



His Faithful Followers

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A Note from Pastor Todd

Over a six-week period spanning January and February I participated in an Upper New York Conference supported class titled “Imagine No Racism,” or INR, as most call it. It was my third time in the past five years. Why would I repeat a class that I’d already completed twice before?



Racism matters to me. If I do not intentionally address the issue of racism, I regress in my cultural competency and ability to pastorally shepherd the Rush United Methodist family. Empathy wanes. I let things slide. I look the

other way. Personal discipline is required to intentionally remain engaged in the conversation about the evils of racism and the effort to stamp it out. It is important to make the intentional effort to educate myself, to listen and learn, because I am constantly discovering how complex and pervasive the evil of racism has become today. Listening and learning lifts every voice and makes it sing.

Racism is a Christian issue. Our baptismal vows define racism as anti-Christian and must be renounced and resisted “in whatever forms they present themselves.” Jesus confronted racism often and everywhere. Samaritans were mix-race people who many Jews despised, yet, Jesus identified a Samaritan as a neighbor to be loved. (Luke 10:25-37) Nathanael resisted Philip’s invitation to come and meet Jesus because he asked if anything good could come from Nazareth. (John 1:43-51) Jesus healed a man born blind. The Pharisees investigated and terrorized the man’s parents, who feared being put out of the synagogue. Jesus challenged the religious system that supported an

unjust status quo. (John 9:13-34) A Canaanite woman humbled Jesus by her faith when she begged him to heal her demon-possessed daughter. (Matthew 15:21-28)

Sisters and brothers of color depend on Christians in the white community to renounce and resist racism. Thaddeus, a member of my recent INR class, observed the fact that aggressively resisting and renouncing racism might quickly lead to him being dead like George Floyd. As a white person, I must take responsibility to aggressively resist and renounce racism when my black brothers and sisters cannot.

Too often attention is focused on individual abhorrent acts of racism. You have seen the videos on the news or in social media. Each act of racism is gut wrenching. Yet, rarely is attention focused on the institutions, systems, and laws that support wickedness, evil, injustice, and oppression. This lack of light and clarity provides cover for many of us to say “I’m not like that. I’m not a racist” all-the-while justifying apathy and inaction to break down the very systems that allows racism to continue.

Shane Wiegand, a wonderful teacher in the Rush Henrietta Central School District, opened my eyes to the history of structural racism in Monroe County in a class he gives to the community. I learned veterans of color following World War II were ineligible for home mortgages, leading to

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*Daylight
Saving Time
Begins*

Sunday, March 14, 2021 –
remember to set your clocks
ahead



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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many families growing up in rental housing, depriving them of building home equity and bequeathing that wealth to future generations. Have you ever hear of deed covenants and redlining? Structural and institutional racism surrounds us. The resulting injustice continues from generation to generation. Do an internet search on "Shane Wiegand". His class and slides are on YouTube. His research, data, and presentation is stunning.

Racism harms the church and silences the voice of the Holy Spirit. The United Methodist Church, as well as others, has a long history of being guilty of racism. Why are there black Methodist denominations like the African Methodist Episcopal Church (AME) and the African Methodist Episcopal Church Zion (AME Zion)? Because people of color were not welcome and grew tired of being treated unjustly. Being a life-long United Methodist, I own it. As United Methodists, it is our responsibility to own our history, to repent, and to deconstruct racism whenever and wherever possible.

Racism silences the Holy Spirit. This cannot be tolerated. The Holy Spirit speaks through all people, if only you and I listen. When I don't listen to the Holy Spirit speaking through neighbors of color, I'm turning a deaf ear to God. Lord, forgive me.

When the membership of our church family is rich in diversity we become vital and strong, much more aware of the needs of the community in which we live, and better able to love every neighbor. I'll never understand the needs of my black or brown neighbor if I don't ever hear their voice.

Diversity doesn't just happen. A passive approach is insincere. Intentional effort is required to learn and employ effective means of inclusive, welcoming discipleship.

You matter to me. Your race, culture, experience, gender, values, and beliefs matter to me. I hope and pray that you will imagine a World without Racism and will work with me to make it happen. Learn more about INR at our Upper New York Conference webpage: <https://www.unyumc.org/ministries/corr/inr>. The content and videos are worth your time, attention, prayer, and reflection.

