



His Faithful Followers

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A Note from Pastor Kyle

One of the two men who had heard John and had gone with Jesus was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother and tell him, "We have found the Messiah!" John 1:40-41



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I have heard it said – we have heard it on the television and on screen – and a few of us have said it! "I know a guy!" One of the places I heard it was on a

skit from Saturday Night Live. And to be honest, I can't affirm that the phrase is exactly that. I understand it even more now that I am in New York. Much like "fixen to" and "ya'll" carry deep truths in the south... "I know a guy" centers me up here.

Sometimes the "guys we know" don't live up to the narrative that surrounds them. At times it is due to our own overgrown desires. We want to believe the narrative because we want so badly what it appears to offer. We are told they can get us what we want, quickly and easily. We believe it when we are told that it will be easy because everyone prefers easy.

Sometimes the "guys we know" don't live up their narratives because their narrative is greater than they are. Perhaps they have exaggerated on their own or perhaps others helped them build up their reputation. I once met a man who promised me an exotic flavorful drink... then he gave me a blender, some ice and some lemons. It brought new meaning to the phrase if you are given lemons; make lemonade.

And then, there are guys who really "know a guy". Before I get to the point, let me finish with the set up. In the last few months, Kris and I have met a number of people who knew people. People who have helped us find a house, get it remodeled... have set us up to settle in. We have met a few who have over promised -- and -- we have met a few who have done more than we could have ever dreamed.

If your still with me; consider this. Andrew knew a guy who could do it all... Andrew knew where the Messiah was. And just as a reminder; the Messiah was the savior of the world. He was the anointed one, the one who would forgive sins, bring prosperity to those who suffer, and deliver those who were enslaved (in any manner) to a new Kingdom. Andrew knew a guy - One who lived up to the narrative that had been written, spoken, and dreamt about. And Andrew told his brother Simon Peter. Isn't it just as awesome that Simon Peter knew a guy who knew a guy!

So, what's the point? We have all given recommendations to others. We know a good doctor and/

or contractor. We have helped people find their way around and the things they need. People know you... and people talk to you... you are surrounded. Do you help?

So, are you an Andrew? I hope you have found the Messiah. And when affirming yes to that, let me ask you one more; have you gone to your brother or sister and told them? Have you shown them what it is that you have come to know? Have you introduced them to the guy you know? It may be too simple to say, but that makes it no less true... of all the guys you know, this is the one you should be telling others about. He lives up to his hype.

God's Blessing,

Pastor Kyle



Annual Charge Conference

The Rush UMC's Annual Charge Conference is Sunday, October 13 at 12:30PM at Rush UMC. The agenda includes: 1) Election of Church Trustees; 2) Confirmation of 2025 Pastoral Compensation Package. All are encouraged to attend, to vote one must be a member of Rush UMC.

We are hosting several other Genesee Valley District United Methodist Churches. If you would like to help, please contact: Cindy Gray at cgtgray1039@gmail.com.

We will be offering basic hospitality, coffee, tea, water and cookies.



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Rush Henrietta Area Food Terminal Donation Opportunities in October

Rush UMC October Collection

Rush Church will be collecting donations in October for the Rush-Henrietta Area Food Terminal (RHAFT). Baskets for your donations are between the outside and inside doors at the church and on the platform in the sanctuary. There are still hungry people in the Rush and Henrietta areas. RHAFT continues to need our support.

RHAFT gratefully accepts all non-perishable food items, personal hygiene products, and paper goods. However, the following items are especially needed: Macaroni and Cheese; Instant Mashed Potatoes (box); Canned Meat/Fish products: Chicken, Ham, Spam, Turkey, Tuna, etc.; Mixed Pasta: elbows, shells, spirals, penne, etc.; Canned Fruits and Applesauce; Mayo and Other Condiments; Milk: Powdered and Shelf-stable; Small Cans of Food Items (single serve); Cereal: hot and cold; Coffee: instant and ground (NO K-cups); Paper Towels; Bar Soap; Shampoo and Shaving Cream.

