



*United Methodist Church
of
Lake Ronkonkoma*

Good News

April 2023

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Ronkonkoma

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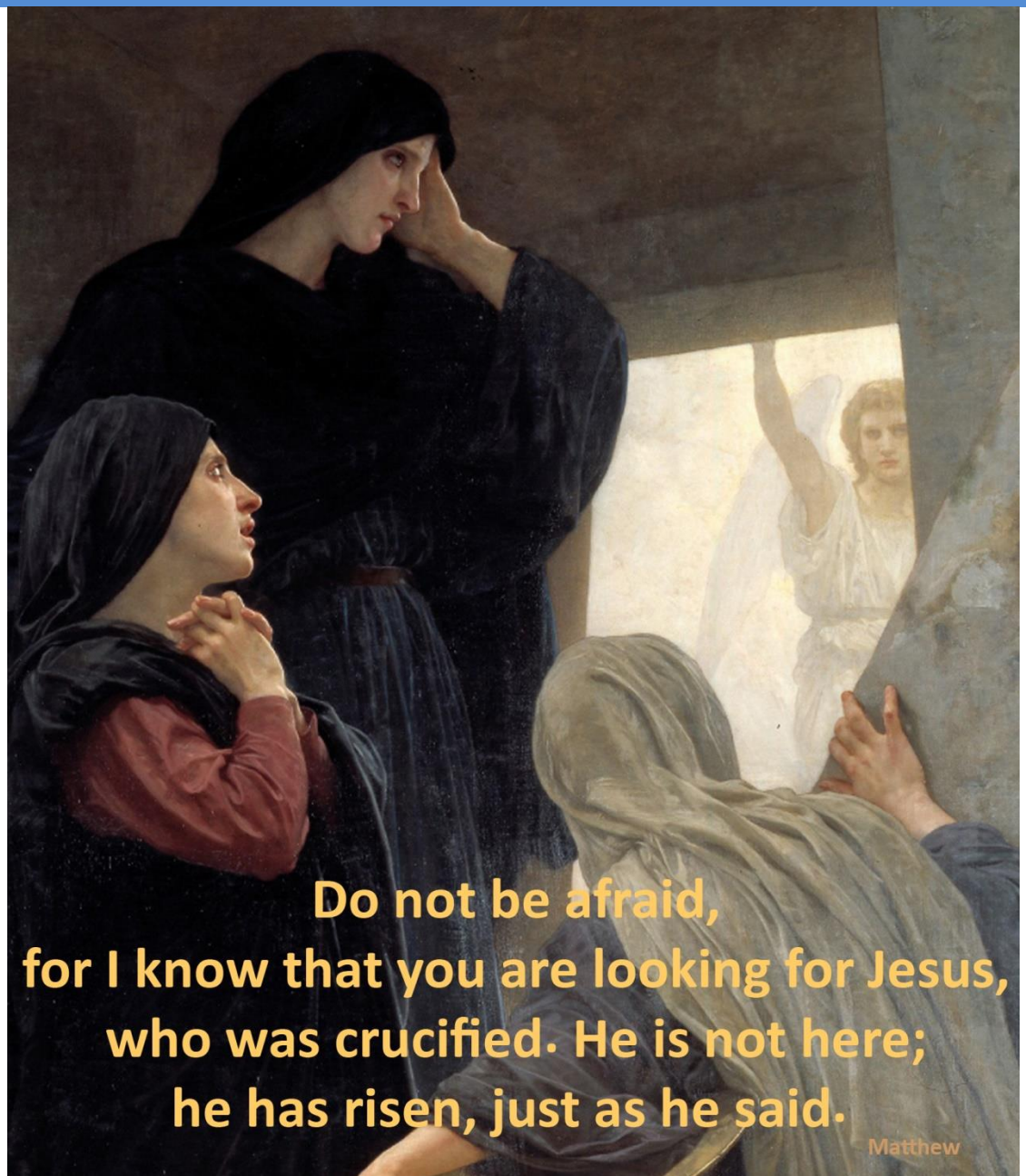
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Wilson,
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**Do not be afraid,
for I know that you are looking for Jesus,
who was crucified. He is not here;
he has risen, just as he said.**

Matthew

VISION STATEMENT
OF THE NY ANNUAL
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The New York Annual Conference through the grace of God embodies the beloved community of hope, building up a healthy body of Christ, with heart-warmed United Methodists in mission for the transformation of the world.

