



His Faithful Followers

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A Note from Pastor Todd

I first learned of the word "bibelot" in my second year of seminary. The President of the seminary, Leonard



Sweet, published a newsletter by this title. Bibelot, pronounced as bib(ə)lō is a small decorative ornament or trinket. Think bric-a-brac or miscellaneous items on a shelf. Our homes are filled with bibelots. This month's article is a collection of *Pastoral Bibelots*.

1. Rush UMC Capital Campaign. I support it, and I pray you do, too. Our church building and campus are 26 years old and in need of capital upgrades. Carpets wear out. Driveways need to be repaved. If the members of our church family want to keep the property in shape and create a welcoming environment we will each need to make a financial sacrifice, each according to their unique ability. We held informational town hall meetings in April. A Special Church Conference for all church members will be held on Sunday, May 1, 2022 following the second service to approve the campaign and spending. The appeal will be held in the month of May, led by Michelle Prok (who was on the original building committee and has an amazing witness to tell). Please pledge generously! Thanks to Cindy Gray, chair of the Board of Trustees, and Geoffrey Furman, who have helped assemble the list and obtain estimates. Be bold!



2. Open House. After your Mother's Day lunch, Cynthia, Christian, and I would like to invite the Rush UMC family to an open house, Sunday, May 8, 2022 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Our townhouse is located at 40 Belltower Lane, Pittsford NY 14534. In lieu of gifts, contribute to the capital campaign! All are welcome.

3. Wednesday Prayer. Yes, we still meet by Zoom on Wednesdays at 11:00 am for weekly prayers. I'm happy to send out the connection information to anyone who sends me an email request. The nature of our prayers are petition (asking God for something), intercession (asking God to intercede on someone's behalf), confession, praise, thanksgiving, and lament. Our prayers are directed internationally, nationally, locally, and personally. At our conclusion, I send out to all participants a copy of our prayers so they may be addressed daily throughout the week. All are welcome to attend and participate.

4. Creating Space. So much of what a pastor does is to create safe space for people to speak, stories to be told,

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Special Church Conference Scheduled Capital Stewardship Campaign

The Rush Church Board of Trustees identified a list of capital improvements, and a group of projects was approved by the Leadership Team. The Finance Team is now preparing to lead a Capital Stewardship Campaign to finance



these projects. This requires a Special Church Conference, which is scheduled for Sunday, May 1, at 12:00 noon. At this conference each member of the Rush United Methodist Church congregation will have the opportunity to vote on the proposal. Two Information meetings were held to prepare for this conference, one on Sunday, April 3, and the second on Sunday, April 24. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Prok (mibopuckeye@gmail.com) or Cindy Gray (cgtgray1039@gmail.com).

CAPITAL Stewardship CAMPAIGN

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and the Spirit to be discerned. Our denomination is dividing over the issue of sexuality. It started years ago. In what direction will the Rush UMC family go? Can we get ahead of the curve and host these sacred conversations? Where is the Holy Spirit leading us?

Attempts to change individuals beliefs, values, or theological positions cause harm and destroy the safety necessary for discernment. Faithful Christians can disagree, so long as there is love, respect, and the vow to do no harm.

Where to begin? I've invited my friend and colleague, the Rev. Ann Kemper, to share the story of how her congregation (Rochester: Covenant) went through the process of becoming a "Reconciling Congregation", (Google: Reconciling Ministries Network). She will listen to our story, and together we will discern a way forward, creating a MAP (Ministry Action Plan) for consideration by our Leadership Ministries team. Let me know if you'd like to join the conversation and I'll send you the Zoom connection information.

5. Drink it in. My devotions for this morning are from 1 John 5:1-5. *"Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?"*

6. Love your mom, not only this Mother's Day, but every day. She did, or is doing, the best she knows how, to love and care for you. Love of our mother, and a mother's love for us, is but a taste of God's abundant love. Pour it on!

7. Memorial Day is a time to honor the men and women who died while serving in the US military. No, I'm not glorifying war or violence. I'm advocating for us to recognize the sacrifice people have made to defend and advance our nations values of justice, peace, and freedom.

