

*Prayer after Receiving (*in unison*):

You have given yourself to us, Lord,

Now we give ourselves for others.

Your love has made us a new people.

As a people of love we will serve you with joy.

Your glory has filled our hearts;

Help us to glorify you in all things. Amen.

*PRAYER OF BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE (*sung by all*)

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God be with you till we meet again;

By his counsels guide, uphold you,

With his sheep securely fold you;

God be with you till we meet again.

Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet;

Till we meet, till we meet,

God be with you till we meet again.

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*POSTLUDE

"All Hail the Power"

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We welcome those who love God and believe in Jesus Christ to join with us in receiving Holy Communion. We welcome people of all ages and religious denominations, since we believe that Christ lived and died for us all. We will receive Communion at the altar rail—feel free to kneel or stand. Please note that there is gluten-free bread available in the small paper cups. We invite you to eat the bread and drink the grape juice as they are handed to you. You are welcome to remain at the altar rail to pray as long as you wish. Please come to the front following the direction of the ushers and return by the side aisles. If you would prefer to be served in the pew, let one of the ushers know.

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Our elevator is currently broken. We've ordered a new elevator which we hope to have installed by Palm Sunday & Easter. In the meantime, we apologize for the inconvenience. People are welcome to remain downstairs in the Fellowship Hall and view the service on the television monitor.

The carillon will play on Feb. 17 in memory of Madge Evans.

FAITH HOME: Each week we will be listing an activity that you can enjoy as a family to help us all grow in faith. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18. What is something special your family could do during the next 40 days to grow closer to Jesus?.

Please keep the following people in your prayers during the coming week: Dick Crane; David Creller; Tim & Terri Cretin, Erin; Emily Cretin; Tyler Cretin; Delicia Crippen.

Lent is a time to grow spiritually. One important aspect of our spiritual life is prayer. This year for Lent, our church is planning to have “Lenten Prayer Partners.” This is how it will work: everyone who is interested in taking part will need to sign up by today. You may add your name to the list at the back of the church, or contact the church office (587-9544, NRUMC@rochester.rr.com). We will draw names and notify you as to who your prayer partner will be. Then, during the 40 days of Lent (Ash Wed. Feb. 18 through Easter Sunday, April 5), you will hold each other in prayer. You may want to phone each other, e-mail, or meet to talk about prayer needs which you would like your partner to include in their prayers. This spiritual experience is open to children, youth, and adults—both those in the North Rose-Wolcott area and those out of the community (for instance, in college or in Florida). Hope you will take part!

Next Sunday, we will receive our monthly Mission Bank offering. This offering helps support the work of missionaries: Olga Gonzalez is the director of the Westside Urban Mission in Syracuse and is responsible for outreach to the children & youth of this poverty-stricken neighborhood. Dr. Mark Zimmerman is the director of the Nick Simons Institute for Rural Health in Nepal. Donations in addition to our covenant commitments will be used to fund an endowed scholarship at Africa University.

Pastor Dan is leading a 7-week Lenten Bible Study using the book, *The God We Can Know: Exploring the "I Am" Sayings of Jesus*. This will be an exciting opportunity to look more deeply at Jesus’ teachings recorded in the Gospel of John. The study book is written by a United Methodist pastor, Rev. Rob Fuquay, and includes a DVD segment filmed in the Holy Land. Books will be available (suggested donation, \$10); it’s also possible for you to order your own

copy for your Kindle. The study will be held on Tuesday evenings, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Child care is available, just let Pastor Dan know that you would like it.

Get ready for the Rockers again this year! The Middle School Youth will be looking for sponsors for their annual Rock-A-Thon. It begins on Fri., Feb. 20 at 9:00 p.m. and continues overnight to 7:00 a.m. on Saturday at the church. The money they raise will help pay for their trip. If you have questions about the Rock-A-Thon, contact Roxie Walker, (rwalker1763@gmail.com), 585-750-1668.

If you have not already made a donation for the new elevator, please consider one now. You can write a check to the NRUMC – Elevator Fund, make an electronic transfer (email Church Finance Secretary Ron Eisenmenger at reisenmenger@rochester.rr.com for instructions) or place cash in an envelope marked “Elevator Fund” in the Sunday collection plates. If you would like to designate your gift in memory or honor of someone, please note this as well. The belief that our church services, studies, meetings and fellowship activities should be accessible to all people, at all times, necessitates the installation of this new elevator. Please help make this commitment a reality with your financial support. It will be greatly appreciated.

