



United Methodist Church
of
Lake Ronkonkoma

Good News

MAY 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



Easter Sunday Cyber Service
April 4, 2021



The United Methodist Church Of Lake Ronkonkoma

Please don't forget, reservations will be required for in person services. Be sure to call the office at 631-588-5856 or email umclr@verizon.net by the Wednesday before the service.

**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.

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

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LAKE RONKONKOMA
VIRTUAL BLOOD DRIVE**

Sunday, May 9 – Saturday, May 22, 2021
to schedule your appointment to donate visit:
www.nybc.org/donate or call 1-800-933-2566

Be sure to use the church's group code 07003 when registering to donate to be included in this effort.

For more information visit www.nybc.org or contact Helen at 631-981-1982. Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo.

Donors:

Must wear a mask or face covering, must be 14 days symptom free if recovered from COVID-19, may NOT donate if they have a positive diagnostic test or experienced symptoms of COVID-19 in the last 14 days, may NOT donate if they are currently on self-quarantine restrictions

Please be aware, we do NOT test for COVID-19. You should contact your health care provider if you want to be tested.

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May 2
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:26-40
Ps 22:25-31 (UMH 752)
1 John 4:7-21
John 15:1-8

May 9
Sixth Sunday
of Easter
Mother's Day
Festival of the
Christian Home

Acts 10:44-48
Ps 98 (UMH 818)
1 John 5:1-6
John 15:9-17

May 16
Seventh Sunday of
Easter
Ascension Sunday

Acts 1:5-17, 21-26
Ps 1 (UMH 738)
1 John 5:9-13
John 17:6-19

May 23
Pentecost
Heritage Sunday

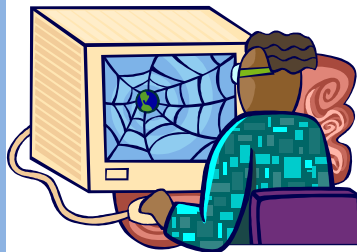
Acts 2:1-21
Ps 104:24-34, 35b
(UMH 826)
Rom 8:22-27
John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

May 30
Trinity Sunday
Peace with Justice
Sunday

Isa 6:1-8
Ps 29 (UMH 761)
Rom 8:12-17
John 3:1-17



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.



Be sure to visit our website at
umclr.com!

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Loaves & Fishes Soup Kitchen

OPEN EVERY TUESDAY

AT 5:00 PM

PICK UP YOUR PRE-PACKED

TAKE OUT MEAL

**IN FRONT OF THE SANCTUARY
DOORS**



Ongoing Missions:

Loaves & Fishes
Soup Kitchen of the
UMCLR will be open
every Tuesday
beginning
April 13, 2021
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

Please come and join Trivia Night on Zoom
Monday, May 17th at 6:30 p.m.

There will be a wide variety of categories and time
to visit with one another. Everyone is welcome and
please, invite your friends.

Zoom Meeting: Trivia Night and FUN!

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Meeting ID: 901 901 9876

Passcode: MG6T1x

To join by phone only:

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 901 901 9876

Passcode: 656169

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



Martha's Place Thrift Shop

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

Since reopening on Monday and Tuesday, March 22nd and 23rd along with Friday and Saturday, the 26th and 27th, we are welcoming our Thrift shop shoppers new and old. We are slowly seeing an increase in sales; God bless our regulars who are happy to be back as we welcome new customers too!!

We have a great selection of summer clothing and hope you will drop in to see it!!

It seems everyone was cleaning out their closets during the pandemic and we have worked very hard to keep up. Please remember, dog and cat hair are not wanted when you bring in clothing!! Thank you for continuing to donate clean garments!!!

In God's Service,
Marilee Drisgula and all volunteers

*Donations are accepted on Fridays and Saturdays
between 10 AM and 2 PM*

Martha's Place Thrift Shop

Mother's Day Specials

Spring & Summer Apparel

Housewares - Jewelery - Keepsakes

Open

Monday - Tuesday - Friday - Saturday

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM



Prayer Group on Zoom led by Pastor Constance Pak

Support Groups:

Narcotics Anonymous
Mondays at 7:00 pm
in Fellowship Hall

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

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, and petitions.

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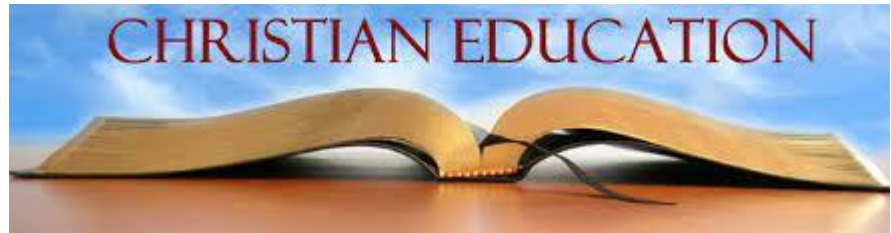


If you have any concerns or prayer requests, do not hesitate to contact the church office and the pastor at any time.



