

# in Faith

February  
2018

A community of the United Methodist Church

## Calendar

February 14th- Ash  
Wednesday

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### Letter from Pastor Lee: The Two Services on Christmas Eve

This past year, Christmas Eve was Sunday. This meant that we had the FUMC service in the morning, the KMUMC service in the afternoon, and a Christmas Eve service in the evening. Hence, we decided to have a joint service

between the FUMC and the KMUMC communions in the morning. The KMUMC community miss many people during the winter, as people usually visit Korea during the season. So, it was particularly nice to have a joint service. With the two community filling each other's gaps, the service felt a lot less empty.

That day, we had familiar visitors whom we had not seen in a while. My daughter, Sophia, came back to Rochester after a successful semester. Hwangho and Eunkyung were also there. Chanbin's parents and the younger brother Chanseung came to the service as well; Chanseung will start studying in the States, in Brighton High School. Apparently, Chanseung is better than his brother in soccer and has become interested in basketball recently. It feels great to have another member to enjoy sports together regularly. Jason's younger sister attended the service too; it was weird but, at the same time, very sweet to see Jason (who is usually more of a sarcastic/cynical type) be so nice and warm to his younger sister. Last but not least, Yeokyun's mom and her second-oldest sister joined us as well. Sure, many were missing due to winter break, but it was also heart-warming to see people visit Rochester to see their family members here.

The morning service began with Kathleen (who really loves FUMC) welcoming both communions to the service and sharing thoughts for prayers. Next, we had a performance by the cute KMUMC Sunday-school kids. Just 5 or 6 years ago, the Sunday school only had 3 children: Joy, Seongho, and Bomin. Now, thankfully, we have grown by a factor of five. While John was hiding in the corner, his twin brother Moses was dancing enthusiastically. Other children were also dancing, following the teacher Seohee's lead. The sermon for the Christmas Eve Service was titled "Gaze on the Feet." The main message was to remind ourselves of Jesus who cleansed our sins that couldn't have been cleansed otherwise, rejoice thanks to His cleaning us, and forgive our neighbors the same way Jesus forgave all of us. After the benediction, we all shared delicious food prepared by "the Patient" cell group. That concluded the joint morning service.

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### Pastor Lee Cont.

FUMC, traditionally, used to hold candlelight services on Christmas Eves. Naturally, KMUMC held the Christmas services in the morning. However, since I started preaching for both the communions, KMUMC decided to join the Christmas Eve candlelight services with FUMC. The evening service started under the lead of David McNitt. We began the service by first lighting up the four Advent Candles and then the fifth "Christ Candle".

Jason, who served as one of the worship team leaders for the past year, led the worship that evening, along with the remaining student worship team crew as well as the members of Kairos, the 'adult' worship team. There is always something delightful about seeing two different groups collaborate and harmonize well; after all, "becoming one" is what God wants from all of us. The title for the evening service sermon was also "To Be One in Christ." It is so good to see the two communions come together and the student and the adult worship teams collaborate. I am sure that all this harmony looks beautiful to God as well.

As we lit up the candles, the other lights in the chapel turned off. The candle light radiating throughout the room seemed like us Christians advancing in this dark world. We all started singing "Silent Night," very quietly. It wasn't like anyone had said "let's sing quietly," but we all sang quietly, but with a clear and firm voice. This was my favorite moment of the evening. Gathering in front of the Candles signifying Jesus and singing quietly and calmly, unlike the rest of the world that is always so busy and superficial, touched me.

이진국 목사 Rev. Jinkook Lee

### CHRISTMAS CONCERT





## **Ash Wednesday/Valentine's Day on February 14th- 7PM Service**

Lent and Easter are early this year, with Ash Wednesday on Valentine's day and Easter on April fool's day. My initial reaction was "how inconvenient"- not really a very good attitude! Then I thought about it more. St. Valentine supported love, even where society frowned on it. He believe God called him into this world to bring more love into it. So Jesus went against society norms and risked everything to bring more love to us. What better addition to Valentine's day than to recommit to spend Lent with a focus on God's love shown to us through Jesus? And then what better April Fool's day "joke" than the resurrection. Wait give me a minute-the resurrection is not a joke! but it was an unexpected (by us) flip of what was expected. Humans had done their worst hurt and killed when God had come to us. God could have turned his back, or left us in our sin, but he gets the last laugh and joy breaks forth Easter morning. God's love triumph easily over the worst of our hate, making us glad to be an April's Fool. Start Lent with us at 7PM for a short touching service with the application of the ashes.

-Kathleen McGrath

## **Choir 8:30AM Sunday Practice- Join us!!!**

God loves it when you sing and the choir is one way we try and give God that Joy every Sunday. He knows our voices aren't perfect and we aren't all talented musicians, but he loves it when we sing together in his name and we in the choir feel his presence guiding our song. It is great fun. So join us some Sunday(s) at 8:30AM for practice and see if this is one way you too can make God smile.



## **Adult Sunday School Class**

11:30 AM After church and finish by 12:30PM)

We are going through the Gospel of Luke. Everyone has their own life experiences and together God reaches through the words of the bible and the Holy Spirit in our hearts to help us hear his words. We laugh and question and pray and every week come out feeling uplifted! We would love if you would join us anytime you can.

## **Marian Campbell 1917-2017**



I see her coming through the door  
As she has come so many times before.  
Come to be at worship on a Sunday morn  
As she must have done since she was born.

I see her coming through the door  
As she has come so many times before.  
With measured step, unhurried pace  
Anticipation on her face,  
Eager to be sitting in her familiar chair,  
Guided by one who saw her coming there.