MISSION STATEMENT
OF THE NY ANNUAL
CONFERENCE

We strive to share God's love by creating safe places where all are accepted and welcomed, connecting the needs of people to the presence of God, and transforming the world through Christ.

VISION STATEMENT
OF THE UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
OF LAKE
RONKONKOMA

We are the church at Five Corners spreading the "Light of Christ" from ourselves to the community and the world.



Dear Members and Friends of UMC of Lake Ronkonkoma,

This time of year is a very special time when we begin to transition to a season of hope and joy. From the gray days of winter come the sunny days of Spring and Summer, with a little bit of "April showers" to water the gardens! I know I am looking forward to experiencing the blooming days of Spring with all of you, including our Flower Sale.

As we move into this season of new life, we may be tempted to skip the heavier aspects of Holy Week. But there really is no Easter without Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and laying down His life for us. Without Jesus' death, without Jesus' love, that embraces us and all the world, there would be no Resurrection! So I encourage you to attend our Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Palm Sunday services to experience the depth of Jesus' gift to us. We will have communion together on Maundy Thursday and on Palm Sunday which falls on the first Sunday of the month this year. We will rejoice in the Resurrection on Easter! Take the whole journey! It makes Easter Sunday so much more meaningful.

There are so many ways to join your church family for fellowship, fun and inspiration this month, so be sure to look at the great programming found in this newsletter. I especially urge you to support "Godspell Jr.," the wonderful production being put on by our youth at the end of the month. They have worked so hard on the show and they deserve to have a full house! You will come away moved by God's love, I promise you! It is so evident in this show.

I hope and pray that you and your household are mightily blessed in this month when life is renewed all around us. May faith and hope, joy and love be renewed in your heart as well!

In Christ's Service,

Pastor Karen Burger

Lectons

April 2

Palm/Passion Sunday

Palm Service

Matt 21:1-11

Ps 118:10-2, 19-29

(UMH 839)

Passion Service

Isa 50:4-9a

Ps 31:9-16 (UMH 764)

Phil 2:5-11

Matt 26:14-27:66 or

27:11-54

April 9

Easter Sunday

Acts: 10:34-43

Ps 118:1-2, 14-24

(UMH 839)

Col 3:1-4

John 20:1-18 or

Matt 28:1-10

April 16

2nd Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Ps 16 (UMH 748)

1 Pet 1:3-9

John 20:19-31

April 23

3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Ps 116:1-4, 12-19

UMH (837)

1 Pet 1:17-23

Luke 24:13-35

April 30

4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:42-47

Ps 23 (UMH 754 or 137)

1 Pet 2:19-25

John 10:1-10

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service

6:30 AM

Lake Ronkonkoma County Park (Smithtown Blvd & Lake Shore Road)

600 Lake Shore Road - Lake Ronkonkoma 11779

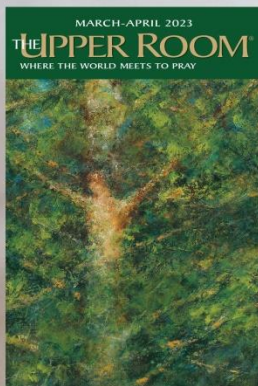
In the event of inclement weather
Please meet at the Church



Virtual Prayer Meeting

Every
Wednesday
8:00 AM

Please email the Pastor at
revburger51@gmail.com
for the link



Come join us as we discuss the Upper Room reading for that Wednesday, and continue our prayers for those who are in need. This is a wonderful way to focus on your communication with God and become closer to members of your church family, as they share their thoughts, praises, petitions, prayers and faith.

The United Methodist Church Of Lake Ronkonkoma

H A P P Y B I R T H D A Y

These names are offered each month. It is an opportunity to extend to our friends and loved ones the love of Christ on these special days, and to express our thanks for the gift of their presence in our midst.

If you would like to be on our birthday list, please call the church office at (631) 588-5856 and we will gladly add your name.

