



*United Methodist Church
of
Lake Ronkonkoma*

Good News

NOVEMBER 2019

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

Cathy Mitchell,
Administrative Assistant

Dr. Rex Enderlin,
Choir Director

Heather Edwards-Wilson,
Youth Choir Director &
Organist

**SAUERBRATEN
DINNER**

SPONSORED BY THE UNITED METHODIST MEN

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND

6:00 PM

TICKET PRICES:

Adults & Youth (13-64)	\$18.00
Senior Citizens (65+)	\$15.00
Children (6-12)	\$15.00
Children (Under 5)	Free

For Tickets Call Church Office At (631) 588-5856

**Be sure to invite your family, friends
and neighbors to our
Annual Sauerbraten Dinner!**

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.

Thanksgiving Baskets

We will again be giving food baskets to needy families for Thanksgiving. We have been able to be very generous in the past, thanks to our church family. Please bring something for the baskets on Sundays in November. Fresh vegetables, fruit, pies and turkeys should be brought on November 24th. This year we have a special need for stuffing, sweet potatoes, pie and cake mixes, coffee, tea, juice, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, canned meats and spaghetti sauce. Please leave them in the narthex. Thanks so much.



Veterans Day Celebration

We will be having a special Sunday morning service on November 10th to honor all our veterans. After the service we will have a flag retirement service outside, weather permitting. We are now the "flag church" as well as the "pumpkin church". We will put out the flags from other years and sell new ones for \$2. You may take them home later in the month or leave them to be put out in future years. It is really a fitting tribute to our veterans. We have had the public stop and buy flags to be added to our collection. After the service, we will be having our annual dinner for veterans and their families. We need food donations. There will be a list in Hertlin Hall so you can sign up for what you are going to bring. If you have questions, please contact Diane June at 631-585-1481.

Lectons

November 3
Twenty-first Sunday
After Pentecost
All Saints Sunday

Hab. 1:1-4; 2:1-4
Ps. 119:137-144
(UMH 840)
2 Thess. 1:1-4, 11-12
Luke 19:1-10

November 10
Twenty-second Sunday
After Pentecost
Organ and Tissue
Donor Sunday

Hag. 1:15b-2:9
Ps. 145:1-5, 17-21
(UMH 857)
2 Thess. 2:1-5, 13-17
Luke 20:27-38

November 17
Twenty-third Sunday
After Pentecost

Isa. 65:17-25
Isa. 12 or Ps. 118
(UMH 839)
2 Thess. 3:6-13
Luke 21:5-19

November 24
Christ the King/
Reign of Christ

Jer. 23:1-6
Luke 1:68-69
(UMH 208)
Col. 1:11-20
Luke 23:33-43



Soup Sunday IV

November 3rd

(After Worship Service)

Choose Your Favorites
From Many
Delicious Varieties
On Sale

Eat In - Take Home
Enjoy!



A plaque was presented to the Sachem sports teams in appreciation of their assistance with our Pumpkin Mission.

Pictured: Harry Brame –JV Football Assistant Coach, Chris Kelly – Sophomore Quarterback JV Football, Alex Grimm – JV Football Head Coach/Varsity Lacrosse Head Coach, Ileana Czerw – Pumpkin Posse member, Rev. Dr. Constance Pak – Pastor, James Butler – Senior Midfielder Varsity Lacrosse

Martha's Place Thrift Shop

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631-981-9749

Hours:

Mondays
10am - 2pm

Tuesdays
10am - 2pm

Fridays
10am - 2pm

Saturdays
10am - 2pm

When you receive this letter, Halloween will be over and the shop will be transformed into Thanksgiving and Christmas items and clothing as well.

We have been very busy these past few months with your welcome donations, but we could use a few more helping hands!!! Come in for an hour or more, if possible, to give us a helping hand. This shop is helping to keep our Church open and helping others in the community.



Our volunteers work very hard to keep up with the sorting, hanging and pricing of all items for sale. Come on in to check the shop and give the volunteers a BIG THANK YOU!!!

In God's service,
Marilee Drisgula and all volunteers.

*La Grova
Ristorante
Fellowship Dinner
Tuesday, November 12, 2019
6:00 - 8:00 P.M.
Sponsored by The UMC/PC Trustee's Fund
Meet & Greet Your Church Family
For A Delicious Italian Meal
10% of your check will be donated to
The UMC/PC Trustee's Fund
2799 Middle Country Road, Lake Grove*

United Methodist Church of Lake Ronkonkoma **BLOOD DRIVE**



Sunday, November 17, 2019

8:30 am - 1:00 pm

792 Hawkins Avenue, Lake Grove

Your donation will help to **save up to THREE lives.**
Our community hospitals need your help.
Please share this lifesaving gift

Every donor will receive a coupon for a free large McDonald's sandwich,
with any purchase

Thank You for Caring!

