

### Calendar

#### Special Sermons

-June 30th Dave McNitt

-July 7 and 14th Dan  
Finch

July 14th Church Picnic

Sept. 14th Garage Sale



#### Dear My Beloved Aunt,

To my beloved aunt, missionary Yoon Hyun Ju. I am currently at the airport in Buffalo, on my way to Los Angeles. It's snowing even though it's April. I heard last Tuesday that you passed away in the Philippines. I was preparing my sermon when I heard the sad news, and it felt like I was hit by a ton of bricks. You were getting chemotherapy treatments, and even recently you spent time with Joseph's family in the Philippines... I even saw pictures from the dedication ceremony and the special song...

I was sad that I couldn't attend your funeral service since it was being held on a Sunday. Thankfully I heard from John that the burial and the graveside service was scheduled for Tuesday, so I bought a ticket to LA that had me leaving from Buffalo immediately after the Sunday service. I was glad that I could at least make it. Palm Sunday service was a joint service between the Korean and Faith congregations and I let them know about your passing. After first relaying it in English, I was speaking in Korean when I was overcome with emotions. We always prayed for you and uncle during the women's QT meetings, and talked about you during the weekly young adult meetings while we made offerings to help orphans India's Kuntrakal. I think the members of my congregation held a special place in their hearts for you.

I regret not seeing you more frequently even though we were both living in the States. Do you remember when you visited Rochester in 2008? My daughter Joy was only two years then. She took an immediate liking to you but she cried every time uncle came close to her. After a while, he would walk back and forth in front of Joy and said "I'm not going near you, I'm just walking by!" which inevitably made Joy cry, after which you told him "don't do that to her – she doesn't like it." But I think his perseverance paid off – on your last day here she finally warmed up to him and held him close.

When you visited again in 2011, it seemed like Joy remembered you guys well from three years earlier. When we went to visit the Erie Canal, uncle gave her a piggyback ride and you cuddled with her. We sat in the rain and watched my son Chansoo play in a soccer game and had breakfast at Tim Horton's after dawn prayer service... I recall fondly uncle's first sermon – "Found treasure – the reason for his calling." I found out why you two became missionaries during that sermon. I remember vividly your singing the special song – your voice was beautiful and calm yet powerful... your coming to my church to worship was such a touching moment that gave me strength. I was so touched whenever you called and said "Dear Pastor Lee, I hope everything is well." Now your voice is forever etched into my memory. I saw you in LA three times. Once was during Joyce's wedding. The second time was in 2017 when I attended the UMC Korean conference. You were already getting chemotherapy treatments by then. You greeted me with Joseph and we had lunch together. Even though we didn't get to spend a lot of time together, it was a joyful occasion. **Cont. Inside.**

### Also Inside

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- Sun Young's son is one year old- but we think we know what he will be when he grows up-(pg 3)
- Goings on at church- (pg 3) Including new Garage sale
- Habitat house just finished and a new one's empty lot (pg 4)





### Letter from Pastor Lee Cont.

You always took care of me like a mom and encouraged me. You were so beautiful when you smiled, and it was so calming when you encouraged me with your smile. Now those smiles are stored in my memory as well.

And finally, last summer! I met you for the third and last time in LA when my wife and I were on a road trip together. For the past 25 years, I dedicated myself to serving God and leading the ministry, and I took this special trip for the next 25 years. We decided to drive across the country so that we can pick up Joy in San Diego, who went on a mission trip to Mexico. After driving for countless hours with my wife, seeing you and uncle in LA was a special moment. Even though you looked more frail than before, I realized that there was nothing like spending time with relatives that I love... Even though you weren't able to eat meat for health reasons, you declared "time for some meat" and took us to a BBQ place, and I know you did that so that you could treat me and my wife to a special meal. We caught up over wonderful conversations and melon icicles from the Korean supermarket next door and watched the sunset together.

Oh, do you recall telling me that you were planning on visiting Joyce in Manhattan in January 2019 and

you were going to stop by Rochester? You knew that pianist Cho Seong-Jin had a concert scheduled in Rochester and mentioned that you really wanted to attend and hear his playing, so I purchased tickets for you and uncle right then and there. But I was really sad that you were eventually too weak to make the trip out here from LA...

