

**GENESEO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**October 25, 2026**                      **9:30 am**

CHIMES                                      Connor Ricotta

INTROIT                                      **#110, v. 1 & 4**  
                    “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”  
                    *The congregation is invited to*  
                    *join the Choir in singing the introit.*

PRELUDE                                      Connor Ricotta

WORDS OF WELCOME                      Allen Yarton

✚ PRAISE SONGS                              Praise Band  
                    “There Is Joy in the Lord”  
                    “Forever”

CALL TO WORSHIP                              Allen Yarton  
Lector: Come to us, O God.  
**People: Breathe through our worship with your**  
**Holy Spirit.**  
Lector: Fill us with your faithful love.  
**People: Guide us with your ancient teachings.**  
Lector: Come to us, O God.  
**People: Be in our prayer and praise.**

OPENING PRAYER                              Pastor Beth Malone  
                    **God of ages past and days to come, help us**  
**embrace both your ancient wisdom and your**  
**ongoing guidance. Help us hear anew your words**  
**from years gone by.**  
                    **Open our hearts and minds to fully embrace**  
**what it means to love you, to love ourselves, and**  
**to love our neighbors as you have loved us. In**  
**love and gratitude, we pray. Amen.**

ANTHEM                                      Senior Choir  
                    “Look at the Birds” from TRINITY

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN’S TIME                              Pastor Beth Malone

SCRIPTURE READING                              **Matthew 22:34-46**  
Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.  
**People: Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE                                      Pastor Beth Malone  
                    “A Funny Thing Happened On Y2K”

OFFERING                                      Allen Yarton  
                    *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*)                      Allen Yarton  
                    **Gracious God, bless the offerings of ourselves**  
**and our gifts. May they be offerings of love, for**  
**you and for your people. In loving gratitude, we**  
**pray. Amen.**

JOYS AND CONCERNS AND                      Pastor Beth Malone  
THE LORD’S PRAYER                              **#895**  
CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE                              **#898**

✚ CLOSING HYMN                                      **TFWS #2008**  
                    “Let All Things Now Living”

ANNOUNCEMENTS                                      Allen Yarton

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  
                    **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.*

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

**PRAYERS FOR:** Brad and Jean Farthing, Andy Ferguson, Joe Kane, Cheryl Nereau, Peggy Oltz, Laura Page, Maggie Strout, Jim Swanger, 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.

**FLOWERS:** The flowers on the altar are given in memory of Ron Huff.

| LECTORS |               | USHERS      |
|---------|---------------|-------------|
| 11/1    | Julie Buehler | Linda Meyer |

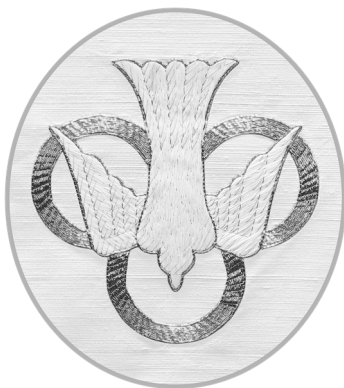


The children of the church have been collecting for **UNICEF** to help other children around the world for over thirty years. UNICEF delivers blankets, nutrition, school supplies and vaccinations around the world.

**Our children will be collecting donations following today’s service,** as you exit the sanctuary. If you wish to donate by check instead of cash, please make it out to UNICEF USA. All donations will be multiplied 5X. A donation of \$20 will be the equivalent of \$100 to help children. Thank you for your help.

**We are in need of ushers** (November 22, and all of December) **and lectors** (November and December). If you would like to volunteer (It’s not hard to do!), visit one of the links below, or call the church office at 585-243-3160, to sign up!

USHERS: <https://tinyurl.com/GUMCushers-nov-dec>  
LECTORS <https://tinyurl.com/GUMClectors-nov-dec>



The Geneseo UMC Choir and Friends present  
*Trinity: Our God of Hope and Help*  
*By Marianne Forman*  
Sunday, November 1, 2:30 pm

The concert will feature the GUMC Choir and Friends, Connor Ricotta on organ and piano, and a String Ensemble.

Our baby grand piano, gifted by the Reverend Bonnie Nolen and her family will be dedicated at this performance.

This concert is free and open to the public. A free will offering, to benefit the Geneseo Parish Outreach Center, will be gratefully accepted.

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**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** – Allen Yarton

**USHERS** – Ron & Marsha Merrick

**CHURCH HAPPENINGS**

**OCT. 25 – NOV. 1**

**Sunday, October 25**

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 Youth Choir (following children's time) – Room 2

10:30 am Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF

10:30 am Fellowship Hour – Fellowship Hall

10:45 am Adult Sunday School

**Monday, October 26**

2:00 pm NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

**Tuesday, October 27**

2:00 pm Disciple II Class – Room 2

5:00 pm Staff-Pastor-Parish Relations Committee – Room 3

**Wednesday, October 28**

9:00 am Prayer Breakfast – Wesley Room

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

6:00 pm Praise Band Practice - Sanctuary

7:00 pm Senior Choir Practice - Fellowship Hall

8:00 pm Bell Choir Practice - Fellowship Hall

**Thursday, October 29**

1:30 pm Newsletter Assembly – Room 3

**Saturday, October 31**

9:00 am Concert Practice - Sanctuary

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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**

11/1 TRINITY Concert

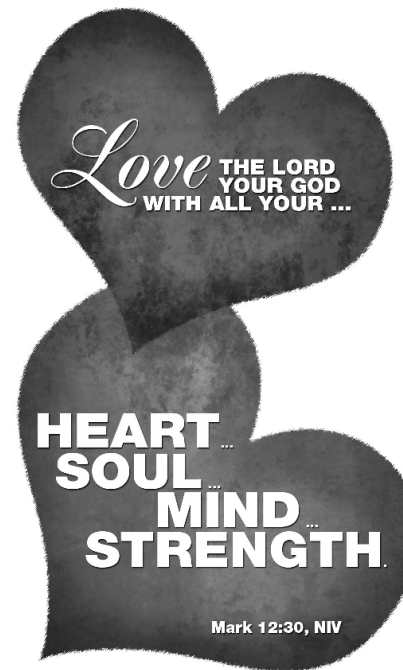
11/5 Morgan Estates Worship

11/6 Panic & Anxiety Support Group

11/7 UWF Reading Group

**Geneseo United  
Methodist Church**

**October 25, 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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