- 1 *Liza Wright*
- 3 *Andrew Campbell*
- 6 *Michael Czerw*
- 7 *Brian Drisgula*
- 8 *Judith Pfeil*
- 9 *Victoria Olivotti*
- 9 *William Otto*
- 9 *Kara Pearl*
- 9 *Philip Preddice*
- 10 *Cayden Robert Otto*
- 12 *Doris Tschoke*
- 13 *Richard Wahl*
- 17 *Megan Schwab*
- 17 *Miriam Rodriguez*
- 17 *Keith Bowes*
- 17 *Charles Duffield*
- 22 *Diane Drisgula*
- 23 *Cheryl Alejandro*
- 23 *Nicolas Tracey*
- 24 *William Mitchell*
- 24 *Lisa Eger*
- 29 *Heather Edwards-Wilson*
- 30 *Ileana Czerw*



Stay up to date on happenings by
visiting our website:

www.umclr.com

Martha's Place
Thrift Shop
631-981-9749

Hours:

Mondays
10 am - 2 pm

Tuesdays
10 am - 2 pm

Fridays
10 am - 2 pm

Saturdays
10 am - 2 pm



Martha's Place Thrift Shop

Mother's Day Specials
Spring & Summer Apparel

Housewares - Jewelry - Keepsakes

Open

Monday - Tuesday - Friday - Saturday

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM



E D U C A T I O N

Greetings from the Education Work Area,

A blessed Happy Easter to all! Our Children's Choir delighted us with their introit and anthem music this past Sunday. They also were very lively during the Pastor's children's message! It is always a pleasure to have them join us in the sanctuary for our worship service. Thank you to Heather and Pastor for their work and planning with them. Let us not forget the good work that continues in their Sunday school classes as well. Our wonderful teachers are sharing the stories of Jesus and their faith with our young children and youth each week. Thank you to all of them!

April begins with Palm Sunday weekend this year. Our men's group is sponsoring a breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Saturday, April 1. Our Sunday school will have their traditional Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday. Our secondary Sunday school will attend the worship service. There will be no Sunday school Easter Sunday. All are invited to attend our Easter Sunday family worship service.

Our Youth are working very hard with their advisers, Wendy and Jennie and our choir director Heather to present *Godspell* on Sunday, April 30. Tickets are on sale at "UMYouth@UMCLR.com" or see Wendy Duffy on Sundays. There will be two performances 1:00P.M and 5:00P.M. Tickets are \$15.00. This will help cover the cost of the production. Make sure to get your tickets soon! It will be a wonderful and exciting performance! Let's all show our support for our Youth Ministry!

We are looking forward to the culmination of two years of study and practice for our confirmation class. We will celebrate 8 confirmands during our Worship Service on May 21. This will be our first in person celebration since our remote classes during Covid. We have many wonderful happenings occurring this spring!

Sue Preddice, Education Chair



Ongoing Missions:

The Food Pantry is open on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month (except holidays) from 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Support Groups:

Narcotics Anonymous
Mondays - 7:00 pm
Thursdays - 7:30 p.m.
in Fellowship Hall

Alcoholics Anonymous
Tuesdays - 6:30 & 8:30 p.m.
Fridays - 8:00 p.m.

Please call our church office at 631-588-5856 for further information.



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Holy Week Services



Palm Sunday Service

April 2, 2023 9:30 AM

UMCLR Brass Quintet
Chancel Choir + Organ
Holy Communion



Maundy Thursday Service

April 6, 2023 7:30 PM

Holy Communion
UMCLR Strings + Chancel Choir + Organ



Good Friday Service

April 7, 2023 7:30 PM

Confession of sins
Chancel Choir + Organ



Easter Sunday Service

April 9, 2023 9:30 AM

Illumination
Chancel Choir + Children's Choir



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A message from the
Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committee

"Encourage one another." -I Thessalonians 5:11

Here are a few encouraging suggestions:

- I love you. Everyone should know they are loved and appreciated;
- Thank you for the positive impact you are having in our: lives, church, community, etc.;
- Say Thank you with a smile, a handshake or a hug;
- A note or email of appreciation;
- God spoke to me through you this morning;
- I am bringing a friend to church for the wonderful: service, dinner, concert, play, etc.;
- Pastor, we trust you;
- Pastor, that sermon was exactly what I needed to hear today;
- Pastor, I heard that...volunteer to assist with contacts and visits to the homebound, sick or elderly.

And, the greatest encouragement we all can give to the pastor, staff, leaders and one another is to be faithful in attendance, generous in giving, loving and kind to one another, and active in serving.

Blessings,

Marilyn Becht, Keith Bowes, Barbara Colucci, Diane June, Cheryle Otto, Joan Schmidt, Walter Schroeder, Eileen Torraca, Michael Zukowski, and Liza Wright.



"Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around."

Leo Buscaglia

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Easter Fair

Saturday + Sunday
April 1 & 2, 2023
9am - 12pm
Easter
Merchandise

Hertlin Hall
United Methodist Church of Lake Ronkonkoma



GAME NIGHT

Friday, May 5, 2023
7:00 PM

Enjoy a game of your choice or play one of ours.
Come, laugh, and have fun.

