

*First United Methodist Church  
65 Main St.  
North Tonawanda, NY 14120  
Phone: (716) 694-2456  
April 10, 2022  
9:30 am Service*

*Prelude*

Brent Minet

*Hymn: "All in All"*

Amanda Taylor, Kristi Crosby, John Jenks and Brent Minet

*Hymn: "The King of Glory Comes"*

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*Welcome and Announcements:*

We're glad you're here! At FIRST UMC IN NORTH TONAWANDA NEW YORK, we value community. None of us are perfect, but together we are changing the world with love, generosity, and service. If you have tried church before and did not like it, please come worship, or serve with us. If you have never been to church or it has been a long time....This is the place to start. GREAT THINGS ARE HAPPENING AT FIRST UMC. We would love for you to come and visit us. Dress is always casual, so please come as you are!

*Call to Worship:*

Pastor Raquel Alston

L: Sing for joy! The Master comes!

**P: Riding on a colt, he enters in victory!**

L: If all shouting stopped, the rocks would ring with joy.

**P: But there will be some who will not sing or shout.**

L: There will be some who will cling to their fear.

**P: Be ready, O Jerusalem, for your king truly is coming!**

**All: Hosanna in the highest! AMEN.**

*Opening Prayer:*

Pastor Raquel Alston

**What can we offer that you have not already offered us? What can we do that you have not already done for us? Lord Jesus Christ, in your gifts to us, you have provided us the way to live and serve you. In both your triumph and your suffering, you deserve our praise. Through the gifts we now offer, we express our longing to serve and to follow wherever you go. Amen.**

*Joys and Concerns:*

Miriam Hanley

Diane K., Marge S., Nancy H., Ruth L., Terry & Judy W., Fern S., Joan B., Bev M., Dawn D., Bill W., Bud and Barb K., Jackie F., Cindy Z., Jan R., Katie A., our Pastor, our church, and our church family every day.

*Tithes and Offerings:*

Pastor Raquel Alston

***What Shall I Render to My God?***

**3 Ways to Give:**

- 1. Online:** Firstchurchnt. Com; Click Give
- 2. Mail:** 65 Main Street, North Tonawanda, Ny 14120
- 3. In Person:** Place Gift in Donation Plate Located in Narthex

Selection: "Give Thanks"

Instrumental by Brent Minet

Doxology

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Offertory Prayer:

Pastor Raquel Alston

**Triumphant God, we echo the shouts of "Hosanna!" as we relive the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem and all that waits in the week to come. Like that first parade so long ago, we may have different ideas of what kind of a messiah we long to welcome. Many of us seek one who thinks like we think, who will wield power to meet our longings. As we give our gifts this morning, may we be of the heart and mind of submission. You know better than us the messiah that is needed for your kingdom to come on earth, as it is in heaven. In Christ, we pray. Amen. ([Luke 19:28-40](#) & [Luke 22:14-23:56](#))**

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a

Wade Carlson

Children's Moment: "Palm Sunday" (Luke 19:28-40)

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Hymn: "Hosanna, Lord Hosanna"

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Gospel Reading: Luke 19:28-40

Wade Carlson

This is the word of God, for the people of God. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Hymn: "Wave the Palms"

FUMC Choir

Sermon: "Giving Up Privilege" (Philippians 2:5-11)

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Hymn: "King of Kings"

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Benediction

Pastor Raquel Alston

Postlude

Brent Minet

AV : Lexi

## Church News

### Maundy Thursday Service

**We will be having our Maundy Thursday Service on Thursday, April 14th at 7:00 pm.**

### Chowder

We will be selling chowder by the quart on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 11:30-1:00. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for you to reserve how many quarts you would like. We will also be serving the chowder by the bowl for Community Corner Café that day.

**\*\*\*Word on Wednesday\*\*\***

Our Bible Study, **Word on Wednesday (WOW)** will be starting on February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm and go until June 8<sup>th</sup>. We are doing this WOW group with the Orchard Park UMC. If you are interested in joining the WOW Zoom group, please contact the church office so the link can be sent to you.

**Mother and Daughter Tea**

We are planning a Mother & Daughter(s) Tea for Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm and would like to get an idea as to how many will be able to attend. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Drinks and dessert will be served.

**OPUMC**

The congregation from the Orchard Park UMC will be our guests here on Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> for our 9:30 am service. Please join us welcome them to our church and refreshments after the service.

**Smoked Luncheon**

We will be having a smoked luncheon on Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> for the entire congregation after our Sunday Service.

**Father and Son(s) Brunch**

There will be a Father and Son(sons) brunch on June 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the narthex or talk to Barry Tubbs.

**New Hope UMC**

Our congregation is invited to join the New Hope UMC for their church service on Sunday, June 26 at 10:00 am.

## **Our Veterans Need Our Help**

Dear First United Methodist Church,

Mother's Day will soon be here, yet it will just be another day for many of our homeless and disabled veterans. They will be out going to soup kitchens or digging through dumpsters behind McDonalds in search of much needed food. It's very sad that our men and women have to sink to this level just to get enough food to hold them over. They have no money, most have very few belongings, and live day-to-day just to get by. I cannot express the urgency of the situation our Veterans are facing. You and your organization (churches and businesses) can do so much to alleviate this situation. Donations of food, toiletries, and most of all gift cards; Tops, Walmart, and Burger King and other fast-food restaurants will help a great deal to their lives. Our goal is to keep them going and get them back on their feet, many qualify for VA disability checks and or social security. If they are able to get back on their feet with a job or schooling, they will get out of this vicious cycle of day-to-day living hand to mouth on the streets. Your gifts can help them get out of this never-ending battle just to survive. Please consider having your organization, church; sponsor a drive to help the most deserving members of our community. Drop offs can be delivered to 460 North Ave, North Tonawanda NY. If weather is bad gifts can be placed on the covered deck, if not all gifts can be placed in front of the garage. Thank you again for your time.

Yours in Christ,

Gerald D. Tidd

Passed Commander DAV-120

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