

GENESEO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 4, 20269:30 am

CHIMESConnor Ricotta

INTROIT#381, v. 1 & 3

“God Will Take Care of You”

The congregation is invited to join the Choir in singing the introit.

PRELUDEConnor Ricotta

WORDS OF WELCOMEJulie Buehler

✝ PRAISE SONGSPraise Band

“We Fall Down”

“Thank You Lord”

CALL TO WORSHIPJulie Buehler

Lector: The heavens proclaim the glory of God!

People: We too proclaim what God has done in our lives.

Lector: Voices of praise shout to the ends of the earth.

People: May we join the chorus, as we sing of God’s great and abiding love!

OPENING PRAYERPastor Beth Malone

Creating God, like the earth around us, we gather to proclaim your glory.

We pray that you will revive our souls today.

We pray that you will help us become a little bit wiser.

We pray that our hearts will rejoice at the sound of your name.

We pray that our eyes will be opened to your ways.

We pray that we might live in peace and harmony with one another.

And we pray that today, and every day, we will again choose to follow in the ways of Christ, so that our lives may become an example of your love and grace to the world.

In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

ANTHEMSenior Choir

“Wings of the Dawn”

PASSING OF THE PEACE

DEDICATION OF MEMORIAL GIFTS

Altar Cloth and Bible Marker given in memory of Vineta Johnson and Ginny Youtzy

Drum Set purchased with funds bequeathed by Myrt Merritt

CHILDREN’S TIMEPastor Beth Malone

SCRIPTURE READINGLuke 21: 1-4

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

People: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGEPastor Beth Malone

“In Communion with One Another”

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

Holy One, creator of all, we give you thanks for all you have entrusted to us.

As good stewards, we now bring you these gifts and ask that you use them to help your children around the world. As we bring our gifts, we also offer our lives, praying that you will use us to bear good fruit for all people. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS AND THE LORD’S PRAYERPastor Beth Malone

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CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE#898

✝ CLOSING HYMN“I Come with Joy”#617

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.

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 immediately after church in our Fellowship Hall (turn right on exiting the sanctuary and follow the crowd), and to Adult Sunday School with Pastor Shiela, in the Wesley Room (across from the kitchen) at 10:45. We hope to see you next week.

PRAYERS FOR: Jim Swanger, Brad and Jean Farthing, Andy Ferguson, Joe Kane, Cheryl Nereau, 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

10/11 Shiela Swanger

10/18 Bill Lewis

USHERS

Gerry & Linda Weaver

Jim & Alice Barrett



Pull out your lederhosen and dirndls, and your favorite traditional German Octoberfest recipe **and join us on Thursday, October 15th for a Soup Supper Octoberfest!** We encourage you to bring a dish-to-pass based on our German theme. (It's okay if you aren't able to, we'll have plenty!)

The evening's entertainment will be the eight-piece Roxy's Accordion Band, which was originally started by Roxy's Music Store in Batavia.

Our newest Praise Band Member and Roxy's member, David Tilley, says **the band will wear their Octoberfest finery and all are invited to come dressed accordingly.** The music will include festive, old-time German favorites and opportunities for all to join in singing familiar tunes.

Contact Linda Weaver with your ideas at 585-880-8603 or llwpiffardny14533@juno.com.

World Communion Sunday is one of six church-wide Special Sundays United Methodists join Christians around the world in celebrating Holy Communion, remembering that we are one in Christ, no matter our background, language, or culture.

But it's more than just worship! **Today, a special offering will be received** here at Geneseo UMC, combined with those of churches throughout the Genesee Valley District, UNY Conference and beyond, to support scholarships and leadership training for students from under-represented communities—helping the Church become more inclusive and better equipped to serve.

MINISTER
Rev. Beth Malone

LAY LEADER
Bill Lewis

SUPPORT TEAM
Administrative Assistant
Kathy Rosier
Custodian – Dave Woodworth

NURSERY ATTENDANT
Marissa Ross

MUSIC TEAM
Director of Music - Cynthia Towler
Accompanist – Connor Ricotta
Praise Band – David Tilley
Bell Choir – Sandi Szymanski
Youth Choir - Beth Feuerstein

LECTOR – Julie Buehler
USHERS – Chad Putnam

CHURCH HAPPENINGS OCTOBER 4 - 11

Sunday, October 4 WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

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
10:45 am Adult Sunday School
4:00 pm Youth Group – Youth Room

Monday, October 5

12:30 pm Lunch Good Grief – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, October 6

2:00 pm Disciple II Class – Room 2

Wednesday, October 7

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

Saturday, October 10

9:30 am UWF Reading Group – Wesley Room

Sunday, October 11

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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

10/13 Hooks & Needles Ministry
Board of Trustees
10/14 Finance Committee
10/15 Morgan Estates Worship
Soup Supper
10/16 Calling Hours – Ron Huff
10/17 Memorial Service – Ron Huff

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Geneseo United Methodist Church

October 4, 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
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