#### LET'S CELEBRATE!

#### January Birthdays

Debbie Holland
 Robert Racine

10 Chelsea Quinn

12 Carol Peter

16 Lisa Kunz

28 Daniel Lucas

## Your Generosity at Work in the Community & the World

**January Anniversaries** 

If anyone has a wedding anniversary in January,

please let us know so we can celebrate you.

 12/29 Worship Attendance:
 Offering's Received

 Adults: 26 Kids: 10
 12/23-12/29: \$1,873

#### A Prayer for New Orleans by Jeff Ridley

Heavenly Father, Lord Jesus Christ, and Holy Spirit,

We come before You in deep sorrow and anguish for the tragic loss of life on Bourbon Street. We lift up the victims, their families, and the entire New Orleans community who are suffering from this senseless act of violence.

Comfort those who mourn, heal the wounded, and bring Your peace that surpasses all understanding to those traumatized by this attack. Grant strength to first responders, medical personnel, and law enforcement who are working tirelessly in the aftermath of this tragedy.

Lord, we ask for Your divine protection over the city of New Orleans. Pour out Your mercy, compassion, and healing upon every heart broken by this devastating event. Bring hope where there is despair, unity where there is division, and light where darkness seems overwhelming.

We trust in Your sovereign love and pray for Your justice and healing to prevail.

In the powerful name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

#### **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>

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

#### TODAY January 5, 2025

\*\*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 Stacey Longenberger for acting as Liturgist, Frank Waletitsch and Steve Mattson for Ushering, and Anita Hernandez for setting up Coffee Hour.

#### THIS WEEK

The "Service Box/We Care Visitors" Dispatcher is Jeana Heldt (516) 520-8935

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS— Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9a.m.- 2p.m. Bulletin materials are due Thursdays by 9am. Thank you!

Wed. Jan. 8	7:00 p.m. – Prayer Team Meeting (Virtual)		
Wed. Jan. 8	7:45 p.m. – Adult Choir Practice		
Jan. 9 – Jan. 17	Pastor Sue away at conference and retreat		
Sat. Jan 11	Youth Group Hangout Time TBD		
Sun. Jan. 12	10:00 a.m. – Family Worship Service & Sunday School		
Sun. Jan. 12	7:30 p.m. – Cooperative Parish Council Meeting		

#### LOOKING AHEAD

Jan. 9 – Jan. 17	Pastor Sue away at conference and retreat	
Wed. Jan. 15	7:00 p.m. – Prayer Team Meeting (Virtual)	
Wed. Jan. 15	7:45 p.m. – Adult Choir Practice	
Thurs. Jan. 16	9:30 a.m. – District Leaders Meeting	
Sun. Jan. 19	10:00 a.m. – Family Worship Service & Sunday School	
	*Human Relations Sunday	

#### **NEXT WEEK'S SERVICE SCHEDULE**

Liturgist – VOLUNTEER NEEDED Coffee Hour – VOLUNTEER NEEDED Usher – David & Jeana Heldt 1/5-1/26 Peggy Racine (516) 799-4052

#### HEADS UP

Volunteers are needed for Liturgist and Coffee Hour. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Narthex.



# THE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS ARE COMING DOWN TODAY. PLEASE STICK AROUND TO HELP IF YOU CAN. THANK YOU!

