



# His Faithful Followers

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## A Note from Pastor Kyle

In our fast-paced, high task and short deadline world, it is easy to fall into the trap of believing that our worth is tied directly to productivity—what we can produce, build, or do. As Christians, however, we are called to a different standard, one that sees through the eyes of Christ and recognizes that every individual possesses inherent, irreplaceable worth from birth to death. This is especially true for the older members of our congregation, who are not merely "seniors" but treasures of wisdom and pillars of truth.

The Bible is overwhelmingly positive about old age, calling grey hair a "crown of glory" (Proverbs 16:31). Our older members are not a burden; they are repositories of God's faithfulness. While the limitations that age may bring might change how someone serves, it does not diminish their value. They bring a depth of wisdom crafted and molded by decades of walking with the Lord, serving the Kingdom and loving as Christ would have us do. Life stories, testimonies of God's grace through trials, a continued presence are essential to our spiritual maturity as a church family.

Conversely, this stage of life often brings the reality of loss: declining health, the loss of friends, or the grief of leaving behind a cherished home. Furthermore, we must

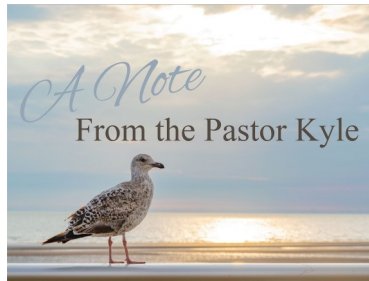
speak honestly about the passing of our loved ones. It is incredibly sad. We feel the void, and we weep. Yet, as believers, we must also recognize that death is a natural, albeit painful, part of the life cycle.

It is tempting to try to rush through grief, to push down the sadness, or to pretend that we are stronger than we feel. However, Ecclesiastes tells us there is "a time to weep, and a time to laugh." And many would say that Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend, Lazarus. You can find that narrative in John 11:35. Therefore, it is not a sign of weak faith to feel sorrow. It is a sign that we loved someone deeply and that their life was precious.

And the Word Of God is and has been a comfort and

assurance for many. As disciples we are more than normal... we are blessed. 1 Thessalonians 4:13 reminds us that while we acknowledge that loss is normal, we do not grieve as those who have no hope. Death is not a final, absolute end. It is a doorway to God's everlasting promise. However, for fear of turning this even more into a funeral homily, let me simply say as disciples our work never ends, and the blessings never stop. We are a family, and we walk through every season together—from the joy of new life to the sad, yet normal, losses of old age—sustained by the grace of Jesus Christ.

Blessings,  
Pastor Kyle



## Ash Wednesday

All are welcome to attend and participate in Ash Wednesday services on Wednesday, February 18, signifying the beginning of Lent. During this season we are invited to reflect and repent as we spiritually prepare ourselves for the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We will begin at 6:30PM at the pavilion to burn last year's dried palm branches, reducing them to ashes for use during the service.

Our service will begin at 7:00PM in the church sanctuary. Ashes will be imposed on the forehead or hand of the willing. Communion will be served.



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## Patrick Place - A Comfort Care Home Inc

Sunday, February 1, 2026, from 1 – 4pm  
Spaghetti Dinner-Catered by  
Jacks Place

**Spaghetti, Meatballs,  
Sausage, Salad, Bread  
Water and Coffee. \$15/Adult  
\$10/Under 12**

**Tickets:** [https://  
pay.patrickplace.org/Spaghetti](https://pay.patrickplace.org/Spaghetti)  
Hartmann Hall Next to St Mary's  
Church Scottsville NY



## Ladies' Lunch Bunch

The Ladies' Lunch Bunch is a time of fellowship for women who are single, widowed, divorced, or separated. They meet the first Monday of each month, at 12:30pm, in the church Fellowship Hall. This month's luncheon is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 2. It will be a great way to spend a cold winter afternoon.

If you would like to join Pastor Kyle for lunch this month, please let Barb Kingsley, or Cindy Gray know. If you would like to know more about this opportunity, please contact Cindy Gray at [cgtgray1039@gmail.com](mailto:cgtgray1039@gmail.com), or call her at 585-362-6206.



## Board of Trustees Updates

The members of the Board of Trustees are busy working on a large variety of projects that encompass the whole of the church building, from windows to siding to plugged toilets! There are big jobs and small, and we are always looking for "handypersons" who have a little time to help with something on our list.

