# THOSE WHO ENHANCE OUR WORSHIP

Worship Leader Laura Zobel Children's Moment: Christian Ed

Organist:

Chancel & Hand-Bell Choir

Director/Pianist: Laura Rankin

Ushers/Greeters

Acolyte: Usher
Offering Counter: Kathleen Randall
Alternate Counter: Millie Elgaway
Baby Haven: Christian Ed

We provide childcare for all ages

## **OUR CHURCH LEADERS**

Pastor: Rev. Richard G. Reed
Ministers The Whole Congregation
Moderator Ann Sedore
Church Clerk Lorraine Balmer
Sun. Sch. Superintendent Pam Downey
Youth Group Adviser Del Wayne
Church Secretary Cindy Travers

#### **BOARD CHAIRS:**

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#### **TO OUR VISITORS**

Welcome to this household of faith. We are glad that you have chosen to join us in worship. Our mission statement at the Tully United Community Church is to be an inclusive community, proclaiming the message of God's love in the teachings of Jesus Christ through worship, teaching and service.

We are an ecumenical fellowship of Christians who believe in God and who seek to follow Jesus in discipleship. Our history includes two specific denominational families: the American Baptists and the United Methodists. While we affirm and maintain our ties to these expressions of Christian witness, we seek to be open to all people who seek to love God and live out their life of faith among us.

Our unity celebrates a diversity of gifts and thinking which leads us to open our hearts and minds and doors to all who enter.

We have no creeds or doctrinal formula to which our members must ascribe, but rather believe in a God given freedom of conscience in regard to matters of religious faith.

Our prayer is that at worship we will catch a glimpse of God's meaning, purpose and direction for our lives and hopefully discover a new centering presence for our daily living.

Our program life is one which seeks to minister to community needs that we might be a benefit and blessing to all who come through our doors. If our worship and program life serve to enable your own faith journey we hope you might consider joining our fellowship. Please sign the guest book on the stand by the sanctuary doors.

## **Thoughts to Ponder After Worship:**

- Are you, like Jonah, ever reluctant to preach God's Good News? What are the barriers that keep you from doing so? How can you overcome them?
- What do you do to release feelings of contempt or distrust of others from your heart?
- How do we proclaim God's Kingdom in this present time?
- In what ways do you struggle to follow the teachings and example of Jesus?

## \*Centering Song

There is an ancient practice known as Centering Prayer that has been used for centuries for Christian meditation. To practice this type of prayer, you are simply supposed to sit in a comfortable position, still and relaxed, while you focus on one sacred word ("Jesus," "Love," "Savior," "Spirit," etc.) until only that word is on your mind. The goal is that you be able to shut out all distractions and quiet your inner self~your thoughts and consciousness~so that you can experience God's presence within you personally and powerfully. Centering Song is a musical form of Centering Prayer. The words that we sing help us focus our attention away from ourselves and toward God while the music is meant to quiet our spirits and bring us into an attitude of prayer.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS – Jan 21, 2024 "Loving People, Loving God"

Welcome to the Tully United Community Church, a place where everyone is welcomed and appreciated for who they are. Whatever your background or past involvement with churches of any kind, you and your family are invited to visit with us often and to participate in any of the activities of the community. We hope you find what you are seeking and perhaps a home here at TUCC. Please feel free to reach out to our Moderator Ann Sedore if you have any questions.

**WELCOME VISITORS...** We ask that you sign the guest book located on the stand in the narthex by the doors entering the sanctuary.

**WELCOME FOLDERS** are available for 1<sup>st</sup> time visitors. The Welcome Folders contain information about the church and community. See an usher to receive a Welcome Folder.

**MEMBERSHIP PACKETS** are available in the narthex for those interested in joining the church.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL -Pam Downey** serves as our Sunday School Superintendent and organizes weekly lessons, except the first Sunday of the month, for any children that attend. Children participate in the opening part of the church service and then leave for the lesson and other fun. Feel free to invite children you may know to join us weekly.

ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES are available from an usher each week. CHILDCARE IS AVAILABLE IN OUR BABY HAVEN NURSERY

**BAPTISMS/CONFIRMATIONS:** Please speak with Reverend Richard Reed about your interests as soon as possible.

**FELLOWSHIP TIME** -All are welcome to join us in the Fellowship Room each week for food and beverages immediately following worship. It's a great way to visit & stay in touch with others.



Flowers today were provided by Marcia & Joe Martin in memory of their parents.

## **Praise Team Looking for New Members**

The Praise Team hopes to be part of TUCC worship more regularly in 2024. They are inviting anyone with a love of singing or a talent for playing an instrument to join the group. Contact Rick Huyge or Bob Cooper with questions or to join.

