

The November edition of our newsletter, The Messenger, is available. If you would like to receive a full-color digital copy via email, please indicate that in the fellowship folder. Paper copies are available in the back of the sanctuary.

The Upper Room devotional guide for November/ December is available, and can be found in the church stairway or on the back shelf. Please take one.

The latest edition of the AUMC Membership Directory and Birthday/ Anniversary List can be found in the back of the sanctuary.

For upcoming events, please visit our website at [www.avonnyumc.org](http://www.avonnyumc.org). Also, follow us on Facebook at [facebook.com/AvonnyUMC](https://facebook.com/AvonnyUMC), and on Twitter @UMCAVON

Hearing assistance is available for our services. Just let an usher know for assistance.

For handicap accessibility to the second floor please let the greeter at the door know of this need.

Children are always welcome in worship. Coloring books, crayons, and activity bags are available from the usher.

Please feel free to contact the church with any questions or concerns at 226-8600. This week's office hours are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9AM- 12PM, and Tuesday and Friday from 10AM -1 PM.

If you are interested in purchasing Tops gift cards, an on-going fund-raiser for our church, please see Elaine Davis.

If you are making any purchases on Amazon.com, don't forget to select our church in the AmazonSmiles program!

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#### This Week's Church Activities

**Sunday, November 25, 2018**  
7:30 Radio Ministry WYSL 1040AM  
10:00 Worship Service

**Wednesday**  
10:00 Imagine No Racism  
7:00 Chancel Choir

**Friday**  
10:00 Bible Study

**Sunday, December 2, 2018**  
7:30 Radio Ministry WYSL 1040AM  
10:00 Worship Service  
11:00 GenX/ Millennial Lunch

#### Our Church Staff

Pastor:	Natalie Bowerman
Instrumentalist:	Mark Brennan
Office Manager:	Mark Brennan
Music Director:	Linda Rosebrough
Sound Engineer:	Mark Blakely
Custodian:	Bob Wright
Lay Leaders:	Laurie Combs Jackie Potter
Child Care Provider:	Alex Herman

#### Assisting In Worship Today

Pastor	Natalie Bowerman
Ushers	Steve House, Mary Primm Carole & Steve Stephenson
Reader	Don Mastin
Instrumentalist	Mark Brennan
Music Director	Linda Rosebrough
Sound Engineer	Mark Blakely

## "GOD'S TOY BOX, PART 7: LITE-BRITE"



Welcome to the Avon United Methodist Church. Our congregation includes people of all backgrounds and perspectives, and we affirm God's grace and love for all people, no matter where you are from, what you look like, or who you love. We gather out of our common love for God and his people, and we are glad you are with us. Our mission is to follow in the path of Jesus so that we may grow in faith, serve in his name, and share God's love.

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Radio Ministry Sundays 7:30am, WYSL1040

**November 25, 2018**  
**10:00 AM**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
27<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
\*Please Stand in Body or Spirit

**WE GATHER**

Welcome *Please fill out Fellowship Folder*

Prelude

Greeting and Announcements

Time of Centering

\*Call to Worship

I'm just one person, and I can't do much on my own.  
**I'm just one voice, and one body. One peg on a big board.**

But I'm not alone. There are all these other pegs around me.  
**On our own we might feel small and unimportant, but together we're so much more.**

On my own I'm one small beam of color, but when we all get together, we make works of art.

**On our own, we're just one translucent stick, but together we can shine a brilliant light.**

Let us shine together with the light of Christ.

\*Praying Together

**Sovereign God, we live in a world full of darkness. We see hunger, violence, hatred, and prejudice all around us. When the ugly side of the world is so overpowering, it can make us feel like there's nothing we can do. Help us to remember that you didn't make us insignificant, you made of bearers of your light. Teach us how to unite as one body and shine a light so magnificent that the whole world will want to know where it's coming from. Amen.**

Hymn Sing

Stewardship Moment

**WE LISTEN AND PRAY**

Scripture: John 18: 33-38

<sup>33</sup> Pilate then went back inside. He called Jesus over and asked, "Are you the king of the Jews?"

<sup>34</sup> Jesus answered, "Are you asking this on your own or did someone tell you about me?"

<sup>35</sup> "You know I'm not a Jew!" Pilate said. "Your own people and the chief priests brought you to me. What have you done?"

<sup>36</sup> Jesus answered, "My kingdom doesn't belong to this world. If it did, my followers would have fought to keep me from being handed over to the Jewish leaders. No, my kingdom doesn't belong to this world."

<sup>37</sup> "So you are a king," Pilate replied.  
"You are saying that I am a king," Jesus told him. "I was born into this world to tell about the truth. And everyone who belongs to the truth knows my voice."

<sup>38</sup> Pilate asked Jesus, "What is truth?"  
Pilate went back out and said, "I don't find this man guilty of anything!"

Sharing Our Prayers, Pastor's Prayer, Lord's Prayer

Gift of Music "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart," arr. Shirley McRae

Conversations with Children

Sermon "God's Toy Box, Part 7: Lite-Brite"

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE**

\*Hymn "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light," #206, v. 1-2

Joy of Giving *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

\*Doxology "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow," #95

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

**God of a better world, these gifts we bring are small fragments of light. We offer them to you, so you can bring them all together to create an image of your Kingdom for everyone to see. Amen.**

**WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

\*Hymn "Great Is Thy Faithfulness," #140, v. 1-2

\*Benediction

Postlude

**Church News & Notes...**

The Partnership Dinner scheduled for Monday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, has been cancelled.

Saturday, December 1, Geneseo UMC is having their annual Holiday Bazaar from 10am-2pm

Pastor Natalie and Sean invite our fellow Gen Xers and Millennials to join us for lunch in fellowship hall after church on Sunday, December 2nd. We're hoping for this to grow into more than a one-time thing, but for this meeting we're looking to have an informal conversation about what people our age would like to see at AUMC. The UMW is graciously providing free food and childcare. Please spread the word to anyone who might be interested, and invite your friends!

You are invited to join us for a worship service of music at the Avon United Methodist church (130 Genesee St.) on Sunday, December 16 at 10:00 am. Our special guests Mitzie Collins (hammered dulcimer), Roxanne Ziegler (harp) and John Heyer (recorder) will be featured. Come and enjoy a time of reflection and preparation for Advent while listening to beautiful music. We welcome all who would like to attend this free event. Please call 226-8600 with any questions.