



*United Methodist Church
of
Lake Ronkonkoma*

Good News

MARCH 2021

United Methodist Church
of Lake Ronkonkoma

792 Hawkins Avenue
Lake Grove, NY 11755

631-588-5856

www.umclr.com

Church Office Hours –
Monday – Thursday
9 a.m. – 2 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



Ash Wednesday Cyber Service

February 17, 2021



The United Methodist Church Of Lake Ronkonkoma



The men are participating in the Lenten Bible study on Wednesdays along with the rest of the congregation. We are also selling masks which have a picture of the Church on them; masks are \$20 each. To order, please call the office or email dsubbiondo@aol.com.

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.

Lenten Study

Led By Cathy Schick

"Seven Words: Listening To Christ From The Cross"

By Susan Robb

Wednesday's Starting February 24th
From 6:30 - 7:30 PM For 6 Weeks

To Register
Call The Church Office
(631) 588-5856

Wednesday Morning Prayer Group

We are having a morning prayer group meeting on Zoom every Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. Please feel free to join us.

Join Zoom Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 901 901 9876

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March 7
Third Sunday in Lent

Exod 20:1-17
PS 19 (UMH 750)
1 Cor 1:18-25
John 2:13-22

March 14
Fourth Sunday in Lent
Scouting Sunday (Alt)
UMCOR Sunday

Num 21:4-9
PS 107:1-3, 17-22
(UMH 830)
Eph 2:1-10
John 3:14-21

March 21
Fifth Sunday in Lent

Jer 31:31-34
PS 51:1-12 (UMH 785)
Heb 5:5-10
John 12:20-33

March 28
Palm/Passion Sunday

Liturgy of the Palms
Mark 11:1-11
Ps 118:1-2, 19-29
(UMH 839)
Liturgy of the Passion
Isa 50:4-9a
PS 31:9-16 (UMH 764)
Phil 2:5-11
Mark 14:1-15:47 or
Mark 15:1-39 (40-47)



Official 225th Anniversary logo

Bicenquasquigenary Celebration

September 19, 2021

Save the date!

More exciting information to follow

*Join us for our next Book Discussion
Monday, March 8 at 1:00 p.m. in the Church
or you can join by
FB Messenger*

*We will be discussing
"The Book of Longings"
by Sue Monk Kidd*

Ongoing Missions:

Loaves & Fishes
Soup Kitchen of the
UMCLR is closed until
further notice.

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



Please come and join us for a Trivia Night on Zoom
Monday, March 15th at 6:30 pm
There will be a wide variety of categories and time to visit
with one another. Everyone welcome and please feel free to
invite friends.

Zoom Meeting: Trivia Night and FUN!

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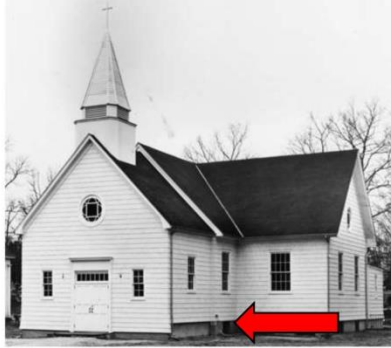
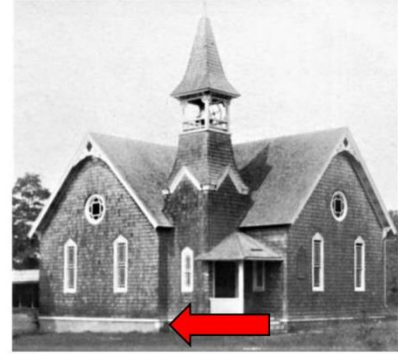
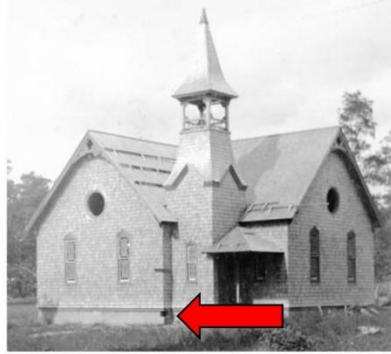
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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/krUllys6eW>

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



THE USE OF A CORNERSTONE OR FOUNDATION STONE GOES BACK THOUSANDS OF YEARS. CORNERSTONES ARE PLACED IN A PROMINENT POSITION ON A NEW CONSTRUCTION. AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THE PICTURE IN THE UPPER LEFT, OUR "LITTLE BROWN CHURCH WAS BUILT FIRST, AND THE CORNERSTONE DONATED BY WOODHULL N. RAYNOR IN 1907 WAS PLACED IN LATER AS SEEN IN THE PICTURE ON THE UPPER RIGHT. WHEN OUR CHURCH WAS MOVED AND RENOVATED, THE OLD CORNERSTONE WAS PLACED IN THE SOUTH-EAST CORNER OF THE NEW CONSTRUCTION AND DEDICATED ON SEPTEMBER 26, 1954 WITH THE DATE "1954" ADDED TO THE ORIGINAL "1907" AS SEEN IN THE CENTER LEFT PHOTO. TODAY THAT SAME CORNERSTONE RESIDES IN THE FRONT OF HERTLIN HALL WITH THE ADDITIONAL DATE "1972" IN HONOR OF THE COMPLETION OF THE BAKER HALL OFFICE AND LIBRARY EXTENTION.