## **Lenten Devotional Pamphlet**

This Pamphlet is a compilation of inspirational daily messages submitted by members and friends. We also use some favorites from past issues. Please consider submitting an inspiration you would like to share. With Ash Wednesday being February 14<sup>th</sup>, **the deadline for these is January 28<sup>th</sup>**. Please e-mail or drop your submission to Cindy at the Church Office.

# **Choral Singers Sought for Faure Requiem**

Experienced choral singers are invited to participate in a performance of Gabriel Faure's beloved Requiem on March 24, 2024 (Palm Sunday) at the Tully Community Church on Meetinghouse Road, Tully, New York. No audition will be required. **Rehearsals will begin on Tuesday, January 9 at 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the church venue.** The rehearsal schedule is: 1/9, 1/23, 2/6, 2/20, 2/27, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19. **Dress rehearsal** Saturday, 3/23, 10 a.m. to noon. **Performance** Sunday, 3/24 at 3 p.m.

Tully Arts Council presents, Songs for a Winter's Night concert series

Jan 21 at 6 pm @ Tully Train Station, Todd Hobin, Admission by donation

## THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS:

Jan 21<sup>th</sup> – Lee Winger, Jan 24<sup>th</sup> – Cathy Burgett, Jan 25<sup>th</sup> – Mark Stachowski, Jan 26<sup>th</sup> – Jeanette Holden

CHURCH ATTENDANCE Jan 14<sup>th</sup> 50
CONTRIBUTIONS (Sunday Offering and Loose Offering) for Jan 14<sup>th</sup> 9:30 AM \$ 2,002

# Prayer and Praise: Continue prayers for:



Valerie Aris, Jud Barker, Linda Barker, Beth Barner, Ben- Marie Kemp's nephew, Sue Bickelhaupt, Sara Bowling, Arthur Brown, Janet Brown, Brenda Burns, Erick Burrell, Father Cary, David Choate, Margo Christopherson, Shirley Coffin, David Cottrell, Linda Cottrell, Lila Donley, Millie Elgaway, Betty Fairchild, Pam Falge, Carol Fisher, Vaudine Fisher, Dick Freeman, Anna Friedberg, Jake Greiner, Carl Grillo, Elaine Haines, Andrea Hall, Jim Herrift, Peter Huntington, Gerri Jacobus, Michael Jacobs, Claire Jones, Friends of Claire Jones (Andre, Marta, Sisfried, Genevieve). Jim & Jesse Kerr-Whitt's sister, Paul Kinny, Nancy Lajoie, Beth Lattimer, Evie Lehea, Doug MacCrea, Rey Manson, Dick McAdoo, Beth McCuish, Devin McCuish, Kathleen McFarlane, Maurice Meylan, Kris Morris, Heather Nodine, Dick Oliver, Misty Perry, Tally Poulin, Pamela Poulin, Hugh Reed, Linda Reed, Tom & Norma Richards, Lura Rouse, Leslie (Cornue) Sanderson, Leilani Schoff, Wynn Skeele, Jeremy Simon, Paul Simon, Rob Simon, Brenda Smith, Sheryl Sonacchio, David, Liz & Jolie Spaulding, Rusty Spaulding, Brenda Stoker, Barbara T., Brittany Valvo, Jeff Watteau, Joyce West, Steve – Sue Wright's son-in-law, Mary Thompson, & Jamie (Millis) York.

#### Today our T.L.C. recipient Pat Ehlers

Please sign the card located on the stand near the Welcome Center!

#### LOOKING AHEAD.....

# **Church Activities**

**The 24/7 Pantry Box -Just a reminder -** The 24/7 Pantry Box in the TUCC parking lot, can always use food items to be donated and given away.

**First Sunday of each month: - Mar 3<sup>rd</sup>** Bring in non-perishable food items and paper products for the **food pantry at St. Leo's Hall** and the **emergency food pantry at TUCC**. Also, we will have a **special offering** on the first Sunday of each month **for the Fisherman's Net Fund**. Proceeds will go to help lower income families in our community who are struggling.

Tuesday, Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> 12:00– Senior Luncheon (Menu is subject to change.) This week's menu: Sloppy Joes on a bun, Cole Slaw, Potato Chips, Brownies

Tuesdays & Thurs – 10:00 to Noon, Senior Winter Indoor Walking @ TUCC

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. Bell Choir

Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. Choir

Sunday, Jan 21st – Songs for a Winter's Night – Todd Hobin, 6 PM @Tully Train Station

Tuesday, Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> – Faure Requiem rehearsal @ TUCC 6:30 – 7:30 pm