The trustees meet monthly, on the first Monday, at 7:00pm at the church. If you are interested in learning more about what we are doing, please contact Cindy Gray at [cgtgray1039@gmail.com](mailto:cgtgray1039@gmail.com). Our February meeting is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 2.



## "Souperbowl" Collection for RHAFT

Youth group will be sponsoring a collection of non-perishable food items for RHAFT. Please bring in your items on or before February 8<sup>th</sup>. On that Sunday, there will be soup pots by the sanctuary to place your donations. If you drop them off before that date, you can place them in the trunk or entryway.

Thank you,  
Alethea Coulter  
Youth Ministry Director  
[Alethea.coulter@rushumc.org](mailto:Alethea.coulter@rushumc.org)



## Chili Cook-Off

Our annual Chili-Cook off will be on February 8. Please bring in a pot of chili to share and participate in some friendly judging to see who will be crowned this year's chili champion! We will have winners for Best Overall, Best Classic (traditional meat and bean) and Best Non-traditional (chicken, vegetarian, or other) and a special certificate for Spiciest. Flyers and rules will be posted around the church for additional information. Please invite your family and friends to join us. There will also be macaroni and cheese available. All donations go to support Youth Ministry.

Thank you,  
Alethea Coulter  
Youth Ministry Director  
[Alethea.coulter@rushumc.org](mailto:Alethea.coulter@rushumc.org)



## Safe Sanctuary Training

Cindy Gray and I are working on an in-person Safe Sanctuary training that will be held at Avon UMC. It will be on Monday, February 9, 5-8:30pm. Anyone interested in joining this training, please email me and I will add you to the list.

Alethea Coulter  
[Alethea.coulter@rushumc.org](mailto:Alethea.coulter@rushumc.org)



## Choir Update

It's already time to start thinking about the Lenten Cantata. Rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, February 11 at 6:30pm. We welcome all singers.

We will also be practicing on Sunday mornings at 8:30am. The choir will share the cantata at the service on Sunday, March 29.

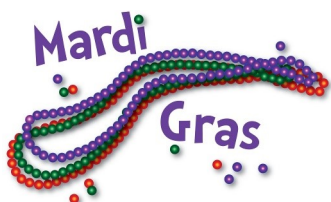
If you have any questions, please reach out to Kellianne Williams at [klkw1212@gmail.com](mailto:klkw1212@gmail.com).





## Upcoming Events: Mark Your Calendars Now!

The Nurture Ministry team meets monthly to find ways to strengthen and encourage the Rush Church congregation as well as our surrounding communities. We all recognize the fact that food, fellowship, and fun are great ways to bring people together.



"Sunday Brunch / Mardi Gras Celebration:" The February brunch this year will be held on the 3rd Sunday of the month, in order to appropriately enjoy some great Mardi Gras foods! So please note: this month's brunch will be held on

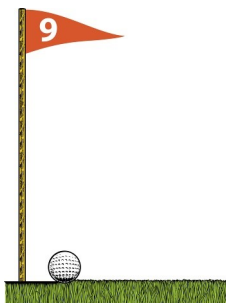
Sunday, February 15!

Looking Ahead: St. Patrick's Day Putt Putt Event: On Wednesday, March 25, Rush Church will host our 3rd Annual putt-putt golf event, as part of our regular Community Night Dinner. Participants are encouraged to wear green, the crazier and more fun the better,



with prizes given for several different categories.

We are in need of several more putt-putt holes. If you are a creative builder, and would like to participate, please contact Cindy Gray at [cgtgray1039@gmail.com](mailto:cgtgray1039@gmail.com). More information will be provided in the March newsletter, but for now make sure you plan to be here, and start planning your best leprechaun-type costumes!

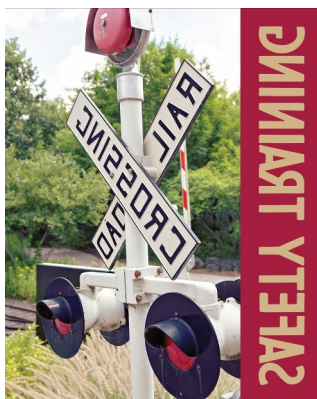


## Basic Safe Sanctuaries Training

The next district training will be Saturday, February 21, 9-12:30pm via Zoom. This is open to anyone but especially for those working with children, youth or vulnerable adults. There is no cost to take the basic course. Please visit the district page to register: <https://www.unyumc.org/resources/safe-sanctuaries-training-opportunities>

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Alethea Coulter  
Children's Ministry Director



## Winter Wednesday Community Family Supper

Mark your calendars, and plan to join us in the church Fellowship Hall for a Fiesta Supper on Wednesday, February 25, from 5:30 – 7:00pm. We're serving "Make your own Tacos" and Cheese Quesadillas, with a side of fruits and veggies. Beverages and tableware are provided – just bring your appetites. This is a great way to connect with PromiseLand families and members of the church. Bring your family and your friends; come for a laid-back evening of fellowship and fun. Board games and activities will be available!



