



# North Rose United Methodist Church

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We Gather for Worship

Sunday, March 12, 2017, 10:30 a.m.

Second Sunday in Lent

**The season of Lent asks us to reflect on our common life in church and society from the perspective of our baptismal covenant and to repent of our failure to live up to it, “since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God” (Romans 3:23).**

*At the asterisk (\*), all who are able are invited to stand.*

## LIFE IN THE CHURCH

*Large-print bulletins and hymnals are available from the greeters.*

*Please pass the Fellowship Folders to those seated next to you.*

PRELUDE, “In The Cross”

Whitford

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 121:1-2

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

*“Peace be with you.” “And also with you.”*

\* PRAISING GOD WITH SONG

PRESENTATION OF PRAYER BOX BY THE CHILDREN

SILENT PRAYER; OPENING PRAYER; 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.**

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

*(Afterwards, kids age 3 through grade 5 are welcome to go to J4J.)*

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We Hear God's Word

ANTHEM, "Lord, Lift Me Up"

Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O God: Tell us what we need to hear,

**and show us what we need to do**

**to follow in the way of life. Amen.**

SCRIPTURES

First Lesson, Genesis 12:1-4a

Pew Bible, p. 9

The Gospel, John 3:1-17

Pew Bible, p. 924

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION 128,

"He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought"

MESSAGE, "Into the Promised Land"

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE 383, "This Is a Day of New Beginnings"

We Respond with Thanksgiving

INVITATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God: We confess that we have tried to hide from you,**

**for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves and**

**turned from our neighbors. We have refused to bear the**

**troubles of others. We have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sin and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY, "Take Time to Be Holy" Wells

\* SONG OF PRAISE (Doxology) from Hymn 296

**Unto God be praise and glory; to the Father and the Son, to th'eternal Spirit honor now and evermore be done; praise and glory in the highest, while unending ages run.**

\* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\* PARTING HYMN 664, "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

\* BLESSING

\* POSTLUDE, "There Is A Balm in Gilead" Livingston

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**Our next Interim Process Event** will be held next Sunday, March 19. Following worship, we will gather for a light lunch and then join in discussing how we as a congregation can maintain our health and grow spiritually, especially as we prepare to continue ministry with a new pastor beginning July 1. All are welcome and encouraged to participate.

Please keep the following people in your prayers during the coming week: John & Kim Truebger, Jack; Sandie VanDeusen; Angie VanDeusen; Ed VanDeusen.

The March 2017 Church Calendar and Church Newsletter can be found in the back of the sanctuary and downstairs on the information table. Feel free to take one home to share with a friend.

Information about church camp at Casowasco is now available on-line, and registration is open (<http://campsandretreats.org/summer-camp-2017> ). There are a wide range of exciting camp opportunities for children age 6 and up. Note that popular camps fill up quickly, so plan to get your reservation in early. Printed brochures are available on the back table in the sanctuary.

Altar Flowers add beauty to our worship services. If you would like to donate flowers in memory or in honor of someone, please add your name to the sign-up list by the church office. We can order flowers for the altar vases from *The Flower Mill* for a donation of \$25, or you can arrange on your own for flowers to be delivered.

**UMCOR Sunday (Formerly One Great Hour of Sharing) Special Offering on Sunday, March 26-** Whenever there is a natural disaster or famine, UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) missionaries & volunteers respond immediately. Their work is a direct result of the UMCOR Special Offering, which supports the operating expenses of those who bring healing and help in our name. This offering makes it possible, when we respond to an emergency like Hurricane Sandy, to know that 100% of our gift goes directly to where the suffering is happening. And we're in it for the long haul! Long after the initial crisis is passed, the United Methodist Church is still there, helping people rebuild lives, offering physical and spiritual support. Please support the UMCOR on **March 26**. Please use the offering envelopes provided in your bulletin, or mail your contribution directly to the church office: PO Box 369, North Rose, NY 14516. You can also find more information and give on-line at:

<http://www.umcsgiving.org/ministry-articles/one-great-hour-of-sharing>.

Thank you!

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 Rich 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 Rich will not read it.

**Heating Season:** If you are in charge of an activity at the church, please make sure all interior doors & windows are closed when you leave, and that there is nothing blocking the heat registers. Also, it helps if you check to make sure all lights are off and there is no water left running. Thank you!

You are invited to remain after the service and enjoy refreshments & conversation with one another downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.

**Today** – 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time: Sharon Miner

Monday – 7:00 p.m. Adult Spiritual Quest

Thursday – 6:00-7:00 p.m. 46:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

7:30 p.m. Cantata Rehearsal

Sun. March 19 – Third Sunday in Lent

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

10:30 a.m. Worship: “Streams in the Desert”

Scripture: Exodus 17:1-7; John 4:5-15

J4J Sunday School

11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

Noon-1:45 p.m. Interim Process Workshop & light lunch

Mon. March 20 – 7:00 p.m. Adult Spiritual Quest

Tues. March 21 – 1:00-4:00 p.m. Cards & Games

Thurs. March 23 – 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

7:30 p.m. Cantata Rehearsal

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Pastor: The Rev. Rich Neal

Assistant Pastor: The Rev. Diane Walker

Secretary: Mary Anjo

Office Assistant: Melissa Taber

Accompanist: Kim Dobbin

Organist: Jan McDorman

Chancel & Bell Choir Director: Lucy Smith

Winter Chancel/J4J Choir Director: Lucinda Collier

Organist Emerita: Lorraine Wilson

Praise Music: Ken & Kim Dobbin

Head Usher: Allan Mitchell

Greeter: Sharon Miner

Announcements: Mary Anjo

Lay Reader: Edie Bradley

Sound: *Position vacant*

Projection: Ella Hilkert

Child/Youth Support: Roxie Walker

Custodian: Lois Loveless

Visiting Ministry Coordinator: Ann Stevens

Counters: Kathy Barnes, Marlene Francis

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For pastoral emergencies, contact Interim Pastor Rich Neal by cell phone, 716-984-3541, or by email at [richneal@together.net](mailto:richneal@together.net).

\$1,729.28 Last Sunday's receipts for our operating budget

\$3,611.21 Average weekly receipts needed

67 Last Sunday's attendance