

GENESEO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 12, 2026

9:30 am

CHIMES Connor Ricotta

INTROIT "Grace Greater than Our Sin" Senior Choir

PRELUDE Connor Ricotta

WORDS OF WELCOME Cindy Varner

† PRAISE SONGS Praise Band

"The River is Here"

"Hallelujah (Your Love Is Amazing)"

CALL TO WORSHIP *(read responsively)* Cindy Varner

Lector: You who have touched the wounds of the world, You who have been wounded by the world,

People: Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God,

Lector: we have not seen you, Risen One. We have not touched you,

People: but we believe you are our Lord and our God.

Lector: You are our refuge in hurt and pain. You are the path of life.

People: You are our Lord and our God! Alleluia!

† OPENING PRAYER *(in unison)* Pastor Beth Malone

Jesus of the Cross, Jesus of the Resurrection, we rejoice in you. For long before the experience of the cross, you defeated the powers of sin, pain, and death in the hurting people around you.

And then you were struck down. But you defeated the cross and stood before your beloved disciples, as you are present today—alive again.

We rejoice in you, Risen Savior, for you open before us your life-giving peace and power. You are our Lord and our God. Alleluia! Amen.

ANTHEM "Amazing Grace" Senior Choir

PASSING OF THE PEACE Pastor Beth Malone

CHILDREN'S TIME Pastor Beth Malone

SCRIPTURE READING **John 20:19-31**

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

People: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE Pastor Beth Malone

"Believe - Be Alive"

OFFERING Cindy Varner

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)* Cindy Varner

Jesus our Protector and Savior, we thank you for every gift you have given us that brings us delight and joy in this life.

We thank you for every gift that comes to us in times of despair to lift us up and tend to our sorrows.

May these gifts reach out to our world, that others may know your joy, your caring, your deep understanding of despair—and your Life – that defeats death. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS AND Pastor Beth Malone

THE LORD'S PRAYER **#895**

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE **#898**

† CLOSING HYMN **TFWS #2196**

"We Walk By Faith"

ANNOUNCEMENTS Cindy Varner

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

† **Please stand for these portions of the service as 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 after the service. We hope to see you next week.*

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

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.

PRAYER CHAIN: Call or text Peggy Oltz (585-519-7614) to activate our prayer chain if you have a particular request that you would like our prayer warriors to pray for. These prayers are kept confidential unless you indicate otherwise.

LECTORS

4/19 Bill Lewis

4/26 Doug McCoy

USHERS

Chad Putnam & Charlie Becker

Linda Meyer & Brenda Mastin



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Next **Sunday, April 19th**, we will acknowledge the gifts and contributions of our Native American brothers and sisters with one of the six Special Sundays designated by the United Methodist Church. Donations to the **Native American Ministries Sunday** offering help to develop and strengthen Native American ministries in the conferences; fund scholarships for Native Americans attending United Methodist schools of theology; and to create beneficial programs including mentoring programs, peer support systems, and funding for economic development projects.

Please consider giving to this special offering. Look for a special offering envelope in the April 19th bulletin, or give online at www.geneseomethodist.org/giving-back-to-god

Pastor Shiela is teaching the **Adult Sunday School Class following our worship service**. Get yourself a coffee and goody and come to the Wesley Room (across from the kitchen). We start about 15 minutes after worship ends, and meet for about 45 minutes. We are starting a study on “John: the Gospel of Light and Life,” and will be very pleased to have you join us!

Save the date! Our annual **Mother/Child Banquet** will be held on **Saturday, May 9th**, beginning with a “punch bowl gathering” and face painting at 5:00 pm, dinner at 5:30 pm, with a program (still to be determined) at 6:30 pm. Please sign up on the sheet outside the sanctuary if you’re interested in attending.

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 – Cindy Varner

USHERS – Lynne Heineman &

Donna Maas

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

APRIL 12 - 19

Sunday, April 12

9:30 am **WORSHIP SERVICE – Sanctuary**

10:20 am Youth Choir - Room 2

Fellowship Hour – Fellowship Hall

10: 40 am **Adult Sunday School – Wesley Room**

4:00 pm Confirmation Class

Monday, April 13

12:30 pm Lunch Good Grief – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, April 14

1:30 pm Hooks and Needles Ministry – Wesley Room

2:00 pm Disciple II Class – Youth Room

No Board of Trustees meeting this month

Wednesday, April 15

8:00 am Prayer Breakfast – Wesley Room

9:30 am Bazaar Sewing & Crafting Group – Fellowship Hall

7:00 pm Choir Practice – Fellowship Hall

8:00 pm Bell Choir Practice – Fellowship Hall

Thursday, April 16

1:30 pm Morgan Estates Worship

5:00 pm Soup Supper and Program – Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 19

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

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.

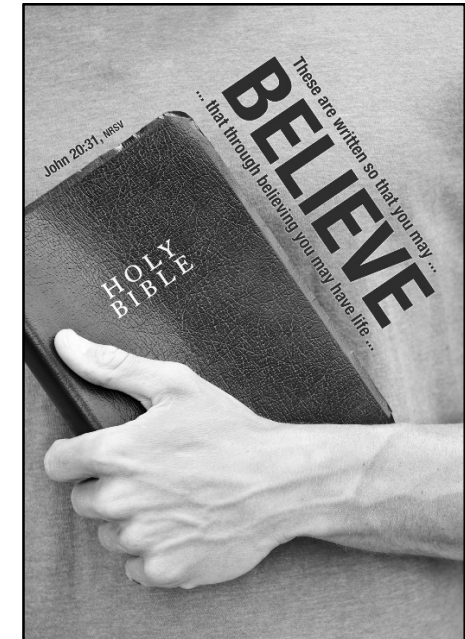
COMING SOON

4/20-29 Kathy Rosier – Vacation

4/21 Church Council

Geneseo United Methodist Church

April 12, 2026



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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