

**BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
HOLY COMMUNION
APRIL 14, 2013**

**WELCOME AND GREETING
ORGAN PRELUDE/CANDLE LIGHTING
*SONG OF PRAISE – #2284 “Joy In the Morning”**

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

L.What a generous God we worship!
What an extravagant Creator, what a Source of abundance!
God has filled the universe with stars and galaxies beyond number,
has filled the world with creatures and objects, colours and shapes,
types and varieties, more than we can comprehend,

P. We thank You, gracious and giving God, and we praise You.

Men: What a vibrant life this is!
What an amazing array of experiences, relationships
and opportunities! God has provided us with minds and bodies, hearts and
souls to perceive and enjoy all that life contains, has called us to appreciate
each unique moment, each special gift!

ALL. We thank You, gracious and giving God, and we praise You.

Women: What an amazing Saviour is ours!
What a self-giving, compassionate Lord! God has entered our world and
shared its challenges, has lived and died as one of us,
has risen, and has opened the door to full, eternal and exuberant life!

ALL. We thank You, gracious and giving God, and we praise You.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: In this world of plenty, O God, we have
chosen to live lives of poverty: We have hoarded our blessings,
and have kept more than our share of abundance. Please, forgive us,
Gracious God. We have failed to care adequately for the world's abundant
resources, Bringing scarcity and pain to our planet;
We have denied the goodness that we enjoy, and have forgotten how to be
grateful, Making ourselves miserable and hurting others; Remind us that there
is enough to go around. And teach us to follow Christ in the ways of love, self-
giving and compassion; Even as You have forgiven us in Christ. Amen.

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

***HYMN OF PRAISE:#344“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”
CHORAL ANTHEM: "Let Us Celebrate the Glories of Our God"
CHILDREN’S TIME –**

**PRAYER HYMN - #2200 O Lord, Hear Our Prayer”
PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**OFFERTORY/DOXOLOGY: Hymnal, #95
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION: God of the wilderness,
We give these offerings in gratitude, rejoicing in the abundance of
your gifts to us. We give these offerings in faith, trusting that you
will provide for our needs. We give these offerings in hope,
knowing you can use them to spread your love in this world. And
with these offerings, we give ourselves; May we live with generous
hearts, with open hands. Amen**

**SCRIPTURE READING:Acts 9: 1-6; John 21:1-19
SERMON: “I’m Going Fishing” – Rev. Judy D. White, Pastor**

**COMMUNION HYMN: "Lord, I Come to Your Table"
HOLY COMMUNION, P. 13**

***CLOSING HYMN: #591 “Rescue the Perishing”**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

***Those able please stand**

SERVING CHRIST THIS WEEK:

**Organist: Cindy Heggie
Choir Director: Aimee Perry
Liturgist: Bill Sutherland
Communion Steward: Barbara Bailey
Greeters: Ron Sergent and Bev Dean
Ushers: Ron and Jane Salyer
Scripture Reader: Marguerite Miller
Fellowship- Sonya Andersen and Terry Fingar
Birthday Sunday
Sunday School: Sarah Stackhouse
Nursery: Terry Fingar and Sonya Andersen
Counters: TBA**

SERVING NEXT WEEK:

Organist: Cindy Heggie
Choir Director: Aimee Perry
Liturgist: Bill Sutherland
Greeters: Sharon Larsen and Linda Folts
Ushers: Vern Stiles and Ernie Pinneo
Scripture Reader: Bruce Westerdahl
Fellowship- Meredith Nielsen
Sunday School: Pam Althouse
Nursery: Chris and Stacy Wyant
Counters: TBA

This Week in the Life of the Church

Tues:

Noon: UMW meet at Antique Inn
Choir Practice on Tues. 7pm
Wed.10:30am, Bible Study

DON'T FORGET WE NEED YOUR BASEBALL TICKETS PAID FOR BY TOMORROW, MON., APRIL 15TH (\$40.00)

The Penn Yan CROP Walk Sunday will be held, May 5th. starting at 1:00; at the First Presbyterian Church.

April 24th, Administrative Professional Day.

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