FH)

5:00 p.m. – Al-Anon (YR)