LET'S CELEBRATE!

December Birthdays	December Anniversaries	
 10 Victoria Heldt Ian Choi 17 Annie Silva 28 James Schroll 30 Diane DiLeo 31 Jim Tresner 	If anyone has a wedding anniversary in December, please let us know so we can celebrate you. 🚫	
	Your Generosity at Work in th	ne Community & the World
	11/24 Worship Attendance: Adults: 59 Kids: 15	Offering's Received 11/18 – 11/24: \$3,197

Step into the Christmas Story this Advent Season!

This Advent, our worship services invite you on a journey to meet the people of the Christmas story through the vivid imagination of Ruth L. Boling's *"Season's Greetings."* Each Sunday, we will reflect on the powerful messages shared in four heartfelt letters that bring the season to life.

- December 1st 1st Sunday of Advent: A Letter from King Herod
- December 8th 2nd Sunday of Advent: A Letter from John the Baptist
- December 15th 3rd Sunday of Advent: A Letter from Mary
- December 22nd 4th Sunday of Advent: (Christmas Pageant Sunday)
- December 24th Christmas Eve: A Letter from Jesus

These letters explore the profound meanings of Christmas, inviting us to reflect on the birth of Jesus and its impact on our lives and the world. Don't miss this inspiring and thought-provoking journey through the Advent season!

Help Wanted

A church member is in need of transportation to Syosset for a medical appointment on Fri., 12/13 @ 2:30 p.m. The volunteer would need to be able-bodied. Our church member is also looking for someone to complete light handy-man tasks around his home. He is willing to pay for both these jobs. For more information, please contact the church office (516) 541-7008. Thank you!

IN CASE OF A PASTORAL EMERGENCY

Call Pastor Sue at: church office – 516 541-7008; cell phone – 617 999-7081 Pastor Sue Hyosuk Yun E-Mail – <u>pastorsue.yun@gmail.com</u> 1. Pastor Sue is available on a flexible appointment basis for individual pastoral counseling for Zoom and telephone spiritual care of individual members. Pastor Sue can also refer persons to other professionals as needed.

2. The congregation care network is available for Zoom and telephone spiritual care of individual members

TODAY December 1, 2024

**Recorded Worship available at 12 p.m. When joining us for the Recorded Online Worship, please use one of the following: CUMC Website Address: www.cumcmassapequa.org Facebook: https://bit.ly/FACEBOOKcumc YouTube: https://bit.ly/cumcmassapequa



THANKS to Annie Silva for acting as Liturgist, the Hesleitner Family for lighting our first Advent Candle, Barbara Dillon for being Communion Steward, Frank Waletitsch and Steve Mattson for Ushering and Tony Gittens for setting up Coffee Hour

THIS WEEK

The "Service Box/We Care Visitors" Dispatcher is Gina Binder (516) 429-2632 CHURCH OFFICE HOURS- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9a.m.- 2p.m. Bulletin materials are due Thursdays by 9am. Thank you! 10:00 a.m. - Bible Study - Weekly Advent Study Tues. Dec 3 Tues. Dec 3 7:30 p.m. - SPRC Zoom Meeting Wed. Dec 4 7:00 p.m. – Weekly Prayer Meeting (Virtual) 7:45 p.m. – Weekly Adult Choir Rehearsal Wed. Dec 4 Thurs Dec 5 9:30 a.m. - Coop. Parish Leaders Meeting Sun. Dec 8 10:00 a.m. – Family Worship Service & Sunday School *2nd Sunday of Advent *Christmas Caroling after Church LOOKING AHEAD Tues. Dec 10 Bible Study Christmas Luncheon Wed. Dec 11 7:00 p.m. – Weekly Prayer Meeting (Virtual) Wed. Dec 11 7:45 p.m. – Weekly Adult Choir Rehearsal Sat. Dec 14 12:00 p.m. -2:00 p.m. Cookie Walk *9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - Cookie Drop-off Sun. Dec 15 10:00 a.m. – Family Worship Service & Sunday School *3rd Sunday of Advent *Advent Craft Workshop & Pot Luck Sat. Dec 21 3:00 p.m. – Blue Christmas Service Sun. Dec 22 10:00 a.m. – Family Worship Service & Sunday School *4th Sunday of Advent *Christmas Pageant 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. – District Parsonage Open House Sun. Dec 22 Tues. Dec 24 5:00 p.m. - Christmas Eve Service

NEXT WEEK'S SERVICE SCHEDULE

Liturgist – Tony Gittens Coffee Hour – Anita Hernandez Usher – David & Jeana Heldt 11/18-12/8 Gina Binder (516) 429-2632

HEADS UP

Volunteers are needed for Liturgist and Coffee Hour. Please sign up in the Narthex.



