



*United Methodist Church
of
Lake Ronkonkoma*

Good News

SEPTEMBER 2018

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

Be sure to invite your family, friends,
neighbors and co-workers to our
Grand Fall Auction!!!



**United
Methodist
Church**

of
Lake Ronkonkoma

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

9th Annual

Grand Fall Auction
September 8, 2018 at 12:00 pm

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.

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.



Game Night!

All adults are welcome to join us for Game Night on Friday, September 21st at 7:00 PM at church. Enjoy a night out filled with fun and fellowship!



Disciple Bible Study, led by Richard Wahl, is returning!

Book distribution will be Thursday, September 6 at 7:30 p.m. Books will also be available at church after service on Sunday, September 9.

The study meetings will begin on Thursday, September 13 at 7:30 p.m. and meet each Thursday thereafter, except Thanksgiving, through December 13th.

Be sure to join us for this well-loved program!

Dear Church Family,

We appreciate all the prayers and concerns during this difficult time. We know that Cheryl loved and cared for everyone in the church and enjoyed all the fellowship and activities here.

Thank you for everything you have done.

Charlie and Lisa Pyne

Thank You

for your Kindness

Lections

September 2
Fifteenth Sunday
After Pentecost

Song of Sol. 2:8-13
Ps. 45:1-2, 6-9 or
Ps. 72 (UMH 795)
James 1:17-27
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15,
21-23

September 9
Sixteenth Sunday
After Pentecost
Grandparents' Day

Prov. 22:1-2, 8-9,
22-23
Ps. 125 or Ps. 124
(UMH 846)
James 2:1-10, (11-13)
14-17
Mark 7:24-37

September 16
Seventeenth Sunday
After Pentecost

Prov. 1:20-33
Ps. 19 (UMH 750)
James 3:1-12
Mark 8:27-38

September 23
Eighteenth Sunday
After Pentecost

Prov. 31:10-31
Ps. 1 (UMH 738)
James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a
Mark 9:30-37

September 30
Nineteenth Sunday
After Pentecost

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10;
9:20-22
Ps. 124 (UMH 846)
James 5:13-20
Mark 9:38-50



Moms, the new school year is here. *Start with prayer!*

Moms in Prayer invites you to have a profound impact on your children and their schools. Entire communities are transformed when moms gather to pray to the only One who can change a human heart. **You were made for such a time as this.** Learn more about Moms in Prayer and connect with friends. Enjoy a time of fellowship, prayer and encouragement as you start the school year.

Date/Time: Saturday, September 29th, 2018 10:15 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

Location: Christ Church United Methodist
545 Old Town Road Port Jefferson Station
Guest Speaker Pastor Randy Paige- "The Power of a Praying Mom"

Contact: RSVP to Rosanna Ciavarella rciavarella@optonline.net or (917) 468-1561

MUST RESERVE SEAT by September 19th- \$5 payable day of event



providing lunch!

Babysitting will NOT be available

For more about Moms in Prayer International, visit MomsInPrayer.org.

Martha's Place
Thrift Shop

631-981-9749

Hours:

Mondays
10am - 2pm

Tuesdays
10am - 2pm

Fridays
10am - 2pm

Saturdays
10am - 2pm

MARTHA'S PLACE THRIFT SHOP



We hope your summer was a fun one and you are now ready to get back to a routine. The shop has been busy all summer. We didn't see too many of our congregants but we had some wonderful sales from people in our community. Without your donations we wouldn't have too many sales, so thank you for your continued donations to your Thrift Shop!!!

To let you know, summer clothing is on half price and we have been busy putting out new used clothing to entice you to come in and shop. Of course we have many other items besides clothing; we have jewelry, dishes of all types, kitchen items, shoes, purses, curtains, bedding, and coming up soon will be Halloween Costumes and then Thanksgiving items and Christmas items later.

A special thank you to Jill Holmes for giving her time on Tuesdays to volunteer at the shop.

In GOD'S service,
Marilee Drisgula and all volunteers

Paint Night
July 28, 2018

The United Methodist Church of Lake Ronkonkoma

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

These names are offered each month as 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, call the church office at (631) 588-5856 and we will gladly add your name.