Learn more about the intersection of racism and my personal journey of faith from the MLK Keynote address in January for the Rush-Henrietta Interfaith Clergy Council worship service: It is located on YouTube at: <https://youtu.be/BJ67MzOeNUg>

Blessings and Pastoral Love,

Todd R. Goddard

Pastor Todd

Special Church Conference Scheduled Playground Replacement

Members of the Rush United Methodist Church are invited and encouraged to gather for a Special Church Conference to approve a project for playground replacement. It will be held Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 7:00 pm by Zoom video conferencing.



Connection information is as follows:

Topic: Rush UMC Special Church Conference

Time: March 2, 2021 07:00PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/88322557344?pwd=VoovSlB5Z0NZeVdoODBPTjBxYS9vUT0g>

The sole purpose of the Special Church Conference is to approve the financing and construction of a replacement playground. Our District Superintendent, Rev. Vonda J. Fossitt, has authorized Pastor Todd to chair this Special Church Conference. Information about the project can be found at: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1bACh3nt3CSsS6OMDsNogfIPRcrdak40T/view>

The playground replacement project has been reviewed and endorsed by the Rush UMC PromiseLand Board of Directors, the Board of Trustees, the Finance Committee, the Leadership Ministries Team, and our Lay Leader for Children, Youth, and Family Ministries. Investment in Children! Investment in Our Future!

An article about the detail of the project is on page 5.

Easter Memorial Plants

To celebrate the Resurrection and remember/honor a loved one, why not order an Easter Plant?

Flowering plants will grace our Sanctuary with their beauty on Easter Sunday, April 4.

The form for ordering "Memorial/In Honor of" plants is on the shelf between the inner and outer doors or you can call the church office at 533-2170. Orders must be placed on or before Thursday, March 25. The prices are as follows:



Lilies – 5+ Blooms	\$8.50
Lilies – 8" pot Doubles	\$17.50
Hydrangeas - 4+ blooms	\$17.00
Hyacinths - 6" pots	\$6.50

The price includes foil pot covers. When you order, please print clearly the information you would like in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.



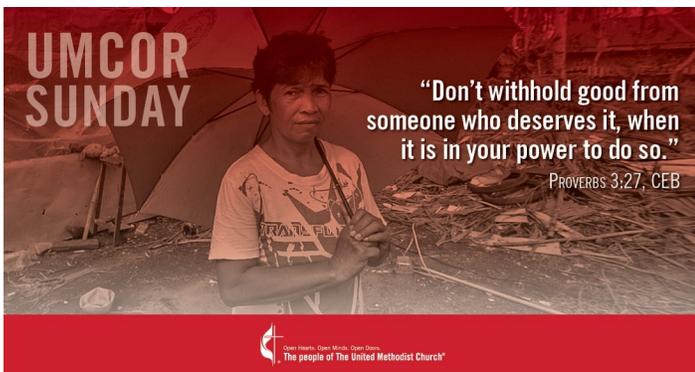
A Special Sunday March 14, 2021

When you give on UMCOR Sunday, March 14, 2021, you help cover the annual operational costs for UMCOR. Your gift allows UMCOR to apply 100% of other donations directly to relief efforts as well as long-term education and support. Will you consider giving as generously as you can on March 22? **Together, we do more.**

Eighty years ago, World War II was raging. Millions of people, displaced from their homes, sought refuge and hope. The church responded by creating the Methodist Committee on Overseas Relief (MCO) and supporting MCO through an annual offering called "One Great Hour of Sharing." The 2016 United Methodist General Conference changed the name to UMCOR Sunday to reflect the important work accomplished by the United Methodist Committee on Relief.

UMCOR provides compassion and relief services to people and nations in crisis. They have a presence in over 80 countries and have helped tens of thousands of people receive help after war, disaster, conflict and other disruptive events that leave communities unable to recover on their own. Even now, we have relief workers on the ground all over the world helping people recover from past and recent hurricanes, civil wars, mudslides, floods. This is what we call love in action.

UMCOR Sunday calls the church to share the goodness of life with those who hurt. UMCOR Sunday reaches children, families and communities who have experienced devastation in the wake of disaster.



Lenten Cantata

I am pleased to let you know that there will be a Lenten cantata at both services on March 28. This cantata will be instruments only, but I think you will find the music meaningful. Much of the music will be familiar Lenten music, but I have also included some of my favorite choir anthems that will be played on the pianos.

