

8:30 AM WORSHIP AND PRAISE SERVICE

WORDS OF WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER	Pastor Beth Malone	
† GATHERING SONG	“Hymn of Heaven”	Praise Band
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS	Pastor Beth Malone	Lola Hardy
† PASSING OF THE PEACE	Pastor Beth Malone	
CHILDREN’S TIME	Pastor Beth Malone	<i>Children may leave for Junior Church following Children’s Time.</i>
† WORSHIP SONGS	“Fill My Cup” “Just a Glimpse” “Take Our Bread”	Praise Band
SCRIPTURE READING	Mark 1:32-39	
People: Thanks be to God!		
MESSAGE	“Everyone is Searching”	Pastor Beth Malone
HOLY COMMUNION	Pastor Beth Malone	
JOYS AND CONCERNS AND THE LORD’S PRAYER	Pastor Beth Malone	#895
ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY	Pastor Beth Malone	
† CLOSING SONG	“The Family Prayer Song”	Praise Band
CLOSING PRAYER	Gwyneth Jones-Wenninger	
† WORDS TO LEAVE BY	Pastor Beth Malone	

Please date and sign the friendship pad found at the center aisle end of the pew, next to the cushion.

† Please stand for these portions of the service if you are able.

WELCOME! If you come as a visitor, it is our hope you will leave as a friend! Whether you are a newcomer to the community or to GUMC, we feel honored to have you. We invite you to a time of fellowship in the Fellowship Hall between the worship services, at 9:30 am. We hope to see you next week at either our 8:30 am Worship and Praise Service, or our 10:30 am Traditional Service.



Support the mission and ministries of Geneseo UMC. In addition to traditional giving, we have an online giving option. Scan this QR code with your mobile phone’s camera to be taken to our giving page or visit www.geneseomethodist.org/giving-back-to-god.

10:30 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

CHIMES		Connor Ricotta
PRELUDE		Connor Ricotta
INTROIT	“As We Gather at Your Table” <i>The congregation is invited to sing with the Senior Choir The Faith We Sing Hymnal, p. 2268</i>	Senior Choir
WORDS OF WELCOME		Julie Buehler
CALL TO WORSHIP	<i>(read responsively)</i>	Julie Buehler
Lector:	Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told to you from the beginning?	
People:	The Lord is the everlasting God, the creator of heaven and earth.	
Lector:	God sits above the circle of the earth and stretches out the heavens like a curtain.	
People:	Those who wait for the Lord shall mount up with wings like eagles.	
Lector:	They shall run and not be weary. They shall walk and not faint.	
People:	How good it is to sing praises to our God.	
OPENING PRAYER	<i>(read in unison)</i>	Pastor Beth Malone
	Everlasting God, you stretch the sky over our heads like a canopy filled with twinkling lights.	
	Scarcely do the stems of our lives take root before the wind carries us away like stubble.	
	Yet you care for us—healing the brokenhearted, gathering the outcast, lifting the downtrodden, while casting the wicked to the ground.	
	Renew our strength this day, O God, that we may mount up with wings like eagles. Amen.	
ANTHEM	“Loving Hands” <i>Today’s anthem was given by Rev. Craig French in memory of his mother. His daughter, Caitlin French played flute at its dedication.</i>	Senior Choir
† HYMN	“He Touched Me”	#367
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS	Lynn Heineman	Pastor Beth Malone
† PASSING OF THE PEACE		Pastor Beth Malone
CHILDREN’S MOMENT		Pastor Beth Malone
SCRIPTURE READING		Mark 1:32-39
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MESSAGE	“Everyone is Searching”	Pastor Beth Malone
HOLY COMMUNION		Pastor Beth Malone
OFFERING		Julie Buehler
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† OFFERING HYMN by Leonard Sweet (*found in the front of your hymnal*)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*read in unison*) Julie Buehler

Creator of heaven and earth, you shower the earth with rain, nourish the land with sunshine, and bless your people with goodness.

Receive the gifts we bring before you this day, that they may touch the world with gladness and bring succor to those in need. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER #895
CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #898

† CLOSING HYMN #381, v. 1, 3-4
"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

ANNOUNCEMENTS Julie Buehler

BENEDICTION Pastor Beth Malone

† RESPONSE **Shalom (*peace*)**

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

POSTLUDE Connor Ricotta

PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND: Joe Kane, Jane Krenzer, Shirley Pascuzzo, Marion Taylor, and Ginny Youtzy

PRAYER ROOM: The Prayer Room (6A) is open for prayer at any time. You may also drop off your prayer requests there at any time.

GUMC PRAYER CHAIN: Do you have a prayer request, joy or concern? Call Carol Becker (243-2324), to activate the GUMC prayer chain.

YOU are invited to join us for a **church-wide study** this Lenten season beginning February 15th and 16th. We have chosen the book "**John: The Gospel of Light and Life**," by Adam Hamilton, as our jumping off point.

The book is written in such a way as to awaken the curiosity both of readers unfamiliar with John's Gospel and of those lulled to sleep by overfamiliarity with its language. It invites readers to find their own place in the Gospel story and to follow a fresh path to God.

Classes will be held **February 15/16 through March 21/22**, Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm, Friday mornings at 10:00 am, and Friday afternoons at 1:30 pm – a time for everyone! Sign-up sheets are available on the table outside the Sanctuary.

USHERS	8:30 SERVICE	10:00 SERVICE
2/11	Bill Lewis	Charlie & Carol Becker
2/18	Ken & Julia Hathaway	Brenda Mastin & Ray Ingram

LECTORS - 10:30 am
2/11 Doug Harke
2/18 Bill Lewis

A Day Apart Retreat
February 10, 2024, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Bearing Fruit and More Fruit – John 15:5

Come and spend a day apart from everyday life and focus in on God with us. February's theme will be "Bearing Fruit and More Fruit" (John 15:5). Bonnie Kreutter will be leading.