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Holy Week Quiz

1. What do palm branches symbolize on Palm Sunday?
 - a. They symbolized victory in the Roman Empire
 - b. Palm is the Latin word for return
 - c. All of the above
2. What was Judas paid for identifying Jesus to the Roman soldiers?
 - a. 20 pieces of gold
 - b. 20 pieces of silver
 - c. 30 pieces of gold
 - d. 30 pieces of silver
3. Which was not said by Jesus the night before he died?
 - a. "All those who use the sword will die by the sword"
 - b. "Physician, heal thyself"
 - c. "Friend, do what you came to do"
 - d. "The spirit is eager, but the flesh is weak"
4. What does Maundy Thursday commemorate?
 - a. Jesus' entry into Jerusalem
 - b. The Last Supper
 - c. The Crucifixion
 - d. The Resurrection
5. What are the Stations of the Cross?
 - a. Moments in Jesus' journey from his trial to the tomb
 - b. Officially approved places for crosses in churches
 - c. The place in Jerusalem where prisoners were sentenced
6. What does a Tenebrae service consist of?
 - a. A reenactment of the Last Supper
 - b. Extinguishing of candles
 - c. The receiving of ashes
7. What does INRI mean on a crucifix?
 - a. Sign of the Cross
 - b. Pontius Pilate, Prefect of Rome
 - c. Jesus the Nazarene, King of the Jews
8. Why are eggs associated with Easter?
 - a. They symbolize new life
 - b. They have a shell around the body inside, like the tomb of Jesus
 - c. They can be dyed colors to represent the joy of Easter
 - d. All of the above
9. Which of these Easter hymns did Charles Wesley write?
 - a. "Because He Lives"
 - b. "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"
 - c. "Lift High the Cross"
 - d. "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"
10. Why do some churches hold Easter sunrise services?
 - a. Jesus is called the light of the world
 - b. Easter prayer vigils often end as the sun rose
 - c. Women are said to have come to the tomb early in the morning.
 - d. All of the above

1. a, 2. d, 3. b, 4. b, 5. a, 6. b, 7. c, 8. d, 9. b & d, 10. d



If you have any concerns or prayer requests, do not hesitate to contact the church office and the pastor at any time.

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Corned Beef Dinner

March 11, 2023



The United Methodist Church Of Lake Ronkonkoma



We
**THANK
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for your
Donations



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Ron Drisgula Memorial Fund

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Join us for our next
Book Discussion

Monday, May 1st
at 2p.m. at the Church

We will be discussing
"The Personal Librarian"
by
Marie Benedict &
Victoria C. Murray

the
**PERSONAL
LIBRARIAN**
A NOVEL
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
MARIE BENEDICT
VICTORIA
CHRISTOPHER MURRAY

The remarkable, little-known story of Belle da Costa Greene, J. P. Morgan's personal librarian—who became one of the most powerful women in New York despite the dangerous secret she kept in order to make her dreams come true. From New York Times bestselling author Marie Benedict and acclaimed author Victoria Christopher Murray.

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UMM Retreat

March 24 -26, 2023



The United Methodist Church Of Lake Ronkonkoma

UMM enjoying a retreat at Camp Quinipet!



**United
Women
in Faith**

Retreat: Camp Quinipet
 April 21-23
Tessa's Tea Party:
 please bring a tea cup
 May 15th 7:00 PM
Meeting:
 June 12th 7:00 PM

For more information call the Church Office at: (631) 588-5856

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GODSPELL
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**Sunday
April 30
2023**

**1:00 pm
and
5:00 pm**

PRESENTED BY UM YOUTH
United Methodist Church
of Lake Ronkonkoma
795 Hawkins Ave, Lake Grove
Admission: \$15.00

For Tickets email: UMYouth@UMCLR.com
(Limited seating, only 100 tickets per show.)

Prepare ye for the timeless tale of friendship, loyalty and love based on the Broadway musical that inspired a generation.

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God is not Dead

The joy of Easter
fills the air anew
With signs familiar,
and a joy to you;
Can anyone be sad,
and reckless day
That "God is dead,"
and so forget to pray
That he will keep them
through another day?
It's Spring again;
the Resurrection nigh,
And the birds
and flowers
and trees
and all things
try to prove
that heav'n and earth
will never, never die.