Help the food cupboard make more effective and efficient use of your generous donations...No out-of-date (expiration, best-by, use before, etc.) food items, please.

Cash donations are also appreciated for perishable food items such as meat and milk. Please make your check payable to Rush UMC, write in the memo area "RHAFT" and mail it to or drop it off at the church or you can make a donation on-line through the church website using "Other" and put RHAFT in the memo section. A check will be sent to them at the end of the month.

We WILL be collecting food and nonperishable items for RHAFT during the Turkey Dinner; however, your donations are always needed also.

Thank you for your continued generosity to the R-H families RHAFT serves.

Mission and Outreach Ministry Team



Food Donations

Reupholstering Chairs

Are you looking for a way to help our church? A work morning for reupholstering the worship center chairs has been scheduled for Saturday, October 12, 9am-noon. No experience is necessary! You will be given a task and simple instructions on how to complete it. That's all! We hope many will set aside a couple hours to help our worn chairs look like new!

Thank you, from the chair repair committee, Roger Haas and Cindy Raymond



World Communion Sunday!!!!

October 6 is World Communion Sunday. This is a celebration observed by several Christian denominations. It promotes Christian unity and ecumenical cooperation. It focuses on the observance of the Eucharist.

The tradition was begun in 1933 by Hugh Thomas Kerr in an attempt to bring churches together and to remind us how each congregation is interconnected with one another.

A special World Communion Sunday offering is taken in United Methodist congregations worldwide on this day. The offering benefits World Communion Scholarships, the Ethnic Scholarship Program and the Ethnic In-Service Training Program.

As a sign of our unity in Christ, every member is encouraged to give at least \$1 to this special offering. Special offering envelopes will be available on the kiosk on October 6. For an on-line donation use

"Other" with the explanation in the memo box.



Ladies' Lunch Bunch

The Ladies' Lunch Bunch is a time of fellowship for women in our church community who are single, widowed, divorced, or separated – *or who just want an opportunity for a good meal and conversation!* They meet the first Monday of the month, at 12:30pm, in the church Fellowship Hall. The next month's luncheon is scheduled for Monday, October 7

If you would like to join Pastor Kyle for lunch this month, please let Barb Kingsley, or Cindy Gray know. Reservations are not required, but it's helpful to have a rough idea of how many are coming, in order to know how much food to prepare. If you would like to know more about this opportunity, please call Cindy Gray at 585-362-6206 or contact her at cgtgray1039@gmail.com.



Second Sunday Brunch

On Sunday, October 13 at 11AM, plan to stay for the Second Sunday Fellowship Bunch. This is a time for fellowship and a meal. Meet families you haven't met

before and/or families in your child's Sunday School class. Get to know them better. Enjoy a meal without having to fix it yourself! The cost is \$1.00 per person. Child friendly and gluten free options are available.



80th Annual Turkey Dinner

Sign-up sheets are now available on Eagle Island in the church lobby for the **80th Annual Turkey Dinner**, which is scheduled for **Saturday, October 19th, 2024**. We still need many volunteers to cook and bake, as well as serve at the event – and everyone is welcome! This year's dinner will have sit-down and takeout options and runs from 4:30-6:30pm (or until sold out). We will also be holding a bake sale during the dinner to benefit PromiseLand Child Care, which runs 4-7 pm.

If you have already signed up – thank you! We ask that you please add your email address to the sign-up sheet so we can communicate schedules and answer questions quickly and easily. We also have a new email address: RUMCTurkeyDinner@gmail.com. Please feel free to send any questions to this address or speak with Dan or Kathy Kingsley.

There are also volunteer opportunities in the days leading up to the dinner – baking pies, squash and dressing, preparing takeout room food and setting up the dining room – as well as opportunities to deliver meals to the homebound. Many hands make light work!

You can also help support this outreach program through monetary donations to help purchase supplies for the dinner. Checks can be made out to Rush United Methodist Church and dropped off to Barb Kingsley in the main office.



