

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Lenten lunch** will be this Tuesday, March 11th, 11:45 am at the First Presbyterian Church. Rev. Tom Taylor will present "Patience & Self Control".

The **UMW Meeting** will be Monday, March 10th, at 7:00 in the Fellowship Hall. All women are welcome to attend!

Unless otherwise noted, church meetings will be held in the **Royal Perrin Room**.

The **Royal Perrin Room** is located through the doors at the front of the church worship space past the church offices on your left hand side.

The **Church offices** are located through the doors at the front of the church worship space.

**Fellowship Hall** is located in the large room below the church worship space on the lower level.

**Coffee Hour** is located in Fellowship Hall.

**Restrooms** are located on the lower level. Pass through Fellowship Hall where they will be on your left.

The **Nursery**, staffed by trained, background checked individuals, is located on the lower level. Pass through Fellowship Hall, to the end of the hallway.

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#### This Week

##### TODAY — March 9, 2014

8:30 Worship  
9:30 Coffee Hour  
Sunday School  
10:30 Worship Service  
11:45 Worship Team Meeting  
1:00 "Son of God" Movie in Geneseo  
Monday 7:00 UMW meeting  
Tuesday 11:45 Lenten Lunch  
Wednesday 7:00 Chancel Choir  
Thursday 9:30 Giggle Time  
11:00 Bible Study

##### NEXT WEEK — March 16, 2014

8:30 Worship  
9:30 Sunday School  
Coffee Hour  
10:30 Worship  
11:45 Bible Study

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Bob Wright, Custodian  
Brenda Munzinger & Madeline Wolfer  
Child Care Providers



Welcome to worship this morning!  
We're glad you've joined us!

Please take a moment to note your presence  
on the yellow welcome sheets  
found in the pews near the center aisle.

Our vision: "We are a family of God, a fellowship of believers, seeking to know Christ and to make Christ known to others."

Our mission: "To follow in the path of Jesus so that we may grow in faith, serve in His name, and share God's love."

AVON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
March 9, 2014 10:30 a.m.

## 1st Sunday in Lent

\* = Please stand in Body or in Spirit  
Songs numbered 2000 and higher  
may be found in the small black songbook.

### We Gather

Prelude "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"  
*arr. by Kevin Boesiger*

Welcome

\*The Peace

A Time of Centering "Lead Me to the Cross"  
*arr. by Todd Beaney*

We seek to become a beacon of hope,  
A lamp for the heart and a light for the feet.  
We learn, year by year, to let love shine through  
Until we see Christ in each person we meet.

We welcome the scarred, the wealthy the poor,  
The busy, the lonely, and all who need care.

We offer a home to those who will come,  
Our hands quick to help, our hearts ready to share.

### \*Call to Worship

Jesus said: "I was hungry and you gave me food, I was  
thirsty and you gave me something to drink."

Let us act justly.

"I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and  
you gave me clothing."

Let us love tenderly.

"I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and  
you visited me."

Let us walk humbly with our God.

Let justice roll down like waters,

And righteousness like an ever-flowing stream

\*Hymn

"Jesu, Jesu" # 432"

### \*Praying Together

O God, keep our whole world under your protection.  
Wipe out sin from this land; lift it up from the depth  
of sorrow, O Lord, our shining light. Save us from  
deep grief and misfortune, Lord of all nations. Bless  
us with your wisdom, so that the poor may not be  
oppressed and the rich may not be oppressors. Make  
us have no ruler expect you, making us a world of  
love. Amen.

### We Listen and Pray

Gospel Reading Matthew 25:31-46

Conversations with the Children

Sharing Our Prayers

Morning Prayers

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 temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.

A Gift of Music

"The Faculty of God"  
*by Gene Grier/Lowell Everson*

Guest Speaker

Barb Herman

Hymn

"Here Am I" v 1 # 2178

Guest Speaker

Christine Ryan

Hymn

"Here Am I" v2 # 2178

Guest Speaker

Tom Bartilini

Hymn

"Here Am I" v3 # 2178

### We Respond to God's Grace

The Joy of Giving

"Reverie" by Colin Curtis

\*Doxology

#95

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Almighty and forgiving God, we give you most humble  
thanks for your goodness and loving kindness to us and  
to all whom you have made. We bless you for your  
creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life.  
Give us such an awareness of your mercies, that our  
hearts may be thankful. We offer these gifts giving  
glory to you. Amen.

### We Go Forth to Serve

\*Hymn

"For the Healing of the Nations"  
v 1-3 #428

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

"Come, Now is the Time to Worship"  
*arr. by Tom Fettke*

### SERVING US TODAY

Preacher: Rev. Kimberly Ferrel

Reader: Colleen Hynes

Ushers: Laurie Combs & Mary Primm

Guest Speakers: Barb Herman-Avon Chamber of Commerce

Christine Ryan—Food Pantry

Tom Bartilini—Lions Club

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