

CELEBRATION SUNDAY

- WORDS OF WELCOME Pastor Beth Malone
- ANTHEM "Power in the Glory" Senior Choir
- OPENING PRAYER (*read in unison*) Bill Lewis
O Gracious God, we thank you for all the good things with which you fill our lives, but most of all for the vision of peace and justice and freedom in Christ that draws us into the future. May we be your people in the world, in word and in all that we do, in spirit and in truth. Grant that we may be people who care and love in a world that needs it right now. We gather this day to celebrate all that we are in your name. Amen
- † WORSHIP SONGS "Awesome God" Praise Band
"Sweet Aroma of Praise"
- † PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST Pastor Beth Malone
- CHILDREN'S MOMENT Pastor Beth Malone
- SCRIPTURE READING **Exodus 12:14, Psalm 145**
People: Thanks be to God!
- MESSAGE "It's a Party!" Pastor Beth Malone
- RESPONSE **#96**
"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"
- OFFERING Bill Lewis
Please date and sign the friendship pad found at the center aisle end of the pew, next to the cushion.
- † OFFERING HYMN (*found in the front of your hymnal*)
- PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*read in unison*) Bill Lewis
Faithful and loving God, thank you for blessing us and our world in so many amazing ways. Bless the gifts we return to you now, that they may be blessings of hope and signs of your faithfulness for all the world to know. Amen.
- JOYS AND CONCERNS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Pastor Beth Malone **#895**
- ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY Pastor Beth Malone
- † CLOSING SONG "Shout to the Lord" Praise Band
- † WORDS TO LEAVE BY Pastor Beth Malone

† *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.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Ray Salters, Jane Krenzer, Keith Miller (Scott Canaan's father).

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR: Brad Farthing, Vineta Johnson, Joe Kane, Jane Krenzer, Shirley Pascuzzo, Marion Taylor, and Ginny Youtzy

PRAYER ROOM: Our Prayer Room (Room 2) is a space for quiet, private contemplation. It is open for your use on Sunday mornings (except when the Youth Choir is practicing) and whenever the church building is open.

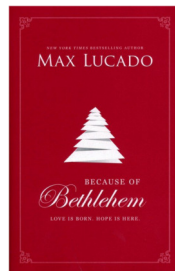
GUMC PRAYER CHAIN: Do you have a prayer request, joy or concern? Call Brenda Mastin (443-9132), to activate the GUMC prayer chain.



Soup Supper: Join us on **Thursday, November 21st**, at 5:00 pm, for a delicious meal of homemade soups, breads, salad, and scrumptious desserts. Stay afterwards to hear Kim Arnold, a Senior Care Consultant speaking about Medicare Options.

Join us for this Advent season for a **new adult study** by Max Lucado: "**Because of Bethlehem.**" For some, Christmas is a time of excitement, celebration, and family, while for others it is a time of loneliness, grief, and loss. No matter what this season holds for you, the promise of Christmas will bring you a lifetime of hope.

Christmas begins what Easter celebrates. The child in the cradle becomes the King on the cross. *Because of Bethlehem*, we have a Savior in heaven. These are the heart shaping promises of Christmas. Max Lucado's words will encourage, captivate and inspire you, but most importantly, they'll point you towards the One worth celebrating.



Classes begin on Friday, November 29th at 10:00 am and 1:00 pm, and on Sunday, December 8th at 9:35 am. Indicate your interest in attending on the sign-up sheet found on the table outside the sanctuary.



THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28
4:30 PM

Please join Pastor Beth and her husband Darren for a traditional Thanksgiving meal at the Church. Beginning with hors d'oeuvres at 4:30, dinner will begin at 5:00.

If you would like to provide an item for the meal, please contact Pastor Beth. A sign-up sheet to donate items, or attend the dinner will be in the church Hallway.



Bazaar "Greens Room" Volunteers Needed!! The annual UWF Holiday Bazaar is fast approaching (December 7) and we're getting ready to create fresh greens arrangements. We need help!!! If you would like to volunteer an hour or two, or a day or two, please contact Marsha Merrick (243-5028) or just c'mon down and help. We are willing to teach you how!!! It's a wonderful way to get into the holiday spirit and do some fun creating with live evergreens and holly. We supply everything!!! **We will be working like little elves during the week Monday-Thursday, December 2-5 in Room 2 from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm.**

Zululand Fundraiser: Erma Perkins, a member of Rush UMC, will present a **fundraising event in our Fellowship Hall for the Zululand Hospice Association** in South Africa on **November 24th** between our worship services.

Erma has been involved with the ZHA for over 20 years and has taken numerous trips to South Africa which have allowed her to bring back curios and souvenirs. All items are made by artisans in the African community, and proceeds go to support Zululand Hospice in support of Aids patients in Africa. These items make wonderful Christmas gifts!

Stop in to the Fellowship Hall between the services on November 24th to meet Erma and see the wonderful items she has for sale!



Do you have shoes? Then you can take part in a fun fund-raiser for the Parish Outreach Center FOOD PANTRY, sponsored by the Disciple I Bible Study for their community service project. Between now and the **deadline of December 14th**, **count the number of pairs of shoes** that you own, and donate \$2/pair (there's a \$50 limit, but you can ignore that if you like). Email a picture of your most interesting, unusual, or favorite pair to the office to share!

Donation checks may be made out to **"Parish Outreach Center," with "FOOD PANTRY" in the memo line.** (It must say "food pantry" in order to credit towards the pantry.) You may also give by following the QR code above. How many shoes, total, do you think the congregation has? How many will we admit to?