PromiseLand Bake Sale

PromiseLand will be holding a Bake Sale during the Turkey Dinner on Saturday, October 19. We welcome donations of baked goods! Donations can be dropped off on Friday during the day and Saturday before the sale. Not interested in baking, you can still support PromiseLand by purchasing baked goods at the Turkey Dinner!



Turkey Dinner Workers Information

Sign up sheets to cut bread and make dressing, make a cash donation for cranberries and potatoes, bake squash, bake dressing, make apple or pumpkin pies, and help set up, carve turkeys, work in the kitchen, wait on tables, clean up, or direct traffic are on Eagle Island in the lobby.

The State School at Industry has graciously agreed to roast all our turkeys. We are using prepared gravy this year.

The schedule for preparing the week of the dinner is as follows:

Wednesday, October 16 at 9:00AM - Cut bread for dressing.

Thursday, October 17 at 9:00AM - Make dressing

Friday, October 18 time to be determined – carve turkeys

Friday, October 18 at 3:00PM - Set up dining room, kitchen, and lobby for dinner

Friday, October 18 at 3:30PM – Wrap silverware and place on tables

Friday, October 18 at 6:00PM – Table Décor Setup, add centerpieces and numbers to tables

Friday, October 18 at 6:30PM - Prepare bags for take-out dinners, if not already done, and set up take-out room

Saturday, October 19:

10:00AM - Turkey carvers and pie cutters arrive

11:00AM – Dining Room Prep

2:00PM – Take out room crew arrives for final prep

3:00PM - Kitchen workers, Announcer, Host/

Hostesses, Ticket Taker arrive

3:30PM – Parking Lot Attendant arrives

4:00PM - Dining Room Workers Arrive (black slacks, white top)

4:00PM - Ticket Sales begin and Bazaar opens

4:30PM - Begin serving dinner

7-9:30PM – Kitchen Clean up Crew, Dining Room

Clean up Crew, Takeout Room Cleanup

9-10PM – Dining Room Mopping, additional

miscellaneous clean up

If you have any questions about the dinner, please contact Barb Kingsley in the church office or Dan or Kathy Kingsley, deltakilo@gmail.com, kathy.laluk@gmail.com.



"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in" Matthew 25:35



80th Annual Turkey Dinner

Food and Non-perishable items to benefit the

Rush Henrietta Area Food Terminal (RHAFT)

October 19, 2024, 4:30 - 'til

Bake Sale 4-7PM

Doors Open at 4PM

Sit Down and Take Out Meals Available

Menu: Turkey, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Squash, Cranberry Sauce, Coleslaw, Roll and Butter, Apple or Pumpkin Pie

Rush United Methodist Church

6200 Rush Lima Road, Rush (Route 15A)

As in recent years, we feel led by God to share this meal with the community. The purpose of this dinner is to feed the hungry either directly or through donations to RHAFT. We ask you to bring a good-will offering, a bag of non-perishable food/ personal care items or simply your own hunger. The non-perishable food will support RHAFT. The net profit will support Rush United Methodist Church Kitchen Upgrades.



If this is your first dinner with us, or your 80th, we are pleased to share God's blessings with you and through you.

Wednesday Night Community Dinners

Our Community Dinners will be on hiatus during the fall months. They will resume in January. Please note that in October, on Saturday, October 19, Rush Church will host its annual Turkey Dinner, so please plan on taking advantage of this wonderful opportunity for fellowship – whether by working at the event or enjoying the meal!



PromiseLand is Hiring!

PromiseLand is looking for a caring individual with experience working with preschool age children and a degree in ECE to work full-time at PromiseLand. If you know someone who fits this need, please encourage them to send their resume to Kellianne Williams at promiselandchildcare1996@gmail.com.



Trunk or Treat

This year's Trunk or Treat will be held on Sunday, October 27, 4-6pm. After discussions with 'trunkers' and parents, we will continue to keep this an indoor event. However, if it is a nice day and people want to have some outside trunks decorated, you are welcome to do so and we will park you closer to the church entrance. Join us for a fun time serving the children of the community and lots of fellowship! If you aren't able to decorate a table, we can use help with the food stations, games and crafts. Please let me know if you are interested in helping in any of those areas.