Kellianne, Alethea, E-Na and I look forward to sharing this beautiful music with you as part of the Passion narrative.

Judy



Lenten Instrumental Cantata

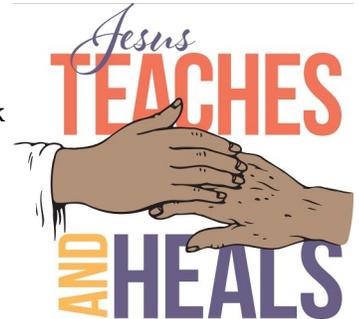
Sunday School News

This month's Sunday school lessons focus on Jesus' ministry and we continue the focus of applying his teachings to our lives. Please join us by downloading the lessons on the Children's Ministry page and working on them at home or you can join us for our zoom class at 10:00 am Sunday mornings. Additional teachers are needed for the zoom class.

Contact me for more information.

This month's delivery of crafts will be during the week of March 21. If you are new to the church, please fill out the Sunday school registration form and I will include you in my next delivery!

Alethea Coulter
Children's Ministry Director



Thank You Worship Team

Thanks to all the dedicated volunteers helping with worship production. Your efforts have been instrumental in making our worship livestream better and better every week.



Steve Williams

Rush UMC Connections

As this pandemic continues, let us strengthen our church, serve and love our neighbors, and return thanks to God! Rush UMC Connections, every Wednesday evening and Sunday afternoon, video chat with family, friends, and members of the Rush UMC. Zoom Video: Easy to use on laptops, desktops, phones, and tablets. Draw close, find strength, love neighbors, and love God. Pastor Todd will host each open session. Invite others to join us; no passwords necessary. We will check in with each other, engage in prayer, and identify needs in our community that we can meet. All are welcome!

7 pm Wednesdays visit the church website, <https://www.rushumc.com>, to get the link to login or click on: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86004903911?pwd=aUxaNUU4M1JXMjFiayt3SVlWUW1RUTo9>

1pm Sunday visit the church website, <https://www.rushumc.com>, to get the link to login or click on: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82543922618?pwd=UHhROXhrclZ1d3U3aTgyVkFSc25uUT09>, bring your own coffee and cookies!



Upcoming Youth Event

St. Patrick's Day Party

Sunday, March 14, 5:00 – 7:00PM

Location: Rush United Methodist Church, 6200 Rush Lima Rd, Rush, NY 14543

Space: Dining Hall

Organizers: Dorothy and Sami Genazzio

For Youth in Grades 7-12



Confirmation Class Starting In March

Purpose: to educate youth with sufficient information to make an informed decision about confirming their baptism and joining the membership of the church.

Core Principles: Confirmation is a continuation of one's faith journey which began at baptism. It is an opportunity for students to become fully engaged in the life of the church through worship, service, and ministries. Students should emerge from confirmation prepared for a life of Christian discipleship.

Students: opened to all baptized individuals, committed to attending and participating in eighteen sessions, willing to work weekly with their mentor to complete their Confirmation Journal, and attend and participate in worship and scheduled events. Open to Junior / Senior High school students, Adults, and people with developmental disabilities.

Mentors: Students select their own mentor. A mentor must be an active member of the local church, be willing to work with the student to complete their Confirmation Journal, and attend and participate in meetings and field trips.

Parents: welcome to attend and participate at every meeting and field trips, supply meals when needed, and assist with transportation.

Leader: Pastor Todd

Curriculum: Credo Confirmation, the official resource for The United Methodist Church, approved by the General Board of Discipleship, and published by Cokesbury. Students and mentors only need to order the journal. To order your Credo Confirmation Journal call 800.672.1789. Though out of print, it may also be found on Amazon (Used: about \$9, New: about \$22).

