



United Methodist Church of Lake Ronkonkoma

Good News

January 2022

United Methodist Church
of Lake Ronkonkoma

792 Hawkins Avenue
Lake Grove, NY 11755

631-588-5856

www.umclr.com

Church Office Hours
Tuesday - Friday
9 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Nursery School
631-467-9601

Thrift Shop
631-981-9749

Staff

Rev. Dr. Constance Pak,
Pastor

Filomena Thomas,
Nursery School Director

Abby Preziosi,
Administrative Assistant

Dr. Rex Enderlin,
Choir Director

Heather Edwards-Wilson,
Youth Choir Director &
Organist



Christmas Pageant December 12, 2021



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

**VISION STATEMENT
OF THE NY ANNUAL
CONFERENCE**

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.



*Christmas Eve Family Service
December 24, 2021*



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*Christmas Eve
Candlelight Service
December 24, 2021*



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JANUARY 2
Epiphany Sunday

Isa 60:1-6
Ps 72:1-7, 10-14
(UMH 795)
Eph 3:1-12
Matt: 2:1-12

JANUARY 9
Baptism of the Lord

Isa 43:1-7
Ps 29 (UMH 761)
Acts: 8:14-17
Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

JANUARY 16
Second Sunday
after the Epiphany

Isa 62:1-5
Ps 36:5-10 (UMH 771)
1 Cor 12:1-11
John 2:1-11

JANUARY 23
Third Sunday
after the Epiphany

Neh 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 30
Ps 19 (UMH 750)
1 Cor 12:12-31a
Luke 4:14-21

JANUARY 30
Fourth Sunday
after the Epiphany

Jer 1:4-10
Ps 71:1-6 (UMH 794)
1 Cor 13:1-13
Luke 4:21-30



All women of the church are invited!

***Please join us for our United Methodist Women's
Happy New Year Open House Party!***

***Monday, January 17, 2022 - starts at 6:30 PM
(come any time)***

***If you are able, please bring an appetizer or desert to
share! Any questions, call Soon B. 631-585-5634 or
Barb C. 631-432-5001***



The men have had a very good 2021, ending with a satisfying Christmas dinner at Uncle Joe's in Lake Grove followed by a quick meeting welcoming in the 2022 year prospects. We are looking forward to our January retreat at Quinipet.

Men of the church, please join us in our journey with Christ and our fellow man.

Thank you,
Dennis Subbiondo
President UMM

The winter season is upon us once again and your Board of Trustees would appreciate donations of salt and ice melt for our walkways. Thank you in advance for your donations.





Ongoing Missions:

Loaves & Fishes
Soup Kitchen of the
UMCLR opens every
Tuesday at
5:00 p.m. for a pre-
packaged take out
meal.

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 at 7:00 pm
in Fellowship Hall

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

Dear Congregation of the UMCLR:

Greetings of love, grace and peace in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior!

My family and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your love, support and prayers during this difficult time. We are sincerely grateful for some of your attendance at the funeral and burial service (Nov. 30th & Dec. 1st, 2021) of Missionary Yun Sim Pak, our mother and grandmother.

Despite the looming fear and uncertainty brought on by the pandemic, so many of Yun Sim Pak's friends and family were in attendance to honor her life and legacy as a mother, grandmother, missionary, teacher, mentor and friend. The overwhelming amount of support we received via your prayers, presence, gifts, flowers, cards, texts, e-mails and phone calls is a testament to how many lives she has touched throughout her prolific life. We thank you, and appreciate you.

We are saddened by her passing and we feel a huge hole in our hearts; however, we believe that our mother/grandmother was lifted up by countless angels to heaven where her beloved Lord Jesus Christ welcomed her. As we imagine her triumphant entrance to heaven, we dedicate the songs of glory, honor, joy and gratitude to the Lord!
THANKS BE TO GOD!!!

As our mother/grandmother had shown extraordinary examples of her faith in Jesus Christ and hope of the eternal life in heaven, we promise to emulate her strong faith and continue to keep her undying spiritual legacy alive in our family.

Thank you again! Shalom & Blessings!

In Christ,

Pastor Constance & Family

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THANKS TO ALL OUR COOKS AND BAKERS

I want to thank all the people who cooked for Veterans' Day, for the baked goods table at our fair and especially all who made cookies for the cookie walk; we made about \$700 in sales. I also want to thank all who helped out at each event.

Thanks too for bringing in food for Thanksgiving baskets; we were able to provide food for 4 families.