Honoring the dead is especially poignant this year as our world is engaged in a violent struggle in competing values among the East and the West. Beloved, respect the day, pause in a moment of honor, remember those serving and sacrificing, and pray for peace.

8. Finally, I'm making initial plans for Summer worship to present to our Worship Team. We will meet on an evening in late May to pray, discern, and make plans moving forward. All are welcome to attend. If you are unable to attend, speak with either Steve Williams, our Lay Leader for Worship, or me. We are all ears!

Enough bibelot for now. God loves you, and so do I.

Todd R. Goddard

Pastor Todd



May RHAFT Collection

Rush United Methodist Church will be collecting donations in May for the Rush-Henrietta Area Food Terminal (RHAFT). During this time of uncertainty, RHAFT is very busy distributing food to families in the Rush-Henrietta area.

RHAFT gratefully accepts all non-perishable food items, personal hygiene products, and paper goods. However, the following items are especially needed: 100% Juice: bottles, boxes, packs; Jello and Pudding; Instant Mashed Potatoes, Mayo and Condiments; Coffee: instant and ground (no K-cups); Fresh Vegetables; Canned Meat/Fish Products: Ham, Spam, Tuna, etc; Hamburger/Tuna Helper; Fruits: cans, jars, packs, etc; Toiletries/Bar Soap/Paper Goods.

You can bring items to the church Monday – Friday from 7AM – 5PM and leave them in the box in the vestibule or on Sundays. We will see they are taken to the center.

Cash donations are also appreciated for perishable food items such as meat and milk. Please make your check payable to Rush United Methodist Church, write in the memo area "RHAFT" and mail it to PO Box 49, Rush, NY 14543 or deliver it to the church. A check will be sent to them at the end of the month.

The need for emergency supplies of food, especially protein, personal hygiene products and paper goods is constant. Thank you for your continuing support of our community's emergency food cupboard.



Super Sale update.

The sale is scheduled for 1 day on Saturday May 7. We will be open from 9-4 with half price from 2-4. We will also be cleaning out. We need people starting at 11:00-4:00, and then for clean up from 4 until finished, as well as money counters. Our 9-11 shift is covered. Thank you to those already signed up. If you are available to work, please contact Britta directly at bnbstam@frontiernet.net or 585-703-7014

Thank you,
Britta Stambaugh



Super Sale

Vacation Bible School - Volunteers Needed!

A VBS is being planned for July 6-8, 6-8:30pm. This is a great opportunity to outreach and to touch families in our community. This is not a one person show! In order to make this event happen, many volunteers are needed. Any training and materials will be supplied. All that is required is a willingness to share the love of Jesus with the children of our church and community....and a desire to have fun doing so!



I am planning on having the registration website for volunteers and participants ready by the beginning of May and additional marketing materials available by the end of the month. If you are able to help with planning this event, please let me know.

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PromiseLand Update

Calling all golfers! The PromiseLand golf tournament will be held on Sunday, August 7. If you are interested in signing up a foursome to play or being a sponsor, please see Kellianne or you can pick



up a registration form in the church lobby. Your support is always appreciated!



Children's Ministry News!

The children's Sunday school one room classroom has been very busy over the course of this winter and spring. The class has enjoyed crafts, games, and renewed friendships as we have learned about the teachings and life of Jesus. Looking ahead, our last day of class for this session will be June 19, 2022. Class will be off for the summer, and we will resume with a Rally Day on September 11, 2022.



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Youth Group

Youth Group has been meeting 1-2 times a month for a time of fellowship, activities and discussion. Our meetings are on Wednesday nights 6-7:30pm at the church. During the summer, we plan to get together for some additional activities and fun. Plans are in the works for a beach day and spending a day at Kingdom Bound. All dates and information will be posted on the Youth Ministry page of the church website as they are finalized.



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Upper New York Summer Camps

The Upper New York Camp and Retreat Ministry Area is excited to welcome back campers and guests for summer programs at all five of our sites. Safety precautions (including limiting capacity) will be in place to ensure the safety of all, as life-long memories are made in our fun and supportive environments.

For information on the programs being offered this summer and registration information, go to <http://www.campsandretreats.org>. We can't wait to see you this summer!

Rush UMC also offers camperships for children and youth attending Upper New York Conference camps. See Barb Kingsley for information.