Support the 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.



DECEMBER

Sneak Peek

- 12/1 First Sunday of Advent
- 12/2, 9 am - 3 pm Greens Room Prep
- 12/2, 7:00 pm Women's Advent Service
- 12/7, 9 am - 2 pm UWF Holiday Bazaar
- 12/14 Nativity Display
- 12/15, 2 pm Sing Joy - A concert of carols and anthems for Christmas
- 12/19, 5 pm Soup Supper and Carol Sing
- 12/24, 6:30 pm Family Christmas Eve Service
- 12/24, 10:00 pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Service
- 12/31, 9:00 pm Watchnight Service and New Year's Eve Fellowship

MINISTER

Rev. Beth Malone

LAY LEADERS

Bill Lewis
Peggy Oltz

SUPPORT TEAM

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

MUSIC TEAM

Director of Music - Cynthia Towler
Accompanist - Connor Ricotta
Praise Band - Randy Bigelow
Bell Choir - Sandi Szymanski
Youth Choir - Beth Feuerstein

LECTOR-10:30

Bill Lewis

USHERS

Chad Putnam & Brenda Mastin

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

NOVEMBER 17 - 24

Sunday, November 17 CELEBRATION SUNDAY!

10:00 am COMING TOGETHER WORSHIP SERVICE

- 10:15 am Sunday School, PreK-2 - Room 8
- Sunday School, gr 3-6 - Room 3
- 11:00 am Celebration/Pot Luck Lunch - Fellowship Hall
- 4:00 pm Adult Study, *The Chosen* - Fellowship Hall

Monday, November 18

12:30 pm Lunch Good Grief - Fellowship Hall

2:00 pm NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FOR DEC-JAN

Tuesday, November 19

- 10:00 am Adult Study, *Disciple 1* - Youth Room
- 6:00 pm Lay Leaders - Wesley Room
- 7:00 pm Church Council - Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, November 20

- 8:00 am Prayer Breakfast – Fellowship Hall
- 9:30 am Bazaar Sewing and Crafting Group – Fellowship Hall
- 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 - Fellowship Hall

Thursday, November 21

- 1:30 pm Newsletter Assembly
- 5:00 pm Soup Supper and Program - Fellowship Hall

Friday, November 22

- 10:00 am Adult Study, *Because of Bethlehem* - Wesley Room
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Sunday, November 24 UNITED METHODIST STUDENT SUNDAY

- 7:30 am Praise Team Warm-up
- 8:00 am The Prayer Room (Room 2) is open throughout the morning for a quiet time of prayer.
- 8:30 am WORSHIP & PRAISE SERVICE – Sanctuary**
- 9:30 am Fellowship Hour – Fellowship Hall
- 9:35 am Adult Sunday School, *Because of Bethlehem* - Wesley Room
- Youth Choir - Room 2
- 10:30 am TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE – Sanctuary**
- 4:00 pm Adult Study, *The Chosen* - Fellowship Hall

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

COMING SOON

- 11/26 No Staff-Parish Relations Committee meeting this month.
- 11/26-27 Thanksgiving (office closed)
- 12/1 First Sunday of Advent

USHERS 8:30 SERVICE

11/24 Bill Lewis

10:30 SERVICE

Ron & Marsha Merrick

LECTORS (10:30)

- 11/24 Tom Porter
- 12/1 Julie Buehler

Geneseo United
Methodist Church



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

*TwentySixth Sunday after Pentecost
November 17, 2024*

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

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

PHONE: (585) 243-3160

EMAIL: GeneseoMethodist@gmail.com

MAIL: 4520 Genesee Street, Geneseo, NY 14454

REV. BETH MALONE

Pastor Beth would love to meet with you!

Please call to make an appointment.

PHONE: (585) 721-0661

EMAIL: bsmalone7@gmail.com

Ways you can SERVE

Are you a people person or a numbers person? We have two important positions to fill:

- 1) **Current Expense Treasurer:** This mainly involves paying the bills and sending payroll information to our accounting company, along with serving on the Finance Committee
- 2) **Usher/Greeter Coordinator (10:30 service):** Secure ushers for the late service. Give the list of ushers to the administrative assistant once a month to be included in the bulletins and newsletter, and "taking attendance" each Sunday (or finding a volunteer to do so). You will also be a member of the Worship Committee and the Parish Welcoming Committee

Please see Pastor Beth if you would like to volunteer for either of these positions, or if you know someone that would be perfect for the job.

Coming Together Worship Service

One Service only on

Sunday, November 17

10:00 am

Children's Sunday School - 10:15 am

We will celebrate the faithfulness of our members, attenders, and friends.

*Followed by a
Church Potluck Luncheon*

Please bring your table service, and a dish to pass if you're able. If your last name begins with

A-M, bring a salad or dessert. If your last name begins with N-Z, bring a main course or vegetable dish. Drinks will be provided.



Operation Christmas Child: It's time once again when we have the opportunity to do a little shopping and **fill a shoebox with goodies** for a child far, far away. Operation Christmas Child (operated by Samaritan's Purse International Relief) delivers great joy and the Good News of Jesus Christ to children in need around the world through gift-filled shoeboxes.

Empty shoeboxes are stacked on a table in the church hallway. **Along with the boxes, you will find brochures and idea sheets for items to pack in the boxes.** Select one of the labels to indicate on your shoebox whether it was packed for a boy or girl and which age category: 2-4, 5-9, 10-14 (you choose). **The deadline to return shoeboxes is NEXT SUNDAY, November 17th.**