## GRACE Choir Concert

GRACE Choir Presents "Psalms" (with the Rochester Jewish Chorale!) on Sunday, March 1 at 4:00PM at Catherine of Siena Church, Mendon and Saturday, March 7 at a Jewish Temple (TBD) at 7:30PM. GRACE Choir is a multi-denominational choir made up of people from 18+ different churches around the Rochester area. We sing under Director, Lon Beery. The concerts are free and open to the public, although a free will offering may be taken.



## High School Senior College Scholarship

Each year, Rush United Methodist Church awards a scholarship for graduating high school seniors who are pursuing further education at an accredited college or university. This scholarship is a way for Rush United Methodist Church to bless graduates on their journey of higher education. The recipient of the scholarship for 2026 will be acknowledged during worship on Graduate Sunday in June.

The scholarship of \$1,000 is given to a graduating High School senior who is an active member at Rush United Methodist Church.

The selection of scholarship recipient is based entirely on the candidate's written application. The Scholarship application is available on the church website, [www.rushumc.com](http://www.rushumc.com) under "Links". The deadline to submit a completed application via email is Tuesday, June 9, 2026.



## Take Me Out to the Ball Game!

Don't let the snow and cold weather get you down. Think about baseball! Plan to join us for a fun evening of baseball and friends! Rush UMC has arranged for group tickets for the Friday, June 12 game at 6:45pm. For more information, see Leon Perkins!

If you own a red Rush Church T-shirt, this is a great time to wear it! If you don't have one and would like one, see Cindy Gray. I have a variety of size options available to purchase.



## Sunday Morning Childcare Position

It is with great excitement that the Rush United Methodist Church is looking to hire a Sunday Morning Childcare worker for the time during our Sunday Morning Service from 9am to 11am. The position description is posted on our website. Please send a resume to [office@rushumc.org](mailto:office@rushumc.org).



## Super Sale Update

The sale room is ready to accept donations. Especially needed are items such as housewares, home decor, games, toys, small electronics, and cookware.

Please note. We no longer accept furniture. If you have small furniture items like a chair or end table, please contact me.

We cannot accept or sell baby equipment like portable cribs and car seats, due to safety regulations.

Leave donated items indoors in sale room hallway.

Please place all clothing, shoes, and linens in the parking lot St. Pauly's shed.

Thank you,

Cindy Raymond  
[cray2345@aol.com](mailto:cray2345@aol.com)



**Super Sale**

## What to Do in Bad Weather?

The winter weather closing policy of Rush United Methodist Church is as follows. Out of care for our staff and volunteers that help make worship possible each week and to honor county decisions made for the safety of citizens and first responders, if there is a travel advisory or ban in place on Sunday morning, we will not hold Sunday school or worship service that day. On other Sundays with snow when there isn't a travel advisory or ban in place, we will gather to worship. As always use your own discretion when deciding if to attend in-person church or not. Services will be streamed. Your safety is our priority, if in doubt and travel seems risky – stay safe, stay home!



## FISH/RHAFT, Inc. Thank You

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your gift to the FISH program. Because of you, community members who need transportation have a safe option for their medical transport.

Many people are surprised to learn that, in addition to RHAFT (our food pantry) we also provide non-emergency medical transportation for older adults – helping them get to doctor's appointments, treatments, and essential care when they no longer drive.

Both of these services – food pantry and transportation – are powered entirely by volunteers. From stocking shelves to driving and dispatching rides, every helping hand is given freely, with care.

Your generosity makes all of this possible. Thank you for being part of a community that shows up for one another.

