## **BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Pastor, Sandi Perl Aimee Perry, Choir Director Elly Stempien, Organist Sherri Hunt, Liturgist

Sharing Grace - on the card you were given when you entered the sanctuary write about the things that are 'life giving" in your life. Place the card in the bowl in the front of the sanctuary

## WELCOME AND GREETING, ORGAN PRELUDE

\*SONG OF PRAISE #2070 He Is Exalted

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

C: Alive!

L: Together we celebrate; celebrate just being alive!

C: Alive!

L: Together we demonstrate; demonstrate a faith that's alive!

C: Alive!

L: Together we educate, educate how to be more alive!

#### \*MORNING PRAYER

L: On this day of celebrating your love, we lift to you those who have given us life, those who have loved us, those who have blessed us, and those who have taught us, our mothers.

C: May your blessing pour out upon the woman who gave us birth, and those beautiful, strong women of faith who have been mothers to us along our journey. We praise you, O God, for your gift of motherly love, both gentle and fierce, both strong and humble, both kind and true.

L: We bless our mothers this day, no matter what they have done or left undone. We do this because we believe in your healing, and we believe in your love and we believe that you love every mother, good or bad; and we stand together with all mothers in solidarity, for we all are in need of your grace.

C: Where we have failed because we did not know better, help us to forgive ourselves. Where we have seen your face in any woman who has been to us a mother, in her face we have seen your light and your love and we give thanks. We lift to you the prayer of every mother who has ever loved and lost.

PASTOR: We lift to you, O God, a mother's heart; and although we cannot fully express our gratitude, help each one of us to be your blessing of love, a blessing straight from your heart. Amen.

\*SHARING OF THE PEACE - Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

**HYMN OF PRAISE** #2284 Joy In the Morning

ANTHEM Aimee Perry

PARTY WITH THE PREACHER

PRAYER TIME/PRAYER HYMN - #2202 Come Away With Me

**SCRIPTURE READING:** 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (p 176)

#### **MESSAGE**

\*OFFERTORY/ DOXOLOGY/PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING God of live and love; we bring you our gifts; freely given; offered to you to build and shape, to use and value. We dedicated our money, our time our talents. Our whole life to you and you alone, this day and always. Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN:** #702 (UMH) Sing with All the Saints in Glory"

### \*GOOD NEWS:

Go and live this life we have. Live in faith and with purpose. Live like you mean it. Live the life Jesus wants you to live it. Free, in hope, in peace. Make your life count. And do it with the many blessings of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, enveloping and sustaining you, this day and always. Amen

SHARING GRACE DURING THE WEEK: Things to think about: What do you feel brings life to our church? Where are new forms of life visible? What signs of life do you give thanks for? What do you think needs to be "let go off" in your church? What things need to "die" in our church? What do you feel are the essentials of: life: within our church and our wider community.

### **POSTLUDE**

FWS –Faith We Sing

**UMH – United Methodist Hymnal** 

Please join us for fellowship with our host: Jean and Mike Morehouse

## **SERVING THIS WEEK**

Greeters: Leah and Dick Dibble Ushers: Helen and Dana Schillinger Scripture Reader: Marguerite Miller Fellowship: Jean and Mike Morehouse

Sunday School: Pam Althouse

Nursery: Doreen Sorensen and Brianne Summers

Counters: Marilyn James and Pam Althouse

## **SERVING NEXT WEEK (5/15/16)**

Greeters: Marilyn James and Babs Steinert

Ushers: Jean and Mike Morehouse Scripture Reader: Gene James Fellowship: Marilyn Sands and ???? Sunday School: Jessica Kenneda Nursery: Chris and Stacy Wyant

Counters: Marilyn James and Pam Althouse

Tuesday Noon: Women's Luncheon at Antique Inn. All women

are invited to come and share a meal with one another.

Tuesday - 7PM, Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday – 10:00AM Bible Study – at church – Half Truths –

by Adam Hamilton

# **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

May  $20^{th} - 7:00$ pm – Penn Yan Elementary Schools presentation of the Lion King will be shown in the sanctuary.

Ladies Tea – more information coming soon!

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IT'S WHO WE ARE. IT'S WHAT WE DO!"



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