💧♥ **Eligibility Criteria** ♥💧

Bring **Donor Card or Photo ID**. Minimum Weight: 110lbs. No New Tattoos
for past 12 months. Ages 16 - 75(16- year olds must have parental permission)

For questions concerning medical eligibility:

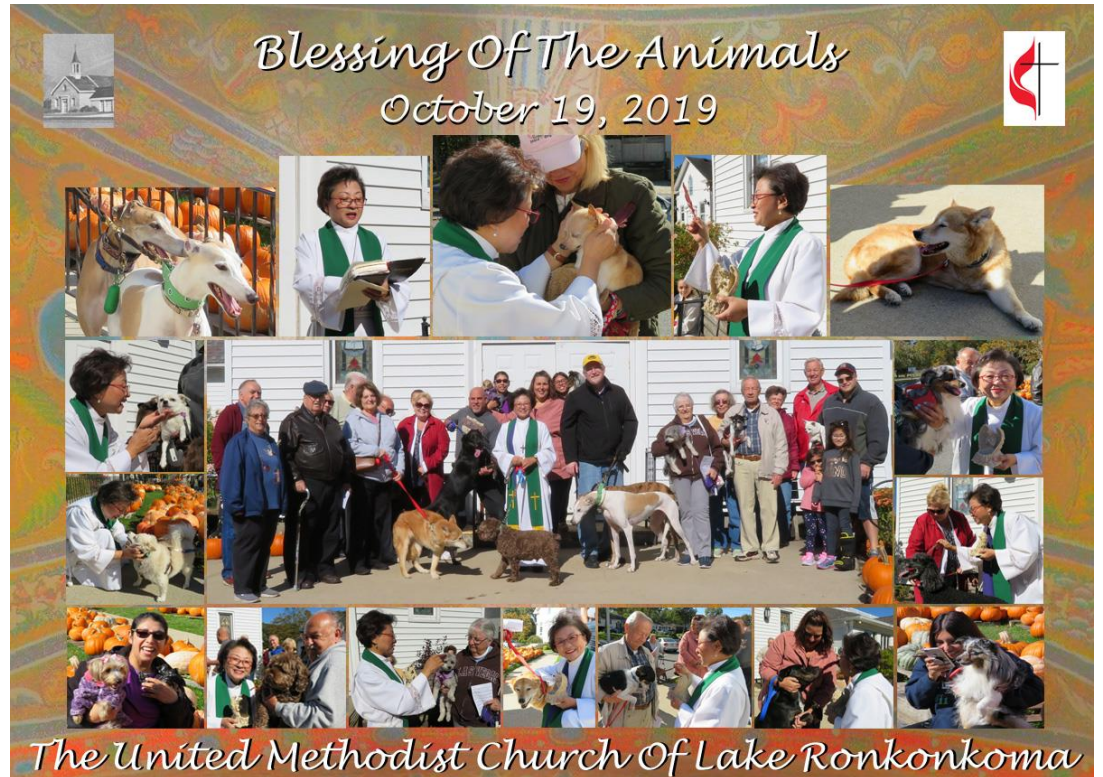
www.nybc.org | 1-800-933-2566

 **Long Island** Blood Services



Game Night!

All adults are welcome to join us
for Game Night on
Friday, November 15th at 7:00 PM at church.
Enjoy a fun night out!



Please mark your calendars!
Our Charge Conference will be held on
Sunday, December 8th at 12:00 PM
at Bayport UMC.



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



Pumpkin Patch

October 5, 2019



The United Methodist Church Of Lake Ronkonkoma



Pumpkin Patch Kick-Off

Pot Luck Luncheon - October 6, 2019



The United Methodist Church Of Lake Ronkonkoma

The congregation expressed
their appreciation for
Pastor Constance Pak!!!



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



In 1954 our Little Brown Church was moved and expanded



**Composit photo shows expansion. Altar was also added in rear
Our History MUST be protected for future generations**

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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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.

3	Troy Drisgula	13	Ray Becht
3	Sara Pearl	13	Carol Kandias
6	William Wahl	13	Ginger Schild
9	Joyce Guerrero	17	Charles Bornschein
10	Scott Schild	18	Shawn Beery
10	Susan Kohout	23	Christina Otto
11	Tristin Kohout	29	Carol Doukas



To all the women from UMW that are interested in donating items to the battered women's shelter, it is greatly appreciated! If you do have items now, as long as it's not a problem, please hold on to them until when they are needed again. We are planning on this being an ongoing mission and I will let everyone know approximately when and what needs to be donated. Thanks to all!