With gratitude

Abby L Uschold  
FISH/RHAFT, Inc. Financial  
Secretary

Check #21028 for \$150.00 issued  
on December 31, 2025





***Rush United Methodist Church***  
***Analysis of Revenues and Expenses***  
***General Operating Budget***  
***January–December 2025***

Accounts	Annual Budget 2025	Month to Date Actual 2025	Year to Date Actual—2025	Annual Budget Remaining	% of Annual Budget Used
Revenues					
Program Income	\$17,350.00	\$6,056.80	\$21,103.37	\$(3,753.37)	121.63%
Total Other Income	\$95,624.96	\$8,159.90	\$94,850.00	\$774.96	99.19%
Received Through Pledges	\$241,750.00	\$34,465.13	\$260,3648.13	\$(18,614.13)	107.70%
Reimbursement of Expenses	\$22,467.00	\$1,657.58	\$20,622.76	\$1,844.24	91.79%
Total Revenues	\$359,841.96	\$44,283.23	\$375,836.76	\$(15,994.93)	104.44%
Expenses					
Board of Trustees	\$52,500.00	\$5,354.12	\$65,864.92	\$(13,364.92)	125.46%
Education	\$2,335.00	\$679.73	\$1,543.31	\$791.69	66.09%
Insurance	\$16,300.00	\$2,613.75	\$16,851.32	\$(551.32)	103.38%
Missions	\$29,246.00	\$2,395.50	\$28,746.00	\$500.00	98.29%
Office Expenses	\$12,000.00	\$802.57	\$13,301.99	\$(1,301.99)	110.85%
Clergy Salary	\$53,184.04	\$4,091.04	\$53,183.52	\$0.52	100.00%
Lay—Salaries	\$97,387.32	\$6,957.99	\$88,105.34	\$9,281.98	90.47%
Clergy Benefits	\$59,387.30	\$4,884.49	\$60,037.19	\$(649.89)	101.09%
Ministry Team Expenses	\$9,675.00	\$482.00	\$5,847.90	\$3,827.10	60.44%
Other Program Expenses	\$2,000.00	\$246.43	\$2,136.53	\$1063.47	66.77%
Utilities	\$31,250.00	\$2,488.77	\$27,700.82	\$3,549.18	88.64%
PromiseLand	\$0.00		(\$0.05)	\$0.05	0.00%
Total Expenses	\$366,464.66	\$30,996.39	\$363,318.79	\$3,145.87	99.14%
Net Total	(\$6,622.70)	\$13,286.84	\$12,518.10	(\$19,140.80)	0.00%



***Capital  
Stewardship  
Campaign  
Update***

As of Wednesday, January 28, 2026, we have received \$269,200.00 or 53.84% in pledges towards our \$500,000.00 goal. Of the amount pledged, we have received \$221,864.70 of which \$164,446.69 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, as a deposit and finishing the drainage work in the parking lot and west side of the building and patching, sealing and striping the driveway and parking lot and for the permit, electronic sign and electrical work to install the sign. Twenty-one thousand two hundred seventy dollars (\$21,270.00), not pledged, of this total has been designated for the electronic sign. \$10,000.00 of this was donated by PromiseLand Childcare. Additionally, a deposit has been paid to repair and replace the board and batten siding to prepare it for staining in the spring. 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, Mary Callera, Bob and Linda Faugh, Buzz and Joan Grimm, Roger Haas, Kevin Kinnally, Debra Kostiw, Ray Smith  
 Richard Nereau's friends, the Scott Family, Debbie in the hospital with leg issues  
 Schillaci Family, divorce and financial problems  
 Joanne Walesmith, full recovery from fall and strength for the New Year  
 Those in our congregation who are suffering with loss, illness, or deteriorating health  
 PromiseLand Childcare staff, children and families  
 Heritage Christian Services Rush Day Hab  
 Please continue to pray for the children and staff of the Children's Home, Musa weNkosi. The Department of Social Development continues to threaten to close them down and this "is very stressful for everyone, especially the children," writes Elaine Charlton  
 Zululand Hospice  
 Unity and peace to come to our troubled land  
 Government Leaders  
 Aggressive diplomacy that will lead to peace and justice for Palestinians and Israelis  
 Israel, Ukraine and other conflicts around the world  
 The Jewish people  
 School Districts, Parents and Students  
 Families and friends of those affected by continued gun violence and mass shootings  
 Violence in places of Worship  
 Those struggling with addiction and alcoholism  
 For justice and health care to be deployed equally and evenly among all people  
 End to racism, inequality and injustice  
 Our Bishop, 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  
 Those who are incarcerated  
 Small Businesses  
 Hospital and Nursing Home Staff  
 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  
 Parents of New Drivers  
 Those looking for employment  
 Elderly parents, youth, teens, young adults, those suffering from chronic pain, mental health problems depression and addiction  
 Employers looking for people to hire  
 Our children, youth and church family  
 Campus Ministries  
 All Volunteers who go on Missions  
 UMCOR  
 Refugee resettlement project and resettlement families  
 City of Rochester  
 International Students  
 People with disabilities, anxiety disorders, and depression  
 Colleges around the country  
 Those among our family who are homebound or in senior living facilities:  
 Ruth Baldoni  
 Jean Banker  
 Mary Callera  
 Ernie Harrington