I wish that I could have consoled you better and let you know how much I loved you had I known that seeing you then was the last time that I would see you alive. You always called me twice a year to make sure that everything was okay, and when you were diagnosed with cancer, you called and asked me to pray for you... Missionary Helen Yoon! You were so brave. As a wife, as a daughter-in-law, mother to three children, and as a missionary and servant of God who loved the people of the Philippines and India. You served God so faithfully and now you are with him in Heaven. I am so happy that you were my aunt and proud to be a part of your family. I hope you are resting peacefully in heaven next to God where there are no more tears, no more pain, and no more worries. I am going to miss you so much. Missionary Yoon Hyun Ju! My "mom" in the States! My fellow servant! You loved Jesus with all your heart and you dedicated your life to spreading his message. My beloved aunt. Rest in Peace in Jesus our Lord! I love you! God bless you!

### Coping with hard times... Thoughts from the Sunday school



In adult Sunday school class, we look at the Bible to understand better what God wants for us and from us. We share our life experiences and perspectives with lots of learning, laughter and a few tears. As a personal example of this, I have really moved during our talks about practices of gratitude. After Sharon B. told us that at a very difficult time in her life she learned to look for one thing in each day that was a joy, I have been taking a quick picture of something beautiful on my walk into work this spring (left). This starts my day with a prayer of thanks. This is just one of many changes in my life from being part of this class.

We will be starting a new class later this summer- consider joining us!— Kathleen McGrath



### Proverbs 23: 7

**"For as he thinks in his heart, so is he."**

### AND WHAT DO WE THINK IN OUR HEARTS? WHAT IS THIS CHURCH IN IT'S HEART?

This is not meant to be a rhetorical question.

If you take seriously the challenge to think about and to answer this question, first to yourself and then to share with others, how will you go about searching for an answer. Will you look around and see what we are and what we have been and describe that? Will you look ahead and think on what we might hope for and what we might become and take a stab at that. Will you use a parable, some of Christ's words, some other scripture to help you express what you feel is or could be in the heart of our faith community?

Please give some thought to this and let us know what you think is at the heart of this church

Peace, David McNitt

A few answers already received:

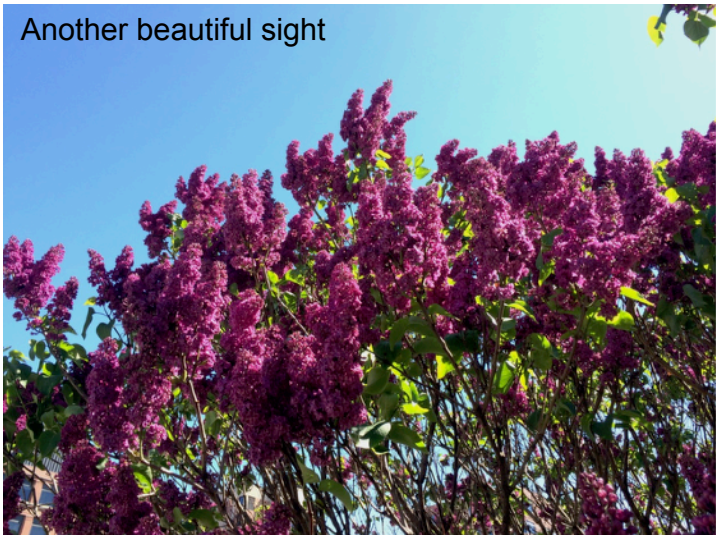
—Romans 12:3-8... "We have many parts in one body, but the parts don't all have the same function. In the same way, though there are many of us, we are one body in Christ, and individually we belong to each other."..

- Could the church, us, decide to rally try and touch the young millennials and/or those in need?

-We believe what we read in Proverbs and are faithful in our own hearts, but we qualify it by saying, "wWell what if..." or "Not sure if we can" That's what holds us back, FUMC. We are afraid - but we want a sure thing. We will not plow ahead on Faith without very careful assured consideration.

- We are the "Little Engine that Could" life Gideon's army. We know we are small, we don't see how we can be able to do the job. But we don't give up— we move forward with faith.

Another beautiful sight



### Future Choir Director?



Happy Birthday to our choir director's son! Sun Young and her family have been celebrating and connecting with family in Korea. Members of the choir, may look at this little boy and think there is a future choir director in the making! You can almost hear him saying "Sing with Confidence!!!!", like Sun Young always tells us.