Topics (18): Creation, Sin, Redemption

Holy Spirit, Church, New Creation Discipleship, Salvation, Wesleyan Quadrilateral Worship, Sacraments, Holy Living Renounce / Reject / Repent, Accept, Confess I Believe, Membership Vows, Going Forth

We will meet by Zoom video until it is safe enough to meet in person. Connection information is as follows:

Topic: Rush UMC Confirmation Class Time

Mar 14, 2021 04:00 PM Eastern Time (US and

Canada)

Confirmation Class



Every 2 weeks on Sunday at 4:00PM, 18 occurrences:

March 14, March 28

April 11, April 25

May 9, May 23

June 6, June 20

July 18

August 1, August 15, August 29

September 12, September 26

October 10, October 24

November 7, November 21

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system. Weekly: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZopce2oqiwy>

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Passcode: 855117

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Dial by your location: 1 646 558 8656 US

This information is also on the church website,

www.rushumc.com

Safe Sanctuaries – Protecting our children, youth, and vulnerable adults: The Rush UMC policy is published on the church website at: rushumc.com/policies. Parents, students, and mentors should download, review, and adhere to our approved church policy.

Confirmation and reception into church membership – Possible dates: Easter (spring), Pentecost (early summer), Epiphany (winter), or Christ the King (fall) Sundays.

If you are interested in the class, please take the time to look at the document and direct any questions about the class to Pastor Todd.

If you are interested in participating, please email Pastor Todd Goddard (toddgoddard@gmail.com) and cc Alethea Coulter (acoulter@rochester.rr.com) (I am compiling a list of participants and contact information).

PromiseLand Playground Project!

The current playground used by PromiseLand has served us well, but it is time for an upgrade! Starting in the fall of 2020, the PromiseLand board of director's sought out 3 bids from companies that sell and install playground structures. After considering the daycare's needs and budget, the board took a proposal to the church leadership team. In their meeting on February 13 the leadership team approved calling the Special Church Conference for the playground replacement project, according to our General Operating Procedures for Finance.



PromiseLand
Child Care
Rush United Methodist Church

We are confident that with the financial strength of PromiseLand and through donations and fundraising that this project will be able to be completed this year. The completion of this project will attract new families to PromiseLand and show our current families our commitment to keeping PromiseLand a safe, exciting and nurturing place to be.

Our goal: To transform the playground area with new, updated play structures, while allowing for future growth.

Timeline: Planning: Fall 2020/Winter 2021, led by the PromiseLand Board of Directors, in consultation with the RUMC Finance committee and Leadership Team.

Approval pending: Winter/Spring 2021, by the membership of the RUMC at a special Church Conference on March 2, 2021 at 7:00 pm via Zoom video conferencing.

Construction: Spring/early Summer 2021.

Financing: Cost, approximately \$36,000 for the removal of the current structure, purchase and installation of the new structure and landscaping costs.

Our plan to pay for the playground is as follows:

PromiseLand Childcare Savings: \$15,000

Rush UMC Endowment Grant: \$5,000

Rush UMC Endowment Loan: \$16,000 –

PromiseLand commits to fundraising to repay the loan in five years or less. The loan will accrue interest at the prime rate annually.

Donations and Contributions: Donations can be made safely, securely on the church webpage at RushUMC.com. Simply designate your gift to "Other: Playground". Or they can be mailed or dropped off at the Rush UMC. Please designate your gift to "Playground".

Want more information? Please reach out to Kellianne Williams at 585-533-2475 or promiselandchildcare1996@gmail.com.



Board of Trustees News

Help Wanted!

Now that Mother Nature has turned all of our lawns, driveways, stairs, sidewalks and entry ways white, it has become painfully obvious that we need help in keeping the church property safe. The pay for this work is not great (as a matter of fact there is no actual pay). However, the personal satisfaction and long-term benefits are bountiful. This is a part-time position related directly to the amount and timing of snowfall. If you have as little as one hour, interest and ability to address this opportunity please contact John Kessler at 358-1265 for details (the application and interview process will take only a few seconds). We look forward to fitting you into the schedule.



Community Education is back:

The historical Aerobics Class that RUMC has hosted for several years (prior to Covid) has been restructured to an Exercise/Training Program to enable Covid



compliance. The first session is scheduled to begin the first week of April concluding the first week of June. The sessions will be held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday running

from 9 - 10 AM each day. The Community Education Department and session leader have agreed to strictly follow the Covid prevention best practices while complying with the RUMC Property Use Policy.