Alice Hawkins Coleman
April 14, 1966



The flowers on the altar are available to purchase each week in honor or in memory of loved ones. Please call the church office at 631-588-5856 to make arrangements.

Arbor Day

Look to the tree by the wayside,
There is the marvel of God,
Life in revelation;
Growing in part, 'neath the sod.

Storing up life more than human,
Growing in beauty and form,
Some growing fruit, others shelter
Beast, man or bird, in a storm.

Take from the tree, object lessons,
Deep seed the roots for your life,
Grow as to make the to-morrows,
Free from contention and strife.

Grow like the tree, strong and stalwart,
Live with a mission, all through,
Give, and the giving will render
Blessings unnumbered to you.

Alice Hawkins Coleman - 1956



H I S T O R Y

History Comes Alive At The United Methodist Church of Lake Ronkonkoma



In April 1931, an attempt was made to provide an amplification system for members of the congregation who were hard of hearing. The church experimented with and then purchased a device called an Acousticon. The Acousticon was a small handheld speaker that was placed next to the ear and was supposed to amplify the words and music coming from the front of the church. The device was purchased from the Dictograph Company at a cost of \$112.00. Ten members of the church donated \$45.00. The Ladies Aid Society donated \$25.00, and Pastor Hoag's wife Eva, its main user made up the \$42.00 difference. It was not very successful and soon fell into disuse.

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Palm Sunday

April 2, 2023

Palm Sunday



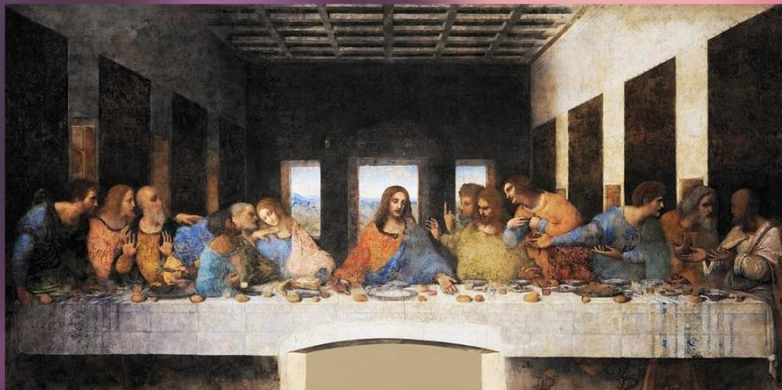
And when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Beth'phage,
to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them,
"Go into the village opposite you,
and immediately you will find an ass tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me.
If any one says anything to you, you shall say,
'The Lord has need of them,' and he will send them immediately."
This took place to fulfil what was spoken by the prophet, saying,
"Tell the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you, humble,
and mounted on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of an ass."
The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the ass and the colt,
and put their garments on them, and he sat thereon.
Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road,
and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.
And the crowds that went before him and that followed him shouted,
"Hosanna to the Son of David!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"
And when he entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying,
"Who is this?" And the crowds said,
"This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth of Galilee."

Matthew 21: 1-11

Maundy Thursday

April 6, 2023

Maundy Thursday



And when the hour came, he sat at table, and the apostles with him.
And he said to them,
"I have earnestly desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer;
for I tell you I shall not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."
And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said,
"Take this, and divide it among yourselves;
for I tell you that from now on
I shall not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."
And he took bread,
and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying,
"This is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."
And likewise the cup after supper, saying,
"This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.
But behold the hand of him who betrays me is with me on the table.
For the Son of man goes as it has been determined;
but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed!"
And they began to question one another,
which of them it was that would do this.

Luke 22: 14-23

Good Friday

April 7, 2023

Good Friday



So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which is called in Hebrew Gol'gotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote a title and put it on the cross; it read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." Many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. The chief priests of the Jews then said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but, 'This man said, I am King of the Jews.'" Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written." When the soldiers had crucified Jesus they took his garments and made four parts, one for each soldier; also his tunic. But the tunic was without seam, woven from top to bottom; so they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be." This was to fulfil the scripture, "They parted my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots." So the soldiers did this. But standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Mag'dalene. When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing near, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home. After this Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfil the scripture), "I thirst." A bowl full of vinegar stood there; so they put a sponge full of the vinegar on hyssop and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the vinegar, he said, "It is finished"; and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

John 19: 1-30

Holy Saturday *April 8, 2023*

Holy Saturday



In silence
we await

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He is Risen!