Thanks,

Alethea Coulter
Children's Ministry Director
alethea.coulter@rushumc.org

Safe Sanctuary Trainings

As a reminder, all those who work with children, youth or vulnerable adults need to take the initial Safe Sanctuary training. If you have taken this training and it has been more than 5 years from your initial training, you will have to take the updated training. The last option for this year is the district training via Zoom. It is on November 2, 9-1:30pm (registration will open October 2 - <https://www.unyumc.org/resources/safe-sanctuaries-training-opportunities>)

If you are not able to do this training but work regularly with children, youth or vulnerable adults, please contact me asap so that we can discuss.

Thanks,

Alethea Coulter
Children's Ministry Director
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December Holiday Super Sale

The next Super Sale is scheduled for Saturday, December 7, 9am-3pm with half-price sale from 1-3pm.

We are accepting donations from now until November 20. Please leave your items indoors in the downstairs hallway near the sale room. Drop off all clothing, shoes and linens in the St. Pauly Textile shed located in the parking lot as we sort the shed daily.

The volunteer sign-up sheet for the sale will be in the lobby in November.

If you need any assistance with donations or have questions, please contact Cindy Raymond 727-8774.



Super Sale

Rush United Methodist Church

Analysis of Revenues & Expenses: General Budget

August 2024

Accounts	MTD Actual (This Year)	YTD Actual (This Year)	Budget TD (This Year)
Revenues			
Other Income/ Parsonage	\$5,094.40	\$27719.13	\$15,866.64
Offerings	\$17,394.05	\$126,148.00	\$130,183.00
P/L & HCS Reimbursement	\$1,511.66	\$12,206.31	\$11,833.28
Carry Over from 2023	\$5,797.50	\$46,383.50	\$46,380.50
Total Revenues	\$29,797.61	\$212,453.94	\$204,263.42
Expenses			
Board of Trustees	\$582.39	\$36,926.46	\$31,666.72
Education	\$106.78	\$341.3	\$891.64
Insurance	\$0.00	\$7,979.56	\$5,960.32
(1) Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Office Expenses	\$492.37	\$8,537.32	\$8,849.07
Clergy Salaries	\$3,964.18	\$40,574.21	\$40,319.42
Lay Salaries	\$5,759.66	\$56,578.69	\$55,141.23
Clergy Benefits	\$4,516.31	\$35,708.67	\$36,188.28
Ministry Team	\$476.13	\$2,860.61	\$3,083.28
Other Program Expenses	\$197.95	\$1,996.79	\$3,233.64
Utilities	\$1,922.28	\$19,976.13	\$16,380.36
PromiseLand	(\$5,000.00)	(\$5,000.00)	\$0.00
Total Expenses	\$13,018.05	\$206,479.84	\$202,213.96
Net Total	\$16,779.56	\$5,974.48	\$2,049.46

1. Shared Ministries: \$0.00 paid to end of July

Capital Reserve Fund

Balance as of September 25, 2024:
\$52,292.89

Building Contingency Fund

Balance as of August 15, 2024:
\$5,082.46



Roof Replacement Loan Repayment

	Date Paid	Amount Paid	Balance
Opening Balance			\$31,892.10
Interest at 3.25%			\$1,036.49
Loan plus Interest			\$32,928.59
Payment #37	01/20/2024	\$250.00	\$32,678.59
Payment #38	02/15/2024	\$250.00	\$32,428.59
Payment #39	03/13/2024	\$250.00	\$32,177.59
Payment #40	04/15/2024	\$250.00	\$31,928.59
Payment #41	05/15/2024	\$250.00	\$31,678.59
Payment #42	06/15/2024	\$250.00	\$31,428.59
Payment #43	07/15/2024	\$250.00	\$31,178.59
Payment #44	08/15/2024	\$250.00	\$30,928.59
Payment #45	09/15/2024	\$250.00	\$30,678.59
Payment #46			
Payment #47			
Payment #48			
Year End Payment from additional donations			
	Total Paid	\$2,250.00	