Choir update

Thank you to the choir for the beautiful Cantata on Palm Sunday. Your work and dedication are so very appreciated. If you heard the cantata and want to join the choir, we rehearse on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm and on Sunday mornings at 10:00am. We'd love to have you join us.



CHOIR PRACTICE

Thank You

Thank you to Buzz and Joan Grimm who created the palm crosses from palm fronds for Palm Sunday. They were greatly appreciated by all.



Capital Stewardship Drive

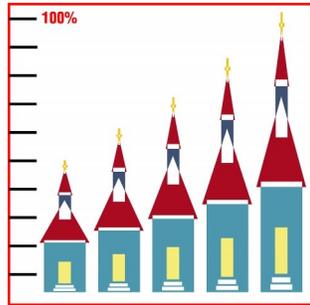
Twenty-six years ago, a group of dedicated members heard God's call to build this beautiful church that we now get to use for Worship and Fellowship.

Now it is our turn to heed the Call, and step forward in faith to update and repair the church for future generations and those we are seeking to find Christ right now.

Pending the Church Conference, May brings the launch of a Capital Fund Drive to raise funds for these repairs and updates. We will be hearing from those faithful members who responded to God's call. They built this church with not only current members in mind but those we were seeking as well. There will also be the opportunity to participate in small groups to study "The Walk," by Adam Hamilton.

This study will help us learn how five spiritual disciplines; Worship, Study, Serving, Giving and Sharing can strengthen not only our own spiritual life, but that of our church as well.

Stay tuned for more details as we prepare ourselves and our church for the next Chapter God is leading us into.



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Summer picnics

We are hoping to start back up our monthly, summer community picnics. These picnics are held on the last Wednesday of the month, and we need helpers! If you love to cook over a grill, I have a job for you. If you want to help set up and clean up for the picnics, I have a job for you. This is a wonderful way for us to share with our community. Please consider being a part of these picnics. See Kellianne Williams or you can reach out at klkw1212@gmail.com or call the church office.



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Board of Trustees News and Parsonage Update

The Rush Church Board of Trustees is a small group of volunteers with a very big job – supervising and maintaining all the property belonging to the congregation, so the ministries of the congregation can be effective. Currently we are involved in two major projects, the sale of the Church Parsonage, and the beginning of a Capital Stewardship Campaign to finance some major church improvements/updates.

Parsonage Sale: The Rush Church Parsonage was officially listed on Saturday, April 2. Within the first 5 days we received 5 offers for the property. The house was listed at \$204,900.00, and we accepted a purchase offer on April 8 for \$235,000.00. The parsonage is tentatively scheduled to close the middle of June. We are so grateful for the hard-working group of volunteers who cleaned, patched, demolished, and painted. The house really looked nice when it went on the market. Thank you to the work crew: Dick and Cindy Wallace, Alethea Coulter and Geoff Furman, Leon Perkins, Britta Stambaugh, and George and Cindy Gray.

Capital Stewardship Campaign / Special Church Conference: On Sunday, May 1, at 12:00 noon, the members of Rush United Methodist Church will have the opportunity to vote on the capital improvement proposal prepared by the Board of Trustees. If the proposal is approved, the real work begins. If you are interested in being part of the planning for these important building updates, please contact Cindy Gray (cgtgray1039@gmail.com) or Geoff Furman (furman@rochester.rr.com).

Current Projects: In addition to the major projects listed above, there is always an ongoing list of maintenance issues for our wonderful building. Some of these include lawn mowing, gardening, painting, and "fix-it" odd jobs. If you are interested in learning how you can help keep our church building strong, safe, secure, and attractive, please contact Cindy Gray or Geoff Furman at the emails listed above.



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"



Mission and Outreach News

Frederick Buechner writes of the Jewish elders



coming to Pilate with their fear that the disciples would steal Jesus' body and claim he had risen from the dead. Or were they afraid, "that the man whom they crucified would really come alive again as he promised, that the body that now lay dead in its tomb, disfigured by the mutilations of the cross, that

this body or some new and terrible version of it would start to breathe again, stand up in its grave clothes and move toward them with unspeakable power."