- 1 Kyle Pearl
- 6 Christopher Otto
- 7 Lori Siebert
- 11 Matthew Brady
- 12 Madeleine Otto
- 13 Andrew Sinclair
- 14 Max Carroll
- 17 Chip Almonaitis
- 19 Mike McElhone
- 22 Paul Smith
- 24 Bruce Smith
- 29 Patrick Napolitano



Bible Wordsearch

Wordsearch 265

Matt. 14:1-15

P	R	N	E	S	I	R	I	J	R	N	T	S	E	D
O	R	D	E	R	E	D	P	O	E	O	S	B	W	N
W	B	U	P	T	O	L	G	H	Q	S	I	U	A	U
E	M	O	T	H	E	R	O	N	U	I	T	R	N	O
R	D	A	D	A	U	G	H	T	E	R	P	I	T	B
S	L	J	S	Y	O	U	P	S	S	P	A	E	E	Y
P	H	E	R	O	D	B	D	R	T	U	B	D	D	A
D	D	E	I	R	R	A	C	E	O	S	S	H	R	D
R	R	G	D	A	N	C	E	D	D	P	E	E	E	H
S	E	L	P	I	C	S	I	D	E	A	H	U	J	T
C	N	M	T	H	A	E	T	L	L	T	E	E	G	R
R	N	K	O	Y	H	O	P	E	O	C	N	H	T	I
O	I	E	I	T	W	O	D	R	A	A	R	A	E	B
W	D	N	A	N	E	T	B	L	K	R	O	W	R	B
D	G	O	S	P	G	H	P	L	U	F	W	A	L	G

Death of John the Baptist

BOAT	BAPTIST
BODY	BEHEADED
BOUND	BIRTHDAY
BURIED	BROTHER
CROWD	CARRIED
DANCED	DAUGHTER
DINNER	DISCIPLES
GUESTS	GRANTED
HEALED	LAWFUL
HEROD	MOTHER
JESUS	ORDERED
JOHN	PLATTER
KING	PLEASED
OATH	POWERS
PEOPLE	PROPHET
PLACE	REMOTE
PRISON	REQUEST
RISEN	SAYING
TOWNS	WANTED
	WORK

After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right

TWO ADULT SPIRITUAL STUDY OPPORTUNITIES FOR FALL 2018

I am trying to see if there is interest in a daytime spiritual study on Tuesdays from either 10 A.M.-12 P.M. or 1-3 P.M. beginning at the end of September and running through Advent. There is a book called *Ten Evenings with God* by Ilia Delio that I plan to use. Each week you will read a chapter and there are discussion questions at the end that we will talk about in the group.

I would also be willing to come in early on Wednesday evenings to facilitate discussions with parents who bring their children to the Wednesday programs and choirs. We could discuss the weekly scripture from the lectionary and/or everyday questions, topics and concerns about our spiritual journey together. It would just be very informal and you could attend as you are able.

I will have a sign-up sheet coming soon, but I'd like to know if there is interest in these programs. You could call the church office at 631-588-5856 or e-mail me personally at sjjanana@gmail.com

Blessings,

Marilyn Becht - Certified Spiritual Director and Lay Speaker

Thank you again, church family, for assisting the Pyne Family during this difficult time.

Charlie Pyne's address is:

South Point Plaza Nursing Home

1 Long Beach Road

Island Park, NY 11588

516-432-0300 or cell# 516-255-7045

Lisa Pyne - cell# 631-388-9843

Please mark your calendars!
Our Charge Conference will be held on
Saturday, November 17th at 10:00 AM.
Venue to be determined.



ALL YOUTH INVITED

6th Grade - 12th Grade
Wednesdays - 6:15pm - 7:30pm
Baker Hall

First meeting of 2018/2019 is
September 12, 2018

Games and Ice Cream Sundaes

Coordinator: Wendy Duffy: 631-445-9942
wduffy6444@aol.com

PARENTS and YOUTH
join the
UMYF-Lake Ronkonkoma
Remind app





GET UMYF MESSAGES AND REMINDERS ON YOUR PHONE!

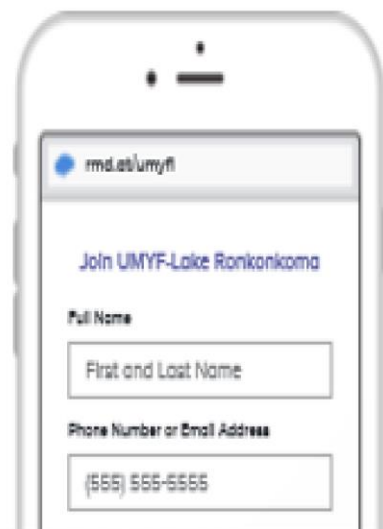
Pick a way to receive messages for UMYF-Lake Ronkonkoma:

- A** If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

rmd.at/umyfl

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



- B** If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message @umyfl to the number 81010.