Sue Sprague

UMW NEWS



To All Church Ladies,

Welcome to the holiday season! As ladies, this tends to be a highly demanding time for us. We need to organize our time more to devote to our families, our careers and what is expected of us to prepare for the holidays. It can be exhausting at times, but somehow we manage it. That is how incredible we are being a lady in today's society. The following is taken from Dr. Bernie Siegel's book, [365 Prescriptions for the Soul](#):

“The Weaker Sex?”

“Women are often called the weaker sex, but there is no question that feminine qualities are survivor qualities. This fact is substantiated by statistics. Innumerable studies show us the many different qualities of men and women. Women are comfortable talking and exploring feelings. Men are always trying to fix things and get frustrated when the problem is unfixable on a mental or physical level. Sometimes when they do not want to deal with an issue directly, they withdraw or disappear. I know a woman whose husband never offered her any help at home. He went to work every day at the office and then would come home and refuse to be of help to her. Even when she asked, he found excuses. After many years of this, she just went about her work without asking anymore. When he died, she was finally able to get him to help. She had him cremated and his ashes put into a kitchen timer. Now he helps her out when she is cooking dinner for herself and her guests. *The solution is that there are always options when you have an open mind.*”

October Meeting – We enjoyed an evening of selling pumpkins while Barbara and Doug Colucci provided hot dogs, chili and s'mores. Thanks!

Our Holiday and Winter Schedule: Please mark your calendars!

November 11 – Diane June will be leading a holiday craft project.

December 7 – Annual Cookie Walk at 1 pm.

December 9 – Annual Christmas party in Hertlin Hall, potluck.

January – No meeting

February 9 – Sunday Bake Sale

Wishing all of you and your families a joyous and safe holiday season. And a warm winter as well!

Yours In Christ,
Ilona Torraca
UMW President



Greetings from your Board of Trustees!

Fall is here, and it is time for us to prepare for the winter months ahead!

Our contracts for leaf and snow removal are in place.

The Trustees would greatly appreciate your donation of Ice Melt for our walkways.

We recently signed a binder with the Cotgreave Insurance Agency, located at 588 Portion Road in Ronkonkoma, which updated our insurance. The big change is in wind damage coverage. This binder calls for a \$1000 deductible instead of the 20% required in our old contract.

It is against the law for any civilian to disable our fire alarm. The Church could be fined, and a summons issued for disarming a fire alarm box. In the future, please **DO NOT DISABLE THE FIRE ALARM UNDER ANY CURCUMSTANCES**. Call the Ronkonkoma Fire Dispatcher (631) 588-8204, and the Securetel Central Monitoring Station at (516) 997-3240. Please read the instructions posted by each fire panel mentioned above. A sealed envelope with important phone numbers will be placed above each fire alarm box. Please open the envelope and follow the instructions in the event of an emergency. Thank you for your cooperation.

Also, as of this date Securetel Central Monitoring will call the phone on the wall outside the library if any fire or burglar alarm goes off in the building when the church office is closed.

We would also like to thank Trustees Beth Ann Graf and Ileana Czerw for their service over the past three years. They will be missed.

Nominees for the class of 2022 will be Keith Bowes, Marilee Drisgula and Doug Filipowich.

Our future initiatives are:

Fellowship Dinner at LaGrova Restaurant November 12, 2019 from 6PM-8PM

10% Will be donated to your Trustees Fund!

Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner on March 14, 2020

Spring Fair & Flower Show in May

Re-Investing our current CD's maturing in December at a higher insured rate.

New Sign in front of Church (Member donation or Memorial Gift to fund the sign?)

If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please let us know.

Our email address is: trustees@umclr.com, or leave a note in our office mail box.

In God's Service,
Your Board of Trustees



Baptism Sunday

October 20, 2019



Cayden Robert Otto



The United Methodist Church Of Lake Ronkonkoma

The following support groups hold meetings in our building:

Narcotics Anonymous ---

Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

Alcoholics Anonymous ---

Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall,

Fridays at 8:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

COPE (Connecting Our Paths Eternally) ---

A grief and healing organization dedicated to helping parents and families living with the loss of a child.

Fourth Friday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Library

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



All are welcome to attend the
**Community Ecumenical
Pre-Thanksgiving Service**

on Tuesday, November 26, 2019
at 7:30 p.m.

hosted by

St. Joseph Parish
45 Church Street, Lake Ronkonkoma

*Light refreshments and fellowship will be
enjoyed after the service. Please join us.*





Ongoing Missions:

Loaves & Fishes
Soup Kitchen of the
UMCLR is open
Tuesdays and
Thursdays at 4:45 pm
in Fellowship Hall

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

Support Groups:

Narcotics Anonymous
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Fellowship Hall

*Alcoholics
Anonymous*
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Happy Thanksgiving