One: This tree needs decoration.

All: What should we use for decoration?

One: Tinsel so it shimmers? All: No!

One: Lights so it glows?

Clothes pins for hanging in the Narthex All: SOCKS!

The Outreach Committee is collecting socks that will be used to decorate our sanctuary Christmas tree and then donated after the holidays to organizations in need. Please donate socks for the young and old, male and female and keep tootsies of all sizes warm this winter. Thank you!

All: No!

CASTING CALL!!

Our Christmas Pageant will be presented on Sunday 12/22 during Worship. We are looking for adults & children to participate. We need actors as well as helpers. Please see Kim Gill if you're interested. (516) 987-7658



Hark the Herald, CUMC Sings!!

Join us for Christmas Caroling next Sunday, 12/8. We will meet at The Bristal of Massapequa at 12 noon to spread joy to the residents there. Afterwards, we'll wassail to the homes of some of our beloved church members to sing the songs of the season for them. See you there!



LINDA – breast cancer; had a double mastectomy and started chemo (The Petracca Family) VIRGINA LORENZI & HER BROTHER DONALD for strength and healing blessings THE LUPO FAMILY – young family & the father has been battling cancer for some time (Amy Branch) TOMMY LYONS (Olga Hernandez' son) SUSAN & PATRICK MARTIN – speedy recovery and good spirits (Lori Benzoni) RANDY MASTRONARDI – lung cancer GARY MAY – Cancer (Jeff Smith) ROSALIND MCKELVEY – Virginia Lorenzi SALVATORE MONACO (Dominique Monaco-Vetter) DOMINIQUE MONACO-VETTER – struggling with life stressors LANDON & HAYDEN VETTER – affected by a shortage of their much needed medications RONNIE MURPHY – cancer (Linda Garbutt) SAMANTHA MURRAY – 4 yrs. old; diagnosed with Celiac Disease (Russ & Linda Garbutt) SUZANNE that her family members find employment (Annette Hesleitner) GREG ORLANDO – fighting childhood disease without cure (The Garbutt Family) THOMAS NAPOLI – brain tumor MATT PARRINELLO – cancer (Garbutt) **CAROL & ROY PETER** ARAGON PEREZ – doing well after tongue surgery; born w/ health issues (Olga's Grandson) JEFFREY RIDLEY – being tested for heart condition CHERIE RIDLEY'S FATHER – chronic kidney disease, please pray for healing, his family & healthcare team THE ROYAR FAMILY for the passing of Jeanne & Allison Royar JOHN SHARP –cancer treatment; scoutmaster of eagle scout doing project at CUMC (Kim Gill) ASHLEY SIMMONS – being tested for cancer (a relative of The Gills) JEFF SMITH- ongoing health concerns; participating in an experimental drug trial TIM – Suffering from depression & suicidal thoughts (Friend of Eric Cortright & Jeong-Hwa Park) ANTHONY VESSA - bladder cancer that has moved to liver & kidneys (Anita Hernandez's brother-in-law) MARTA VITTORIO – dealing with many health issues (The church's mailman, Joseph Vittorio's, wife) JEANNE VEHSTEDT – recovering from blood clots in her lung TOM VEHSTEDT – fell selling pumpkins and injured his leg & elbow

MARGARET VOLENCE GARY VOLENCE JR. – blood clots (Garbutt) GARY VOLENCE SR. (Linda Garbutt) DIANE WELLS – chemotherapy treatment CAROL WHYTE – recovering from a stroke REV. JULIA Y. YIM & HER MOTHER – Alzheimer's (Pastor Sue) **New Names added this week:** Have a Prayer Gram sent to someone who could use the comfort and smile that comes from learning they are thought of. Fill out a Prayer Gram card that can be found in the pews or Narthex and leave it in the offering plate or call/email the Church Office with the information.

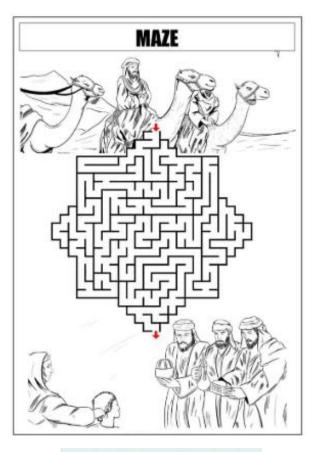
*Please alert the church office when a person can be removed from the list

If you have asked for prayers for someone who is now on our prayer list, please give us an update and let us know how that person is doing. We pray our prayers are working or have worked, and would love to hear about it. Thank you!