We know the risen Christ did not go after his enemies. He instructed his disciples "Feed my sheep...feed my lambs." And this is what we would make ourselves secure from, knowing the terrible needs of the lambs and our abundance, knowing our own terrible needs." Buechner, *The Magnificent Defeat*

The risen Christ left it to us to carry out the work of feeding and clothing the poor, providing clean water for those without, visiting the sick and incarcerated.

"He died for the sake of all so that those who are alive should live not for themselves but for the one who died for them and was raised...So we are ambassadors who represent Christ." II Corinthians 5:15, 20

Ambassadors leave home to represent their king, president, ruler. Some leave home Sunday mornings to make coffee, shovel



snow, provide for online services, lead worship, sing in the choir, others leave home Wednesday mornings to prepare for Super Sale, some go to the HUB to organize flood buckets, or to Industry Residential Center. Leon leaves home Monday and Tuesday to work with Refugee Resettlement. Others leave home every month in support of Meal and More. Some have gone as far as New Orleans, Guatemala, South Africa and South Sudan. This is a sample of RUMC Ambassadors

living not for themselves, but for him who died for them.

One of my invitations to be an ambassador has been the support of Zululand Hospice and Musa weNkosi. Travel has been complicated by the pandemic. While praying about a trip this year I read this by Reuben P. Job, "Listen closely, think deeply, pray fervently, and you will be led to the right answer to God's invitational call. In my experience the right answer is always, yes."

Dodie Greer and I have booked flights to South Africa departing June 2. Please pray that we will be a blessing to the staff of hospice and the orphanage, the patients, our hosts and their staff. Eddie of Raptors Rest B&B told me his staff asks throughout the year, "Are the Ameri-i-cans coming this year."

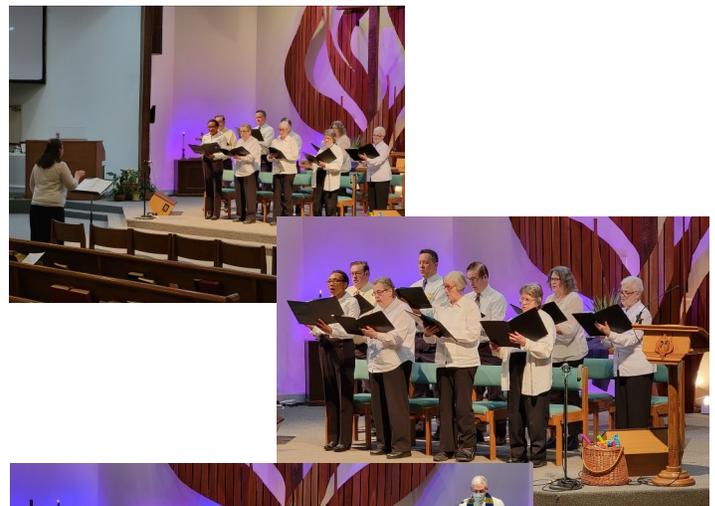
Where does your ambassadorship take you? "The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness meets the world's deep need." Frederick Buechner



Erma Perkins,
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Lenten Cantata—April 10, 2022

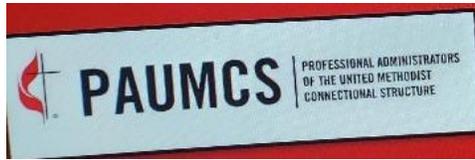
Chimes Choir—April 3, 2022



PAUMCS Annual Conference

I attended the 39th Annual Conference of the Professional Administrators of The United Methodist Connectional Structure (PAUMCS) that was held at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 21, 22 and 23. The Western North Carolina Chapter of PAUMCS served as the conference host.

the fruit of our rest. The Reverend Amy Coles spoke on some of the particularities of the United Methodist denomination, from what we believe to how we are organized. Dawn Jenkins spoke



about laughter therapy, giving some practical tips on how to incorporate the positive benefits of laughter for physical, emotional, and spiritual healing. Eating meals together and Worship were also an important part of the conference.



The mission focus was Haywood Street. The core programs of Haywood Street are to provide a platform for the ministry of relationship, which can be defined simply as the act of “being with” and speaks to our deepest identity. It contrasts with “doing for” and requires spending time together, talking and listening, serving and being served, giving and receiving. It forms the basis for unique and transformative companion ministry.

