

GENESEO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

February 8, 2026

9:30 am

CHIMES Debbie Borra

PRELUDE Debbie Borra

WORDS OF WELCOME Carol Carey

***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, and to Adult Sunday School with Pastor Shiela, in the Wesley Room (across from the kitchen) at 10:40. We hope to see you next week.*

† PRAISE SONGS Praise Band
"There Is Joy in the Lord" (Cheri Keaggy)
"Shout to the Lord" (Darlene Zschech)

CALL TO WORSHIP (read responsively) Carol Carey

Lector: God, today we celebrate our Women in Faith and the role they play in our Christian community. Help us to appreciate the female inspirations in our lives and to know you have given all of us light in the darkness.

People: Help us shine in honor of you.

Lector: Do not let us hide our faith, but instead share it boldly in service to You O' Lord.

People: May we put your light on a lampstand to light the way for others too!

Lector: Allow us to see and share the goodness you bring to this world!

All: We give glory to our Father in heaven!

† OPENING PRAYER (in unison) Julie Buehler

Perfect Light of revelation, as you shone in the life of Jesus, whose epiphany we celebrate, so shine in us and through us, that we may become beacons of truth and compassion, enlightening all creation with deeds of justice and mercy. Amen.

ANTHEM Senior Choir

"On the Wings of the Dawn" (Linda A. Spencer)

† HYMN #145
"Morning Has Broken" (words by Eleanor Farjeon)

PASSING OF THE PEACE Julie Buehler

CHILDREN'S TIME Julie Buehler

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH PRESENTATION Susan Arney
Overview of the UWF
Induction Ceremony of 2026 Officers
Mission Pin Presentation Mary Jo Johnson

SCRIPTURE READING Carol Carey

OLD TESTAMENT READING **Isaiah 58:8-11**

NEW TESTAMENT READING **Matthew 5:13-16**

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

People: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE "About Mary" Julie Buehler

OFFERING Carol Carey
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) Carol Carey

Father God, we offer up our freewill gifts to you today. May they be multiplied and used only in Your service.

At this time, we ask you to help us to recognize the unique gifts you have given each one of us. May we reflect upon our gifts and share them with willing hearts in service to You. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS AND Julie Buehler

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #898

† CLOSING HYMN #215

"To a Maid Engaged to Joseph" (words by Gracia Grindal)

ANNOUNCEMENTS Carol Carey

BENEDICTION Julie Buehler

† 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 Debbie Borra

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

PRAYERS FOR: Karen Ferguson, Laura Page, Maggie Strout, Ray Ingram, and Nancy Meyer.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR: Brad Farthing, Andy Ferguson, Joe Kane, and Marion Taylor.

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.

Geneseo United Women in Faith Officers

President Sue Arney
Vice-President..... Beth Feuerstein
Secretary Cindy Varner
Treasurer Joan Herring
Spiritual Growth Lucille Kane
Nurturing Linda Parnell
Program Resources..... Pam Klingman
Communications Mary Jo Johnson
Bazaar Coordinators..... Joan Herring
Cindy Parker
Alice Barrett

Additional Officers

Genesee Valley District Vice President Laurie Perry
Upper New York Conference Treasurer ... Karen Ferguson

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Our annual **Bazaar Thank You Luncheon** will be held on Wednesday, February 18, 2026. We will gather at 12 pm around the punch bowl and the luncheon will start at 12:30 pm. Anyone who took part in the Holiday Bazaar—from setup to clean up, & everything in between, is invited to this celebratory luncheon.

Normally this event marks the beginning of the “sewing season” for our Bazaar ladies. However, they’ve been getting “antsy” and have already returned to their once-a-week gathering. **All sewers, crafters, and idea sharers are welcome on Wednesdays between 9:30 am and 2:00 pm.** We ask that you bring your own lunch (or make arrangements!),



Join us for a special **Ash Wednesday Service on February 18th at 7:00 pm** as we begin the holy season [of Lent] by acknowledging our need for repentance and our need for the love and forgiveness shown to us in Jesus Christ.

You’re invited to a delicious **Soup Supper on Wednesday, February 19th**, at 5:00 pm. Dinner will feature homemade soups, salad, breads, and desserts, and will be followed by a program from Margaret Betette from the Livingston County Community Health Program.



LECTORS

2/15 Cindy Varner
2/22 Doug Harke

USHERS

Charlie Becker & Doug McCoy
Allen & Joyce Yarton

MINISTER

Rev. Beth Malone

LAY LEADER

Bill Lewis

SUPPORT TEAM

Administrative Assistant
Kathy Rosier
Custodian – Dave Woodworth
Nursery Caregiver – 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 – Carol Carey

USHERS – Laurie Perry & Pam Klingman

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

FEBRUARY 8 - 15

Pastor Beth will be on vacation Friday, February 6 – Monday February 16th. The office will be open. If the office cannot be reached, please call Rev. Kyle Roehrig, Rush UMC at 805-478-2526 for emergency pastoral care.

Sunday, February 8 UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH SUNDAY

9:30 am WORSHIP SERVICE – Sanctuary
10:20 am Youth Choir - Room 2
10:30 am Fellowship Hour – Fellowship Hall
10:40 am Adult Sunday School – Wesley Room

Tuesday, February 10

1:30 pm Hooks and Needles Ministries – Wesley Room
7:00 pm Board of Trustees – Room 3

Wednesday, February 11

8:00 am Prayer Breakfast – Wesley Room
9:30 am Bazaar Sewing & Crafting Group – Fellowship Hall
5:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting – Room 3
6:00 pm Praise Band - Sanctuary
7:00 pm Choir Practice – Fellowship Hall
8:00 pm Bell Choir Practice – Fellowship Hall

Sunday, February 8 JAZZ SUNDAY

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
9:45 am Sunday School, PreK-2 - Room 8
Sunday School, gr 3-12 - Room 3
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. The Food Pantry is open during Outreach Center hours and on Tuesday evenings, from 4 – 6 pm.

COMING SOON

2/16-18 Office Closed
2/18 Bazaar Thank You Luncheon
Ash Wednesday Service
2/19 Morgan Estates Worship
Soup Supper and Program
2/22 First Sunday in Lent

Geneseo United Methodist Church

February 8, 2026



United Women in Faith

**We believe
love in action
can change
the world.**

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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