Kitchen Clean-Up:

With the reroofing project complete, including the installation of a water diverter around the stove vent system and the water damaged ceiling repaired, the kitchen is now ready for a thorough cleaning and sanitizing. Through the generous donation of one of our member's the process will be completed as soon as the contractor can schedule the work. The exact date is unknown at this time as the providers of these services are extremely busy providing



Kitchen Clean-Up

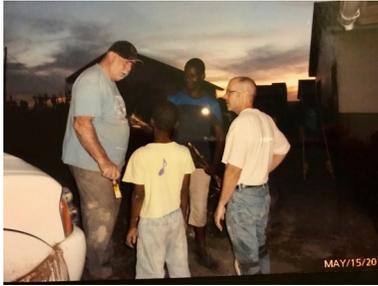
anti-Covid sanitizing. We are hopeful this will be complete in the next 30 - 45 days.



Mission and Outreach



Are you thinking about making a change of any kind for Lent? Some give something up – chocolate, alcohol, Netflix, Facebook. Others add a new spiritual discipline – additional time in meditation, scripture reading, a devotional guide, fasting. This time leading up to Holy Week can be a time of transformation in our lives, a change that will cause us to grow in gratitude, trust, obedience, compassion, joyful service.



Phil Wesley Chilcote writes, “If we surround ourselves with the love of Jesus – if the love of God envelops us in the same way that our clothes cover our bodies – then God gifts the community and the world with harmony. Peace rules. Unity prevails. All creation becomes a song of praise. What part do you play in this great harmony of the ages?”

What if we don’t feel the love? In this week’s Sunday School lesson Adam Hamilton writes, “The commitment we make in marriage is not to always *feel* in love. It is to always *practice* love, to seek to bless, encourage and build up our mate.” We can apply this practice to others as well. We can choose loving actions and prayer. I believe the Lord will honor those choices and change our feelings in positive ways so that peace and unity prevail in our families, the church and the world.

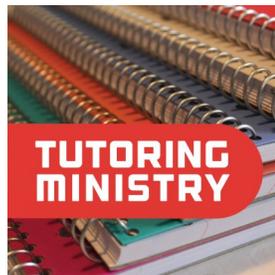
May this season of Lent be memorable, “As you set yourselves apart by your obedience to the truth so that you might have genuine affection for your fellow believers, love each other deeply and earnestly.” I Peter 1:22



Erma Perkins, Lay leader Mission and Outreach, ermaperkins@me.com

Mission and Outreach Needs

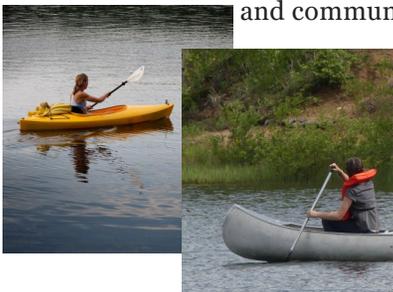
Our ministry to the boys at Industry is in need of volunteer help. A person with grant writing skills or experience is needed to assist with an upcoming project. Volunteer one-to-one tutors are also needed, especially people with skills in math, reading, and writing. Orientation is provided. Safety guidelines are practiced. For more information contact Richard Nereau at rcnereau@yahoo.com or 585-358-1016.



A volunteer is sought to serve as our Bereavement Reception Coordinator. This individual will assist families with planning and implementing post funeral receptions. A kind heart, gracious hospitality, and organizational skills will ensure success. We already have many who are willing to help. If interested, contact Erma Perkins at ermaperkins@me.com or 585-750-0136.



Rush UMC Canoe & Kayak Outreach! Our church hosts a canoe and kayak ministry, free for the church and community to use. Six boats and associated equipment are housed in a shed on church property on the shore of Honeoye Creek. This ministry is in memory of Dan Varble and was launched by Gary Prok. Scheduling, required wavers, and



information for use can be received from Barb in the church office at barbking@rochester.rr.com or 585-533-2170 Share with your friends on social media!

Bible Quiz

The precise number varies depending on the Bible version, but roughly how many times does the word “love” occur in the Old and New Testaments combined?