Capital Stewardship Campaign Update

As of Wednesday, September 25, 2024, we have received \$269,200.00 or 53.84% in pledges towards our \$500,000.00 goal. Of the amount pledged, we have received \$162,034.21 of which \$92,466.23 has been spent on fabric to reupholster the sanctuary chairs, for the materials and installation of the carpet and baseboard in the lobby, sitting area and halls, for repairs to gutters and payment for drainage work in the parking lot and west side of the building. Eleven thousand two hundred twenty dollars (\$11,220.00), not pledged, of this total has been designated for an electronic sign. Pledges continue to be accepted. Even if you haven't made a pledge, donations to the Capital Stewardship Campaign are gratefully accepted.



Prayer Concerns

Health Concerns: Alison, Bob & Linda Faugh, Mark Kellogg, Raymer Ottman, Ray Smith, Mark Statskey
Michele Cuatt's friend, Alice, home recovering from a broken leg
George Gray's brother, John, open heart surgery
Shirley Hughes and family
Lisa Shingleton, continued prayers for health concerns
Patti Weaver, fluid retention in feet and legs
Our country during the upcoming election season
Those in our congregation who are suffering with loss, illness, or deteriorating health
PromiseLand Childcare
Heritage Christian Services Rush Day Hab
Musa weNkosi Orphanage, safety of the children and staff
Unity and peace to come to our troubled land
Government Leaders
Those in our congregation who are suffering with loss, illness, or deteriorating health
Aggressive diplomacy that will lead to peace and justice for Palestinians and Israelis
Israel and the conflicts around the world
The Jewish people
Difficult marriages
School Districts, Parents and Students
Families and friends of those affected by continued gun violence and mass shootings
Friends and members to return to in person worship at Rush UMC
Those struggling with addiction and alcoholism
Peace to come to our troubled land
For justice and health care to be deployed equally and evenly among all people
End to racism and inequality
Zululand Hospice in South Africa
Our Bishop and Clergy and Lay leaders
Hospice Houses near and far
RHAFT and FISH
A Meal & More Soup Kitchen and homeless served by them
Staff and Young Men at State School at Industry
Small Businesses
Hospital and Nursing Home Staff – stay healthy and strong to tend to the needs of patients and residents
Help us all to remember that in these times as always Jesus is with us, we're not alone
Prayers for our youth to find themselves and God in the process
Families affected by Alzheimer's, cancer and other terminal illnesses
Parents of New Drivers
Those looking for employment
Employers looking for people to hire
Elderly parents, youth, teens, young adults, those suffering from chronic pain, mental health problems depression and addiction
Our children, youth and church family
For all marriages and families
Violence in places of Worship
Campus Ministries
All Volunteers who go on Missions
UMCOR
Refugee resettlement project and resettlement families
Injustice in the USA
City of Rochester

International Students
Those who are incarcerated
People with disabilities, anxiety disorders, and depression
For people to get along and not be so divided in America!!
Colleges around the country

Those among our family who are homebound or in senior living facilities:

Ruth Baldoni	Jean and Walt Banker
Mary Anne Brice	Mary Callerame
Ernie Harrington	Lynne Jacobs
Kevin Kinnally	Gisela Rice
Dave Smith	Betty Stover

Members of our armed forces and reserves, especially those associated with our church family:

Phillip Banker	Jason Bello
Ben Frederick	Jason McKnight
Isaiah Montana	
Sgt. Joseph Sarmiento	
Bryan Simpson	
Matthew Simpson	
Marcus Sydow	

Please help the church staff keep the prayer list current by informing us of any changes.



Bereavement

Shirley Hughes and family,
death of her husband, Jim
Hughes, on August 24



Praises

Mary Ann David is doing very well following the placement of a pacemaker
Kris Roehrig, surgery was successful, continued prayers for recovery and health
October Birthdays and Anniversaries

Praises



Choir and Cantata

Do you enjoy singing? Come join the choir. We meet on Wednesdays at 6:30pm and on Sunday mornings at 8:30. We are always looking for new members. Not interested in singing every week, you can join for the Christmas Cantata.

