

***“Working Together with All to Connect to God’s Love”***

**First United Methodist Church of Horseheads**

**February 16, 2025**

**Greetings and Announcements**

As the service begins, please use the white prayer cards on the pew-back in front of you if you want something read aloud from the pulpit. During our first hymn, the Ushers will collect cards to be read aloud.

**We welcome to our pulpit today the Rev. Anne Canfield**

**Prelude:** Dance Alexander Peloquin

**\* Call to Worship:**

Leader: Come, all of you who are poor, all of you who need comfort.

**People: May we find in Jesus’ comfort and rest.**

Leader: Come, all of you who are meek, all of you who are hungry and thirsty.

**People: You are invited to the Lord’s banquet table.**

Leader: May you come in Spirit and Truth to worship today.

**All:** For Jesus sees you, sits down with you, and speaks to your heart today.

**\*Hymn** Fairest Lord Jesus #189

**\* Unison Prayer:** Giver of Peace, you taught us what it means to be a peacemaker as you healed the severed ear of the soldier who came to arrest you. Yet we wage war, sow seeds of separation, and cultivate conflict. Yet God is always faithful. Even though we are not righteous God gives us Christ’ righteousness. Even though we cannot earn our inheritance, God calls us children of God. Truly we are blessed. Rejoice and be glad for our reward is great in heaven. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

**Joys and concerns**

**Silent Prayer**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Gift of Music** Softly and Tenderly arr. Gilbert Martin

**Young Disciples Time**

**Scripture: Jeremiah 17:5-10**

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Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks Be to God.**

**\*Hymn**                                      Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God                                      #405

**Scripture: Matthew 5:3-12**

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Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks Be to God.**

**Sermon**                                      Kingdom Bound Values                                      Rev. Anne Canfield

**Offering**

**Offering Music**                                      Song of the Vale                                      Edward MacDowell

**Doxology**

**\*Hymn**                                      Make Me A Channel of Your Peace                                      TFWS #2171

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**                                      Grand March                                      Kenneth Brewer

(Please feel free to stay and enjoy the Postlude)

\*Indicates please stand if able.

## **Announcements February 16, 2025**

Welcome to Worship today! If you are visiting today with us, please stop by the visitor's table just outside the sanctuary. There is a gift bag there for you!

Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Sharon and Bob Joralemon's 57<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Sunday School: 10:45am, Grades k-8 Fellowship Hall, Sr. High-Class Rm 18, Adult Sunday School, Large Conference Room



We welcome to our church today, the Rev. Anne Canfield. Anne is a retired United Methodist Elder who has served churches since 1988 in Northeast, PA, (under appointment in the former Wyoming Annual Conference), and churches in New York State as part of The Upper New York Annual Conference. Most recently, Anne has served at Waverly, North Rose and First Watertown UMC's. Anne has worked collaboratively in the communities she served on issues of food insecurity, grief recovery, and child advocacy. She has served over a decade on the UNY Conference Board of Ordained Ministry, and currently on the Conference Safe Sanctuary and New Faith Communities advisory committees. Anne has a passion for starting new ministries for children and young families and to help those in recovery. Anne is married to her husband Larry. They have three adult children, two cherished grandchildren, and two beloved beagles.

### **February Church Committee/Event Schedule**

Prayer Group each Monday, 10 am, WR

Women's ministry Bible Study each Wednesday at 10am, WR

Choir Practice each Saturday at 3pm

Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am, Quilting Ministry, FH

Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1:00pm, Worship Committee, SCR

Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, Noon, United Women of Faith, LCR

2:00pm, Missions Committee, LCR

\*5:00pm, Dish to Pass Dinner and a Movie, FH.

5:30pm, Stephen Ministry, Rm. 12

6:30pm, Staff Parish, LCR

Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>, Soup to Go, Kitchen (Italian Wedding soup/Stuffed Pepper soup)

Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>, 7pm, *Stewardship, Rm. 11* Note: *This meeting is canceled.*

Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm, Church Council Meeting, LCR (Note new time change)

Feb. 29<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm, Stephen Ministry, Rm. 12

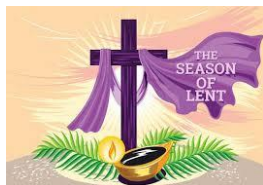
**March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7 p.m. OPEN MEETING FOR HOSPITALITY MINISTRY, WR**

**March 17<sup>th</sup>, Noon and 7 p.m. OPEN MEETING FOR MINISTRY WITH SENIORS**

**\*Dish to Pass Dinner and a movie on February 12<sup>th</sup> was canceled due to the weather.** The new date is February 19<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. Please bring a dish to pass to share and Faith Builders will provide a dessert and beverage.

**Are you a Member of our Church?** Would you like to become a member or just know more about our church and our beliefs as United Methodists? Sign up now through our church office for the series of four classes to meet after church service on Sunday mornings: March 9, 16, 23, 30 from 10:45 – 11:45 a.m. This class will be led by Parish Visitor, Cindy Ellis using the new membership book titled “Belong.”

## Lenten Suppers



Please join us each Wednesday from 5:30-6:30 for a light meal and a presentation based on the book, [The God We Can Know](#), by Rob Fuquay.

Below are the dates, places and speakers.

*(Details are still being finalized)*

**March 12<sup>th</sup>      First UMC, 1034 W. Broad St., Horseheads**

Speaker: Rev. Susan Husted (retired)

**March 19<sup>th</sup>      Elmira Heights UMC, 212 Oakwood Ave., Elmira Heights**

Speaker: Rev. Pat Hubman (New Beginnings)

**March 26<sup>th</sup>      New Beginnings UMC, 300 Miller St., Elmira**

Speaker: Rev. Holly Strickland (Webb Mills UMC)

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>          Webb Mills UMC, 1623 Pennsylvania Ave., Pine City**

Speaker: Pete ONeill (Oakwood UMC)

**April 9<sup>th</sup>          Our Savior's Lutheran, 2872 Westinghouse Rd., Horseheads**

Speaker: Rev. Jeff McDowell (pastor at First UMC, Horseheads)