PAUMCS is excited to announce the 2023 Annual Conference will be held in Bloomington, Minnesota, April 27, 28 and 29.

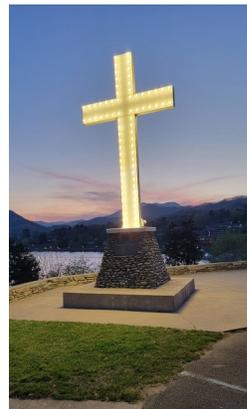
Established in 1982, the PAUMCS organization fosters individual growth, professional development, and spiritual enrichment for its members around the world.

Those attending the conference worshipped, learned, and networked with other church professionals from across the denomination in the beautiful setting of Lake Junaluska.



The theme of the conference was “Refresh Renew Restore” Each day was a different focus. Thursday was Restoration through Reconciliation, Friday was Pursuing Renewal through Spiritual Transformation, and a Refresher Course on United Methodism and Saturday was Renewing, Refreshing and

Restoration Through Laughter. The seminars were uplifting and informative. Dr. Vilma “Nina” Balmaceda spoke on exploring the biblical foundations of shalom, justice and god’s purpose of renewing and restoring humanity and all of creation through the reconciling work of our Lord Jesus of Nazareth and the Holy Spirit. We considered the implications of these biblical principles in the ways we deal with conflict in our daily lives. We were also offered some useful tools for engaging conflict constructively and practical considerations in addressing interpersonal and church conflicts as opportunities for positive change. The Reverend Dianne D. Lawhorn spoke on finding a new rhythm, a new way of life that doesn’t leave us feeling exhausted, God’s gift of Sabbath. When we become Sabbath-keepers, we begin to experience not only the fruit of our labors, but also

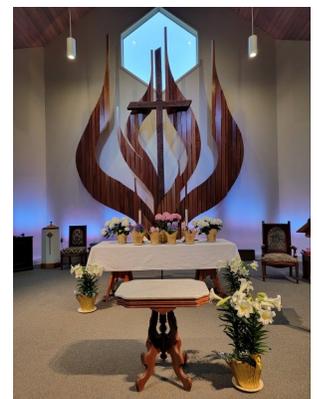


To learn more about the organization and certification as a church professional, visit www.PAUMCS.org.

I have learned and grown in confidence and leadership skills during the 28 years I have been involved with PAUMCS and with your encouragement and God’s help will continue to do so.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to attend this conference each year. I praise God for all of you.

Barb Kingsley



*Rush United Methodist
Church
Analysis of Revenues &
Expenses*

March 2022

| Accounts | MTD Actual (This Year) | YTD Actual (This Year) | YTD Budget (This Year) |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Revenues | | | |
| Other Income | \$475.79 | \$1,300.58 | \$9,109.53 |
| Offerings | \$18,681.67 | \$67,043.26 | \$59,258.00 |
| (2) Carry Over from 2021 | \$2,524.00 | \$7,572.00 | \$7,572.00 |
| P/L Expense Reimbursement | \$939.46 | \$2,818.38 | \$2,870.01 |
| Total Revenues | \$22,620.92 | \$78,734.22 | \$78,809.54 |
| Expenses | | | |
| Board of | \$7,323.57 | \$16,111.33 | \$11,273.26 |
| Education | \$0.00 | \$77.34 | \$612.51 |
| Insurance | \$795.71 | \$795.71 | \$3,106.00 |
| (1) Mission | \$3,979.50 | \$3,979.50 | \$3,979.50 |
| Office Expenses | \$1,315.90 | \$2,709.84 | \$2,637.42 |
| Clergy - Salary | \$4,437.04 | \$13,311.12 | \$14,975.01 |
| Lay – Salaries | \$5,194.62 | \$15,638.75 | \$16,900.24 |
| Clergy Benefits | \$2,616.17 | \$5,983.70 | \$6,151.71 |
| Ministry Team Expenses | \$145.15 | \$626.75 | \$1,221.00 |
| Other Program Expenses | \$150.88 | \$488.79 | \$83.34 |
| Utilities | \$1,965.48 | \$7,832.39 | \$7,432.98 |
| PromiseLand | (\$4,947.08) | (\$4,947.08) | \$0.00 |
| Total Expenses | \$24,211.82 | \$66,457.49 | \$71,223.80 |
| Net Total | (\$1,590.90) | \$12,276.73 | \$7,585.74 |