Lynne Jacobs  
 Penny Schultheis

Kevin Kinnally

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

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

Jason Bello

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



## Bereavement

Michele and Dan Cuatt and family, death of Dan's mom, Nancy Cuatt, on Sunday, January 11  
 Teri and Gary Edom and family, death of Teri's father, Gerald DeWinde, on January 20  
 Kyle and Kris Roehrig and family, death of Kris's mom on January 19  
 Nancy Sweet and family, death of Al Sweet on January 25  
 Steve and Kellianne Williams and family, loss of Steve's cousin, Leona last week  
 Al Yager and family, death of his wife, Betty



## Praises

Mary Ann David, birth of her great granddaughter, Amelia Mae Trigg to Holly and Frankie on January 1, 2026  
 Richard Dimond, home from the hospital after being treated for a bad flu  
 Kris and Kyle Roehrig, many happy and healthy years; congratulations on your 30th anniversary  
 Ellie Williams' neighbor fell and broke his hip, surgery went well, he is home recovering  
 Nicole and Zach Yates, birth of their son, Alex on December 19, 2025  
 February Birthdays and Anniversaries





## South Africa Update

This week I accomplished one of my favorite tasks - booking flights to South Africa. Dates for this year's trip are May 6-21. The cost estimate is \$4500. This includes



flights, lodging, 2 days of safari and about half the meals. So far, I have return travelers - which speaks to the value of this experience, does it not? I love to introduce new people to these missions so let me know if you would consider opening your heart to these missions. Donna, our generous quilter wants to send a quilt for each of the children at Musa weNkosi so I need packhorses!

I received this report from Nurse Manager Jane today:

"January in Zululand is typically very hot, humid and rainy. The roads we travel are usually dirt and often more pothole than road, with deep gullies that fill up with water, hiding what dangers lie beneath! Last week our staff had to get out of the car, in 40C heat, (over 100° F.) and push the car out of the mud, so every day it holds the possibility of adventures. As well as caring for our families, much of our work entails social problems and advocating for patients. One patient has frequent attacks of shortness of breath which are frightening and distressing. She attends the government hospital for treatment; nebulizing was recommended but there were no machines available for home use. She also could not afford the fee that is due for every visit. Hospice sourced a



machine for her, and the hospital provides the medication. Our nurse contacted the hospital PRO and arranged for her to be a non-fee-paying patient. The hospice intervention means that she can now manage her dyspnea at home, alleviating the long and tiring trip to hospital.

We had a tiny 2-year-old with TB meningitis and abdomen, a very ill child with a young mother. She spent a few months in hospital but

was discharged home in the terminal stage, with no way for her mother to give medication. Fortunately, the team visited the next day and referred her to a newly opened Children's Hospice in Empangeni. After the family

meetings and discussions, she was admitted, she passed away peacefully and pain free two days later." Some of the June '25 team met this child.

Jane said, "I'm running around like a chicken with a mongoose chasing me."

If you decide to join us you will find the question, "How was your trip?" not easy to answer. Aspects of the visit are heart-warming as we witness the loving care provided by the staff. The conditions in which they work are disheartening. However, it is uplifting to provide support in an area of desperate need. Then you might have the nearly heart-stopping experience of an elephant approaching the vehicle or a rhino mom and baby grazing within reach!

Nola, former Assistant Manager wrote, "Words will never be able to express how much and what it means when we receive material, financial, hands on and spiritual support from you all. The difference it makes in the lives of our patients and staff is immeasurable."

We spend a couple days near the end of the trip as "tourists." However, my goal is for each traveler to be

challenged by the disparities we witness in living conditions, medical care, as well as between those who are comfortable (which includes us in the lovely BnBs) and those who struggle with day-to-day existence. South Africa has a complicated history.