November 2019						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Thrift Shop 10 -2 AA 8	2 Thrift Shop 10 -2 Sauerbraten Dinner 6 PM
3 All Saints Day <i>Daylight Saving Time Ends</i> Soup Sunday after service	4 Thrift Shop 10 - 2 Nominations/Leadership 2:30 NA 7	5 Thrift Shop 10 - 2 Soup Kitchen 4:45 AA 6:30 & 8:30 Trustees 7	6 Morning Prayer 7 AM Craft Group 12 Food Pantry 3-5 Chapel Choir 6:30 Confirmation Covenant Service 7:30 Chancel Choir 7:30	7 Soup Kitchen 4:45 Girl Scouts 5:30 Disciple Bible Study 7:30	8 Thrift Shop 10 -2 AA 8	9 Thrift Shop 10 -2
10 Veterans Sunday	11 Veterans Day Thrift Shop 10 - 2 NA 7 UMW 7	12 Thrift Shop 10 - 2 Soup Kitchen 4:45 Fellowship Dinner at LaGrova 6 - 8 AA 6:30 & 8:30 Finance 7:30	13 Morning Prayer 7 AM Craft Group 12 Chapel Choir 6:30 UMYF 6:30 Confirmation 7:30 Chancel Choir 7:30	14 Building Usage - Sanctuary 4 Soup Kitchen 4:45 Girl Scouts 5:30 Disciple Bible Study 7:30	15 Thrift Shop 10 -2 Game Night 7 AA 8	16 Thrift Shop 10 -2 Building Usage - Sanctuary 2 - 5
17 Blood Drive 8:30 - 1:30 Baptism Sunday Education Committee after service	18 Thrift Shop 10 - 2 NA 7 Book Discussion 7	19 Thrift Shop 10 - 2 Soup Kitchen 4:45 AA 6:30 & 8:30 Church Council 7:30	20 Morning Prayer 7 AM Craft Group 12 Chapel Choir 6:30 UMYF 6:30 Confirmation 7:30 Chancel Choir / Cantata Dress Rehearsal 7:30	21 Soup Kitchen 4:45 Girl Scouts 5:30 Disciple Bible Study 7:30	22 Thrift Shop 10 -2 COPE 7 AA 8	23 Thrift Shop 10 -2
24 Christ the King Thanksgiving Sunday Dedication of Piggy Banks for Heifer Project	25 Thrift Shop 10 - 2 NA 7 Nursery School Committee 7:30	26 Thrift Shop 10 - 2 Soup Kitchen 4:45 AA 6:30 & 8:30 Pre-Thanksgiving Service at St. Joseph Parish 7:30	27 Morning Prayer 7 AM Craft Group 12 Chancel Choir 7:30	28 Thanksgiving Church Office Closed	29 Thrift Shop 10 -2 AA 8	30 Thrift Shop 10 -2

GOOD NEWS

Church Office	(631) 588-5856	Board of Trustees	Beth Ann Graf
Church FAX	(631) 588-0753	Endowment	Walter Schroeder
Nursery School	(631) 467-9601	Memorials	Sharon Millard
Martha's Place Thrift Shop	(631) 981-9749	Finance	Janet Baumann
Parsonage	(631) 585-4968	Financial Secretaries	Rich Tom
Church Email	umclr@verizon.net		Angelique Sinclair
Church Website	umclr.com		Bernice Waleski
Resident Bishop	Rev. Thomas Bickerton	Stewardship	Warren Ferry
District Superintendent	Rev. Julia Yeon-Hee Yim	Worship	Heather DeSanto
Pastor	Rev. Dr. Constance Y. Pak	Lay Servant Coordinator	Heather DeSanto
CHURCH STAFF:		Education	Sue Preddice
Administrative Assistant	Cathy Mitchell	Sunday School Superintendent	Tammy Edwards-Wilson
Nursery School Director	Filomena Thomas	Youth Coordinator	Wendy Duffy
Chancel Choir Director	Rex Enderlin	Evangelism & Missions	Soon Bowes
Organist	Heather Edwards-Wilson	Martha's Place Thrift Shop	Marilee Drisgula
Children's Choir Director	Heather Edwards-Wilson	Soup Kitchen Representative	Diane Hatton
		UMM Representatives	Keith Bowes
		UMW Representatives	Dennis Subbiondo
Church Council	Debra Schild		Ilona Torraca
Staff Parish Pastor Relations	Bill Otto	Church Historian	Leslie Ann Alessi
Lay Leader	Marilyn Becht	Comm. & Tech.	Walter Schroeder
	Angelique Sinclair	Disaster Prep. & Response	(Needed)
Lay Member to Conference	Diane Hatton	Good News Editor	Warren Ferry
		Circulation	Cathy Mitchell
			Leslie Ann Alessi

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