The Brigade Boys Ministry will meet Monday evenings from 6:30 to 8 pm at the Faith United Methodist in Wolcott. This ministry is for boys from Pre-K through 6th grade. We hope to develop this ministry from Pre-K through Sr. High. As mentioned last year, this ministry is a Christ centered, Biblically based ministry whose purpose is to develop disciples for Jesus Christ. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Pastor Bob Searle, [585-727-1782](tel:585-727-1782). PS: Brigade Boys does not meet when there isn't school.

ATTENTION YOUTH: Fri. Feb. 27th, 5–10 p.m. Leavenworth NRW Middle School: “THE EVENT” is a massive party. There will be bands, pizza, basketball, dodge-ball, call of duty, and more. The bands are 3 Shades of Blue and of Iron and Arrows. Ground Zero Masters Commission will be doing a presentation. Don't miss out on this night. Age limit: 11-18. Admission: Free!

Here is a link to our page about it:
<https://www.facebook.com/events/401071760062262>

Ryan Howes, Youth Pastor, New Hope, 315-530-7175.

We have a prayer box on the small table in the back of the sanctuary. Everyone is welcome to write prayer needs on a slip of paper and place them in the box. This prayer box is laid on the altar each Sunday. Pastor Dan takes the prayer requests home and continues to pray for these needs during the coming week. However, if you wish to keep your request known to God alone, just write “private” on the front, and Pastor Dan will not read it.

Friendly NURSERY CARE for pre-school children is available anytime from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. It is located downstairs at the east end of the building.

*Pastor Dan's days off are now **Mondays & Thursdays**. If you need a pastor on these days, please contact our assistant pastor, Rev. Diane Walker (315-573-5444). Thank you!*

*The flowers on the altar are given in loving memory of Madaline Mills
by Lois Loveless.*

Today – 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

2:00-3:30 p.m. MS Youth Group: Nursing Home Visit

Monday – March/April Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday – No Jr. Choir

7:00-8:30 p.m. Bible Study: “I Am the Bread of Life”- Jn. 6: 27-59

Wednesday – 1:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service at Clyde UMC

7:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting

7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service at Rose UMC

Thursday – 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

8:00 p.m. Cantata Choir Rehearsal

Friday – 9:00 p.m. MS Youth Group Rock-A-Thon begins

Saturday – 7:00 a.m. MS Youth Group Rock-A-Thon ends

9:30 a.m. UMW at NRUMC with Rose UMW

Sun. Feb. 22 – First Sunday in Lent; Mission Bank

9:15 a.m. Youth/Adult Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship: “Today You Will Be With Me in Paradise”

Luke 23: 39-43

J4J – Joyful for Jesus (Children’s Sunday School)

11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

No MS Youth Group

Tues. Feb. 24 – 3:20 p.m. Jr. Choir

7:00-8:30 p.m. Bible Study: “I Am the Light of the World”

Thurs. Feb. 26 – 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

8:00 p.m. Cantata Choir Rehearsal
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Pastor: Rev. Dan Corretore

Assistant Pastor: Rev. Diane Walker

Church Secretary: Mary Anjo

Pastor's Office Assistant: Melissa Taber

Praise Music: Ken & Kim Dobbin

Accompanist: Kim Dobbin

Organist: Jan McDorman

Organist Emerita: Lorraine Wilson

Child/Youth Support: Roxie Walker

Custodian: Lois Loveless

Winter Chancel & Bell Choir Director: Lucinda Collier

Jr. Choir Director: Lucinda Collier

Visiting Ministry Coordinator: Ann Stevens

Sound: TBD

Head Usher: Dave Fremouw

Greeter: Kathy Barnes

Nursery Coordinator: Kim Sember

Lay Reader: Lois Loveless

Announcements: Chris Galek

Counters: Chris Galek, Denise Kline

Projection: Abby Hilkert

Our thanks to Jan McDorman for sharing her musical talents with us today.