Reminder: SPPRC meeting will be on Tuesday, May 18th at 6:30 p.m. in Hertlin Hall.

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Greetings from the Education work area. It is so nice to see the trees and flowers bloom and the birds return. May is spring in all of its glory.

We are excited to confirm five students on May 23; they have been working toward this moment with their teacher online. Congratulations to Obinna Ajoko, Alaina Drisgula, Deanna Filiberto, Ryan Kiencle, and Peter Polsunas. We thank their teacher, Rich Tom, and our confirmation coordinator, Diane Hansen for all their efforts as well as their families and sponsors for their guidance and support. We are proud of this class for their work to achieve this goal even in the present difficult circumstance. Let us continue to pray for them as we welcome them as members of our congregation.

Please consider joining the confirmation team. We will need teachers and a coordinator this fall. Yes, we will have a new class and new curriculum so it is the perfect time to make a commitment.

The Sunday school will remain remote for the remainder of the spring. The Palm Sunday egg hunt was a wonderful time for all in attendance. We will look forward to planning another in-person event, most likely in June. It will be fun to see each other outdoors once again. It is our sincere hope that the fall will look different and we can plan for in-person learning, events, and activities once again.

Meanwhile, our elementary Sunday school children are learning about service and kindness. They have been making posters to highlight our church food pantry in the hope of encouraging everyone to keep our shelves full. They are learning to help those in need. Our Sunday school teachers are doing a great job in helping the children stay engaged. We appreciate their creativity and faithful service to our youngest church family members. While she is in Germany, Alyssa continues to meet with our secondary students. That is a wonderful opportunity.

We are looking forward to a time when we can all feel safe about in-person gatherings. We will need reinforcements at that time. Please do consider joining us as we share the Good News and our love of Jesus and his teachings with our children.

Many blessings to all this spring, a season of hope and renewal!

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Education Chair

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Baptism Sunday

April 25, 2021



Caleb Vinh Duong



Jayden Vinh Duong



*The United Methodist Church
Of Lake Ronkonkoma*

Baptism

Now that we have reopened, if you would like to schedule a Baptism, please contact the church office.

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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.

*Happy Belated Birthday to Cayden Robert Otto
who turned 3 on April 10th!*

May Birthdays

- 1 *Olivia Holmes*
- 3 *Katie Pfeil*
- 5 *Rudy Gibiser*
- 7 *Susan Filipowich*
- 9 *Azalea Edwards-Wilson*
- 11 *Paula Filipowish*
- 11 *Sarah Graf*
- 12 *James Baumann*
- 12 *Gabriella Czerw*
- 15 *Art Ricker*
- 15 *Loretta Taliercio*
- 16 *Adam Subbiondo*
- 16 *Art Germain*
- 17 *Rosemarie Heiserer*
- 21 *Ashley Cartier*
- 27 *Tammy Edwards-Wilson*
- 28 *Nancy Zukowski*
- 29 *Orion Edwards-Wilson*
- 29 *Katy Carroll*



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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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

United Methodist Church Of Lake Ronkonkoma

792 Hawkins Avenue, Lake Grove (At 5 Corners)



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!

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



Our 40th Pastor, Elbert Clay Hoag was born February 21, 1851 in Columbus, New York. He graduated from Wesleyan University in 1879 and from Drew Theological Seminary in 1881. He was ordained two years later. After serving 13 churches between 1884-1922 Pastor Hoag retired officially in 1923 but continued to work, accepting a post as supply minister at the Lake Ronkonkoma Methodist Episcopal Church, then known as the Lake Grove Church, where he served until 1926 and where he built the present parsonage. Upon retiring he was voted the title of Pastor Emeritus and continued to live at Tanglewood in Lake Ronkonkoma. Reverend Elbert Clay Hoag, 86, died May 13, 1937 while on his way to attend the Eastern Clergyman's Conference in the company of Pastor David Sloatman. While on the Subway platform of the 34th Street Independent Subway Station, he suffered a fall which caused a fracture of the left hip and shock. Funeral services were held Sunday May 16, 1937 at the Lake Ronkonkoma M.E. Church, with the Rev. David Sloatman, Pastor, officiating. Reverend Hoag was buried in the Lake Grove Cemetery, Lake Ronkonkoma. Reverend Hoag was survived by his wife, Mrs. Eva Hoag.