If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting @umyfl to (614) 428-0907.

* Standard text message rates apply.



Don't have a mobile phone? Go to rmd.at/umyfl on a desktop computer to sign up for email notifications.

Sunday School

PICNIC

POTLUCK

HAND IN REGISTRATION PAPERS!

Bring a dish. BBQ food provided.

SUNDAY, SEPT 9th, 2018

UMCLR- 792 Hawkins Avenue- Lake Grove, NY-11755

1-(631)-588-5856

www.umclr.com

Postcard
Copyright © Church Picnic 2016 JA. All Rights Reserved.



Program registration for
the 2018/2019 school year has begun.
Don't forget to sign up!

United Methodist Church of Lake Ronkonkoma Registration Form – 2018/2019

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ M / F

School: _____ Entering grade level: _____ Birth date: _____

Program registering for: Sunday School (Pre-k - 12th): Y / N Chapel Choir (K - 5th): Y / N
UMYF (6th - 12th): Y / N Confirmation (8th & 9th): Y / N T-Shirt Size: _____

Student Contact Information:

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Text okay: Y / N

Family Contact Information:

Mother's Name: _____

Address: *(if different from student)* _____

Cell Phone: _____ Text okay: Y / N

Email Address: _____ Email okay? Y / N

Home Phone: *(if different from student)* _____

Father's Name: _____

Address: *(if different from student)* _____

Cell Phone: _____ Text okay: Y / N

Email Address: _____ Email okay? Y / N

Home Phone: *(if different from student)* _____

Other Emergency Contact: _____ Relationship: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Text okay: Y / N

*If anyone will be picking up your child besides you please list as "Other Emergency Contact"

Does your child have any **medical condition(s), allergies, medications, etc.**, that we should be aware of? Y / N

If yes, please list:

Doctor: _____ Doctor's Phone Number: _____

The undersigned gives permission to his or her child to participate in the above named programs and releases United Methodist Church of Lake Ronkonkoma (UMCLR), its officers, employees, and agents from any liability whatsoever for any injury or death to person or loss or damage to property sustained by the undersigned for any member of his family, in attendance, and the undersigned agrees to defend and indemnify United Methodist Church of Lake Ronkonkoma (UMCLR), its officers, employees, and agents from any liability or loss they might sustain by reason thereof. In the event I cannot be reached in an EMERGENCY, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the director of children's ministry to hospitalize, secure proper treatment for, and order injection, anesthesia, or surgery for my child as named above.

By signing this registration form you agree that any photographs and/or videos taken of your child at or during this/these event(s) are the property of United Methodist Church of Lake Ronkonkoma (UMCLR) and may be used in future publications, website and social media as deemed appropriate.

Signed: _____ Date: _____



To All Church Ladies,

WOW! The summer flew right by! Hope you all enjoyed your summer and stayed busy doing your favorite activities. As most of you know, I'm working on my Ph.D., so I spent my summer in the books and conducting research. I love conducting research, so I had fun! I started swimming again at the YMCA and attended the Victorian Tea for the Lake Ronkonkoma Historical Society. This is an annual tradition for myself and my sister-in-law, Genève.

Meeting Updates

In July, the UMW worked on an activity called the "Graffiti Wall". Our theme was, "What Does Faith Mean To Me?" Everyone enjoyed it! Our artwork is displayed along the top of the windows in Hertlin Hall.

In August, we had a super fun time! Miriam Rodriguez and Dorothy Schiavone led our activity to focus on high school memories. Everyone enjoyed sharing their favorite or not-so-favorite memories. We learned lots about each other.

All summer we have been reading the book Land of Silence by Tessa Afshar. So, for our September 10th meeting, we will be having a book discussion led by Lisa Larsen Hill. All are welcome, regardless of whether you read the book or not.

Socratic Wisdom and the Lesson to Be Learned

Keep this in mind the next time you either hear or are about to repeat a rumor!

In ancient Greece (469-399 BC), Socrates was well known for his wisdom. One day the great philosopher came upon an acquaintance who said excitedly, "Socrates, do you know what I just heard about one of your students?"

"Wait a moment," Socrates replied. "Before telling me anything I'd like you to pass a little test. It's called the "Triple Filter Test".

"Triple filter?"

"That's right," Socrates continued. "Before you talk to me about my student, it might be a good idea to take a moment and filter what you're going to say. The first filter is Truth. Have you made absolutely sure that what you are about to tell me is true?"