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Don't forget to "Spring Forward!" Daylight Savings Time begins on March 14th.



Martha's Place Thrift Shop

Of course, we were blessed to have received ashes on February 17th before we celebrate St. Patrick's Day on March 17th. We have our St. Pat's T Shirts, tablecloths and other St. Patrick's memorabilia.

Martha's Place Thrift Shop

631-981-9749

Hours:

Fridays
10am - 2pm

Saturdays
10am - 2pm

We continue to be blessed by our customers and new friends who like to browse in our shop and almost always find something that draws them.

Thank you for following our Covid rules; hopefully you will be vaccinated soon.

In God's service
Marilee Drisgula
and all volunteers

Martha's Place Thrift Shop

Winter & Spring Apparel
Housewares - Jewelery - Keepsakes

Easter Merchandise
Arriving March 12th!

Open Friday & Saturday
10 AM - 2 PM



Holy Week Cyber Services



Maundy Thursday
April 1, 2021 7:30 PM



Good Friday
April 2, 2021 7:30 PM



Easter Sunday
April 4, 2021 10:00 AM

The United Methodist Church of Lake Ronkonkoma
UMCLR.COM

Spring Festival & Flower Sale

United Methodist Church Of Lake Ronkonkoma
"5 Corners"

792 Hawkins Avenue, Lake Grove, NY

Saturday, May 8, 2021

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

(Rain Date May 15, 2021)

Food - Flowers - Vendors - Fun

For More Information & Flower Order Form Visit

WWW.UMCLR.COM



A great big thank you to my Church family for helping to make my 90th birthday very special.

I so appreciate your cards, gifts, and especially the drive-through. I was so surprised! It was nice to see you all, if only for a minute or so. Thanks to each of you. Hopefully we will be able to meet together soon.

*Blessings and Love,
Jean McNeill*

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.

March Birthdays

- 1 Michael Zukowski
- 4 Charles Harrison
- 9 Leslie Ann Alessi
- 11 Jennie Millard
- 13 Scarlett Cartier
- 13 Carl Wright
- 15 Shanon Neenan
- 22 Jilliane Duong
- 22 James Czerw
- 23 Chris Muscolo
- 26 Ryan Doukas
- 26 Jennifer Campbell
- 28 Terry Cornelius



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The United Methodist Church of Lake Ronkonkoma

Cyber Bible Sunday

February 7, 2021

2 Timothy 3: 14-17
"Continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it"

"And how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus"

Our Sunday School and Confirmation classes are meeting remotely with their dedicated teachers. Our classes will be focused on the Lenten and Easter seasons during this time. We look forward with great hope to the turning of the season in March and that as we navigate through the Lent and Easter seasons we can experience the meaning of the love and sacrifice of Jesus.

Four of our third graders received Bibles during the Cyber service this past month. Congratulations to them for reaching this milestone. They will be learning about their Bible during Sunday school. We are busy planning for a new Confirmation class in the fall with a new curriculum. It is the perfect time to volunteer to share your faith with the youth in our church by teaching or coordinating the Confirmation class activities. We are most grateful to Rich Tom who is teaching our class right now. He could use someone to join with him in the fall. Diane Hansen would like to step down as coordinator but is willing to pitch in and assist.

Thank you so much to those who have given a children's message during the Cyber Service. It is so important for the children to be included. The messages have been used during Sunday school classes as well. It is a great opportunity for the children to connect with our adults. Please consider doing one. If you would like to join the education team in any of these ways please call the church office and let us know. Blessings during this Lenten season,

Sue Preddice
Education Chair

Coat / Men's Clothing Drive

*Please Donate
Coats - Gloves - Hats
Men's Clothing*

*Drop Off All Donations At Church Hallway
Across From The Food Pantry
Monday - Thursday 9AM - 3PM*

Sponsored By The UMCLR Nurture Committee

Support Groups:

*Narcotics Anonymous
Mondays at 7:00 pm
in Fellowship Hall*

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

Lenten Devotional Booklet Available

“Walk Humbly”

From The Society Of Saint Andrew

Pick One Up On Table Outside Church Office
Or Call (631) 588-5856
To Have One Delivered To Your Mailbox

Grand Fall Auction September 18, 2021

12 Noon

Viewing At 11:00 AM

Make-an-Offer / Yard Sale At 9:00 AM

Hundreds of interesting items!

Rain or Shine!

Bring a chair & a sense of adventure

Food & Beverages Available

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UMC/LR AUCTION 2021 PLEDGE SHEET

Your Name: _____ Phone Number _____

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

Auction is scheduled for September 18th. All pledge sheets MUST be returned for cataloging by September 5th
Leave your completed sheets in the auction mailbox sooner rather than later.