Cost for the retreat is \$30.00 per person, which includes lunch. You may register at asburyuny.org/program/day-apart-february

Future *Day Apart* retreats are planned for March 13, April 20, & June 6.

EVERYONE, who contributed in any way towards the success of the Holiday Bazaar, is invited to join us at our annual **Bazaar Thank You Luncheon** on **Wednesday, February 14th**, beginning at 11:30 am for a punch bowl "welcome," followed by lunch at 12 noon.

The observance of ashes is an important and Holy way to begin Lent. Please join us for **Ash Wednesday worship and imposition of ashes** in the sanctuary on **February 14th, at 7:00 pm.**

Soup Supper and Program
Thursday, February 15
5:00 - 7:00 pm

This month we bring you two special events rolled into one! Begin the evening at 5:00 pm with a Chili Cook-off! Several different chilies, from mild to spicy hot, will be presented for your tasting pleasure. Rate your chili and discover who comes out on top at the end of the evening.

The program for the evening will be "Finding Your Childhood Toy Tractor," with our own Doug Harke. Doug is a member of the National Farm Toy Show Hall of Fame, and is known for his expertise in authentic and detailed restoration work. He has organized the Boy Scout

Farm Toy Show and Auction, in Geneseo for 38 years, beginning when his three sons were members of Troop 4070.

Bishop Héctor Burgos Núñez, the bishop of the Upper New York Conference, will be visiting local churches in all 12 districts of the Conference. **District Days** are a way for the Bishop to meet with laity (that's you) and clergy across Upper NY. The Laity meeting for our area will be held from 7-8:30 pm on **Thursday, February 15th** at the Faith UMC, 174 Pinnacle Rd, Rochester. All United Methodists of Upper NY are invited and encouraged to attend.

Hello, my Name Is **Victor Giso**. I am a member of the Upper New York Conference Council on Youth Ministries (UNYCCYM). In February I will be going on the Northeastern Jurisdiction **Mission of Peace** (NEJMOP) to Puerto Rico. The Mission of Peace is a yearly journey of discovery to nations in our global community. It is a life changing experience - a journey which leads each participant to discover God's Spirit at work in the world

I am coming to you (and other churches in the UNY Conference) to ask for your help. If you would like to **support my MOP experience**, you may donate to me directly online at <http://tinyurl.com/Giso-MOP>, or give through Geneseo UMC, making sure to clearly mark your check or envelope with Giso-MOP. Thank you! I greatly appreciate any help you may give.

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

FEBRUARY 4 - 11

Sunday, February 4

- 7:30 am Praise Team Warm-up
8:00 am The Prayer Room (6A) is open throughout the morning for a quiet time of prayer.
8:30 am PRAISE AND WORSHIP SERVICE – Sanctuary
8:45 am Junior Church - Room 8
9:30 am Fellowship Time – Fellowship Hall
9:35 am Adult Sunday School, *God Abides* - Wesley Room
10:30 am TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE – Sanctuary

Monday, February 5

- 12:30 pm Lunch Good Grief - Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, February 7

- 8:00 am Prayer Breakfast – Wesley Room
10:30 am Bazaar Missouri Trip Planning - Wesley Room
11:00 am Morgan Estates Worship
6:00 pm Praise Band - Sanctuary
7:00 pm Senior Choir Practice - Fellowship Hall
8:00 pm Bell Choir Practice - Fellowship Hall

Sunday, February 11

- 7:30 am Praise Team Warm-up
8:00 am The Prayer Room (6A) is open throughout the morning for a quiet time of prayer.
8:30 am PRAISE AND WORSHIP SERVICE (New Member Sunday) – Sanctuary
9:30 am Fellowship Time – Fellowship Hall
9:35 am Adult Sunday School, *God Abides* - Wesley Room
10:30 am JAZZ SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE - Sanctuary

The Geneseo Parish Outreach Center, Inc. is open, by appointment at (585) 243-3120, Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm.

COMING SOON

- 2/13 Hooks & Needles Ministries
Board of Trustees
2/14 Ash Wednesday Service
Bazaar Thank You Luncheon
Finance Committee
2/15 Soup Supper
Adult Study, John: The Gospel of Light and Life
Bishop Héctor District Days
2/16 Adult Study, John: The Gospel of Light and Life
2/17 Dominoes Night
2/18 1st Sunday in Lent and Scout Sunday

MINISTER

Rev. Beth Malone

LAY LEADERS

Nurture - Judy Beeman
Witness – Peggy Oltz
Planning – Bill Lewis

SUPPORT TEAM

Administrative Assistant - Kathy Rosier
Custodian – Dave Woodworth
Nursery Attendant - Marissa Ross

MUSIC TEAM

Director of Music - Cynthia Towler
Accompanist – Connor Ricotta
Praise Team – Gwyneth Jones-Wenninger
Bell Choir – Sandi Szymanski

LECTOR 10:30 AM

Julie Buehler

USHERS

8:30 - Doug McCoy
10:30 - Chad Putnam & Linda Parnell

Geneseo United Methodist Church

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
February 4, 2024



**"Let us go on to the
neighboring towns,
so that I may proclaim the
message there also;
for that is what I came
out to do."**

Mark 1:38, NRSV

Following in Jesus' footsteps as a
welcoming, caring, giving, and
prayerful community of faith.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

11:00 am - 4:30 pm, weekdays, except for Wednesdays

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REV. BETH MALONE

Pastor Beth would love to meet with you!

Please call to make an appointment.

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