"No", the man said. "Actually, I just heard about it and"

"All right," said Socrates. "So you don't really know if it's true or not. Now let's try the second filter. The filter of Goodness. Is what you are about to tell me about my student something good?"

"No, on the contrary....."

"So," Socrates continued. "You want to tell me something bad about him, but you're not certain it's true. You may still pass the test though, because there's one filter left: the filter of Usefulness. Is what you want to tell me about my student going to be useful to me?"

"No, not really."

"Well," concluded Socrates. "If what you want to tell me is neither true nor good nor even useful, why tell it to me at all?"

This is the reason Socrates was a great philosopher and held in such high esteem.

Yours in Christ,
Ilona Torraca
UMW President



***Jim Pennise was welcomed
as a new member on
Sunday, August 12.***

October 6th **Delivery** - Join the unloading team!
October 20th - Trunk or Treat Fall Festival
October 26th - Pot Luck Dinner and a movie

Pumpkins are coming!

New Email:
PumpkinPatch
@UMCLR.com



- ❖ Sign up sheet is in Hertlin Hall
- ❖ **COMMITTEE CHALLENGE:** Are you on a Committee?
Take a slot and make it your own.
If you do, please let a member of the Posse know
- ❖ Questions? Comments? See a Posse member or send us an email!



Save the date!

**The Long Island reSound Bell Choir
will be performing on
Sunday, September 16 at 1:00 p.m.
in our Sanctuary.**

District Early Response Team Trailer is Parked at Lake Ronkonkoma Church



With authorization of the trustees, the district ERT trailer will be parked at the Lake Ronkonkoma UMC for the next few months. This trailer played a significant role in the collective response of the Methodist Church in helping the survivors of Sandy to rebuild their homes. Hundreds and hundreds of volunteers utilized the tools and equipment stored in this trailer in the rebuild process. Many of those volunteers came from across the USA to perform these volunteer tasks.

Take a tour of the trailer and learn more

If you would like to learn more about how you can participate in helping people rebuild their lives here on Long Island, in Puerto Rico, Texas or Florida and also in many other areas of the world, please contact Warren Ferry at 631-875-5204 warrenferry@verizon.net or Tom Vencuss the NYAC Disaster Coordinator, NYAC Mission Ministries 860-324-1424, tvencuss@nyac.com

Greetings from your Church Historian!

I am currently looking for old photos of our church, members, organizations and special events. If you have any items you would like to share, please contact Cathy at (631) 588-5856 or email them to umclr@verizon.net.



I am also looking for photos and/or names of church or family members who have served in our country's military services. This information will be kept in our church archives and used in a poster to be issued by 11/11/18. All photos and information will be scanned and returned to sender.

Any historical info regarding our church would be greatly appreciated.

Walter Schroeder



*Memorial gifts have been given in memory of
Ron Drisgula from Susan Sprague and the
Judy Marek Family.*

*A memorial gift has been given in memory of
Leo Coniglio from the Judy Marek Family.*

Nominating/Leadership Committee

The committee received the resignation of Richard Wahl as Council Chairman on July 1. We appreciate his time of service and the fact that he volunteered to fill the vacancy last year. Dennis Subbiondo, former Chair, has agreed to complete this year.

We need persons in leadership roles and as committee members. This committee (Nom/Leadership) is in need of two members starting January 2019. We meet Mondays at 2:30 about six times a year. Please speak to the pastor and volunteer for the committee that best suits your gifts. Training is available on the local and district level.

Diane Hatton has been serving as the interim Treasurer since Ron Drisgula's illness and passing. Her dedication and expert knowledge is immeasurable. She prefers the assistant position, as she held with Ron, and one she will return to as Wendy Duffy has agreed to take on the position of Treasurer. Help is needed here as Wendy has also taken on the position of Youth Coordinator. Please speak to the pastor about how your gifts could be used to share the responsibilities.

Next month we will be starting a "Wish List" for the needs of the church and Nursery School (i.e. toilet for the children and a railing on the back door to the driveway). We're hoping you will be drawn to a specific need and cover the whole or portion of the expense. Thank you in advance!