### More Summer Fun to come

### July 14th Church Picnic After Service

**Red Wings Game in August!!** Let Kathleen know if you are interested



### September 14th Saturday.

Are you looking around the house and thinking "I wish I had sorted through this stuff in time for the church garage sale? No worries-following on the heels of our very successful spring Garage Sale, we will be having another one in early Fall. Be sure to save your stuff. We again will be accepting and storing items earlier before the sale. More information to follow, Slightly used items is requested including fall and Christmas

decorations

## 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)



**ADD A FEW OF THESE TO YOUR SHOPPING LIST AND BRING IN...**

Macaroni and Cheese  
Canned Meat/Fish Products  
Chicken, Ham, Spam, Turkey, Tuna, etc.  
Hamburger/Chicken/Tuna Helper  
Mixed Pasta: elbows, shells, spirals, penne, etc.  
Canned Fruits & Applesauce  
Mayo and the Condiments  
Milk: powdered & shelf-stable  
Small Cans of Food Items (single serve)  
Cereal: hot & cold  
Coffee: instant & ground (NO K-Cups)  
Paper Towels  
Bar Soap/Shampoo/Shaving Cream  
Pet Food: Dog, Cat, Bird, Small Animal, Cat Litter

### CROP Hunger Walk



Faith collected \$597+\$80 online=\$677. Way to go Faith UMC.

**Congratulations!**

### Don't Forget the HABITAT FOR HUMANITY RESTORE IN HENRIETTA

In the Town Centre Shopping Center, 2199 East Henrietta Rd. nonprofit home improvement store.

### Harvest Home Coalition Fundraiser

We have had the privilege of helping the Harvest Home Coalition to rebuild communities one home at a time. The Dough Raiser at UNO's had great turnout! There was a total of just over \$2000, so at 20% back there will be a donation of approximately \$401.00 towards the next house. See below for pictures of Mary Sutton's Home at 179 Whitney Street and the Holworthy lot that will hold the largest home yet in Roc Habitat for an extended family of 12.



*The smile says it all!*



**Watch this spot- God will grow a family's home here with our help**





# Prayers Joys and Celebrations

## JUNE WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

**6/16/19**

**Reader-** Patty Hornik

**Ushers-** Dave McNitt, Cheryl Verry

**6/23/19**

**Reader** Desiree Edwards

**Ushers-** Patty Hornik, Julius Toenniessen

**6/30/19**

**Reader** Scott Strong

**Ushers** Onolee Cooper, Suzanne Hovey

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

3— Jim Cavanaugh

5---June Carter

5---Suzanne Hovey

6---Fred Altrieth

10--Kay Ottman

11--Janet Winzenried

11--Rosalie McCaffery

18--Cindy Toenniessen

20--Debbie Strong

26— Allison Molton



**I'm sure I've missed people and have made Please let me know if there are corrections or concerns you would like added to next month's newsletter- email the church or tell Kathleen**



## CARES AND CONCERNS

The whole Ottman family, for Ray Ottman as he faces end of life issues, and for his family as they try to best handle the situation. Additionally Kay is home, but still recovering from a fall.

Deb Deller's Mother and her family as they deal with her health and living situation.

Mariam McHargue and Cheryl Verry are having some health problems and continue to need our prayer.

Patty Hornik and her sister and father as they deal with her father's health issues.

-John and Sue Tices, Rosalie McCaffery and June Carter who are not able to make it to church, but still in our hearts

Patty Hornik has requested prayers for David Baily, who has been diagnosed with melanoma. Please keep him and the family in your prayers.

Janet Winzenried has needed additional care and has moved to The Hurlbut, Room 64B, 1177 East Henrietta Road Rochester, NY 14623 274-9102

Other Members with regular health concerns that could use our prayers as well. If you want to send a note to let at them know we are thinking of them and need their address check with the office or email [news@faithumcny.org](mailto:news@faithumcny.org):

Another beautiful sight - From Patty- Halo caused by ice crystals



If you would like to join our group the "Prayer Chain" of dedicated prayers who receive these requests by email and maintain a solid base of prayer support for the people God puts in our lives, let Donna know or email the church.