April 9, 2023

Easter



Now after the sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Mag'dalene and the other Mary went to see the sepulcher. And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone, and sat upon it. His appearance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow. And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. Lo, I have told you." So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Hail!"

And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

Matthew 28: 1-10

Church Leaders

Debra Schild



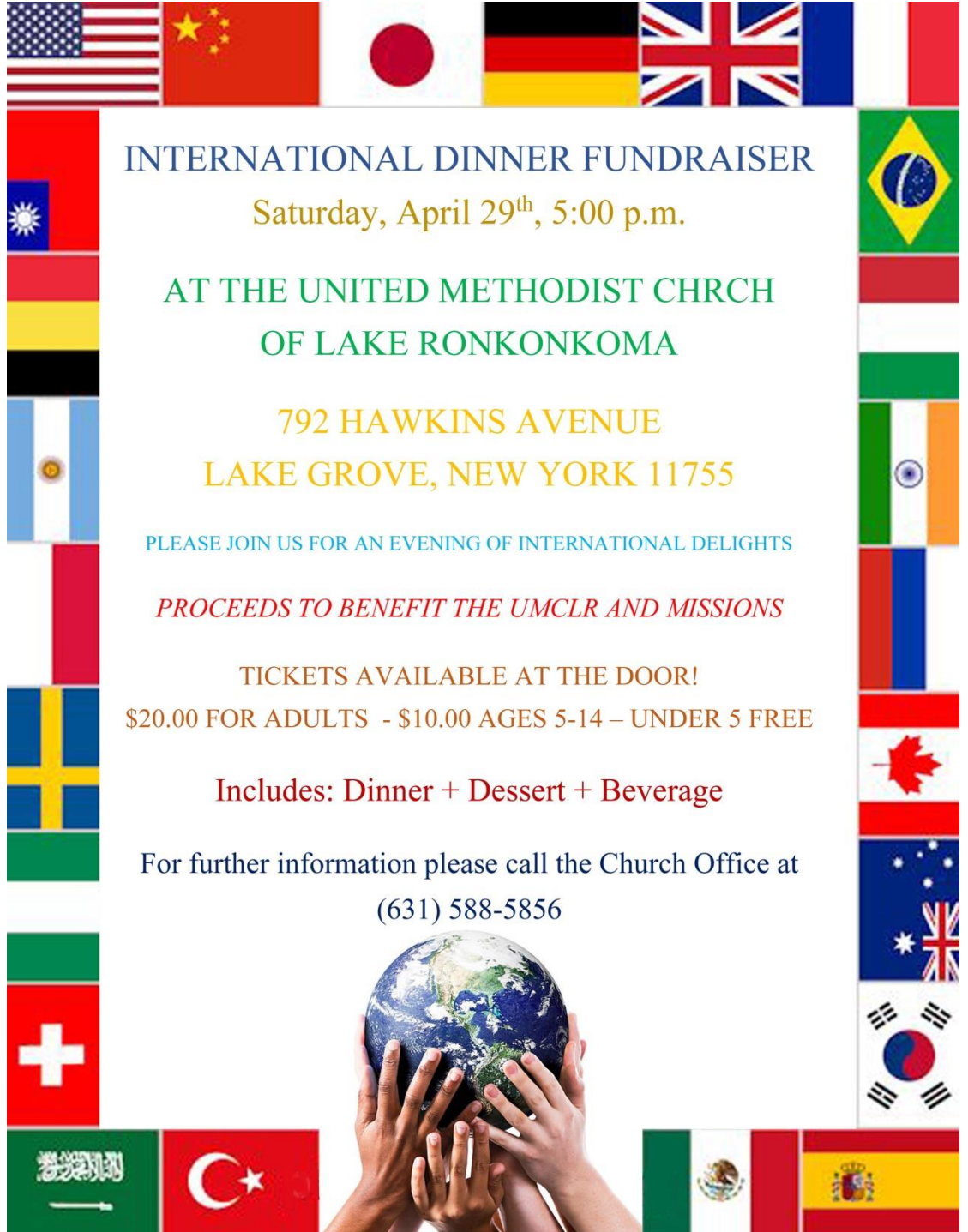
The United Methodist Church of Lake Ronkonkoma has been my church home my whole life. My memories go back to being in the Cherub Choir. We had a short white robe with a large Peter Pan collar. Then the moms would tie a large blue bow on. There were many children in the Sunday School so space was needed for classes. My 5th grade class was the room over the narthex where the organ pipes are. Confirmation class, with Pastor Eid, was large - about 25 or so of us. My carpool was with my nephew Don and Mark McNeil. A few were comics. They kept us entertained while learning about God. The Youth Group met on Sunday nights and we would have a wonderful turn out each week. Mrs. Moore, the pastor's wife, would be there for us. The church was used as a polling place on Election Day so the Youth Group sold hot soup to the voters. Car washes were fun. We also got washed. Miss Hertlin had her car washed and I remember her generosity made such an impression on me. At home we had to watch every penny. Roller skating was the activity of choice for us. At that time there were several rinks to choose from. In high school I and others sang in the Chancel Choir. It was an honor to sing with the adults. Edith Robbins was my mother's maid of honor; she kept me under her wing. Dave Miner was the organist-choir director then. We prepared the Christmas Oratorio by Saint Saens as the Christmas cantata. Dick Clark, Ron Markert and I were soloists. I have fond memories of the people who sang in the choir.