1. Shared Ministries 34.87% paid to end of March
2. Carry Over from 2021 Donations and PPP Grant



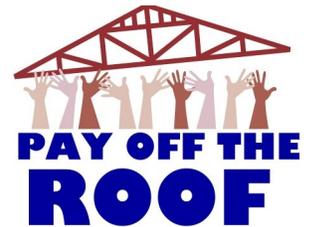
AmazonSmile

You can now donate to Rush UMC while shopping on-line through AmazonSmile. Go to smile.amazon.com on your mobile device or computer and enter Rush United Methodist Church as your charity. Each quarter, Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases. In 2021 we received \$30.13 from purchases made through Amazon Smile. It does work!



*Roof Replacement Loan
Repayment*

| | Date Paid | Amount Paid | Balance |
|---|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Opening Balance | | | \$41,140.96 |
| Interest at 3.25% | | | \$1,337.08 |
| Loan plus Interest | | | \$42,478.04 |
| Payment #13 | 01/20/2022 | \$274.39 | \$42,203.65 |
| Payment #14 | 02/23/2022 | \$274.39 | \$41,929.26 |
| Payment #15 | 03/11/2022 | \$274.39 | \$41,654.87 |
| Payment #16 | 04/28/2022 | \$274.39 | \$41,380.48 |
| Payment #17 | 05/15/2022 | | |
| Payment #18 | 06/15/2022 | | |
| Payment #19 | 07/15/2022 | | |
| Payment #20 | 08/15/2022 | | |
| Payment #21 | 09/15/2022 | | |
| Payment #22 | 10/15/2022 | | |
| Payment #23 | 11/15/2022 | | |
| Payment #24 | 12/15/2022 | | |
| Year End Payment from additional donations | 12/30/2022 | | |



Remember
Your Pledge

Proposed Multi Purpose Community Facility

To all interested parties:

My name is Richard Nereau, a member of the Advisory Board at the Industry Residential Center in Rush, NY. In addition I have been a volunteer at the school since 2009 in several capacities which include supplying tutors and volunteers to work with residents in improving their math, reading and social skills. I also managed the Dugout café for 4 years until the closing of the lower campus. During that period we worked with over 80 residents to hone their skills in food safety, cooking, baking and customer contact to prepare them for employment upon their release back into society.

I now wish to present to you a project that would secure and refurbish the decommissioned Catholic Chapel into a multi-purpose community facility. This property is outside the contained lower campus.

The following describe the projected usage of the building:

Create a space for meetings, community usage, museum and weekend housing.

Add a kitchenette, bathing and sanitary facility. Convert the altar area and sanctuary to stage community meetings, plays and musical events.

Provide a space for interviewing and training volunteers and tutors for the Industry Residential Center.

Collect and disburse gently used books furnished through the Monroe County Public Library system. The books would be suitable for boys and girls in grades 3-12. The books would be collected and delivered to the facility and be distributed by trained volunteers and students completing their community service requirement. The books would be made available to all NYS youth facilities, public schools and home-schooled students.

This project would be made possible through the following:

Secure and refurbish the former Catholic Chapel and surrounding property presently outside the secure lower campus at Industry.

Establish a 501(c) 3 not for profit organization to receive donations and grants.

Establish a board dedicated to oversee the refurbishing and operation of the facility. The board will also be responsible for overseeing the financial assets and annual reporting to the IRS.

Receive a grant from New York State to remove or encapsulate lead paint and asbestos at the facility. Retain connection to the Industry sewer system. Temporary usage of 30 parking spaces in the adjacent Building 29 parking lot for up to 4 years.



Respectfully submitted,

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Celebration

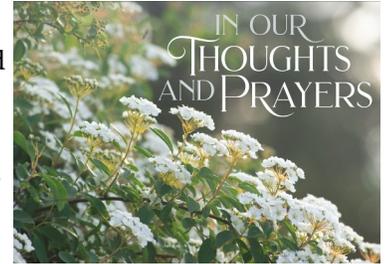
Happy Birthday!

