#### PRAYERS FOR THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH: FEBRUARY 2, 2025

Please keep the following people in your prayers. Please call the church office with the names of those you would like to have included in the prayers. Names will remain on the list for 3 weeks. Should you wish to have a person remain on the list longer, please notify the church office.

#### **RECENT CONCERNS**

Regina Curry, friend of Yvonne Shore Joanne M., friend of Dick & Nola Keslinke Phylis Massier, friend of Janet Helm Prayers for Pastor Heather Connor for upcoming Board Interview on February 3rd Prayers for those suffering in the wake of shootings, environmental disasters and other traumas Prayers for those living amid war and conflict in Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Russia, Sudan, Syria and Haiti Prayers for those facing persecution for their faith and beliefs Prayers for peace, healing and reconciliation in our world, that God's justice and love may prevail

#### **ON-GOING CONCERNS**

Jim Dillon Lance Erickson Wayne Belec Bruce Benstein Wayne Peterson Margaret Ogden, Brighton Gardens - St Charles Bill Weckler, former member of UMCG Dorothy Urbaitis & Rick Olaerts Shirley Anderson - Autumn Leaves of St. Charles Ron Maier - Bickford of St. Charles Marie MacKenzie, DuPage Care Center - Wheaton Bill Marshall, brother of Deb Schiller Marilyn Malik, mother of Anita Malik Tricia Monaghan, niece of Margot Monaghan

Jeff Mahan, brother of Kelley Nelson Kyle Phillips, nephew of Debbie Sampiller Davy Shaffer, grandson of Vicki Shaffer Christine Lieggi, cousin of Sherry Duffett Patricia Nugent, mother of Leslie McCarthy Lucy Jo Hale, granddaughter of Cheryl Mennerick's cousin Brenda Bill Kirkwood, friend of Margot Monaghan Dwight & Leatha Newberry, cousins of Cheryl Mennerick David & Terri Frickling, cousins of Cheryl Mennerick Caregivers caring for Loved Ones at Home

#### **OUR SYMPATHY**

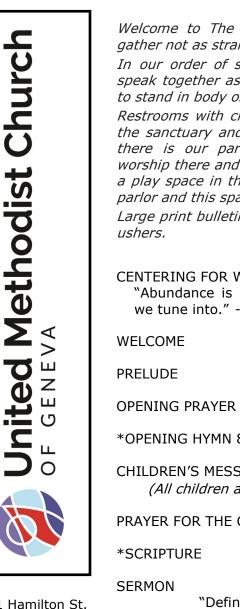
Our sympathy and prayers to Val Erickson and family on the death of her father, Robert Mamoyac, who passed away peacefully on Wednesday, January 29th at his home in Batavia. Condolences to the family may be sent to: Val Erickson, 1769 Pheasant Run Place, Geneva, IL 60134.

#### THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Evan Heckman-Trathen, son of Dianna Heckman & Donald Trathen Bryan Kelsey, son of Bruce & Diane Kelsey Jeffrey Jungknecht, nephew of Jim & Jennifer Karwoski Reed Arrott III, son of Reed & Ruth Arrott, Jr. Adam Dahlberg, son of Patricia & Andrew Dahlberg William Lyon, grandson of the late Gwyn Lyon Matthew & Allison Isely, son & daughter-in-law of Mike & Vicki Isely Lynda Cooke, granddaughter of the late Emilie Marguez

## MISSION EMPHASIS





# **FEBRUARY 2, 2025**

Welcome to The United Methodist Church of Geneva! We gather not as strangers but as friends in Christ!

In our order of service below, the words in **bold type** we speak together as a congregation. An asterisk (\*) invites us to stand in body or in spirit.

Restrooms with changing stations are out the rear doors of the sanctuary and to the right. Further down the hall from there is our parlor. We broadcast a live-stream of our worship there and have play items for children. We also have a play space in the rear, north corner of our sanctuary. The parlor and this space are available to all persons.

Large print bulletins & hearing devices are available from our

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#### CENTERING FOR WORSHIP

"Abundance is not something we acquire. It is something we tune into." - Wayne Dyer

#### Pastor Rob Hamilton

Sharon Reed

\*OPENING HYMN 88 (red hymnal) "Maker, in Whom We Live"

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(All children and youth are invited to Sunday School.)

PRAYER FOR THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH Sharon Reed

John 2:1-12

Pastor Rob Hamilton "Defining Moments: Wedding at Cana"

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RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS (Please pass the red attendance pads at the end of the pew down and back to know who is worshipping next to us.)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Seek Ye First" - Lafferty, arr. Wagner Chancel Choir

\*DOXOLOGY *(unison)* U.M. Hymnal Pg. 95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Pastor Rob Hamilton

#### CONFESSION AND PARDON (unison)

God of Abundance, we confess that we often live with hearts bound by fear of scarcity. We hoard what we have, afraid there won't be enough. We place our trust in things that cannot sustain us and neglect to share Your blessings with others. Forgive us for doubting Your provision and for failing to see the abundance You offer in Christ. Renew our hearts, that we may trust in Your grace and reflect Your generosity.

(silent prayers of confession)

#### \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(While it is customary for Christians to pass the peace with a handshake or physical touch, we ask that we exchange the peace WITHOUT touch, such as a wave, peace sign or other loving gesture to others.)

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

U.M. Hymnal Pg. 15

## THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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.

## SHARING OF THE LOAF AND CUP

(We welcome all persons to partake in Communion. Ushers will guide us to the front or will offer service to those who prefer to receive seated. Communion is served via pre-packaged communion elements or via intinction - dipping bread in the cup. All of the bread is gluten-free. All cups contain unfermented grape juice.)

\*CLOSING HYMN 613 (red hymnal)

"O Thou Who This Mysterious Bread"

## \*BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

(Some worshipers leave after the Benediction, while others remain seated through the playing of the Postlude. Please feel free to do as you wish. Everyone is invited to coffee fellowship immediately after the service next door in Fellowship Hall.)



The flower arrangement in the chancel today is from Tom and Becky Nicol in memory of Becky's father, James Brubeck, on his February 1st birthday.

The white rose on the altar is in memory of Robert Mamoyac.

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# VOLUNTEER PARTICIPANTS

WELCOME HOSTS:Alison & CUSHERS:Steve LillieACOLYTE:Gretchen DLITURGIST:Sharon ReeCOMMUNION STEWARDS:Sam & GindCOMMUNION SERVERS:John & MarGREET THE PASTOR WELCOME DESK:HOSPITALITY HOSTS:Chuck & HeSam & GindSANCTUARY PREPARATION:Sam & Gind

Alison & Chuck Bolvin Steve Lillie, Tom Anderson, Steve Cornwell, Tom Reynolds Gretchen Drexler Sharon Reed Sam & Ginny Aharrah John & Mardel McNally, Sharon Reed, Bob Weick Chuck & Heidi Howlett Sam & Ginny Aharrah

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## QUESTIONS FOR CONVERSATION

FOR CHILDREN: How do you feel when you have to share something you think isn't enough?

FOR TEENS: Why do you think Jesus cared about helping at the wedding? What does that tell us about God?

FOR ADULTS: How can we trust in God's abundance when life feels full of scarcity?

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