Ongoing Mission:

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

Support Groups:

Narcotics Anonymous
 Mondays at 7:00 pm in
 Fellowship Hall

Alcoholics Anonymous
 Tuesdays at 6:30pm
 and 8:30 pm, and
 Fridays at 8:00 pm 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 the month at 7:00 pm in the Library

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



September 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Thrift Shop 10 – 2
2 Sunday School Teachers Mtg. 11:15 Education Committee Mtg. 11:45	3 Labor Day Church Office Closed Thrift Shop Closed NA 7	4 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 Soup Kitchen 4:45 AA 6:30 & 8:30 Board of Trustees 7 SPPRC 7:30 Emmaus Board 7:30	5 Morning Prayer 7 AM Craft Group 12	6 Soup Kitchen 4:45 Disp. Bible Study Book Distribution 7:30 Rabbit Assoc. 8	7 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 AA 8	8 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 Auction: viewing - 11 bidding - 12
9 Baptism Sunday Sunday School Picnic after service	10 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 NA 7 UMW 7	11 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 Soup Kitchen 4:45 AA 6:30 & 8:30 Church Council 7:30	12 Morning Prayer 7 AM Craft Group 12 UMYF 6:15 Chapel Choir 6:30 Confirmation Orientation 7:30 Chancel Choir 7:30	13 Memorial Committee 11 Soup Kitchen 4:45 Disp. Bible Study 7:30	14 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 AA 8	15 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 Good Samaritan Ministries – Hertlin Hall 10 – 2
16 UMM 8:00 Stewardship Sunday Nurture after service Potluck Brunch before the concert LI reSound Bell Choir 1:00	17 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 Nominations 2:30 NA 7 Nursery School Committee 7:30	18 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 Soup Kitchen 4:45 AA 6:30 & 8:30 Finance 7:30	19 Morning Prayer 7 AM Loaves & Fishes Soup Kitchen 9:30 AM Craft Group 12	20 Soup Kitchen 4:45 Girl Scouts 6 Disp. Bible Study 7:30	21 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 Game Night 7 AA 8	22 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 Women's Emmaus Baker Hall 8:30 – 3:30
23 Stewardship Sunday	24 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 NA 7	25 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 Soup Kitchen 4:45 AA 6:30 & 8:30	26 Morning Prayer 7 AM Craft Group 12 UMYF 6:15 Chapel Choir 6:30 Confirmation 7:30 Chancel Choir 7:30	27 Soup Kitchen 4:45 Girl Scouts 6 Disp. Bible Study 7:30	28 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 COPE 7 AA 8	29 Thrift Shop 10 – 2
30 Stewardship Sunday Evangelism & Missions Soup Sunday						

GOOD NEWS

Church Office	(631) 588-5856
Church FAX	(631) 588-0753
Nursery School	(631) 467-9601
Martha's Place Thrift Shop	(631) 981-9749
Parsonage	(631) 585-4968
Church Email	umclr@verizon.net
Church Website	umclr.com
Resident Bishop	Rev. Thomas Bickerton
District Superintendent	Rev. Julia Yeon-Hee Yim
Pastor	Rev. Dr. Constance Y. Pak
CHURCH STAFF:	
Administrative Assistant	Cathy Mitchell
Nursery School Director	Filomena Thomas
Chancel Choir Director	Rex Enderlin
Organist	Heather Edwards-Wilson
Children's Choir Director	Heather Edwards-Wilson
Church Council	Dennis Subbiondo
Staff Parish Pastor Relations	Bill Otto
Lay Leader	Marilyn Becht
	Angelique Sinclair
Lay Member to Conference	Diane Hatton

Board of Trustees	Keith Bowes Beth Ann Graf Sharon Millard Janet Baumann
Endowment	Rich Tom
Memorials	Holly Ghosio
Finance	Angelique Sinclair
Financial Secretaries	Warren Ferry Heather DeSanto
Stewardship	Heather DeSanto
Worship	Allyssa Schoenemann
Lay Servant Coordinator	Tammy Edwards-Wilson
Education	Wendy Duffy
Sunday School Superintendent	Debra Schild
Youth Coordinator	Marilee Drisgula
Evangelism & Missions	Diane Hatton
Martha's Place Thrift Shop	Soon Bowes
Soup Kitchen Representative	Keith Bowes
Nurture/Care Ministry	Dennis Subbiondo
UMM Representatives	Ilona Torraca
UMW Representatives	Leslie Ann Alessi
Church Historian	Walter Schroeder
Comm. & Tech.	Jon Ghosio
Disaster Prep. & Response	Warren Ferry
Good News Editor	Cathy Mitchell
Circulation	Leslie Ann Alessi

The United Methodist Church
of Lake Ronkonkoma
792 Hawkins Avenue
Lake Grove, NY 11755