Church Council Meeting Today after Worship



LESLIE LENZ GARY LENZ – fighting leukemia; having a bone marrow transplant CAROLYN LORENZI – having health issues; headed to graduate school 😳 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) 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) MATT PARRINELLO – cancer (Garbutt) PEOPLE STRUGGLING WITH MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES & THEIR CAREGIVERS, DOCTORS, & RESEARCHERS **CAROL & ROY PETER** JAZMIN PETRACCA – diagnosed with rare genetic neuro disorder with no cure (The Petracca Family) ARAGON PEREZ – doing well after tongue surgery; born w/ health issues (Olga's Grandson) CHELSEA & BILL QUINN who welcomed a healthy baby girl, Sophia Rose, on 12/11© CHERIE RIDLEY'S FATHER – chronic kidney disease, please pray for healing, his family & healthcare team SALVATORE SCIEMCA – suffering with bursitis (Dominique Monaco-Vetter) JOHN SHARP –cancer treatment; scoutmaster of eagle scout doing project at CUMC (Kim Gill) JEFF SMITH- ongoing health concerns; participating in an experimental drug trial THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF TIM LY for his loss to suicide (Friend of Eric Cortright & Jeong-Hwa Park) ANTHONY VESSA – peace & an end to suffering from cancer (Anita Hernandez's brother-in-law) MARTA VITTORIO – dealing with many health issues (The church's mailman, Joseph Vittorio's, wife) MARGARET VOLENCE GARY VOLENCE JR. – blood clots (Garbutt) GARY VOLENCE SR. (Linda Garbutt) CAROL WHYTE - recovering from a stroke YOUNG-YI – shingles (Pastor Sue's Mom) New Names added this week: JEFF RIDLEY – had heart procedure; pray for healing

MARIANNA PEREZ – had been hospitalized for 17 days and is now in rehab LOUIS COLONDONA – fluid is in his lungs; pray for health & healing (Kim Gill's Dad) 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.

\*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!

#### We offer to God Our Prayers and Concerns for:

DANIEL ALONZO - recovering from liver transplant and addiction (Tony Gittens) ALEX – Parkinson's (Friends of Lisa & Tim Kunz) THE FAMILY OF EILEEN AMENTLER after her passing on Nov. 22 LEONA ASMUNDO – fighting cancer & had to stop treatment b/c she now has pneumonia (Lisa Kunz) 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) 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) 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) AIDAN CONWAY – cancerous tumors (Jake Garbutt) CHERYL COWAN – strength in spirit & body CUMC YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS (Virginia Lorenzi) THE FAMILY OF GRACIA DESTRA for his tragic loss after a car accident (Cynthia Bohenek-Grassano) MELISSA DI IORIO NORIS – bone cancer (Mattson) 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) DIMITRA GIATZIKIS – Having health issues (heart, hips and knees) (Virginia Lorenzi) WILLIAM & GABRIELLE HARTMAN & FAMILY (Suzy Hartman's children) for the loss of Suzy MICHELLE GOTTLIEB has a rare cancer and currently receiving chemo (Kim Gill's friend) ISADORE GRASSANO – doing new treatment after his kidney transplant (Son of Gina Grassano) THE GRUENER FAMILY for the loss of Ann Gruener (Laura Lucas) 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 THE VICTIMS OF HURRICANE'S HELENE & MILTON JANE JOHNSON – breast cancer/chemo (Sue Vulin's niece) THE KASIN FAMILY & FRIENDS for the sudden tragic loss of Connor Kasin LISA KUNZ & FAMILY for strength, guidance & peace after the loss of their beloved Tim PAT LARSON (Linda & Russ Garbutt) RON LARSON (Linda & Russ Garbutt)

A Special Happy Birthday to New Year's Eve Baby, Jim Tresner, who turned 99 on New Year's Eve!!!

Happy Birthday, Jim!!!

Thank you for your wisdom, guidance, help, input, prayers, and everything you've done for CUMC over these many years.





### **BABY, IT'S COLD OUTSIDE**

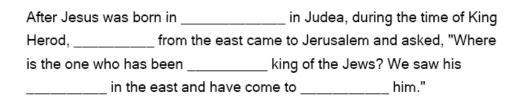
The Padavan Family is collecting gently-used coats for their annual Boy Scout Coat Drive. If you have coats to donate, please get in touch with Frank Padavan to arrange for pick-up. (516) 804-8083 or taz9590@verizon.net



## Wise Men Fill in the Blank

# The Visit of the Magi

Complete the paragraph by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the story.



After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it \_\_\_\_\_\_ over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother \_\_\_\_\_\_, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of \_\_\_\_\_\_ and of \_\_\_\_\_\_ and of \_\_\_\_\_\_. And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

#### Matthew 2: 1-2, 9-12 (NIV)

Bethlehem	gold	Magi	myrrh	stopped
born	incense	Mary	star	worship

## THE SUNDAY CHUCKLE