Rehearsals will also be on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings starting October 16. The Cantata will be held during the service on December 8. For more information, reach out to Kellianne Williams at klkw1212@gmail.com.



Mission and Outreach

A legal expert stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to gain eternal life?” [Luke 10:25-37](#)

We are familiar with the story of the Good Samaritan. “A man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. He encountered thieves, who stripped him naked, beat him up, and left him near death. Now it just so happened that a priest was also going down the same road. When he saw the injured man, he crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. Likewise, a Levite came by that spot, saw the injured man, and crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way.”

“A Samaritan, who was on a journey, came to where the man was. But when he saw him, he was moved with compassion.” Another translation says the Samaritan “came near.” Since Covid, volunteer agencies struggle to meet the need for people willing to “come near.” Many people found it comfortable to stay home, some remain fearful.

Patrick Place is a 2 bed comfort care home in Scottsville for people nearing the end of life. They have recently opened but remain in need of volunteers. Patrick Place provides love and support for the terminally ill in a home-like setting allowing patients to live out their lives with the freedom to spend time with their loved ones; to talk, share and grieve. Volunteer opportunities include:

Resident Care: no experience or medical background needed, bring a willing heart and all training will be provided! The resident caregiver volunteer includes helping to provide personal care, as well as medication administration. We ensure that our volunteers are not only provided with training, but they also feel comfortable and confident in their role, allowing them to confidently provide care and support for our residents, and their family and friends, during their end-of-life journey.

Non Resident Care - Housekeeping, Community Outreach, Bereavement, Grounds/Maintenance, Gardening, Fund-raising, Office/Clerical. For more information talk to Linda Czerwinski or me or call 585-889-0040.

Rochester Regional’s Hospice program is also in need of volunteers. Opportunities include friendly visits in a home or nursing home setting, support to families, pet therapy visits, veterans visiting veterans, and the CompassionNet program for children. Call 585-213-1000



or apply at roschesterregional.org/hospice-volunteer.

I thank God that so many of you are willing to “come near” to wherever there is need – Super Sale, RHAFT, leadership positions, Meal and More, Turkey Dinner, etc.

We also go to where there is need with our prayers for friends in need of physical, emotional, spiritual healing. “The prayer of the righteous person is powerful in what it can achieve.”

James 5:16b.

Reports from Musa weNkosi illustrate the truth of this verse. There have been no further reports of theft. Opportunities to minister at the Mbabe School occur 3 times a week. This is Baba Jobe’s report:

“The youth service is on Saturday at the school. We start with a game of soccer or netball. After the game we sit and study God’s Word. At the moment we are studying 1 Thessalonians. Please pray for these young people. Their families all believe in ancestor worship. Sometimes as their parents do not always allow them to attend. Some want to make a decision for Christ but the decision for them is very hard. They have to count the cost; their families will break the relationship with them and will kick them out of their home. The young people are still keen and want to learn more and know who Jesus Christ is and why ancestors should not be worshipped. We pray that God will help them to repent and they come to know Him as their Lord and Saviour. Pray that their families will accept their decision.”

There is great satisfaction in “coming near” and that is how we attain eternal life.

Erma Mae Perkins,
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September Second Sunday Brunch



Stony Brook State Park - Labor Day 2024

Eleven families and friends from Rush United Methodist Church camped at Stony Brook State Park in

Dansville, NY, Labor Day weekend. We held a worship service in the morning and had a potluck picnic for supper on Sunday, September 1. Visitors were: Kevin and Iker Perkins, Ed Croop, Sherry and Kern Haynes, Mackenzie and Spencer Haynes, Keri, Drew, Oliver, and Finn Prok. A fun time was had by all.

The families that camped: Jim and Sue Comstock, Paul and Barb Kingsley, Dan, Kathy William and Benjamin Kingsley, Kellianne, Steve, Rhys and Ethan Williams, Brandon and Tami Czerwinski and Liesl

Groth, Gary and Michelle Prok, Cory Prok, Matthew, Tonia, Parker, Quinn and Avery Prok, Alethea Coulter and Geoffrey and Sarina Furman, Kelly Barrett and Peter Fackler, Kyle and Kris Roehrig, and Sarah, Corey, Sam, Addie and Ava Mobilio.

