

GENESEO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
September 13, 2026 **9:30 am**

CHIMES Connor Ricotta

INTROIT “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” **#139, v 1 & 5**
*The congregation is invited to join the Choir
to join them in singing the introit.*

PRELUDE Connor Ricotta

WORDS OF WELCOME Kathy Rosier

✚ PRAISE SONGS Praise Band
 “We Believe”
 “How Can I Keep From Singing”

CALL TO WORSHIP Kathy Rosier
(read responsively-source Exodus 15)
Lector: The LORD is our strength and might.
People: The LORD is our salvation!
Lector: The LORD is our God and we will praise him!
**People: God, we are grateful that you offer your
love and grace to us all!**
Lector: Our God is holy, awesome and does
wonderful works!!
People: We will sing praises to our God!

OPENING PRAYER Julie Buehler
(in unison-source Vanderbilt common lectionary)
**O God of our ancestors, Your voice burns
within the depths of our being, and draws us into
your presence and service.**
**Hear the cries of your people and speak a word
of comfort, that we may proclaim to all the earth
the glory of your name. Amen.**

ANTHEM Senior Choir
 “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”
*This anthem was given in loving memory
of former choir member, Gladys Weller.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE All

CHILDREN’S TIME Julie Buehler

SCRIPTURE READINGS Kathy Rosier
Old Testament **Psalms 103: 1-5**
New Testament **Matthew 18: 21-35**
Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE Julie Buehler
 “God’s Compassion and Mercy!”

OFFERING Kathy Rosier
*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
**Father God we thank you for these gifts and
ask that they only be used in service to You. May
you receive our offerings today, multiply them and
guide their use. May we actively use our God-
given gifts of time, talent and treasures in ways
that help others and honor You.**

JOYS AND CONCERNS AND Julie Buehler
THE LORD’S PRAYER **#895**
CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE **#898**

✚ CLOSING HYMN “Depth of Mercy” **#355**

ANNOUNCEMENTS Kathy Rosier

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 Connor Ricotta

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

WELCOME TO ALL! *If you come as a visitor, or if you
have been attending for years, it is our hope you will leave
today as part of our church family. We feel honored to have
you. We invite you to join us in a time of community in our
Fellowship Hall located in the large room down the hall
immediately after church—turn right on exiting the sanctuary and
follow the crowd! We hope you will join us for mid-week
activities and/or for church services next week!*

PRAYERS FOR: Jim Swanger, KC Bailey on the death of his
mother, Donna Bailey, Sue Arney, 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.

LECTORS	USHERS
9/20 Allen Yarton	Dave & Pam Klingman
9/27 Carol Carey	Allen & Joyce Yarton

Soup Supper and Program
Thursday, September 17th, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm.

In addition to a delicious meal of soup, salad, and desserts,
our guest speaker will be Karen LaGioia from the Pregnancy
Resource Center of the Valleys.

We are collecting supplies from the following list of ongoing
needs: Child pull-ups (sizes 2 to 6), Diapers (size 5 and 6),
Training underwear, Postage stamps, and Gift cards for
Wegmans or Walmart etc., for baby formula.

Items may be dropped off at church any time (look for the
big box in the hallway outside the sanctuary), or bring them with
you to Soup Supper.



Sunday School will be offered every third Sunday for students in grades Kindergarten through 12th grade, **beginning on September 20th.** Students will leave the worship service after the children's moment and go to their classroom.

Our Teachers this year will be Leslie Sams and Tammy Price who will be teaching Junior and Senior High School in the Youth Room, and Janet Lamb, who will teach our littles, will meet in Room 8 next to the Nursery

We need volunteers! A new “Coffee Hour Sign-up” sheet has been placed on the clipboard at our coffee station in the Fellowship Hall and we need volunteers to fill in the blanks! Coffee, tea, hot cocoa, and lemonade are available in the cupboards. We ask that you also provide a snack, if possible. Please contact Laurie Perry (585-615-2507) with questions

The Genesee Valley District of **United Women in Faith** invites all women to attend the **District Annual Meeting, Saturday, October 3rd**, at the Rush UMC, 6200 Rush-Lima Road, Rush. Registration will begin at 9:30 am, with the meeting and luncheon to follow. This year's guest speaker, Erma Perkins, will share information about the Zululand Hospice Association in South Africa.

