

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Greetings in the Name of our Risen Savior,

The Lenten season is upon us - Ash Wednesday is March 1st. There will be a service at 7:00 p.m. in our sanctuary; and, as in years past, I will also be at GLY in Glen Cove for anyone who wishes to talk or receive ashes (or both).

With the beginning of the season of Lent, we will also be starting our annual Lenten study. I encourage you to join us – the Lenten study has been well-received and well-attended in years past. The format is the same – a study booklet, a short video to watch together, and then discussion of pertinent questions raised both by the book and our own questioning minds. The book this year is Adam Hamilton's John – The Gospel of Light and Life. (There are still some books available; see Pastor Kirt for yours.) We will gather following a short stop at fellowship hall for refreshments.

The time of Lent is a special time, as we begin our journey towards Easter – and the joy of the Resurrection. I would encourage you to remember that the beauty of Easter is foreshadowed by a time of travail – this is life, and it is worth remembering that our life is not composed of all mountaintop experiences – indeed it is when we journey through the valleys that we are called upon to grow – that we find that on our own we can accomplish little. But, brothers and sisters, when we link ourselves with our Creator, there is joy and strength in abundance. He can, and He will provide.

In His name,

In His service,

Pastor Kirt

..... Coming in April

April 9th – Palm Sunday

April 13th – Maundy Thursday Service & Soup Supper, 6:30 p.m.

April 14th – Good Friday Service, 8:00 p.m.

April 15th – Easter Egg Hunt, 10:00 a.m.

April 16th – Easter

..... OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



- OCC Collection for April – Socks & T-Shirts

- Craft Night – March 21st – Sort Items

..... TO ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRS & MEMBERS

If you recently – within the last 5 years – added anything to the basement PLEASE visit the space and review the items. It is getting a little cluttered down there! Make sure all items and boxes you wish to save are clearly labeled with the Committee, Contents, and Date.

Any items on the floor need to be secured/positioned so they are not hampering the walkways. The right side of the basement (as you enter) needs to be kept clear for access to the fire alarms and lighting timers.

Discard that which is no longer needed. If you need assistance to carry up the stairs to discard, Speak Up.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Beth Johns and Stacy Doering

Church Council

..... MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Shaila Neveroski	1
Patti DiStefano	16
Jenny Weiss	18
Kira Watkins	21



..... PRAYER LIST

... For Healing, Comfort, Strength of Mind & Spirit

Claudia Delgrosso
Ginna Pedulla
Susan Kotta
Marylee Smyth

Debi Santiago
Joy Sullivan
Jimmy Volz

... For those Homebound & in Health-Care Facilities

Joan Clarke
Connie Fisher
Mildred Heyman

Lee Janelli
Laura Valente

..... FINANCIAL UPDATE

Current Expense Needed to Date: \$32,248.00
 Current Expense Received to Date: \$42,908.20
 2016 Apportionments Paid: \$12,824.73
 2016 Apportionments Owed: \$ 5,840.64
 2017 Apportionments Paid: \$ 0.00
 2017 Apportionments Owed: \$21,659.00

Thank you.

Patti DiStefano, Church Treasurer

*** Please consider increasing your giving to eliminate our enormous deficit.***

..... THE LIGHT SIDE

It Was Mom

A mother and son were washing dishes while the father and daughter were watching TV in the family room.

Suddenly, there was a crash of breaking dishes, then complete silence.

The girl looked at her dad and said, "It was Mom."

"How do you know?"

"She didn't say anything."

Christmas Present

One day Dan asks Bob, "So Bob, what did you get for Christmas?"

Then Bob says to Dan, "Oh see that brand new red Ferrari outside?"

Dan says, "OOOOH WOW!!!"

Bob says, "Ya, I got the same exact color tie!"

March 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
			→10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Thrift Shop →7:00 p.m.-AA →7:00 p.m.-Ash Wednesday Service	→7:30 p.m., Choir		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
→10:00 a.m. Worship & Sunday School <i>Child Care Provided</i> →Lenten Study, 11:30 a.m. →4:00 -8:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall in Use	→9:30 a.m.- Golden Ring →7:00 p.m.-AA		→10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Thrift Shop →7:00 p.m.-AA →7:00 p.m.-Praise & Worship	→6:30 p.m. Boy Scout Crew Meeting →7:30 p.m., Choir		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
→10:00 a.m. Worship & Sunday School <i>Child Care Provided</i> →Lenten Study, 11:30 a.m.	→9:30 a.m.- Golden Ring →1:00 p.m.- UMW Day Apart →7:00 p.m.-AA	→Church Council mtg., 7:00 p.m.	→10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Thrift Shop →7:00 p.m.-AA →7:00 p.m.-Praise & Worship	→7:30 p.m., Choir		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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26	27	28	29	30	31	
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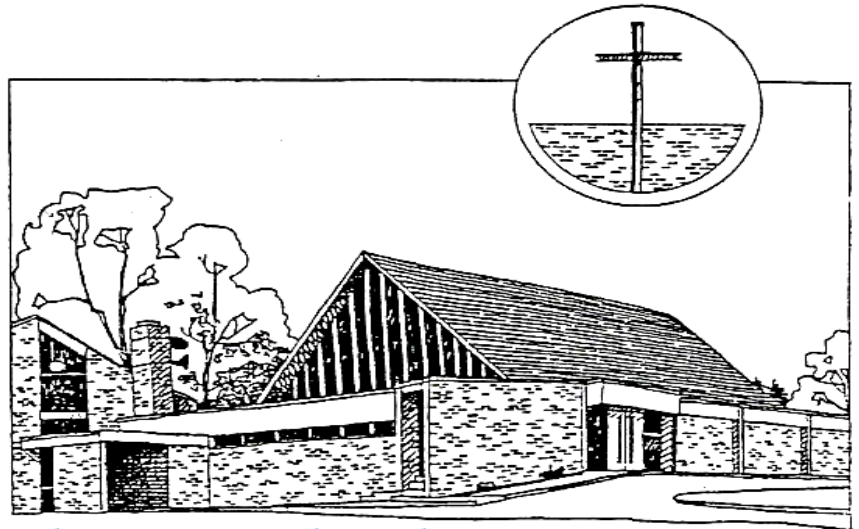
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About Our Church...

The Mission of the United Methodist Church of Sea Cliff is to carry out God's purposes as defined for us by the life of Jesus Christ. As His disciples we seek to reach out to our own community and the world to support God's work and to invite, without exclusion, all people to a life of love and service in Jesus' name. We pray that your time with us will be joyful celebration of life and faith.

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