Thanks so much,
Diane June





Trivia nights will continue on Zoom in 2022

Monday, January 10th at 6:30 pm

Join us for the fellowship and learn some fun and
new facts.

Zoom Meeting: Trivia Night and FUN!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9019019876?pwd=Q2djNGlrcE9lRUUvb0pkMWNPTW40Zz09>

Meeting ID: 901 901 9876

Passcode: MG6T1x

Phone-dial:

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 901 901 9876

Passcode: 656169

Questions, contact Lizawright@optonline.net

*Join us for our next Book Discussion
Monday, January 24 at 2:00 p.m. in the Church
We will be discussing
"The Four Winds"
by Kristin Hannah*

The Four Winds is a rich, sweeping novel that stunningly brings to life the Great Depression and the people who lived through it—the harsh realities that divided us as a nation and the enduring battle between the haves and the have-nots. A testament to hope, resilience, and the strength of the human spirit to survive adversity, *The Four Winds* is an indelible portrait of America and the American dream, as seen through the eyes of one indomitable woman whose courage and sacrifice will come to define a generation.

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

Happy New Year! I'm sure you are hopeful that the virus is not still on the move!

We will be taking donations on January 3rd when we reopen. Thank you for holding your donations instead of dropping them at the door whenever you feel like it, even though we have a sign posted to let you know we need a break

In God's service,
Marilee Drisgula and all volunteers



Martha's Place
Winter Clothing
Housewares
Jewelery - Keepsakes
&
**Valentine's Day
Merchandise**
Open
Monday - Tuesday - Friday - Saturday
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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Second Sunday of Advent
December 5, 2021



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Third Sunday of Advent
December 12, 2021



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*Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 19, 2021*



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*Dedication Sunday
December 26, 2021*



Steeple Painting

*Maryann Piga
Pantry*

*Parsonage
Security
Lighting*



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Happy New Year from the Education Work Area. Hope the Blessings of Christmas will warm your heart this January!

We have seen the wonderful work of our children under the direction of Heather Edwards-Wilson in their pageant presentation. They are a source of great joy!

It is a time when many of us are making New Year's Resolutions. Please consider getting involved in our children and youth ministry as one of your resolutions. The Good News is that we have children to teach and guide in their faith journey. We need more volunteers to work with them. Remember, as you share your faith it grows! Please contact any of our leaders, Sharon Corvaia, Wendy Duffy, myself, or Abby in the office if you are willing to assist in any of our programs.

Our Youth Group is planning to participate in a Winter Wonderland program sponsored by the Centerport UMC on January 29th. We are hoping to plan for an activity or class time with our confirmation class and sponsors soon. Our Sunday School students will resume going straight to Sunday School to avoid extra movement on Sunday mornings as part of our Covid precautions. We pray for good health for all. As of this writing cases are growing in number. Please stay home if you do not feel well. Remember your mask needs to be worn in church. We are looking forward to meeting in person in as safe an environment as we can provide. It has been a blessing to have our children and youth be able to attend their programs.

Looking forward to hearing from some of you in regard to becoming a part of it all. Let's have a great 2022!

Sue Preddice
Education Chair

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Wednesdays 6:30 – 7:30
(Twice per month)

2022 Meeting dates:

January 5 th	April 13 th
January 19 th	April 27 th
February 2 nd	May 11 th
February 16 th	May 25 th
March 9 th	June 8 th
March 23 rd	

Advisors: Wendy Duffy and Jennie Olivotti

Please notify the church office of any telephone number, address or email address changes so that we may update our files.

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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 William Otto*
- 1 Rex Enderlin*
- 3 Harry Roseen*
- 5 April Paul*
- 7 Joyce McVeigh*
- 8 Marilee Drisgula*
- 9 Ralph Pearl*
- 14 Diane June*
- 15 Tracy Pearl*
- 20 Marilyn Wilson*
- 22 John Paynter*
- 22 Amanda Graf*
- 23 Jennie Olivotti*
- 24 Iona Torraca*
- 26 Christine Paynter*
- 26 Bill Paul*
- 26 Richard Schoenemann*
- 31 Jarrel Guerrero*



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 *Flute Concert*
December 4, 2021 



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 *Christmas Cantata*
December 5, 2021 



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GOOD



NEWS


*Silver Wedding Anniversary
 Ring Blessing*




Congratulations Bruce & Kathy Smith
 From Your Friends & Family At
 The United Methodist Church Of Lake Ronkonkoma

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*Food Pantry
Open
Tuesday
January 4 & 18, 2022
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM*



Soup Sunday V
Coming Soon!

