

GENESEO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

November 2, 20259:30 am

CHIMESConnor Ricotta

INTROIT“Lord, O Hear Me Prayin”Choir

PRELUDEConnor Ricotta

WORDS OF WELCOMEJulie Buehler

**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 after the service. We hope to see you next week.*

† PRAISE SONGSPraise Band

“Shout to the Lord”

“We Bow Down”

CALL TO WORSHIP (read responsively)Julie Buehler

Lector: When evil is afoot ...

**People: God alone can save us.**

Lector: When nations rise against nation ...

**People: God alone can set things right.**

Lector: When the innocent are devoured ...

**People: God alone can heal our wounds.**

Lector: When our spirits are troubled ...

**People: God alone can lead us home.**

OPENING PRAYER (in unison)Pastor Beth Malone

**God of our forbearers, you turn our world upside down. You teach us that neither wealth, nor social status, nor reputation can lead us to life. You remind us to focus on your kingdom, where the poor, the hungry, the sorrowful, and those persecuted for the gospel receive your blessing.**

**Help us follow the example of the saints, that we may receive our glorious inheritance, by living as Christ taught us to live. Amen.**

ANTHEM“In Remembrance”Choir

PASSING OF THE PEACEPastor Beth Malone

CHILDREN’S TIMEPastor Beth Malone

SCRIPTURE READING **Luke 19:1-10**Julie Buehler

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGEPastor Beth Malone

“A Place for All to Find Life”

HOLY COMMUNIONPastor Beth Malone

OFFERINGJulie Buehler

*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 (in unison)Julie Buehler

**God of abundant love, hear the songs of our hearts—**

**songs of thankfulness and praise,**

**songs of hope and expectation,**

**songs of laughter and joy,**

**songs of mirth and good will.**

**May our songs be sung throughout the world, in the gifts we bring before you today. May these melodies comfort those who weep, bring mercy to the poor and imprisoned, and offer encouragement to the weary. Amen.**

JOYS AND CONCERNS AND THE LORD’S PRAYERPastor Beth Malone

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE#895

† CLOSING HYMN#723

“Shall We Gather at the River”

ANNOUNCEMENTSJulie Buehler

BENEDICTIONPastor Beth Malone

† RESPONSEShalom (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.


POSTLUDEConnor Ricotta

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

PRAYERS FOR: Karen and Andy Ferguson, Laura Page, Maggie Strout, and the family of Vineta Johnson.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR: Brad Farthing, Joe Kane, 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.



**It's time to fill your shoeboxes!!! The Operation Christmas Child Shoebox deadline is November 16.** The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love, in a tangible way, to children in need around the world. Through this project, Samaritan's Purse partners with the local church worldwide to share the good news of Jesus Christ and make disciples of the nations. You can find Shoeboxes, suggestions on how to fill them and more information on the table outside the sanctuary. Questions?? Contact Marsha Merrick at 585-243-5028 or 585-260-8732.

**Note:** There is also information on the table about filling a box **online**. This is an easy way to have it done for you. I know one church friend who has done it this way for years. Check it out!

~ Marsha Merrick

The Geneseo Parish Outreach Center is sponsoring a **Food Drive** for the Pantry, from November 1 -20<sup>th</sup>. Between cuts in funding and the government shut-down, **the need is great!** Help us fill the shelves. Items especially needed include:



- stuffing/dressing
- peanut butter
- jelly
- soup
- pie filling
- pasta sauce
- canned vegetables
- canned fruit
- cereal (less sugar)

Items may be placed in the bin found outside the sanctuary.

LECTORS	USHERS
11/9	Bruce & Kathy Rosier
11/16	Ron & Marsha Merrick



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 where you can make a one-time donation (Support the Ministries of GUMC), or set up automatic payments for your pledge (2026 Stewardship Giving).

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- MINISTER**  
Rev. Beth Malone
- LAY LEADER**  
Bill Lewis
- SUPPORT TEAM**  
*Administrative Assistant*  
Kathy Rosier  
*Custodian* – Dave Woodworth

- MUSIC TEAM**  
*Director of Music* - Cynthia Towler  
*Accompanist* – Connor Ricotta  
*Praise Band* - Randy Bigelow  
*Bell Choir* – Sandi Szymanski  
*Youth Choir* - Beth Feuerstein
- LECTOR** – Julie Buehler
- USHERS** – Linda Parnell & Chadwick Putnam

**CHURCH HAPPENINGS** **NOVEMBER 2 - 9**

- Sunday, November 2**  
8:15 am The Prayer Room (Room 2) is open throughout the morning for a quiet time of prayer.  
8:30 am Praise Team Warm-up  
8:50 am Choir Warm-up  
**9:30 am WORSHIP SERVICE – Sanctuary**  
10:20 am Youth Choir - Room 2  
10:30 am Fellowship Hour – Fellowship Hall
- Monday, November 3**  
12:30 pm Lunch Good Grief – Fellowship Hall
- Tuesday, November 4 ELECTION DAY**
- Wednesday, November 5**  
8:00 am Prayer Breakfast – Wesley Room  
9:30 am Bazaar Sewing & Crafting Group – Fellowship Hall  
6:30 pm Praise Band Practice - Sanctuary  
7:00 pm Choir Practice – Fellowship Hall  
8:00 pm Bell Choir Practice – Fellowship Hall
- Thursday, November 6**  
11:00 am Morgan Estates Worship  
1:00 pm Health and Wellness Fair – Fellowship Hall
- Friday, November 7**  
1:00 pm Panic and Anxiety Support Group – Room 3
- Saturday, November 8**  
9:30 am UWF Reading Group – Wesley Room
- Sunday, November 9**  
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8:50 am Choir Warm-up  
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10:20 am Youth Choir - Room 2  
10:30 am Fellowship Hour – Fellowship Hall  
**10: 40 am Adult Sunday School – Wesley Room**

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

- COMING SOON**  
11/10-11 Kathy Rosier – Vacation – Office Closed  
11/11 Hooks and Needles Ministries  
Board of Trustees

*Geneseo United Methodist Church*

*November 2, 2025*



*"Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today."*  
LUKE 19:5

*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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