DANIEL ALONZO - recovering from liver transplant and addiction (Tony Gittens) ALEX – Parkinson's (Friends of Lisa & Tim Kunz) LEONA ASMUNDO – fighting cancer & had to stop treatment b/c she now has pneumonia (Lisa Kunz) EILEEN AMENTLER – having major health issues (Marianna Perez's cousin) ROBERT BREIDENBACH - having major health issues (Marianna Perez's cousin and son of Eileen Amentler) BEN - had an accident; recovering from ear & eye surgery (Annette Hesleitner) THE BAPTISTE FAMILY (Dominique Monaco-Vetter) JOHN BINDER – (Gina's grandson) TRACY BINDER – experiencing circulation issues causing lack of oxygen (Annette Hesleitner) THE PARENTS OF CYNTHIA BOHENEK – house fire; a long road lies ahead till they're back in their home ETHAN BURKE – 13yrs. old; diagnosed with lung cancer; had surgery (Russ & Linda Garbutt) AUGUSTO CABOTAGE (Andrea Perez' friend's father) CATHY – Cancer and other medical issues (Annette Hesleitner) DEBBIE CALLA – loss of husband SANDY CAPASSON (Linda & Russ Garbutt) TRICIA CARBONE- restarted Chemotherapy that will be six months' long CARLOS – Cancer; began hospice care; pray for his family & for his continued acceptance to his fate (Friends of Lisa & Tim Kunz) CHRISTINE CASTELLANO-rec'vd another ablation for neck & shoulder pain (Virginia Lorenzi) REV. TAEHYUP CHOI – responded well to treatment and is now in remission 🙂 (Pastor Sue's father-in-law) AIDAN CONWAY – cancerous tumors (Jake Garbutt) CHERYL COWAN – hospitalized for chest pain & elevated blood pressure CUMC YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS (Virginia Lorenzi) MELISSA DI IORIO NORIS – bone cancer (Mattson) EVERYONE IMPACTED BY HURRICANES HELENE & MILTON EILEEN & JOE – Lung Cancer & Leukemia (Debbie Holland) JEFF, NICOLE, JAKE & LUKE (Garbutt) ERICA FALCO – struggling with illness and the cost of medical care (Alexa Rabinowitz) JANET FAZIO – uterine cancer (Linda Garbutt) HELENE GASKA (Perez) THE BROTHER OF JAMES GRASSANO – complications from a kidney transplant DIMITRA GIATZIKIS – Having health issues (heart, hips and knees) (Virginia Lorenzi) WILLIAM & GABRIELLE HARTMAN & FAMILY (Suzy Hartman's children) for the loss of Suzy PAT HANSEN – recovering from surgery JOSEPH NAVARRA for the loss of his longtime partner, Suzy Hartman RICHARD HEATH – brain injury (Ora Heath's son) MANUEL HERNANDEZ (Olga's brother) ANNETTE HESLEITNER – struggling with illness; trying to recover her strength JANE JOHNSON – breast cancer/chemo (Sue Vulin's niece) LISA KUNZ & FAMILY for strength, guidance & peace after the loss of their beloved Tim PAT LARSON (Linda & Russ Garbutt) RON LARSON (Linda & Russ Garbutt) LESLIE LENZ CAROLYN LORENZI – having health issues; headed to graduate school 😊 GARY LENZ – treatment for Leukemia

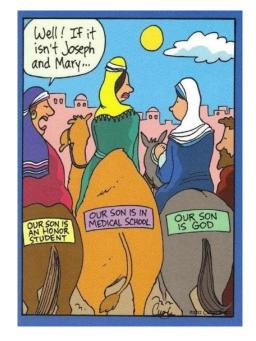


CUMC KIDS





THE SUNDAY CHUCKLE







Once again, CUMC will sponsor a family for the Christmas season through the Wyandanch Coalition. This year we will be supporting a local single mother and her three children: two sons and one daughter. Starting next Sunday, you will find The Giving Tree in the Narthex. It will be decorated with sets of gift tags. One tag indicates a gift requested by the family and the other tag is blank and should be attached to the wrapped gift to identify who it's for. Newly purchased wrapped gifts are due to CUMC by Sunday, 12/22. In addition to gifts, the family is also in need of household and food items. Tags indicating what they need will also be on the tree. A collection box will be available for these items and they do not need to be wrapped. ALSO – The **Outreach Committee is looking for a volunteer "Santa Claus"** (costume not necessary) to deliver the gifts & donations between 12/22 & Christmas Eve. Please contact Barbara Garofolo if you're interested (631) 842-1372 to coordinate delivery.

Thank you, one and all, for your support in this important ministry.

-The Outreach Committee Co-Chairs Barbara Garofolo & Peggy Racine