(After Worship Service)

**Choose Your Favorites
From Many
Delicious Varieties
On Sale**

Pre-order & Take Home

Enjoy!

Sponsored by: The Missions, Evangelization & Nurture Committee

GOOD NEWS

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◀ December		January 2022					February ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
						1 Happy New Year!	
2 Epiphany Sunday	3 Thrift Shop	4 Office Closed Thrift Shop Food Pantry Trustees 7:00	5 Youth Group 6:30	6	7 Thrift Shop	8 Thrift Shop	
9 Baptism of the Lord	10 Thrift Shop	11 Thrift Shop Open	12	13	14 Thrift Shop	15 Thrift Shop	
16	17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Thrift Shop UMW 6:00	18 Office Closed Thrift Shop Food Pantry	19 Youth Group 6:30	20	21 Thrift Shop	22 Thrift Shop	
23 Baptism Braccioldieta	24 Thrift Shop	25 Thrift Shop	26	27	28 Thrift Shop	29 Thrift Shop	
30	31	OFFICE HOURS TUESDAY – FRIDAY 9:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.					

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**History Comes Alive
At The
United Methodist Church of Lake Ronkonkoma**

A Christmas Message

Another year we celebrate
The birthday of our King,
Renew the ancient story told,
And old - time carols sing.

Give presents, and remember all
With cards and greetings gay;
And say that Santa comes again
With overloaded sleigh.

But in our actions, don't we lose
The message of God's love;
And fail to hear the music from
The Angel's song above.

As in those long long years ago;
He comes, your life to win;
Oh, listen! Open wide your heart,
And let the Saviour in.

December 8, 1950

Alice Hawkins Coleman

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If you are in need of a prayer shawl,
please contact the office; we will be happy to
provide you with one.

LOOKING
AHEAD

Grand Fall Auction

September 10, 2022

12 Noon

Viewing At 11:00 AM

Make An Offer At 10:30 AM

Hundreds of interesting items!

Rain or Shine!

Bring a chair & a sense of adventure

Food & Beverages Available

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Prayer Group on Zoom led by Rev. Pak

Come and join us on Wednesday mornings from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. as we discuss the Upper Room publication reading for that date 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.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9019019876?pwd=Q2djNGIrcE9IRUUvb0pkMWNPTW40Zz09>

Meeting ID: 901 901 9876

Passcode: MG6T1x

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

New Year Prayer

A special prayer is offered
For you

On New Year's Day—

May God in His unceasing love

Send many gifts your way,

And may He fill your heart with peace

And be forever near,

Blessing you and guiding you

Throughout the coming year.

Happy New Year

Church Office	(631) 588-5856	Board of Trustees	Keith Bowes
Church FAX	(631) 588-0753	Endowment	Sharon Millard
Nursery School	(631) 467-9601	Memorials	Janet Baumann
Martha's Place Thrift Shop	(631) 981-9749	Finance	William Otto
Parsonage	(631) 585-4968	Financial Secretaries	Angelique Sinclair
Church Email	abby@umclr.com		Bernice Waleski
Church Website	umclr.com		Warren Ferry
Resident Bishop	Rev. Thomas Bickerton	Stewardship	(Needed)
		Worship	(Needed)
District Superintendent	Rev. Julia Yeon-Hee Yim	Lay Servant Coordinator	(Needed)
Pastor	Rev. Dr. Constance Y. Pak	Education	Sue Preddice
<u>CHURCH STAFF:</u>		Sunday School Superintendent	Sharon Corvaia
Administrative Assistant	Abby Preziosi	Youth Coordinator	Wendy Duffy
Nursery School Director	Filomena Thomas	Missions, Evangelism & Nurture	Soon Bowes
Chancel Choir Director	Rex Enderlin	Martha's Place Thrift Shop	Marilee Drisgula
Organist	Heather Edwards-Wilson	Soup Kitchen Representative	Linda Lee
Children's Choir Director	Heather Edwards-Wilson	UMM Representatives	Dennis Subbiondo
		UMW Representatives	Barbara Colucci
Church Council	Sue Campbell	Church Historian	Walter Schroeder
Staff Parish Pastor Relations	Liza Wright	Comm. & Tech.	Andrew Sinclair
Lay Leader	Marilee Drisgula	Disaster Prep. & Response	Warren Ferry
	Angelique Sinclair	Good News Editor	Abby Preziosi
Lay Members to Conference	Michael Zukowski	Circulation	Leslie Ann Alessi

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