Please bring pledged items to the church on Friday, September 17th for labeling unless other arrangements are made.
ANY ITEMS BROUGHT AFTER THE PLEDGE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE AUCTIONED. NO EXCEPTIONS!



Easter Flower Order Form

Name: _____ Telephone # _____

In Memory of _____ from _____

In Memory of _____ from _____

In Honor of _____ from _____

In Honor of _____ from _____

Offering Envelope # _____

Easter Plants _____ at \$12.00 each = \$ _____

Donation to Flower Fund \$ _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: United Methodist Church. (On memo line, put Flower Fund.) Send to the church office by the deadline of March 28, 2021. If you have any questions, please contact Heather DeSanto at 631-289-1009.

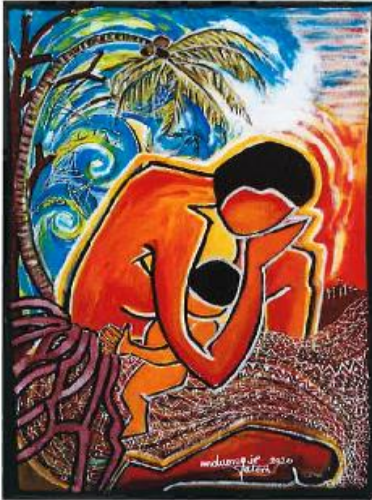


INFORMED PRAYER AND PRAYERFUL ACTION

Please join us for

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2021

Build on a Strong Foundation



Date: March 5, 2021

Time: 12:00 noon

Location: Via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2671659787>

Meeting ID: 267 165 9787;

One Tap Mobile: 1-646-876-9923, 2671659787# US (New York)

Contact persons: Mary Campbell — dstmfc@aol.com

Rosemarie Walker — rose5949@msn.com

Through the World Day of Prayer, we are encouraged to become aware of the other countries and cultures and no longer live in isolation. ... The World Day of Prayer aims to demonstrate that prayer and action are inseparable and that both have immeasurable influence in the world.

Westbury United Methodist Church • Rev. Dr. Elon Sylvester, Pastor
• 263 Albany Avenue, Westbury, NY 11580 • Tel: (516) 333 0374 • Website: www.wumcny.net

ATTENTION FACEBOOK USERS

Someone has hacked Warren Ferry's Facebook account and has or is sending out friend requests to all of the individuals I had previously accepted as friends. Therefore, **please do not accept Facebook friend requests from Warren Ferry**. The person sending out this request is an imposter and if you accept the friend request this individual will seek to obtain monies or some other nefarious activity under the guise of false friendship.

Thanks,
The real Warren Ferry

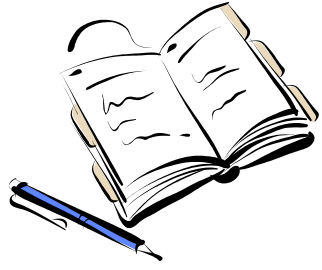


Thank you to Janet Baumann who made additional prayer shawls. If you need one, please contact the church office.

Financial Statements were mailed out on Thursday, February 25th. If you have not received yours, please contact the office.



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



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

You can drop off groceries or other necessities for the food pantry
Monday through Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

If you are in need of any assistance, please contact the church office or
call Soon Bowes – 631-585-5634.



The Church Leadership team is working very hard on planning for the reopening so let's keep praying for a better future and an end to the Covid 19 pandemic A.S.A.P.



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 Bernice Waleski
Church Email	abby@umclr.com	Stewardship	Warren Ferry
Church Website	umclr.com	Worship	(Needed)
Resident Bishop	Rev. Thomas Bickerton	Lay Servant Coordinator	(Needed)
District Superintendent	Rev. Julia Yeon-Hee Yim	Education	Sue Preddice
Pastor	Rev. Dr. Constance Y. Pak	Sunday School Superintendent	Tammy Edwards-Wilson
CHURCH STAFF:		Youth Coordinator	Wendy Duffy
Administrative Assistant	Abby Preziosi	Missions, Evangelism & Nurture	Soon Bowes
Nursery School Director	Filomena Thomas	Martha's Place Thrift Shop	Marilee Drisgula
Chancel Choir Director	Rex Enderlin	Soup Kitchen Representative	Linda Lee
Organist	Heather Edwards-Wilson	UMM Representatives	Dennis Subbiondo
Children's Choir Director	Heather Edwards-Wilson	UMW Representatives	(Needed)
Church Council	Debra Schild	Church Historian	Walter Schroeder
Staff Parish Pastor Relations	Liza Wright	Comm. & Tech.	(Needed)
Lay Leader	Marilee Drisgula	Disaster Prep. & Response	Warren Ferry
Lay Members to Conference	Michael Zukowski	Good News Editor	Abby Preziosi
		Circulation	Leslie Ann Alessi

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