We would welcome new families next year. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Barb Kingsley in the church office. Barb can be reached at by email at barbara.kingsley@rushumc.org or by phone at 533-2170 or 507-1993.

Reservations can be made around Thanksgiving for Labor Day weekend, 2025. If you are new to the park, please speak to one of the families above for a suggested site.



Red Bird Mission

Thank you for your past support of Red Bird Mission. Last year Upper New York sent over 2800 shoeboxes, over 100 new sheet sets and bedspreads, as well as numerous books, school supplies, and cleaning supplies to Red Bird Mission in Beverly, KY. Red Bird Missionary Conference is one of three United Methodist missionary conferences in the United States.

The need is even greater this year.

Our goal for 2024 is to transport at least 3,500 shoeboxes and other supplies to the Red Bird Mission the last week of November.

There are two different styles of shoeboxes-adult and children.

Shoobox items should be put in clear plastic shoobox-sized storage containers with locking lids.

Do not wrap the shoeboxes.

Clearly label each shoobox so they know who the intended recipient is for the items.

Shooboxes, content list and box labels are available in the church lobby.

Return shooboxes to church by Nov 19 to allow time for pickup and delivery.

Donations are needed to cover the cost of renting two trucks to deliver the supplies to the Red Bird Mission.



Promiseland Playground Update

Phase one of our toddler playground expansion has been completed! Our new fence was put up on September 16, more than doubling the size of the playground. In the words of one of our toddlers "I like this!" We are excited to be able to move into the next phase of updating the toddler playground with the purchase and installation of a new large play set in the near future!



Leadership Ministry Team Contact Information

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Board of Trustees - Capital Stewardship Projects Update

One of the larger projects the trustees have been working on is improving the drainage in various areas around the church. As many of you probably noticed, that work started! Drainage tile was added near the church HVAC unit, to alleviate the water issues near the education wing lower-level classrooms. In the driveway drainage tile was replaced and damage to the electrical conduit for the light poles closest to the building was repaired. Drainage tile, perforated tile, and stone were installed in a variety of areas, with the goal of catching some of the water that comes off the hill and permeates through the pavement. Most of the bad spots in the parking lot have been patched, and we are hoping to have the entire parking lot resealed with two coats of sealer, and lines painted, before winter. Rob Gruschow has been the "on-site" person for this project. He not only watched over the progress he was an active worker with the crew during the entire job. Thank you, Rob!

Cindy Raymond and Roger Haas are chairing the project of reupholstering the sanctuary chairs. They have scheduled a morning workday on Saturday, October 12, from 9:00am – noon. No experience is necessary! Just show up and they will give you a task and simple instruction on how to complete it. With your help we can make our worn chairs look like new!

Thank you to everyone who has donated funding and time to the capital stewardship campaign. This church structure was built because of the generosity of this congregation, many of whom are no longer with us. It is our job to make sure that the next generation also benefits from their gifts.



The mission of the Rush United Methodist Church is "to live and share the love of Jesus."

Our vision is "to be more like Jesus."

Our missional priorities are "excellence in worship; ministries for children, youth, adults and families; and mission and outreach"

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Sunday Worship Schedule

8:30AM—Adult Book/Bible Study with Michelle Prok
 8:30AM—Choir Rehearsal
 9:30AM—Worship Service - In-Person and on
 YouTube and Facebook; Communion:
 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month
 9:45AM—One Room Sunday School Class for
 Children
 10:45AM—Rush UMC Coffee
 Hour
 10:45AM—Adult Class: “Resist
 Chaos by Anchoring
 Yourself in God’s Truth”



Sunday Schedule

Youth Group



Watch bulletins, Rush Tidings messages and the Youth Page on the website for dates and details of when youth will begin meeting in the fall. All youth are welcome to come and invite a friend.

Leadership Ministry Team

Your comments and suggestions are always welcome by email to any Leadership Ministry Team Members, contact information on page 9.

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