



One Voice

Monthly Newsletter of
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Matthew 1:23 "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us."

Advent is here, Christmas is soon and the New Year is right around the corner. Tis the season of waiting, watching, hoping and love. All too often in the busyness and frantic race to get everything done we forget to keep God in the center of our thoughts and plans. There are several opportunities to refocus on God during this season. There is a weekly Sunday worship service at 11:00a.m. , as well as a contemporary service on Thursday @6:30p.m. Come and take home one of the Advent devotionals and spend a few minutes with God every day.

On December 7 at 6:30 there will be a women's Christmas service at the Gorham UMC. There will be a gathering for tea and dessert first and then a move into the sanctuary for some carols and worship.

On December 24, there will be two services. Contemporary at 5:00p.m. , followed by a candlelight service at 7:00p.m.

On December 31 at 3:00p.m., a service of healing and hope will be offered. This will be a time to let go of the pain and difficulty of this last year and an opportunity to begin the new year with a fresh start. I wish you all a season full of love and joy. God is with you! Pastor Deb

Peace and blessings, Pastor Deb





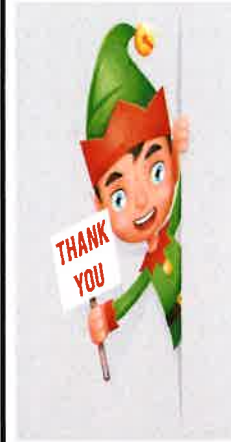
December

2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1	2 TOPS 5:00-6 pm	3	4 Contemporary Worship 6:30 PM	5	6
7 Women's Christmas Service in Gorham @ UMC 6:30 pm	8	9 TOPS 5:00-6 pm Trustee Meeting @ 6:30 pm	10	11 FREE Meal 5:30-6 pm Contemporary Worship 6:30 PM	12	13
14 BLAST	15	16 TOPS 5:00-6 pm	17	18 Contemporary Worship 6:30 PM	19 Lions Club 5 pm	20 Lions Club 10-2
21 BLAST Childrens Presentation Coffee Hr.	22	23 TOPS 5:00-6 pm	24 Contemporary Worship 5 pm Candlelight Service 7 pm	25 NO Contemporary Worship	26	27
28 BLAST	29	30 TOPS 5:00-6 pm	31 Healing & Hope Service 3 pm			



12/8-Patty Dhondt-Cambell
 12/12-Rita Caraballo, Don Pierce
 12/13- Gloria Orsini, Brian Hemminger
 12/15-Luke Young
 12/20- Amy Buel
 12/28-Misty Zambuto
 12/-31- Marsha Gibbs



Thank you to all that donated candy for trick or treaters. We handed out 112 candy bars!



12/15- Renee & Howard DeRue

12/31- Betty & Ron Green

December 21, 2025
During Worship Service



Children's Program



Thank you to all those who donated items for the health kits. I was able to make up 12 health kits thus far.

The Survivor Advocacy Center is looking for donations for their health kits:

- Hand Towels
- Wash Cloths
- Toothpaste
- Band-aides
- Fingernail clippers
- Gallon size Ziplock bags

Contact Hope Albrecht with any questions @

cemama1969@yahoo.com



Stewardship

Friendly Reminder

As the Stewardship Team and Trustees develop the 2026 budget, we need your pledges at this time. You can turn them into the office to be forwarded to the team. Thank you if you have already turned one in. If you did not receive a pledge letter and would like to contribute please notify the office and one can be provided. Do not forget to also include any of your time and talents that you would like to share in the upcoming year.

Thank you,

Carl Carlson Trustee Chair, Marsha Gibbs Service Chair , Rose Copper-Brown Leadership Chair

*(Please note that the IRS rules on charitable giving will be changing January 1st. Please contact your financial advisor to discuss the best way of maximizing your tax deductions in reference to charitable deductions.)

1 Peter 4:10– Each

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others as faithful stewards of Gods grace in it's various forms.





*If You Are Interested In Being A Reader
For The Christmas Eve Service at 7 PM,*

Please Contact Renee

@ 315-548-2772



FREE Meal December 11, 2025

5:30-6 pm



Lions Club Christmas Angel Project

Angel Tags are available November 23rd

Gifts & tags due back December 14th

Contact Marsha Gibbs with any questions:

315-548-5546 or gibbers123165@yahoo.com



**JOIN US FOR
CONTEMPORARY
WORSHIP
THURSDAYS @ 6:30 IN THE
FELLOWSHIP HALL
NO Service on December 25th**



TV-13 WHAM-TV, 13WHAM.com, Fox Rochester

Radio: News Radio WHAM 1180, 98PXY, 95.5 WBEE, 98.9 The Buzz and
96.5 WCMF



TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

The United Church of Phelps provides a place
for the Phelps chapter of T.O.P.S. national
weight control organization to meet.

Currently we have a membership of 11 men &
women involved with weekly weigh-ins, pro-
grams, games & fellowship. First visits are free.