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Ask The UMC: What is Pentecost?

The Christian festival of Pentecost, on the 50th day after Jesus' resurrection, celebrates the gift the Holy Spirit and birth of the church.

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Official 225th Anniversary Logo

September
19th
2021

Save the date!

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SPECIAL CHARGE CONFERENCE

A special charge conference will be held on **Tuesday, May 4, 2021** at 7:00 P.M. regarding the sale of our Smith Street property. Our District Superintendent, Rev. Julia Yim will lead this meeting via zoom. Please be prepared to join us in Hertlin Hall, via zoom or by phone. All the information you need to join the meeting is listed below:

To Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86590953522?pwd=N2ZQQ3Z5QmRzS1V6VFZDRGFwe mdjUT09>

Meeting ID: 865 9095 3522

Passcode: 586105

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Dial by your location

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86590953522>



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**792 Hawkins Ave,
Lake Grove, NY
(Five Corners)**

12th

Annual

Grand Fall Auction

(Weather & Virus permitting)

& Yard Sale

September 18, 2021

Yard Sale opens at 9:00 a.m.

Auction viewing opens at 11:00 - Auction starts at 12:00 noon



Hundreds of exciting and diverse offerings!

View the up-to-date catalog at: www.UMCLR.com



66 WAYS GOD LOVES YOU

1. **IN GENESIS** He fashions you with His hands.
2. **IN EXODUS** He delivers you from slavery.
3. **IN LEVITICUS** He gives you access to Himself.
4. **IN NUMBERS** He shelters you in cities of refuge.
5. **IN DEUTERONOMY** He guides you with His hand.
6. **IN JOSHUA** He gives you divine purpose.
7. **IN JUDGES** He shows mercy in spite of repeated failures.
8. **IN RUTH** He grafts you into His family.
- 9-10. **IN SAMUEL** He makes the insignificant significant.
- 11-12. **IN KINGS** He esteems you by His faithfulness.
- 13-14. **IN CHRONICLES** He makes your prayer powerful.
- 15-16. **IN EZRA & NEHEMIAH** He restores you & equips you.
17. **IN ESTHER** He makes you royalty.
18. **IN JOB** He sustains you in suffering.
19. **IN PSALM** He draws you close & listens for your voice.
20. **IN PROVERBS** He reveals His wisdom to you.
21. **IN ECCLESIASTES** He gives meaning.
22. **IN SONG OF SOLOMON** He draws you to chase Him.
23. **IN ISAIAH** He reveals the Savior to you.
- 24-25. **IN JEREMIAH & LAMENTATIONS** He gives you hope.
- 26-27. **IN EZEKIEL & DANIEL** the Lord joins you in the fire.
28. **IN HOSEA** God pursues you to buy you back.
29. **IN JOEL** He blesses you when you repent.
30. **IN AMOS** He bears your burdens.
31. **IN OBADIAH** He keeps His covenant to you.
32. **IN JONAH** He uses an imperfect man for His perfect plan.
33. **IN MICAH** He invites you to walk humbly with Him.
34. **IN NAHUM** He comforts you.
35. **IN HABAKKUK** He places your lowliness in high places.
36. **IN ZEPHANIAH** He sings over you with great joy.
37. **IN HAGGAI** God makes His dwelling among you.
38. **IN ZECHARIAH** He assures you of His coming.
39. **IN MALACHI** God pours out His blessing on you.
- 40-43. **IN THE GOSPELS** God puts on human flesh to save you.
44. **IN ACTS** He gives you His Spirit.
45. **IN ROMANS** He works all things together for your good.
- 46-47. **IN CORINTHIANS** He corrects, teaches, & loves you.
48. **IN GALATIANS** He sets you free.
49. **IN EPHESIANS** He calls you His workmanship.
50. **IN PHILIPPIANS** He gives you joy.
51. **IN COLOSSIANS** He completes you.
- 52-53. **IN THESSALONIANS** He presents you with future hope.
- 54-55. **IN TIMOTHY** He offers you counsel & encouragement.
56. **IN TITUS** He equips you for good works.
57. **IN PHILEMON** He turns your slavery into brotherhood.
58. **IN HEBREWS** He invites you to come before His throne.
59. **IN JAMES** He teaches you practical religion.
- 60-61. **IN PETER** He gives you victory over suffering.
- 62-64. **IN THE THREE EPISTLES OF JOHN** He assures you of eternity & invites you to walk in His light, life & love.
65. **IN JUDE** your God tenderly keeps you from falling & presents you faultless before His throne.
66. **IN REVELATION** He bestows the ultimate honor upon you, as He receives you as His beloved & treasured bride.

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
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Church Website	umclr.com	Worship	(Needed)
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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
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