

Stacy Wyant, Guest Elly Stempien, Organist
Ron Miller, Choir Director Stacy Wyant, Worship Leader

WELCOME AND GREETING, ORGAN PRELUDE

Centering Prayer

Song of Praise (FWS) 2065 More Precious Than Silver (2 times)

Sharing of the Peace – please take a moment to greet those around you in the Name of the Lord.

Anthem

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help, said the psalmist.

All: Yet you, O Lord, put your very life into the hands of those princes, mortals, governors, chief priests.

Leader: Happy are those whose helps is the God of Jacob, whose help is in the Lord their God, said the psalmist.

All: You made all there is, your knowledge is greater than we can ever know, and you set the prisoners free, opening the eyes of the blind, lifting the bowed down, for you love righteousness.

Leader: Let us worship the servant God.

***MORNING PRAYER**

Lord God, may your leadership be made real in the world of our time. May peace, justice and mercy rule the world. Today we pray for those who have lost loved ones, those who are ill, those who are troubled by self-doubt and anxiety, those who grieve. We recall those who endure life under the reign of unjust leaders, those who are suppressed by authority that is over-bearing and judgmental. We pray too for those who see the services we take for granted— education and healthcare— withheld because of gender or poverty and we pray for those discriminated against because of nationality or race. Lord God, may your leadership be made real in the world of our time. May peace, justice and mercy rule the world. Amen.

Hymn of Praise (UMH) 292 What Wonderful Love is This

TIME OF PRAYER (FWS) 2193 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

THE LORD'S PRAYER –Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptations, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

PARTY WITH THE PREACHER

***OFFERTORY/ DOXOLOGY (p 95)**

Lord, receive from us what we have to give. The offering we bring before you is a token of the life of faith we must return to you. You are generous and fair, merciful and good.

Let your justice reign in the world. We pray that this gift of money may be used in the sustaining of your work, and that our gifts and talents may be directed towards the right things, always for your glory. Amen.

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 146 (p 581), John 19:1-16 (p. 113)

Message

Closing Hymn (UMH) 504 Old Rugged Cross

***GOOD NEWS**

In the distance, the sound of hammer on nail, the clamour of the crowds, the gathering of judgement, and walking from here to there, from Praetorium to Golgotha, a man with the weight of the world on his shoulders.

We go today remembering what is to come. May the blessing of the Creative One, the Servant Ruler the Empowering Companion go with us now. Amen.

FWS –Faith We Sing UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

Please join us for coffee and conversation after church with our hosts' Waneta and Marilyn

Thank you to everyone who helped make Grandma's Kitchen a success.

Baked Potato Dinner – March 24th at 5:30pm. Your baked potato will be provided. Please bring your "topping".

Palm Monday – March 26th at 9:00am - The Women of the Church are invited to a Palm Monday Breakfast at the Penn Yan UMC.

Wednesday of Holy Week – March 28th at 6:00pm – we will have an opportunity to experience a time of reflection and prayer using a finger labyrinth and the Stations of the Cross according to the Gospel of John.

SERVING THIS WEEK (3/18/18)

Greeters: MaryAnne Milller and Joel Warren
Ushers: Ron and Marguerite Miller
Scripture Reader: Ron Salyer
Sunday School: Pam Althouse
Counters: Elly Stempien and Bill Sutherland
Nursery: Michele Covert & Trish deMontford
Door Greeter: Matt Fitch
Prayer Minister: Stacy Wyant
Fellowship: Waneta Nelsen and Marilyn Sands

SERVING NEXT WEEK (3/25/18)

Greeters: Amos and Laura Hammond
Ushers: Ryan Andersen and Sonya Andersen
Scripture Reader: Sarah Stackhouse
Sunday School: Kerry Fitch
Counters: Elly Stempien and Bill Sutherland
Nursery: Amber Brady and Phil Pearce
Door Greeter: Russ Heggie
Prayer Minister: Gene James
Fellowship: Gene and Marilyn James

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