I see her coming through the door  
As she has come so oft' before.  
She's come for Psalms and songs and prayer;  
It soothes her heart to worship here.  
To hear the word of God proclaimed,  
To hear the scripture well explained.

I see her coming through the door  
Where she has come so oft' before.  
Her witness is her presence here  
Among us and with us it gives us cheer.  
To meet her and greet her with little fuss,  
In our Circle of Faith she is one of us.

I'll see her no more coming through our door  
The trip she made so often before,  
The door which welcomes her now instead  
She has traveled long toward by the life she led.  
And He beckons her, come and take your rest,  
It was always Christ who loved her best.

David McNitt



## Rush-Henrietta Interfaith League News \$

### RHAFT

#### Rush-Henrietta Area Food Terminal

#### The Community's Emergency Food Cupboard since 1979!

THANK YOU, AGAIN, to all those who so

generously donate food and supplies to RHAFT.

**REMINDER: The RHAFT FOOD DONATION BOX** is in the coat area near the exit door. (There is a sign on it indicating such).



that sell new and gently used furniture, appliances, home accessories, building materials, and more to the public at a fraction of the retail price. By shopping, donating, or volunteering at Habitat ReStores, you help keep home improvement waste out of local landfills and help us build strength, stability, and self-reliance in Rochester and around the world.

If you have something you'd like to donate to the new ReStore, call 697-2012 to ask about drop-off times or schedule to have us pick it up!

### Partly due to Snowbirds.....

IT SOUNDS LIKE A BROKEN RECORD, BUT.....

### GREAT NEED FOR RHAFT AND FISH VOLUNTEERS AT THIS TIME

Telephone volunteers to receive calls for FISH and RHAFT are in great need at this time. One day at a time for volunteering is all that is required. FISH (Friends in Service Here)- Transport clients to and from medical appointments arranged one day a head of time.

RHAFT (Rush-Henrietta Area Food Terminal)-Packs grocery items from the RHAFT cupboard and delivers them to the requesting clients.

All volunteer work is scheduled at your convenience. If interested please call **The Answering Service— 453-2370.**

### REQUESTS FOR THE FOOD CUPBOARD FEBRUARY REQUESTS

First and Foremost... This month....	Evaporated milk and sugar
NO Baking Supplies	Dried fruits
NO Pumpkin	Canned vegetables
NO Cranberry	Apple sauce
Sauce	Personal Hygiene Items:
YES for:	Toilet paper
Spaghetti Sauce	Tooth paste
Tuna Fish	Tooth brushes
Canned meats	Deodorant
Pancake mix	Feminine hygiene products
Syrup	Shaving cream
Hot drinks: tea	Safety razors
coffee and cocoa	
Broth	

### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY RESTORE IN HENRIETTA

Flower City Habitat for Humanity is extremely excited to invite you to come to our second ReStore in Henrietta! The location is the former site of Country Max in the Town Centre Shopping Center, 2199 East Henrietta Rd. Habitat for Humanity ReStores are nonprofit home improvement stores and donation centers



**ReStore**

# Prayers Joys and Celebrations

## **FEBRUARY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

### **February 18th**

**Reader** - Scott Strong

**Ushers** - Dave McNitt,  
Cheryl Verry

### **February 25th**

**Reader** -Sue Frederick

**Ushers** -Neil Hornik, Patty  
Hornik

### **March 4th**

**Reader** - Sharon Hancock

**Ushers** - Scott Strong, Craig Livingston

### **March 11th**

**Reader** -Deb Deller

**Ushers** - Fred Altrieth, Julius Toenniessen

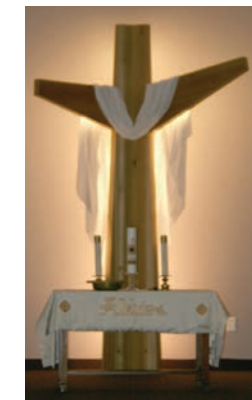
## **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

23--Amy McAlpine

24--Gail Love

27--Scott Strong

28--Donna McAlpine



## **FEBRUARY**

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

18--Kathleen McGrath & Paul Kingsley

26--Conni and Frank Morton

28--Sue & John Tice

### **MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

11--Pam Hughes

12--John Tice

22--Sarah Kingsley

26--Sharon Hancock

### **CARES AND CONCERNS**

Dave McNitt- continued recovery from hip surgery

June Harndon, Carol Day mom, as she adjusts to new living arrangements- and for Carol too!

Cheryl Verry for blood pressure and vision.

Pastor Lee's Parents who have both has health issues in January



Conni Morton's daughter Melinda continued treatments for removal and resolution of a brain tumor as well as for Conni and the rest of her family.

Sue and John Tice both at home with health issues Sharon H. and her family as they pray for her grandson to find his way to the path God wants for him.

Members that we miss as it is hard for them to make it each week- but they are in our thoughts June Carter, Rosalie McCaffery, Ray Ottman

Pam Stover

Seneca Towers - Apt. 1326

200 Seth Green Drive,

Rochester, NY 14621

Janet Winzenreid

Rochester Presbyterian Home

256 Thurston Rd

Rochester, NY 14619

Tom and Landa Parello cancer and elder care -from  
Patty H.

Rev. Bill Lansbury, home, multiple medical issues, from  
Patty H.

## **Help! We are surely missing something!**

I'm sure this page is not complete or accurate. If there is anyone that you want to be included in the Cares and Concerns portion of the Newsletter, or if you know that we missed someone for Birthdays and Anniversaries-Or if you have a Joy to share- please send a note to [news@faithumcny.org](mailto:news@faithumcny.org).

*"The fruit of silence is prayer  
the fruit of prayer is faith,  
the fruit of faith is love,  
the fruit of love is service,  
the fruit of service is peace."  
-Mother Teresa*