Make your reservation on our sign-up sheet located just outside of the sanctuary doors. Our UWF treasury will cover the \$12 registration cost/person. **Registration deadline is Saturday, September 26th.**



Support the mission and ministries of Genesee UMC. In addition to traditional giving, we have an online giving option. Visit our giving page by scanning this QR code with your mobile phone's camera or visit www.geneseeumethodist.org/giving-back-to-god.

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CHURCH HAPPENINGS SEPTEMBER 13-20

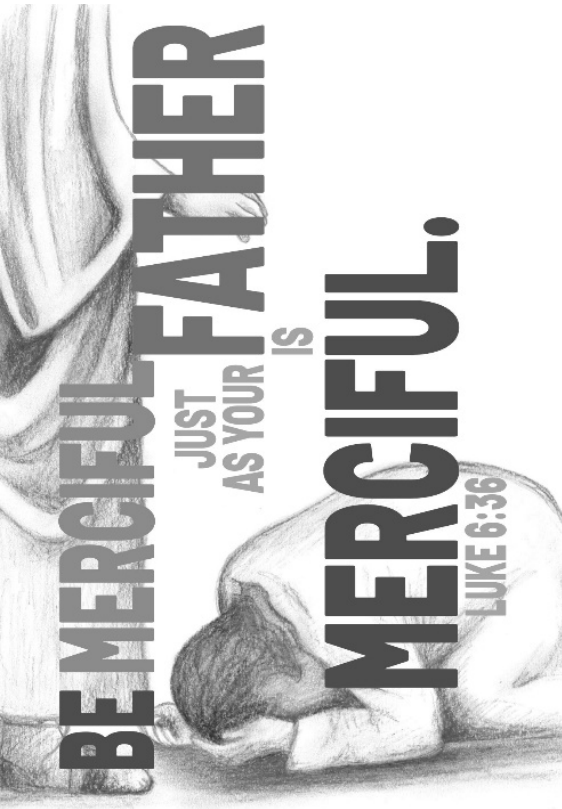
- Sunday, September 13**
9:30 am **WORSHIP SERVICE – Sanctuary**
10:30 am Fellowship Hour – Fellowship Hall
There will not be Adult Sunday School this week.
- Tuesday, September 15**
2:00 pm Disciple II Class – Room 2
7:00 pm Church Council – Wesley Room
- Wednesday, September 16**
8:00 am Prayer Breakfast – Wesley Room
9:30 am Bazaar Sewing & Crafting Group – Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm Senior Choir Practice - Fellowship Hall
8:00 pm Bell Choir Practice - Fellowship Hall
- Thursday, September 17**
1:30 pm Morgan Estates Worship
5:00 pm Soup Supper & Program – Fellowship Hall
- Sunday, September 20**
The Prayer Room (Room 2) is open throughout the morning for a quiet time of prayer.
9:30 am **WORSHIP SERVICE – Sanctuary**
9:45 am Sunday School, PreK-4 - Room 8
Sunday School, gr 5-12 – Youth Room
10:30 am Fellowship Hour – Fellowship Hall
10:45 am Adult Sunday School (TENTATIVE-check back next week)

The **Genesee 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**
9/21 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE (October issue)
9/24 Newsletter Assembly

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| MINISTER
Rev. Beth Malone | MUSIC TEAM
<i>Director of Music</i> - Cynthia Towler
<i>Accompanist</i> – Connor Ricotta
<i>Praise Band</i> - Randy Bigelow
<i>Bell Choir</i> – Sandi Szymanski
<i>Youth Choir</i> - Beth Feuerstein |
| LAY LEADER
Bill Lewis | LECTOR – Kathy Rosier |
| SUPPORT TEAM
<i>Administrative Assistant</i>
Kathy Rosier
<i>Custodian</i> – Dave Woodworth
<i>Nursery Caregiver</i> – Marissa Ross | USHERS – Gerry & Linda Weaver |

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Methodist Church**
September 13, 2026



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REV. BETH MALONE
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