- A. 200-300
- B. 400-500
- C. 600-700
- D. 800-900

Answer: C

Rush United Methodist Analysis of Revenues & Expenses Summary Actual

January 2021

Accounts	MTD Actual (This Year)	YTD Actual (This Year)	Budget To Date (This Year)
Revenues			
Other Income	\$137.56	\$137.56	\$391.66
Offerings	\$25,674.00	\$25,674.00	\$19,347.08
P/L Expense Reimbursement	\$931.72	\$931.72	\$931.72
Total Revenues	\$26,743.28	\$26,743.28	\$20,670.46
Expenses			
Building & Grounds	\$3,109.45	\$3,109.45	\$2,837.59
Education	\$49.72	\$49.72	\$50.00
Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
(1) Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Office Expenses	\$816.57	\$816.57	\$787.80
Clergy Salaries	\$4,209.24	\$4,209.24	\$4,384.61
Lay Salaries	\$5,922.60	\$5,922.60	\$5,920.00
Clergy Benefits	\$2,958.92	\$2,958.92	\$3,262.00
Ministry Team Expenses	\$307.60	\$307.60	\$307.60
Other Program Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Utilities	\$2,869.52	\$2,869.52	\$2,819.64
PromiseLand	(\$136.00)	(\$136.00)	\$0.00
Total Expenses	\$20,107.62	\$20,107.62	\$20,370.00
Net Total	\$6,635.66	\$6,635.66	\$300.46

1. Shared Ministries 0% paid to end of January

FINANCIAL REPORT



IS YOUR PLEDGE UP TO DATE?



Annual Report and Thank You from St. Pauly Textile, Inc.

Dear Friends,

We hope this letter finds you well and warm. This past year was challenging in many regards for our company, as well as many of the organizations and people we partner with. On the bright side, however, it seems that lots of people who were stuck at home took the opportunity to clean out their closets! Here is the year-end information for your clothing shed:

45,495 pounds of clothing were donated to your shed in 2020.

This was enough to clothe an estimated 3,628 people all over the world.

Based on this volume of clothing, your organization received \$1,819.

Thank you so much for continuing to partner with us and for helping us get through this challenging year. We truly appreciate all the support you've given to this program and to our team!

Sincerely,
The Team at St. Pauly Textile, Inc.



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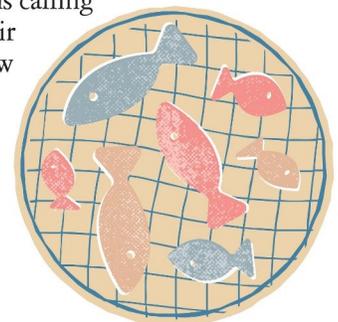
You can now donate to Rush UMC while shopping online through AmazonSmile. Simply go to smile.amazon.com on your mobile device or computer and enter Rush United Methodist Church as your charity.



?? Bible Quiz ? ?

In Luke's account of Jesus calling the first disciples from their work as fishermen to follow him and "fish for people" (NIV), which disciple is not named?

- A. James
- B. John
- C. Simon
- D. Andrew

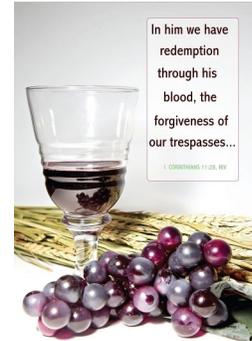


Answer: D (See Luke 5:1-11.)

Holy Week Schedule



Palm Sunday
 Palm Sunday – March 28
 Services: In person and streaming at 8:30AM and 10:45AM
 Lenten Instrumental Cantata at both services



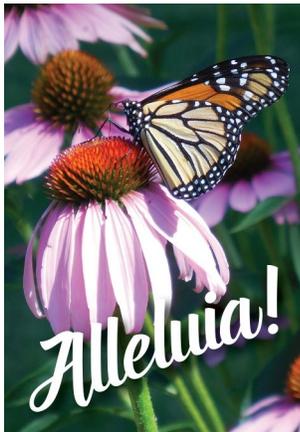
Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday – April 1
 Service at 6:00PM: In person and streaming
 Holy Communion will be served in person, curbside and virtual



Good Friday

Good Friday – April 2
 Service at 7:00PM: In person and streaming
 The Gospel reading is the Passion of Jesus Christ.



Easter Sunday – April 4
 Services: In person and streaming at 8:30AM and 10:45AM
 Resurrection of the Lord!



