

Worship Service for Bethany U.C.C.
March 30, 2025

Prelude

Announcements, Joys and Concerns

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We must block out the noise to hear you Lord

C: **Lord help us hear what you are saying**

L: We must open our eyes to see you Lord

C: **Lord help us clear our vision to see you**

L: We must trust with our heart that you are here

C: **Lord awaken our hearts to live in your light**

*HYMN #278 (SS) *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Gracious Father, please walk with us, as we go through each day. Lift us up in times of trouble and heartache. Bring peace to our lives, when this world overwhelms us. Father we know that your love is greater, than we can imagine. Fill us with your strength that we may be your humble servants and carry your Love into this world. It is in your name we pray. Amen.

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

INVITATION TO CHILDREN (Jesus Loves the Little Children)

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pre-K to Grade 2 children dismiss to church entryway for Sunday School

HYMN (screen) *Lord Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary*

OFFERING

*OFFERTORY

#351 UCC *We Give Thee But Thine Own*

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE

1 John 3 : 18-19

MESSAGE

“Opportunity and Actions”

*HYMN #399 SS *I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go*

*BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY - Guest Speaker Justin Knox

- One Great Hour of Sharing special offering (envelopes)

Women's Fellowship will meet this Wednesday, April 2, at 1:30 p.m. The program will be presented by Marian Bland. Audene Schrader is hostess.

The Maundy Thursday service will be here at Bethany UCC in Tioga at 7 p.m. on April 17. The Good Friday service will be at Bethlehem UCC in Sutter at 7 p.m. on April 18.

Women's Bible Study will continue studying "Prayer" on Mondays at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Living Water will perform "Hymns of Holy Week, Songs of Easter" at 2 p.m. on Palm Sunday, April 13, at the Nauvoo Theatre. The event features scripture and messages. Those interested in joining the back-up choir should contact Michael Haas at 309-221-1401. See the bulletin strip for more info.

SAVE THE DATES:

- Confirmation/Palm Sunday: Sunday, April 13, 10:30 a.m.
- Maundy Thursday at Bethany: Thursday, April 17, 7 p.m.
- Good Friday at Bethlehem: Friday, April 18, 7 p.m.
- Church moves to 10 a.m.: Sunday, June 1, and weeks after
- Bible School: Friday, June 27
- Retreat House Sunday: Sunday, July 20

Brad Doyle is greeter today, Diane Schrader next week. Thanks to the greeter, our guest speaker, the musician, AV tech - all who helped with the service.

WELCOME ALL! If you are a visitor, please sign the guest register and come again.

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