Sunday, February 23, 2025 ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00 AM

## Mr. Timothy Flynn \* Pastor

#### **Carolyn Lansing \* Organist & Choir Director**

(\*People Stand If Able)

Please mute your cell phones

**PRELUDE** (*Time for quiet reflection & meditation*)

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS INTROIT

### COME, LET US WORSHIP

## CALL TO WORSHIP

**SENTENCES** 

Romans 8:14 Psalm 37:1-10

### (with Congregational Response)

Do not fret because of the wicked; do not be envious of wrongdoers,

# for they will soon fade like the grass and wither like the green herb.

Trust in the LORD and do good; live in the land, and enjoy security.

# Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act. He will make your vindication shine like the light and the justice of your cause like the noonday.

Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him; do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices.

# Refrain from anger and forsake wrath. Do not fret--it leads only to evil.

For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.

Yet a little while, and the wicked will be no more; though you look diligently for their place, they will not be there.

## SALUTATION

## Genesis 45:4-8

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt...... Grace Mercy and Peace be with you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

# \*Hymn #358 "I Am Thine Oh Lord"

# **Responsive Reading:**

# Luke 6:27-36

"But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you;

# bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you.

If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt.

#### Give to everyone who ask of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again.

Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them.

If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is

that to you? For even sinners do the same. **If you lend to those from whom you expect to receive payment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again.** Instead, love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful just as your Father is merciful

Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

## \*GLORIA PATRI #622

## PRAYER (in Unison):

Holy God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring healing to all wounds, make whole all that is broken, speak truth to all illusion, and shed light in every darkness, that all creation will see your glory and know your Christ. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD JOYS AND CONCERNS PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN #446 "I Will Serve Thee"

\*OFFERING \*OFFERTORY \*DOXOLOGY #625 (found in the back of the hymnal) \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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## THE WORD OF GOD

- SCRIPTURE: 1 Corinthians 15:35-50
- Message: "The Road to Resurrection"
- \*HYMN #353 "A Shelter in the Time of Storm"

#### **DEPARTING TO SERVE**

### \*BENEDICTION \*POSTLUDE

#### AMITY REFORMED CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

"Our mission is to grow into the people God created us to be in Jesus Christ through Worship, Service and Fellowship within our congregation and our community."

#### TODAY AT AMITY

*Today's Greeter:* Barb Sauter

#### **COMING UP AT AMITY**

Wednesday, February 26	, 2025 Bible Study & Prayer	<sup>r</sup> 6:00 PM	
Monday, March 10, 2025	Elders & Deacons Mtg	6:00 PM	
Monday, March 10, 2025	Consistory Mtg	7:00 PM	
Sunday, March 16, 2025	Irish Themed Potluck Dinner		
	After Service		
Friday, March 28, 2025	Brooks BBQ 3:00	– 6:00 PM	

Pastor Tim is available for pastoral calls. You can contact him at (518) 334-0408.

\*\*\*\* Current Elders; Jean Hill, Pieter Lansing, Deb LaRose & Barb Sauter,

\*\*\*\* Current Deacons; Dan Cargill, Mark Hill, Carolyn Lansing & Will Shippey

\*\*\*\* Weekly Donations Needed For The Backpack for Kids is an on-going program. If you are interested in helping to support this please reach out to June Lee in person or at 518-371-7879 \*\*\*\*

Boy Scout Troop 30 meets every Wed. @ 6:45 pm in Chapel Hall Girl Scouts meet on Thurs. @ 6:30 in Chapel Hall

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE DEACONS**

	Offering from February 16, 2025	
Program		\$
Benevolence		\$
Total:		

#### <u>Monthly Mission:</u> Brian & Donna Renes <u>RCA Mission</u>

Everyone should have access to the Bible in their heart language—from Scandinavia to Chiapas, Mexico, from South Sudan to Bali, Indonesia. With every project, Brian Renes and his team work steadily and patiently to translate, revise, and fine-tune over 30,000 verses in each language. In some areas, finding local support is difficult, but that is always Brian's goal. A person in-country knows the local language and can give more frequent support to Bible translators, almost always lending to a greater quality translation. In partnership with United Bible Societies, Brian serves as the training coordinator for Bible translation work. He trains translators, consultants, and others how to use special software that is designed specifically for Bible translation. With 500+ active projects around the world and Page **6** of **6** 

over one billion people lacking access to a complete Bible in their heart language, God has called him to a big task.

### **This Week's Prayer List**

(Please have prayer requests sent to the office no later than Thursday to be added to the list)

The Family of Agnes Molitor, Kathy Whitehead, Clara and her family, Doug Gould, Johnny & Judy Cranfield, Miss Millie, Marriah, Bob Shippey, Brittany Hernandez, Joe & Donna Flynn, Georgia Beatty, Book Club Members will illnesses, Pastor Kent, Unspoken, World Unrest, Our Military & 1<sup>st</sup> Responders