Easter Sunday

Bereavement

Elise Browning's fiancé's family, death of his grandmother, less than two weeks after death of her husband
 Those in the world who have passed from complications of the Coronavirus



Praises

Louise Harris is home
 Bob Faugh continues to gain strength
 John Funkhauser is doing much better
 Erma Perkins: for Elaine and Gavin Charlton's daughter, Rebekah, recovering from COVID-19 at home in South Africa
 Steve Williams' grandmother is back in her nursing home after stay at a COVID-19 rehabilitation center
 Successful PromiseLand Mardi Gras Pancake Breakfast
 March Birthdays and Anniversaries



Prayer Concerns

Martha Ann and Casey Beebe's niece, Sarah, prayers for healing
Adam and Dorothy Genazzio, diagnosed with COVID-19
Todd Goddard's friend, Pastor Lida Merrill, stroke
Britta Stambaugh's friend's girl friend's daughter, Mackenzie, birth of twins at 23 weeks
Stuart Walthour's daughter, Amy, heart attack
Della and Bill Wood and family, Bill has entered Comfort Care at the Livingston County Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation, prayers for the family
PromiseLand Childcare
School Districts, Parents and Students
Safe and compliant reopening of Church Meetings and Events
Peace to come to our troubled land
Government Leaders
For justice and health care to be deployed equally and evenly among all people
End to racism and inequality
Musa weNkosi Orphanage and Zululand Hospice
Our Bishop and Clergy and Lay leaders
Church finances
Hospice Houses near and far
RHAFAT
Those going to parks
Relaxation of restrictions
Small Businesses
Those laid off or facing unemployment or underemployment
Young people, children and youth lacking social interactions
Hospital and Nursing Home Staff – stay healthy and strong to tend to the needs of patients and residents
All those in isolation
Help us all to remember that in these times as always Jesus is with us, we're not alone
Inability to visit family and friends
Adult children, neighbors, and friends helping with delivery of groceries and medicine
For those who suffer in silence, please be with them and bless them with strength
Prayers for our youth to find themselves and God in the process
Families affected by Alzheimer's, cancer and other terminal illnesses
Keep remembering the school kids and help find solutions to the violence
Parents of New Drivers
All those struggling and affected by fires, flooding and hurricanes and who find themselves homeless or lost within this world
Those looking for employment
Super Sale now and future
Our homebound and ill
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
Those who life has changed: death of loved one, relationships broken, families separated; give them love, courage and strength
Church worldwide is under attack; help God save your people

Violence in places of Worship
Campus Ministries
The United Methodist Church
Ministry at The Pillar
All Volunteers who go on Missions
UMCOR
Friends serving in hospice and orphanage in South Africa
Refugee resettlement project and resettlement families
FISH
A Meal & More Soup Kitchen and homeless served by them
Staff and Young Men at State School at Industry
Haiti and Government leaders; root out corruption, bring about justice, lessen poverty
Peace, stability in Venezuela
Justice to flow down like water in the US, Syria, South Sudan, Middle East
Victims of terrorism and survivors of world violence
Injustice in the USA
City of Rochester
RCSD and Board
International Students
Members in Military, especially those in Kuwait
Those who are incarcerated
People with disabilities, anxiety disorders, depression, addictions
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
Don Barrett	Kathy Belik
Mary Anne Brice	Trudy Corio
Craig Crowell	Alberta Greer
Jim Hughes	Meg Kinnally
Marge Weather	Bill Wood

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

Phillip Banker	Jason Bello
Ryan Blood	Jon Cannioto
Ben Frederick	Christian Koch
Michael Kurvach	Steven Kurvach
Jason McKnight	Isaiah Montana
James Rice	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.



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March



New Sunday Worship and Programs

- 8:30AM: In-Person Traditional Worship Service
also YouTube Live, Facebook Live
- 9:00AM: Bible Study
- 9:45AM: Zoom Bible Study
- 10:00AM: Zoom Sunday School Class
- 10:45AM: In-Person Contemporary Worship
Service also YouTube Live, Facebook Live
- 1:00PM: Zoom Video: Rush UMC Connections
Coffee and Fellowship Time
- 5:00PM: Sunday, March
14: Youth St Patrick's Party
from 5 - 7PM



Sunday Schedule

Church Leadership Meeting

Saturday, March 13, 2021 at 8:30AM

Your comments and suggestions are always welcome by email to toddgoddard@gmail.com or rushumc@rochester.rr.com or visit Zoom: RUMC Connections on Wednesday or Sunday. Go to www.rushumc.com for times and links.

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