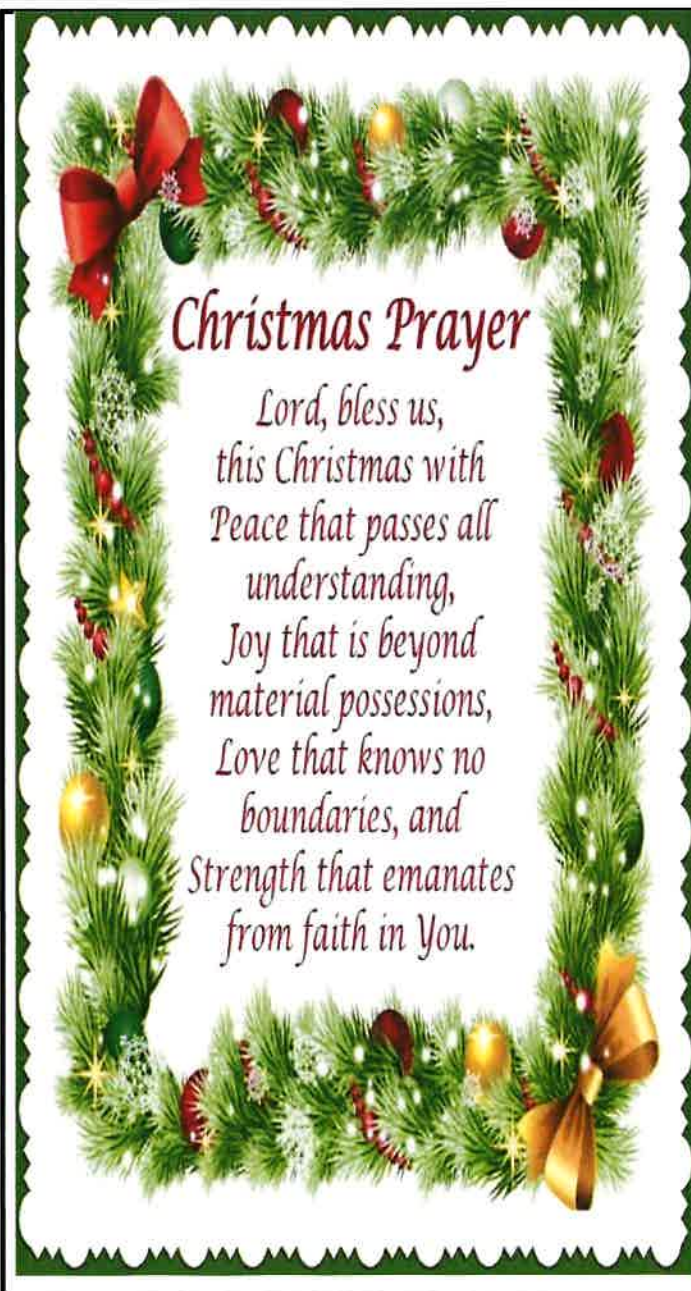
Tuesdays @ 5 pm

Location: United Church of Phelps
(enter by office door)

Contact Info:

Mary: 585-472-6601

Robin: 315-719-1533



For Prayer Concerns contact Nan Clark @ 315-406-5526 or

email: clarknelaine@gmail.com



If you would like to take communion to shut-ins
Please contact Hope Albrecht @
cemama1969@yahoo.com or 315-945-8812 for more
information



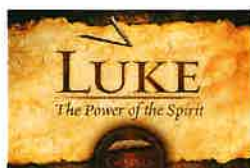
UCP Craft Group meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7 PM until
about 8:30 PM. We work on "goodie bags" for our shut-ins, elder-
ly, and those going through trials. Sometimes we bring our own
craft- whether it be knitting, crocheting, cross stitch, embroidery
etc. and just sit and have fellowship while we "craft". In addition

people are also welcome to help with our blanket ministry. If you
have any questions , contact Donna Crouse @
croused585@gmail.com or (315) 694-2512 or Hope Albrecht @
cemama1969@yahoo.com or (315) 945-8812-----

BIBLE STUDY

Sundays @ 9:45 am

We will be studying the book of:



Led by Jerry Clark

All are welcome! Please come and join us!



United Church of Phelps UCP is the name of our
Facebook page

On-Going Mission Projects We Support:

- > Health Kits
 - > Blessing Box
 - > Food Pantry donation
 - > Eyeglass collection
- (Done through Lion's Club)



"Go Green Redemption Center" on Rt 96 in Clifton Springs
(next to the Dollar General) is accepting cans and bottles for the United
Church of Phelps. Just take your cans/bottles in and tell them they are for
The United Church of Phelps. They will count them and write the amount
in the book, then quarterly monies will be deposited into The United
Church of Phelps account.

Hours are:

Monday & Thursday-Closed

Tues.-10-5, Wed.: 10-5, Friday: 10-5, Saturday: 10-4, Sunday:10-4



BLAST for children in K-6th grade is offered during worship on the
2nd thru 5th Sundays.

Children are welcome to stay for worship & communion on the
1st Sunday of the month.

REMINDER:



That we have permission from OTTC to
park in the parking lot across the street during Sun-
day worship. The ONLY thing they ask is that we DO
NOT park in front of the garage. Hopefully, this will
help out some of the parking issues, and please, if
you are able to do the walk from across the way,
please do so, and allow those to park
closer to the church that are not able to.

Thank you!



DECEMBER 2025

Date	Greeter (Ramp)	Greeter (Front Door)	Lay Reader	Acolyte
12/7/25	Jane Pedersen	Hope Albrecht	Rose Copper-Brown	Ale & Koda Caraballo
12/14/25	Kathy Tubbs	Shelly Bengston	Donna Crouse	Ale & Koda Caraballo
12/21/25	Peg Carlson & Janet DeMay	Kathy Tubbs	Karen Moracco	Harper & Chase Young
12/28/25	Renee DeRue	Donna Crouse	Barb Mater	Griffin Bowers



CHURCH LEADERSHIP

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