Whether or not you travel with us, I encourage you to read about this fascinating country, so you better understand life for our sisters and brothers of these missions we support and carry in

our hearts and prayers. Books and movies about Steve Biko and Nelson Mandela are a good place to start.

I find this meditation from Matt. 25:14-30, The Parable of the Talents, challenging: "The wickedness and laziness that Jesus rails against is the presumption that we possess anything at all, least of all ourselves. His ire is aimed at the hoarding that comes from the fear of being inadequate, as well as our ingratitude for having been

made how we are... who we are is a gift itself, freely offered from God's extravagant generosity, given to and for the world. The point is not to perfect our particular gifts or ourselves, but to quit hoarding ourselves from others, and instead to step out in faith that we have been given all we need."

Kari Jo Verhulst, Living the Word, Sojourners Nov, Dec 2002.



Erma Perkins, coordinator South Africa Mission





## *January Second Sunday Brunch*



Genesee Valley District Learning Day  
Back to Basics for Lay and Clergy

# Informed to Transform 2026

Leadership Opportunities for you to grow as a  
leader in your church!  
Plan to join your district in person for valuable knowledge  
in skills in helping move your church forward.

### Details:

Saturday, February 28 from 8:30-2 p.m.  
Rush UMC  
6200 Rush Lima Rd.  
Rush, NY 14543

### Sessions:

SPRC  
Trustees  
Stewardship/Finance  
Lay Leader  
Dismantling Racism

### Schedule:

8:30-9 Register and snacks  
9-9:30 Worship Service  
9:45-10:30 Session I  
10:45-11:30 Session II  
11:45-12:30 Light lunch provided  
12:45-1:30 Session III  
1:40-2 Closing Prayer



Register here:

<https://bit.ly/informedtotransform>





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With gratitude

Abby L Uschold

FISH/RHAFT, Inc. Financial Secretary

Check #7001655 for \$1,600.00 issued on December 24, 2025



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**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 MISSION, VISION and**

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



**PRIORITY STATEMENTS**

## Puzzle!

### HOW'S THE WEATHER?

Use the code below to fill in these forecasts in places where Jesus traveled:

#### CODE:

A=☺	D=☼	H=☼	M=☆	P=◆	T=■	W=☼
B=●	E=+	I=*	N=↑	R=●	U=□	Y=☼
C=○	G=●	L=★	O=↓	S=○	V=☼	Z=☼

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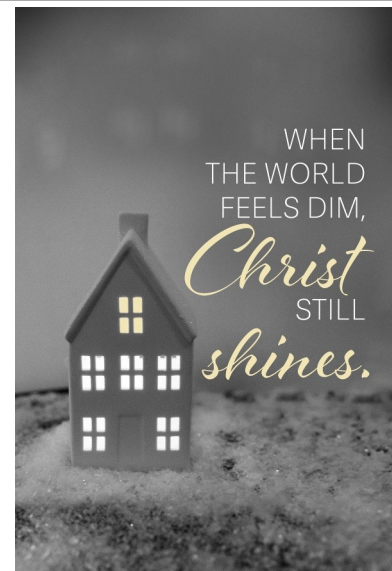
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Answers: snow, hot, mild, tropical heat, gusty winds, breezy



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### *Sunday Worship Schedule*

8:30AM—Adult Bible/Book Study led by Michelle Prok  
8:30AM—Choir Rehearsal  
9:30AM—Worship Service - In-Person and on  
YouTube and Facebook; Communion:  
Second and Fourth  
Sunday of each month  
9:45AM—One Room Sunday  
School Class for  
Children  
10:45AM—Rush UMC Coffee Hour  
11:00AM—Lectionary Study with Pastor Kyle  
2:00PM—Living With Loss



**Sunday  
Schedule**

### *Youth Group*



Youth in grades 6—12 meet a couple of times a month. Watch the bulletin and youth page on the website for dates and activities. 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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.... Working Remotely on Tuesdays and occasionally on Fridays  
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Interim Director of Youth Ministries: ..... Alethea Coulter  
Director of PromiseLand Childcare: ..... Kellianne Williams  
Chancel Choir Director: ..... Kellianne Williams  
Accompanist: ..... Chaeun Lee  
Lay Leaders: Worship: ..... Steve Williams  
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