

GENESEO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 30, 20269:30 am

CHIMESConnor Ricotta

PRELUDEConnor Ricotta

WORDS OF WELCOMEDoug McCoy

† PRAISE SONGSPraise Band

“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)”

“Hope of the Nations”

CALL TO WORSHIPDoug McCoy

Lector: O give thanks to the Lord.

People: We call on God’s name.

Lector: Make known the deeds of our Creator,

People: singing them into the world.

Lector: Sing to God, O people.

People: We will sing praise—

Lector: to tell of God’s wondrous works,

People: and give thanks for so many miracles.

Lector: Come, and seek the presence of the Lord—

People: and glory in God’s holy name.

Lector: Let the hearts of all who seek the Holy rejoice,

People: for God brings strength to all the people.

† OPENING PRAYER (in unison)Pastor Beth Malone

Creator God, who shall we say that you are?

By what name can we call you—that would be enough to speak of all that you are and all that you shall be?

We can only call you ‘I Am,’ for you Were—and Are—and always Will Be—the Holy One.

You call us by name and invite us to come to you. We answer, “Here I am,” and come to stand on holy ground.

May we remember that all ground is holy ground, for you are in all times and places—calling us to our lives each moment. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSICBill and Bob Lewis, Connor Ricotta

“In His Time”arr. by Bob Lewis

PASSING OF THE PEACEPastor Beth Malone

CHILDREN’S MOMENTPastor Beth Malone

SCRIPTURE READINGMatthew 16: 21-28

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

People: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE“Changing the Story”Pastor Beth Malone

OFFERINGDoug McCoy

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

OFFERTORYBill and Bob Lewis, Connor Ricotta

“A Mighty Fortress”arr. by Bob Lewis

† OFFERING HYMN (found in the front of your hymnal)

† PRAYER OF DEDICATIONDoug McCoy

Gracious God, you have done marvelous things, wonderous works for us and for all your people. May we make your deeds known—your miracles told and your glory sung in our prayer and praise. May your blessings flow through our lives and into the world. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS AND THE LORD’S PRAYER#895

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE#898

† CLOSING HYMN#128, v. 1 & 4

“He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought”

ANNOUNCEMENTSDoug McCoy

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.

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: Brad and Jean Farthing, Andy Ferguson, Ron Huff, Joe Kane, Laura Page, Maggie Strout, 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.

I recently started collecting bibles for the Youth to use for Sunday School. Someone has taken an **Oxford Annotated Bible** that is red and hard covered. If you took this Bible, please return it to the youth room. It actually belongs to a member of the church and she loaned it to me to use. Also if you have a new or gently used Bible that you would like to donate to the Youth Room for Sunday School use, please contact Leslie Sams @ 585-991-8785.

Sincerely, Leslie Sams



Worship at Long Point Park Sunday, September 6th - 10:30 am

We will worship in the pavilion at Long Point Park on Conesus Lake, on Sunday, September 6th, at 10:30 am.

Following the church service, there will be a dish-to-pass picnic luncheon. Everyone is invited to be a part of this end-of-summer gathering. Beverages and meats will be provided. Please bring a dish-to-pass if you are able (But don't worry if you don't, we'll have plenty!!), and your table service.

Help is needed to set up for worship, cook the meat, and set up the buffet table. Please sign up on the sheet found outside the sanctuary if you are able to volunteer.

LECTORS

9/6 Julie Buehler
9/13 TBA

USHERS

Gerry & Linda Weaver



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CHURCH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS:

11:00 am - 2:30 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.

PHONE: (585) 721-0661

EMAIL: bsmalone7@gmail.com

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

AUG.30 – SEPT. 6

Pastor Beth will be on vacation September 1 – 13. The office will be open.

Sunday, August 30

8:15 am The Prayer Room (Room 2) is open throughout the morning for a quiet time of prayer.

9:30 am WORSHIP SERVICE – Sanctuary

10:30 am Fellowship Hour – Fellowship Hall

Monday, August 31

12:30 pm Lunch Good Grief – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, September 1

2:00 pm Disciple II Class – Room 2

Wednesday, September 2

8:00 am Prayer Breakfast – Wesley Room

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

Friday, September 4

1:00 pm Panic and Anxiety Support Group – Room 3

Sunday, September 6

10:30 am WORSHIP AT LONG POINT PARK

11:30 am GUMC Family Picnic at Long Point Park

The **Geneseo Parish Outreach Center, Inc.** is open, by appointment at (585) 243-3120, Monday - Thursday,
9 am - 12 pm. The Food Pantry is open during Outreach Center hours and on Tuesday evenings, from 4 – 6 pm.

COMING SOON

9/7 Labor Day – Office Closed

9/8 Hooks and Needles Ministry
Board of Trustees

9/9 Choir and Bell Choir Practice begins

9/12 UWF Reading Group

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

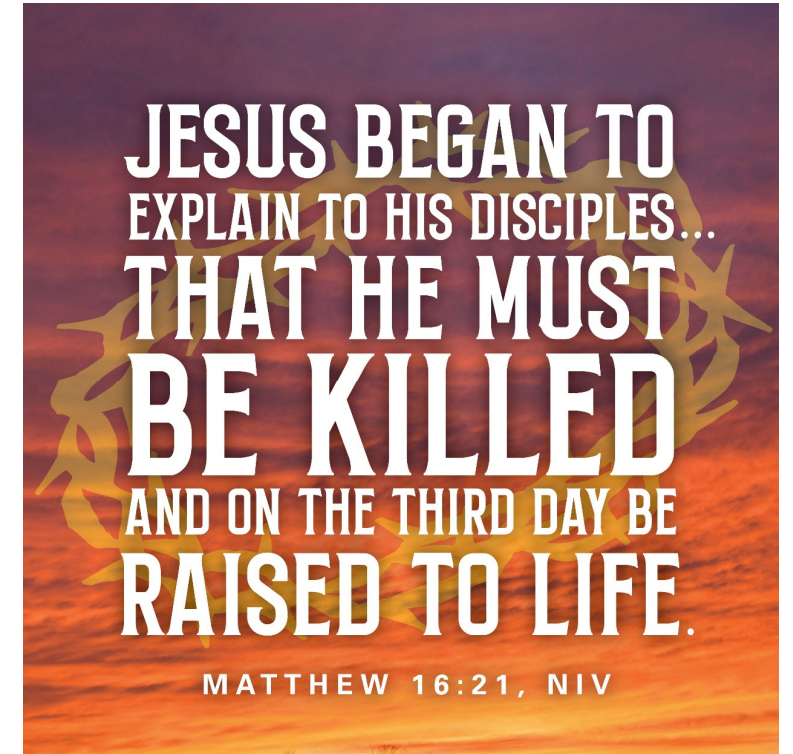
Youth Choir - Beth Feuerstein

LECTOR – Doug McCoy

USHERS – Chad Putnam & Linda Meyer

Geneseo United Methodist Church

August 30, 2026



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