

WEEKDAY WORDS

Thursday, March 5, 2026

THIS SUNDAY

9:30 am- Youth Group and Children's Faith Formation.

There will be no Adult Faith Formation this week. See below for more information about the new book they will be reading!

10:30 am- Worship

Rev. Stephanie will lead worship. Kathleen will have children's time then Acey and Claire will staff the nursery. There will be no coffee hour this week as there is currently no one signed up. If you are interested in hosting this Sunday please email Stef at youth@homercc.org. Carrie Scheibner is deacon of the day. If you are unable to attend in person, join us online! You can find the link to our livestream by going to our website or Facebook page as well as by finding us on Youtube.

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday- Deacons meet at 6:30 pm

Friday- Easter Egg Hunt, 5-6:30 pm

Saturday- Service for Bill Allen at 11 am

Next Sunday:

9:30 am- Faith Formation for all ages

10:30 am- Rev. Stephanie will lead worship

KATHLEEN'S CORNER

APRIL SIGN-UPS: I have signups sheets for nursery and preschool faith formation volunteers for the month of April on the sign-up table. Thank you for all those who have volunteered so far! Please consider volunteering for one Sunday in April.

An Easter Egg hunt event is scheduled for the evening of March 13th for children in 5th grade and under. We will have a quick dinner, have an egg hunt, and do a few crafts. If you would like to come, let Kathleen know so she can have enough food and eggs! Adult help is always welcome too!

A big thank you goes out to Pam Kavalesky for the beautiful barn she made for the faith formation classroom. The barn holds our puppets and is a masterpiece! If you haven't seen it yet, please pop into the upstairs faith formation room to have a look! Thanks again, Pam!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Books are in! You can pick one up on the boardroom table. The adult group will be reading the UCC Lenten devotional "Outgrow" through the remaining weeks of Lent. We will not meet this Sunday, March 8 to allow everyone time to pick up the book and read. We will gather on Sunday, March 15 and will share in next week's Weekday Words which pages to read.

About the book: This Lent, shed what you've outgrown!

"There is perhaps nothing more futile than allowing people and circumstances we've outgrown to dictate our direction in the present," writes Kenneth L. Samuel in his introduction to *Outgrow*.

Lent begins with a divine demonstration of outgrown circumstances: the temptation of Jesus by the devil in Matthew 4. "When Jesus was being tested in the wilderness," Ken Samuel observes, "he had already grown deeper than the superficial sources [of greatness and glory]."

What about you? What temptations in your life have already been overcome by increased insight? What fears have been shed through the development of your faith?

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

This week the envelopes to contribute to the UCC One Great Hour of Sharing are on the church pews. This offering assists with offering support around the world.

EASTER OUTREACH EVENT

The Easter Dinner and Basket Giveaway will be here before we know it! The outreach team will hold this event on Saturday March 28th and is already well into their preparations for it! Don't forget this Sunday to bring in Easter basket items! We are looking for things like bubbles, sidewalk chalk, small toys, balls, stuffed animals, stickers, coloring books, and easter candy.

COMING UP IN THE EASTER SEASON

Sunday March 29th- Palm Sunday, At 9:30 AM adults, kids, and youth are all invited to join in palm cross folding during faith formation time in the Fellowship Room. Worship will be at 10:30 AM. Livestream will be available on this day

Thursday April 2nd- Though we will not have a Maundy Thursday service held in our building there will be other opportunities in our community to worship on this day. See below for times and place in Cortland that we know of holding Maundy Thursday services this year.

6:30 PM- Service at Grace and Holy Spirit

7:00 PM- Service at United Presbyterian Church

Friday April 3rd- Good Friday Service, in the sanctuary at 6:30 PM. This service will also be live streamed

Sunday April 5th- Easter!

At 7:00 AM we will be holding a short and simple sunrise service in the garden (so dress for whatever the weather turns out to be!). We will sing some songs, accompanied by guitar and hear some scripture readings as we celebrate this day.

At 10:30 AM we will gather in the sanctuary for our Easter Sunday service! Livestream will be available this day

If you have something you would like listed in weekday words prayers please reach out to Stef, Anne, or Cindy