Then it was time to bring my children to have them experience the love and friendship that I had for our church. I served on committees, helped with the youth group played my flute for services, (Imagine that), and directed the youth choirs for a few years. My most recent challenge was being the Chairperson of the Church Council due to the Covid epidemic. Mine was a unique but enlightening and growing experience. Mission projects to help those around us to know God's grace is a priority of mine. My mother was key in teaching me to serve others. Her generosity with her time to people who needed help was exemplary.



GOOD EATS



INTERNATIONAL DINNER FUNDRAISER

Saturday, April 29th, 5:00 p.m.

AT THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
OF LAKE RONKONKOMA

792 HAWKINS AVENUE
LAKE GROVE, NEW YORK 11755

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF INTERNATIONAL DELIGHTS

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE UMCLR AND MISSIONS

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR!

\$20.00 FOR ADULTS - \$10.00 AGES 5-14 – UNDER 5 FREE

Includes: Dinner + Dessert + Beverage

For further information please call the Church Office at
(631) 588-5856



Spring Festival & Flower Sale

United Methodist Church Of Lake Ronkonkoma

"5 Corners"

792 Hawkins Avenue, Lake Grove, NY

Saturday, May 13, 2023

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

(Rain date: May 20, 2023)

Food - Flowers - Vendors - Fun

For More Information & Flower Order Form Visit

WWW.UMCLR.COM

Long Island reSound Handbell Ensemble presents...

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**Saturday
May 27th
3:00pm**

Tickets: \$15.00
available at the door
or call the office at
(631) 588-5856

*The United Methodist Church
of Lake Ronkonkoma*

Grand Fall Auction

September 9, 2023

12 Noon

Viewing At 11:00 AM

Make An Offer At 9:00 AM

Hundreds of interesting items!

Rain or Shine!

Bring a chair & a sense of adventure

Food & Beverages Available

United Methodist Church Of Lake Ronkonkoma

792 Hawkins Avenue, Lake Grove (At 5 Corners)



UMC/LR AUCTION 2023 PLEDGE SHEET

Your Name: _____ Phone Number _____

Item description (brief, but with all pertinent information)	Approx. value (if known)	Reserve (optional)	Receipt Y/N

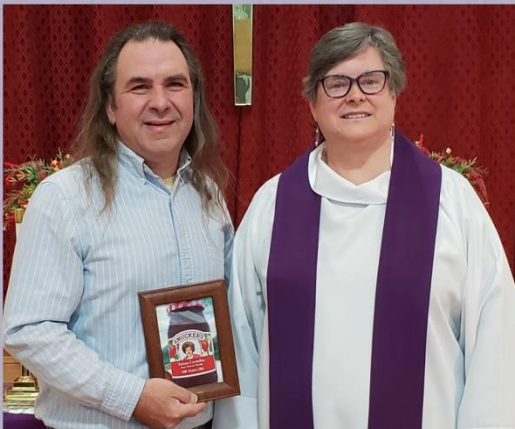
Auction is scheduled for September 9th. All pledge sheets MUST be returned for cataloging by August 26th.
Leave your completed sheets in the auction mailbox sooner than later.

Please bring pledged items to the church on Friday, September 8th for labeling unless other arrangements are made.
ANY ITEMS BROUGHT AFTER THE PLEDGE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE AUCTIONED. NO EXCEPTIONS!