Jean Banker will be celebrating her 97th birthday on May 31, 2022. Cards would be welcomed and appreciated.



Bereavement

Ellen Dale's brother, Louis Norman and family, his son (Jim) died on March 24
Geoffrey Furman's lifelong best friend, Douglas Thornton, and his family, sudden and unexpected death of his daughter, Bethany
Family of 23-year-old, Jayden, fatally overdosed
Sharon Keller and family, recent death of her mom
Michael Thomas and family, stepdaughter was recently killed, Michael is depressed and stepson is taking it really hard



Praises

Glenn Balch, doing well after successful hip replacement surgery
Phil, recovering from meningitis
Sharon and Stan Scott, celebrating their 57th Anniversary
May Birthdays and Anniversaries



PUZZLE

Teach us to pray

In Luke 11:1-13 (NIV), Jesus teaches about prayer.

Directions: Add or subtract the letters indicated and unscramble the letters to form a new word, using hints from the passage. Then unscramble the circled letters to answer the question below.

- party - t = p r a y (v. 1)
- lady + i = _ _ o _ _ (v. 3)
- drab + e = _ o _ _ _ (v. 5)
- rod + o = _ o _ _ _ (v. 7)
- bask - b = _ _ _ _ (v. 9)
- keeps - p = _ _ _ _ _ (v. 9)
- define - ee = _ o _ _ _ (v. 9)
- shift - t = _ _ _ _ _ (v. 11)
- sneaky - y = _ _ _ _ _ (v. 11)
- sift + g = _ _ _ _ _ (v. 13)



What will the Father give to those who ask of him?

_ _ _ _ _ (v. 13)

Answer: pray, daily, bread, door, seek, gifts, fish, snake, bird, seek, asks, door, daily, pray, Holy Spirit

Prayer Concerns

Mary Callerame, caring for her husband, August
Ben Cuatt
Traci Gruschow and her parents, health challenges
Jim Kraynack, finished radiation in March and has found
what they believe is melanoma under a fingernail
Pastor Ronald Palmer, surgery for multiple melanoma
People of Ukraine
Those traveling
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
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
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
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
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
Parents of New Drivers
Violence in places of Worship
Church worldwide is under attack; help God save your
people
Campus Ministries

The United Methodist Church
All Volunteers who go on Missions
UMCOR
Refugee resettlement project and resettlement families
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:

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| Ruth Baldoni | Jean and Walt Banker |
| Kathy Belik | Mary Anne Brice |
| Marilyn Chase | Trudy Corio |
| Craig Crowell | Alberta Greer |
| Jim Hughes | Meg Kinnally |
| Hubert Koloseike | David Phillips |
| Durwood Raplee | Gisela Rice |
| Robert Rider | |

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

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| Phillip Banker | Jason Bello |
| Ryan Blood | Ben Frederick |
| 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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Sunday Worship and Programs

- 8:30AM: In-Person Traditional Worship Service
also on YouTube and Facebook
- 9:45AM Bible Study
- 9:45AM Adult Sunday School Class
- 10:45AM In-Person Contemporary Worship
Service on also YouTube and Facebook
- 11:00AM One Room
Sunday School
Class
- 12:00PM Rush UMC
Coffee Time
- 5:00PM Confirmation
Class



Sunday Schedule

Leadership Ministry Team

Your comments and suggestions are always welcome by email to toddgoddard@gmail.com or rushumc@rochester.rr.com or to any of the Leadership Ministry Team (contact information on page 3). The next Leadership Ministry Team Meeting is Saturday, June 11 at 8:30AM.

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- Director of PromiseLand Childcare: Kellianne Williams
- Chancel Choir Director: Kellianne Williams
- Accompanist:..... E-Na Song
- Lay Leaders: Worship: Steve Williams
- Children, Youth and Families: Tanya Hunt
- Mission and Outreach: Erma Perkins
- Leadership Team: Erin Bills, Jan Corey, Todd Goddard,
 Geoffrey Furman, Cindy Gray, Michelle Prok,
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