

BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT



MARCH 9, 2014

WELCOME AND GREETING

ORGAN PRELUDE/CANDLE LIGHTING

***SONG OF PRAISE - #2014 "Thou Art Worthy"**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L.God calls us to worship in this season of Lent.

P.We are people of promise.

L.Christ calls us through wilderness to garden,
from table to cross.

P.We are people of promise.

L.The Spirit sustains us in times of temptation.

P.We are people of promise.

L.God's promise is to all creation.

Healing, forgiving, beckoning...

P.We are people of promise.

L.Let us walk together in faith, trusting God to be with us through
all the turnings and seasons of our lives.

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PRAYING TOGETHER:

Holy God, you dwell among your people,
And our hearts are full of gratitude for your closeness.

Who is like you, O Lord?

Your majesty astounds us, Your holiness overwhelms us,
And yet, in your mercy you draw near to us. For we know you long
for us more than we long for you. You dwell among us and even in
us, Lord Christ.

Awaken our hearts to desire your beauty and to long for your
presence that we might know you and be known by you,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

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

***HYMN OF PRAISE: #2112 "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley"**

CHORAL ANTHEM: "Bow the Knee"

CHILDREN'S TIME -

PRAYER TIME

PRAYER HYMN - #2193 "Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

**SCRIPTURE READING: Rom.5:12-19(156NT);
Matthew 4:1-11(p.3,NT)**

SERMON: "Bow the Knee" Rev. Judy D. White

OFFERTORY/DOXOLOGY: Hymnal, #95

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION:**

Gracious God, accept these gifts which we offer in response to the
riches of your immeasurable love. Strengthen us with your Spirit to
witness to that love in all we do and say, so that others may come to
believe in Jesus as Saviour and Lord Amen

***CLOSING HYMN: #159 "Lift High the Cross"**

POSTLUDE:

***Those who are able please stand**

SERVING CHRIST THIS WEEK:

Organist: Cindy Heggie

Choir Director: Aimee Perry

Liturgist: Stacy Wyant

Scripture Reader: Phil Burdick

Greeters: TBA

Ushers: Doug and Terry Fingar

Fellowship: Sarah Stackhouse – Birthday Sunday

Sunday School:

Nursery: Linda Folts and Sharon Larsen

Counters: Ron Salyer and Chris Bailey

“As you enter this journey to the cross, allow yourself time to Bow Your Knee that you might experience the presence of Christ in your life.”

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TONIGHT: WORSHIP AT THE LIVING WELL –5-5:45- Welcome Sandi Perl as the new minister of our new church, The Living Well. Everyone is invited to share in this celebration.

This Week in the Life of the Church

Tues:

Noon: UMW meet at Antique Inn
7pm - Choir Practice this week

Wed. No Bible Study 3/12 and 3/19. Pastor Judy will be leaving for vacation. We will resume 3/26.

Churches of Penn Yan Lenten Lunches will begin Mar.6th 12-1pm at First Baptist Church. 5\$. Our church will be responsible for serving Mar.27th. We need volunteers to help. Please see Laurie Prinzivalli if interested.

Pick up a copy of the Lenten Devotionals put out by Living Well. They will help you on your Journey to the Cross.

Pastor Judy will be leaving Wed. Mar.12th for her Florida Vacation. She will be staying with Dana and Helen Schillinger. Mar. 19th she will come back. Please call Stacy Wyant for any emergencies.

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