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Remembering Teresa Cornelius



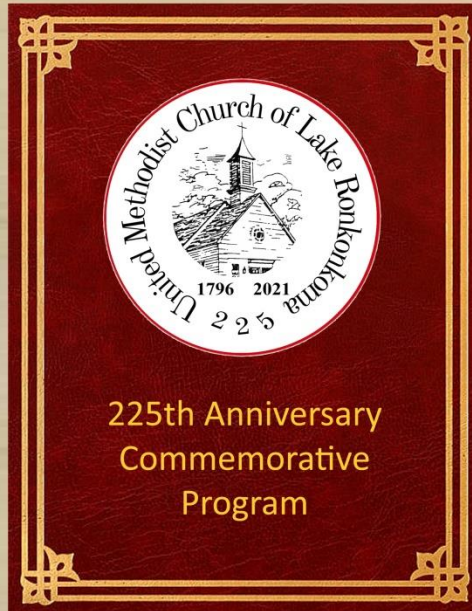
Teresa Cornelius who preferred to be known as 'Terry' was born in Brooklyn, New York, to Russian Immigrants, on March 28th, 1923. Terry was an active member of UMC Lake Ronkonkoma for more than fifty years, keeping her membership open even after she moved to Florida in 2005. In her tenure at our Church, she served on many committees and as a communion steward with her husband of 53 years, Bill; and in her favorite position, as a member of the team at "Martha's Thrift Shop." One of her life-long dreams was to have her photo appear on the "Smucker's Jelly Jar" on her one-hundredth birthday. A valiant battle with cancer took that dream with her, just ten months short of her goal, on May 4th, 2022.

She now resides in heaven with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

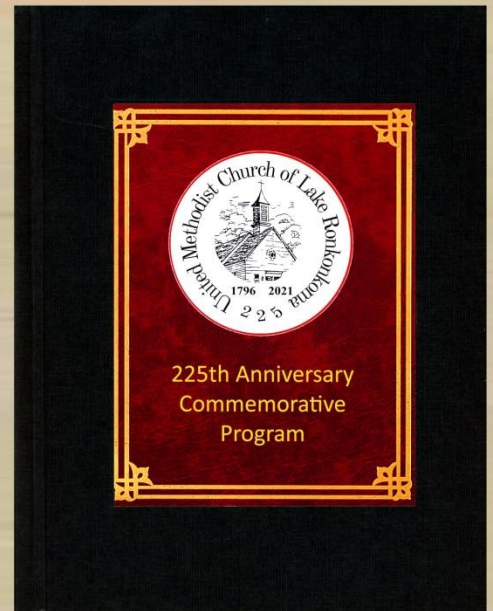


On Sunday, April 19th her grandson Jeff Ingegno participated in our worship service by playing his guitar. During the service Pastor Karen surprised Jeff with a photo of "Terry" on a Smucker's Jelly Jar. We thank the Lord for His faithful servant and that we had the privilege of knowing Teresa Cornelius.

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Out-of-Hibernation

Spring Flea Market & Sidewalk Sale

Saturday, May 13th, 2023 - (Rain Date: May 20th)
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Independent Vendor Agreement

Your signature below indicates that you have read and do agree to the following caveats:

*Being entirely outdoors, this event may be postponed by inclement weather until the next clear Saturday. If you are unable to attend the rain date, your space rental will be refunded in full.

*Restrooms only will be available inside.

*Space is limited both by our small campus and the need for physical distancing. Though the vendor fee remains at \$40, we are enlarging space for each vendor booth and spacing the booths farther apart.

*Spaces will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Your place is confirmed when this signed document and accompanying payment are received at the church office.

*All vendors and attendees must abide by all protocols adopted by this church.

*Be advised that you will be sharing this day with a concurrent church-wide yard sale.

*You alone are responsible for the set-up, maintenance, and removal of your booth. The church will not be able to furnish tables, canopies, chairs, or other necessities.

*The church assumes no responsibility for losses which may occur due to weather, theft, or other unforeseen circumstances.

Further information may be obtained by calling the church office at 631-588-5856, emailing questions to festival@UMCLR.com, or by visiting our website: www.UMCLR.com

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Type of Merchandise: _____

Space rental is \$40.00.

Please make checks payable to UMCLR

Send completed form and accompanying check to:

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792 Hawkins Ave.
Lake Grove, NY 11755

Funny things found in bulletins...

The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.

The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.' The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our community. Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say 'Hell' to someone who doesn't care much about you.

Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.

Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation...

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.

At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What Is Hell?' Come early and listen to our choir practice.

Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.

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