

THIS WEEK AT UPC

Sunday, March 15

10:00a Worship – Pastor Becky preaching

**In response to the COVID-19 coronavirus outbreak,
all non-essential programming and
in-person gatherings have been canceled
through March 29, 2020, and perhaps beyond.**

Tuesday, March 17

5:00p Community Meal – take-out meals only

Sunday, March 22

10:00a Worship with us on Facebook: [facebook.com/UPCBinghamton](https://www.facebook.com/UPCBinghamton)

Tuesday, March 24

5:00p Community Meal – take-out meals only

Sunday, March 29

10:00a Worship with us on Facebook: [facebook.com/UPCBinghamton](https://www.facebook.com/UPCBinghamton)

Everyone is welcome here



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Prayer of the Week



Make us thirsty

She came to the well alone
in the middle of the day
perhaps because the bright sun
was less scorching
than the looks from local folks.

She came to the well alone
in the middle of the day
perhaps because the hot sun
was less sweltering
than the insults from loose tongues.

She came to the well alone
in the middle of the day
perhaps because the fiery sun
was less blistering
than the rejection from familiar faces.

And to her amazement she found at the well
much more than water to quench her thirst
thanks to the stranger who offered her
conversation, kindness and respect.

And full of excitement she ran from the well
healed from social isolation and public shame,
thanks to the prophet who offered her
companionship, dignity and grace.

Wandering Jesus,
make us eager to enter the city
and to approach those who are lonely
instead of avoiding them.

Welcoming Jesus,
make us willing to cross boundaries
and to accept those who are different
instead of judging them.

Warm-hearted Jesus,
make us thirsty to work for justice
and to protect those who are hurting
instead of abandoning them.

—Magdalena I. García

The Spring issue of the UP-Beat Newsletter will be sent out this week. We are “going green” and have reduced our mailing list substantially.

The electronic newsletter will be sent to everybody as usual.

If you want to receive a printed copy of the newsletter in the US Postal mail, please contact the church office.

Printed newsletters will also be available for pick-up at church. If you have not been receiving the newsletter electronically, and you wish to, please contact the church office and provide us with your current email address.

UPC’s “Family & Friends” Directory is also being produced this week. We will be mailing them out to everybody who is listed in the directory. If you plan to be at church sometime this week and would like to pick yours up in person, please notify the church office and we will hold your copy here.

Easter flowers: Celebrate Christ’s resurrection with tulips, daffodils, and kalanchoe plants on Easter Sunday.

(Note that due to the COVID-19 outbreak, UPC may decide to reschedule our celebration of Holy Week.

If we do so, we will delay our flower order to coincide with our Easter worship service.)

Order forms are available at the church office or online at upcbgm.org/flowers

Please submit your orders by **Thursday, March 26.**